

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity 10th December, 2017 Second Sunday of Advent



7.30am - Sung Eucharist – Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Organist – Chris Sillince

<u>9.30am</u> - Holy Eucharist -Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Music – Trinity Band & Singers

<u>11.00am</u> – Holy Baptism

[All hymns are from Together in Song unless otherwise specified.]

Prayer and anointing for healing are available at each Eucharist. If you would like prayer and anointing, please move in front of the step, at the left side of the altar, after receiving communion and a priest will come and minister to you.

The flowers in the church today are in memory of

Beverley Allen



HOLY BAPTISM

This morning at 11am we welcome Ace Stanley and Jude Caspar into the Body of Christ through the Sacrament of Baptism. We pray God's blessings upon them and welcome their families and friends as they share in this celebration of God's gift of new life.

LIGHTING OF THE SECOND ADVENT CANDLE

PREPARE A WAY FOR THE LORD. Engulfed by many chores in the lead-up to Christmas, we can fail to hear a voice that cries in the wilderness: prepare a way for the Lord. Let us resolve to include some time to pray, to reflect on the Gospel stories of Jesus' birth, and to seek reconciliation with God and others, in our Christmas preparations.

Today we recall the *peace* Christ came to bring. The first candle reminded us of our *hope* in Christ. Today we light the candle of peace. The prophet Isaiah called Christ the 'Prince of Peace' and foretold that through him all nations would live in peace and justice. Jesus taught his followers to be peacemakers, and that those who make peace will be called the children of God. Christ brings peace into our lives and will bring everlasting peace when he comes to reign in glory.

Peace is like a light shining in a dark place. As we look at the light of this candle, we celebrate the peace we have in Jesus Christ.

The second candle is lit.

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, Light of the world, the prophets said you would bring peace and save your people from their sins. Give peace in our hearts as we await your coming. Help us in this season to discern your presence among us, to hear your word, and to share your peace with others. For your love's sake. Amen.

> A reading from the book of Isaiah Chapter 40: verses 1-11.

Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that she has served her term, that her penalty is paid, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins. A voice cries out: 'In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain. Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all people shall see it together, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.' A voice says, 'Cry out!' And I said, 'What shall I cry?' All people are grass, their constancy is like the flower of the field. The grass withers, the flower fades, when the breath of the LORD blows upon it; surely the people are grass. The grass withers, the flower fades; but the word of our God will stand for ever. Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good tidings;

lift up your voice with strength,

O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings,

lift it up, do not fear;
say to the cities of Judah,
'Here is your God!'
See, the Lord GOD comes with might,
and his arm rules for him;
his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.
He will feed his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms,
and carry them in his bosom,
and gently lead the mother sheep.

Hear the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 85.1-2, 8-13

O Lord, you were gracious to your land: you restored the fortunes of Jacob. You forgave the iniquity of your people: and covered all their sin.

I will hear what the Lord God will speak: for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful ones, whose hearts are turned to him. **Truly his salvation is near to those that fear him: and his glory shall dwell in our land.**

Mercy and truth are met together: righteousness and peace have kissed each other; Truth shall flourish out of the earth: and righteousness shall look down from heaven. The Lord will also give us all that is good: and our land shall yield its plenty. For righteousness shall go before him: and tread the path before his feet.

A reading from the Second letter of Peter, Chapter 3: verses 8-15a.

But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed.

Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home.

Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all people shall see the salvation of God. **Alleluia!**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark 1: verses 1–8.

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

As it is written in the prophet Isaiah,

'See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,

who will prepare your way;

the voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

"Prepare the way of the Lord,

make his paths straight" ',

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, 'The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus

Mission Report - 10th December 2017 ABM Advent & Christmas Appeal



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Mission Fund

Across Australia, hundreds of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglicans are responding to the call of God's mission in their own local communities. They are proclaiming the love of Christ, baptising and nurturing new believers, responding to the cries of the sick and imprisoned, challenging injustice and caring for God's creation, their country. ABM supports this ministry by making small grants available to help equip and enable Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in ministry. We are proud to support people like the Reverend Gloria Shipp who takes church to the people with the activities of Walkabout Ministries in central NSW.

Please give to this project to help resource the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican churches as they respond to the specific circumstances of their own communities (non tax-deductible).

ABM Prayer points for Second week of Advent :

- Pray for those who cry out in the wilderness in our generation; for those with a deliberate lifestyle that reflect the message they bear from God.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa.

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BCA BOXES

The boxes have now been counted and are available for collection from the side table in the Gsthering Space.

Thank you to fir your continued support of the Bush Church.

Coralie Taylor - Mission Secretary

Please pray for

Barbara Matthews, Keith Watson and Revd Ann, Denise King, Mauraan H. Maria Partian David Heathan Milna, Vann Tuckan, Sua Next Sunday – 17th December, 2017 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT 7.30am – Sung Eucharist - Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Organist – Chris Sillince 9.30am – Holy Eucharist - Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Organist – Libby Harvey Eucharistic Readings: Isaiah 61. 1–4, 8-11; Psalm 126; 1 Thessalonians 5.12-28 John 1. 6-8, 19-28 3.30-5.30pm – Messy Christmas

DATES FOR THE DIARY – 2017

Sunday 17th December 3.30-5.30 – Messy Church

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Sunday January 28th – Australia Day Luncheon

This Week

Monday 11th December

Tuesday 12th

8.00am – Morning Prayer
2.00pm – Eucharist at Tarragal Glen [Revd Ann]
7.00pm – Trinity Band & Singers rehearsal
7.30pm – Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 13th

Lucy, martyr and virgin (d. 304) 8.00am – Morning Prayer 10.30am – Tarragal House Eucharist and sing-a-long 5.00pm – Holy Eucharist [Fr. Roy] 5.30pm – Sacred Reading [Fr. Roy]

Thursday 14th

John of the Cross, mystic and teacher (d.1591) 8.00am – Morning Prayer 10.00am - Pastoral Care Meeting

Friday 15th

8.00am – Morning Prayer 10.30am - Holy Eucharist [Fr Mark] and morning tea Readings – Isaiah 48. 17-19. Psalm: 1; Matthew 11. 16-19 11.45am – Friday Bible Study



17th December 3.30-5.30pm

Messy Christmas

Messy Church is a fun way to introduce people to the world wide church. It's values are about being Christ-centred for all ages, based on creativity, worship, prayer and hospitality.

PLEASE JOIN US



SERVICES FOR CHRISTMAS 2017

Sunday 17th December 3.30 - 5.30pm - Messy Church Christmas

Sunday 24th December Christmas Eve 8.30am – Holy Eucharist 5.00pm – Holy Eucharist for Children and Families 11.30pm - Sung Eucharist

<u>Monday</u> 25th December Christmas Day 7.30am - Christmas Eucharist – sung setting 9.30am - Christmas Eucharist

> Sunday 31st December 7.30am – Sung Eucharist 9.30am – Eucharist

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