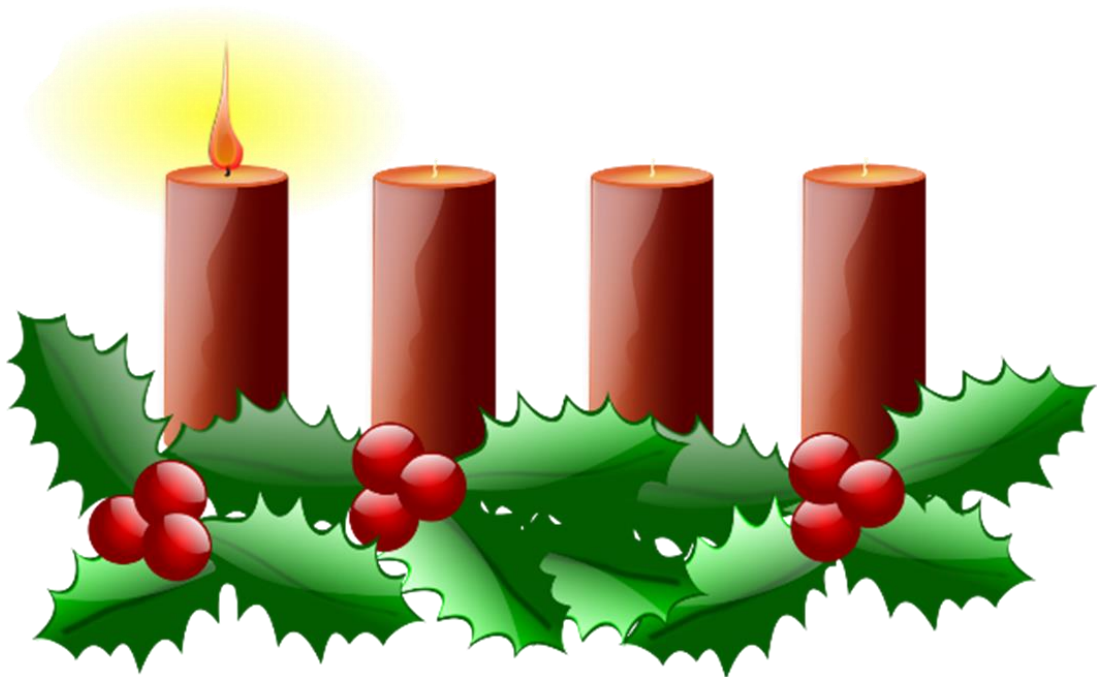


**Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal**  
**FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2023**



**8.00am** – **Sung Eucharist** *Presiding and Preaching – Fr Mark Watson*  
**Organist – Chris Sillince**  
**Hymns: TIS 273, 272, 497, 269**

**9.30am** – **Holy Eucharist**– *Presiding and Preaching*  
**– Fr Mark Watson**  
**Organist – Sharon Sandstrom**  
**Hymns: TIS 273, 272, 497, 269**

[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.

## LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE

COME, LORD JESUS. The prophet Isaiah implored God to tear the heavens open and come down to save the people. God, however, did not come among us in such a dramatic way but in the humble form of Jesus of Nazareth. God continues to enter our lives in unexpected ways. If we are watchful for the presence of Christ in each day, we will recognise him when he comes in glory.

Today we light the candle of hope to recall the hope we have in Christ. We await the fullness of God's reign in Christ and seek to live as citizens of that kingdom now. Hope is like a light shining in a dark place. As we look at the light of this candle, we celebrate the hope we have in Jesus Christ.

*The first candle is lit.*

[Let us pray]

**God of Abraham and Sarah and all the patriarchs of old, you are our Father too. Your love is revealed to us in Jesus Christ, the Son of David. Help us prepare to celebrate his birth, to make ready our hearts and to place our hope in you.**

**Help us to worship you, to hear your word, and to do your will by sharing your hope with others.**

**Through Christ the Hope of the world. Amen.**

### First Sunday of Advent



### Hope for families forced to flee

Jehan\*, a brave mother of five, made the courageous decision to escape on foot to Pakistan with her family when Afghanistan fell to the Taliban in 2021. Your gifts through the Christmas Bowl can help Act for Peace coordinate rapid emergency responses with local partners, like Church World Services Asia, so that they can immediately act, giving families like Jehan's safety in exile – and hope for the future – when they need it most. **Please give today.**

\*Name changed for safety reasons



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## **Sentence**

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

Mark 13.31

## **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.**

### **A Reading from Isaiah Chapter 64, verse 1 – 9**

<sup>1</sup> O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,  
so that the mountains would quake at your presence—  
<sup>2</sup> 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!  
<sup>3</sup> When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,  
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.  
<sup>4</sup> 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.  
<sup>5</sup> 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.  
<sup>6</sup> 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.

- 7 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.
- 8 Yet, O LORD , you are our Father;  
we are the clay, and you are our potter;  
we are all the work of your hand.
- 9 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.**

### **Psalm 80.1-7, 17-19**

- 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.**

**A reading from The First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians  
Chapter 1, verses 1 – 9**

<sup>1</sup> Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes, <sup>2</sup> To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: <sup>3</sup> Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup> I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup> for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— <sup>6</sup> just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— <sup>7</sup> so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>8</sup> He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup> 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.**

Alleluia, **alleluia!**

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

**Alleluia!**

**The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Mark, Chapter 13, verses 24 – 37**

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

<sup>24</sup> 'But in those days, after that suffering,  
the sun will be darkened,

and the moon will not give its light,

<sup>25</sup> and the stars will be falling from heaven,

- and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.
- <sup>26</sup> Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in clouds” with great power and glory.
- <sup>27</sup> 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.
- <sup>28</sup> ‘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.
- <sup>29</sup> So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates.
- <sup>30</sup> Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place.
- <sup>31</sup> Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.
- <sup>32</sup> ‘But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.
- <sup>33</sup> Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come.
- <sup>34</sup> 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.
- <sup>35</sup> 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,
- <sup>36</sup> or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly.
- <sup>37</sup> And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.’

The Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

John Sorensen, Angarad O’Malley, Joan Maxwell, Jocelyn Mulcahy, Emma Horton, Gloria & Albert Townsend, Pam Flegg, Lynette Brennan, Michael Hort, Jackie Davidson, J.B., John, Sam & Margery Owens, Bruce Clarke and Carolyn Gibbs.

*Please note if you would like someone to stay on the list, please place their name in the prayer book again each month. Please make sure to print their name legibly. Thank you.*

## **Prayer of the Week**

Almighty God,  
give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness  
and put on the armour of light,  
now in the time of this mortal life  
in which your Son  
Jesus Christ came among us in great humility,  
that on the last day,  
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty  
to judge the living and the dead,  
we may rise to the life immortal;  
through him who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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### **'WHISPERS OF LOVE' A MEDITATION**

'Whispers of Love' Meditation Group meets each Monday at 10am at Holy Trinity Church.

**Reflection:** This Advent as each day goes by, take a moment now and then to stop, to be, to be in touch and be touched by what is around you, within you and in Christ who is deeply present to you.

Christ has come, Christ is coming and Christ will come again. Thanks be to God.

*Prayerfully, Reverend Ann.*

## **OP SHOP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR WEDNESDAYS**

We are looking for more volunteers for our Op Shop on a Wednesday. Can you spare a few hours? We would be most grateful.

Op Shop volunteers need to complete a Police Check, Safe Ministry training and sign a volunteer agreement, along with some other requirements, prior to commencement.

If you are interested in joining our lovely team, please speak to one of our Church Wardens; Terry, Ronda or Neil. Thank you.

## **NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS**

Nine Lessons and Carols will be held on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 at 4pm, followed by an afternoon tea. All are welcome. Please bring family and friends along to join us.

## **SAMARITANS**

Thank you to the congregation for being excellent givers of donations for the Samaritans. Items needed now include tinned vegetables and fruits, pasta & sauce and cereal . Thank you. Margaret Maclachlan.

## **DINNER AT TERRIGAL BOWLING CLUB**

Please join us for the Volunteer's Thank You Christmas dinner at Terrigal Bowling Club at 'Bec's Kitchen' tonight, Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2023 from 6pm.

If you would like to attend, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the new notice board in the foyer immediately after the Eucharist. Thank you.





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**Advent 1 B – Sunday 3 December 2023**

• Isaiah 64.1-9; Psalm 80.1-7, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 1.1-9;  
Mark 13.24-37

Advent is the season of waiting and preparation. There will be many signs for us, sometimes as obvious as eclipses and new growth on fig trees, other times more abstract in clouds and angels. We do not know exactly when. Jesus reminds us always to be ready and prepared. Keep awake! • God, may I always be ready for your coming. • Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church in the Philippines.

*Text:* Fr Matthew Smedley,  
Diocese of Perth

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**Next Sunday – 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2023**

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**8.00am – Sung Eucharist – *Presiding and Preaching – Fr Mark Watson***

***Organist – Chris Sillince***

**9.30am – Holy Eucharist – *Presiding and Preaching – Fr Mark Watson***

***Trinity Band and Singers***

**Readings:** Isaiah 40.1-11, Psalm 85.1-2, 8-13, 2 Peter 3.8-15a

**Gospel:** Mark 1.1-8

## **This Week**

### **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December**

*Nicholas Ferrar, deacon and man of prayer (d. 1637)*

**10.00am** – Whispers of Love – A Meditation – Rev Ann Watson

### **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December**

**7.00pm** – Trinity Band Rehearsal

### **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December**

*Nicholas of Myra, bishop and philanthropist (d. c 342)*

### **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

*Ambrose of Milan, bishop and teacher (d. 397)*

### **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

*Richard Baxter, pastor and spiritual writer (d. 1691)*

### ***The Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary***

**10.30am** – Eucharist – Fr Mark Watson

Isaiah 29.17-24, Psalm 27.9-17,

Gospel: Matthew 9.27-31

### **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December**

**8.00am – 1.00pm** – Market Day

## **Rosters for next week**

### **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December – 10.30am**

Reader
Margaret Blanch

### **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December - 8.00am**

Readers	Intercessions	Servers
1 <sup>st</sup> – Colleen Cronin 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Ann West	Ronda	Ronda & -

### **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December – 9.30am**

Readers	Intercessions	Servers
1 <sup>st</sup> – Jen Wolstenholme 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Ian Wolstenholme	Ronda	Ronda & -

### **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

Flowers	9.30am Morning Tea
Margaret Maclachlan	Joann Lilly & Anna Holt



**2023 CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT  
HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH, TERRIGAL**

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**THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT - 17<sup>th</sup> December, 2023**

**4.00pm**     **Nine Lessons and Carols – followed by  
Afternoon Tea.**

Bring your family and friends to enjoy some beautiful Christmas Music provided by our organists *Chris Sillince* and *Sharon Sandstrom* and *The Trinity Band and Singers*.

**CHRISTMAS EVE Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

**5.00pm**     Eucharist for Children and Families

**11.00pm**    Midnight Mass

**CHRISTMAS DAY Monday 25<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

**8.00am**     Sung Eucharist

**9.30am**     Holy Eucharist

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