



# The Anglican Parish of Glenelg

*a vibrant, welcoming and inclusive community  
growing in faith and love.*



## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> DECEMBER 2023 WORSHIP THEME: ADVENT HOPE

*If you are visiting today, please see the welcome section on the back of this pew sheet*

### Priest's Message

A new liturgical year begins with the season of Advent. In our three year cycle of bible readings we move to Year B (The Gospel of Mark). The readings for the next twelve months will predominantly be taken from the Gospel of Mark except where other Gospel references are needed to fill in the gaps.

Next year during Lent we will offer a daily reading program through the Gospel of Mark which promises to be a wonderful inspiration.

The season of Advent is more than just a preparation for Christmas. It is also about the anticipation of Christ's final coming. We see the shift through this season which begins with the anticipation of the coming of the Day of the Lord, to the later readings which are more focused on the coming of Christ at Christmas. As we enter Advent our regular communion response takes on deeper meaning –

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**



*O come, O come, and be our God-with-us  
O long-sought With-ness for a world without  
O secret seed, O hidden spring of light.  
Come to us Wisdom, come unspoken Name  
Come Root, and Key, and King, and holy Flame,  
O quickened little wick so tightly curled,  
Be folded with us into time and place,  
Unfold for us the mystery of grace  
And make a womb of all this wounded world.  
O heart of heaven beating in the earth,  
O tiny hope within our hopelessness  
Come to be born, to bear us to our birth,  
To touch a dying world with new-made hands  
And make these rags of time our swaddling bands.*

**An Advent Sonnet  
by Malcolm Guite**

*Advent  
begins*

# Worship Resources for Advent 1

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Heaven and earth will pass away,' says the Lord,  
'but my words will not pass away.'

Mark 13.31

## Advent 1

We light the candle of hope. We come... we listen...  
We listen for the voice of the one who gives us hope.  
Like the whisper of an angel's wings,  
let us hear the whispered voice of hope.

*The First Candle is lit*

We sing

***Advent, advent, a candle burns  
Advent, advent, a candle burns  
First one, then two, then three, then four  
Then stands the Christ-child at the door.***



*Let us pray*

**Gentle God, fill us now with your whispered hope.  
Let us hear your voice reminding us gently  
of the hope you have given us.  
In the busyness of the next few weeks,  
help us to remember the one who came to give us hope. Amen.**

Let us confess our sins in penitence and faith, confident in God's forgiveness

Heavenly Father, you have created a universe of light:  
forgive us when we return to darkness.  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you are the light of the world:  
cleanse and heal our blinded sight.  
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Holy Spirit, you give us light in our hearts:  
renew us in faith and love.  
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**



Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive us our sins, open our eyes to God's truth, strengthen us to do God's will and give us the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Prayer of the day**

Eternal God, through long generations you prepared a way for the coming of your Son, and by your Spirit you still bring light to illumine our paths: renew us in faith and hope that we may welcome Christ to rule our thoughts and claim our love; to whom be glory for ever. **Amen.**

### **First Reading**

**Isaiah 64:1-9**

#### **A reading from the book of Isaiah**

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,  
so that the mountains would quake at your presence—  
as when fire kindles brushwood  
and the fire causes water to boil—  
to make your name known to your adversaries,  
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!  
When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,  
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.  
From ages past no one has heard,  
no ear has perceived,  
no eye has seen any God besides you,  
who works for those who wait for him.  
You meet those who gladly do right,  
those who remember you in your ways.  
But you were angry, and we sinned;  
because you hid yourself we transgressed.  
We have all become like one who is unclean,  
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.  
We all fade like a leaf,  
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.  
There is no one who calls on your name,  
or attempts to take hold of you;  
for you have hidden your face from us,  
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.  
Yet, O Lord, you are our Father;

we are the clay, and you are our potter;  
we are all the work of your hand.  
Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord,  
and do not remember iniquity for ever.  
Now consider, we are all your people.  
Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



**Psalms 80.1-7, 17-19 A.P.B.A. page 307**

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, you that led Joseph like a flock:  
you that are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine out in glory;
- 2 Before Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasseh:  
stir up your power, and come to save us.
- 3 *Restore us again, O Lord of hosts:*  
*show us the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.*
- 4 O Lord God of hosts:  
how long will you be angry at your people's prayer?
- 5 You have fed them with the bread of tears:  
and given them tears to drink in good measure.
- 6 You have made us the victim of our neighbours:  
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
- 7 *Restore us again, O Lord of hosts:*  
*show us the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.*
- 17 Let your power rest on the man at your right hand:  
on that son of man whom you made so strong for yourself.
- 18 And so we shall not turn back from you:  
give us life, and we will call upon your name.
- 19 *Restore us again, O Lord of hosts:*  
*show us the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.*

**Second Reading**

**1 Corinthians 1:3-9**

**A reading from the first letter to the Corinthians**

My brothers and sisters: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless

on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hear the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

**Alleluia!**

### **Gospel**

**Mark 13:24-37**

✠ The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in clouds” with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

‘From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

‘But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.’

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

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**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent**

**Theme: Advent Peace**

Isaiah 40:1-11 Psalm 85:1-2,8-13 2 Peter 3:8-15a Mark 1:1-8

## PARISH CALENDAR



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| <b>Sun 3<sup>rd</sup></b>  | <b>7:45am Holy Communion at St Peter's</b><br><b>8:45am Holy Communion at St Martin's</b><br><b>10:00am Family Service at St Peter's</b><br><b>5:00pm Ukulele Carols</b> |
| <b>Mon 4<sup>th</sup></b>  | 9:30am Food Delivery from Holdfast Bay Rotary at St. Peter's   |
| <b>Tues 5<sup>th</sup></b> | 10:30am Interment - St. Peter's  |
| <b>Wed 6<sup>th</sup></b>  | 9:30am Year 2 SPW Visit to St Peter's<br>10:00am Playgroup in St. Peter's Community Centre   |
| <b>Thu 7<sup>th</sup></b>  | 10:00am Eucharist in St Michael's Chapel at St Peter's   |
| <b>Fri 8<sup>th</sup></b>  | 2:00pm Grief Group at St. Peter's Community Centre   |
| <b>Sun 10<sup>th</sup></b> | <b>7:45am Holy Communion at St Peter's</b><br><b>8:45am Holy Communion at St Martin's</b><br><b>10:00am Service at St Peter's</b>  |
| <b>Tue 12<sup>th</sup></b> | 5pm Finance Committee meeting  |
| <b>Wed 13<sup>th</sup></b> | 10:00am Playgroup Christmas Break-up – Community Centre  |
| <b>Thu 14<sup>th</sup></b> | 10:00am Eucharist in St Michael's Chapel at St Peter's   |
| <b>Sun 17<sup>rd</sup></b> | <b>7:45am Holy Communion at St Peter's</b><br><b>8:45am Holy Communion at St Martin's</b><br><b>10:00am Service at St Peter's</b>  |

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THEM AND FOR OUR PARISH

Prayer requests for Sunday intercessions can be given to the clergy or Parish Office. Confidential prayers can also be offered by the clergy and a small prayer group.



Kingsley Oakley, Rosalie and Phil Brown, Pat Donnelly, Melanie Lyons, Samuel, Di Besson, Peta, Pam Court, Cath, Shirley and Pam Forder

## GRIEF GROUP MEETS THIS FRIDAY

Final gathering for the year for any who would like support through the journey of grief. This Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm in the Community Centre.

## CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2023

**Advent 4** (morning of Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec.)

9:00am Simple Communion at St Peter's (no service at St Martin's)

**Christmas Eve (Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>)**

6:30pm Children and Families Nativity service at St Peter's

10:30pm Midnight Mass at St Peter's

**Christmas Day (Monday 25<sup>th</sup>)**

8:45am Christmas Communion at St Martin's

9:00am Christmas Communion at St Peter's



## PARISH NOTICES

### EMERGENCY FOOD CUPBOARD

Thank you for your continued support of this ministry. Currently **milk, tuna, biscuits, baked beans and coffee as well as any Christmas goodies.** would be appreciated along with all other regular items.

### DRY ZONE SURVEY

The City of Holdfast Bay is conducting a survey to ascertain views on extending the current dry zone to include the area from Augusta Street, Jetty Road and High Street up to Brighton Road. You can participate in this up to 5pm Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at [www.yourholdfast.com/glenelg-dry-area](http://www.yourholdfast.com/glenelg-dry-area) .

### HUGE THANK-YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH THE CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

A huge thank-you to all who volunteered, visited and promoted our Christmas Tree Festival. Special thanks to Blake and Jenny McInnes for their co-ordination, members of the planning committee, dedicated volunteers, Christmas display contributors, musicians and sponsors including the city of Holdfast Bay, Bakers Delight Kurralta Park and Good Slice Pizza. It's been a magnificent effort from everyone but one that is so much appreciated and anticipated by those beyond our parish. Thank-you.



### REV. BEN WILLIAMS VISITING – SUNDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

The Rev'd Ben Williams will visit our parish representing Anglicare next Sunday to share some information about the work of Anglicare. **Next Sunday is the last day for gifts to be placed under the Christmas Tree for Anglicare.**

### GALS CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Our end of year lunch is on **Tuesday 5th December**, 12noon at Glenelg Footy Club Bistro, Brighton Rd . Glenelg. Please RSVP to Joan 0404 391 533. This will be our last meeting for the year & we meet again on the 4th Tuesday in February.

### 16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM AGAINST GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

This international campaign runs from **25<sup>th</sup> November** (International Day for the elimination of violence against women) until **10<sup>th</sup> December** (International Human Rights Day). The Diocesan website has further information regarding the church's response to Domestic and Family Violence. <https://adelaideanglicans.com/contact-support/domestic-and-family-violence/> Please also be aware of MensLine Australia (1300 78 99 78) for men who have experienced or used violence in their relationships and 1800 RESPECT (1800 737 732) for anyone affected by domestic and family violence.

## WELCOME MESSAGE TO VISITORS TO ST PETER'S AND ST MARTIN'S

We aspire to be a *vibrant, welcoming and inclusive community growing in faith and love.*

By growing in discipleship and sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ; Building strong community connections within and beyond our church; Advocating and working together for Gospel-based justice; and Caring for creation and for each other.

**7:45am at St Peter's** you will be greeted with this news Sheet. A green prayerbook is found in the pews (p.119).

**8:45am at St Martin's** you will be greeted with a news sheet, prayerbook (p.119) and hymnbook to use.

**10am at St Peter's** you will be greeted with a news sheet and the service can be followed on the powerpoint screen.

Feel free to **sit anywhere** - there are no specially reserved seats.

**Toilets** are located, at St Peter's, along the passageway, under the projector screen. At St Martin's, they are in the annex adjacent the worship space.

**Please join in** with all aspects of worship as you feel comfortable. Be assured that visitors are **warmly welcome to receive communion** with us.

We love to meet new people so you are **very welcome to stay for a cuppa** after the service, but don't feel bad if you need to get away - there's always next time.

***We hope you find inspiration and blessing in your time spent here.***



## HOW TO DONATE TO OUR PARISH MINISTRY

**Regular Planned Giving** can be directed to Parish of Glenelg (AFSA) BSB 705-077 Account Number 00041211 (please use your surname and initial e.g. SMITHJ PGP).

**One off/occasional donations**, that are separate to regular PGP, can be made to Anglican Parish of Glenelg BSB 705-077 Account No.00000033

**Heritage Conservation Fund** (tax deductible): Ensure the donation is designated for *The Anglican Parish of St Peters Glenelg*. <https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/donate-sa>

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*The Anglican Parish of Glenelg acknowledges that we are meeting on the traditional country of the Kurna people of the Adelaide Plains. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kurna people living today.*

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