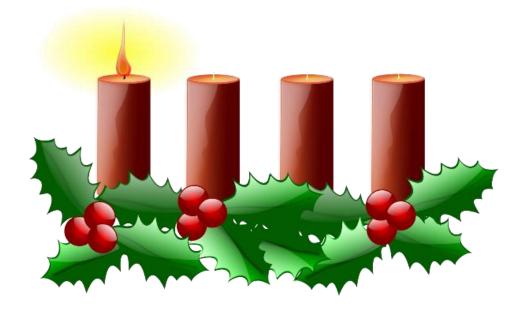


## Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2024



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

> **Organist** – *Chris Sillince* **Hymns:** TIS 273, 272, 497, 269

<u>9.30am</u> – 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

WALK IN GOD'S LIGHT. We do not know when Christ will come again in glory. Not do we know the day of our death. This should not worry us. What is important is to live this day well by being respectful and loving towards each other and seeking to walk in God's light. If we do this, we will be ready whenever God calls us to eternal life.

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.



Christmas Bowl 2024 First Sunday of Advent Eko lives in North Pakuli, Indonesia, with his wife and three-year-old daughter. Eko's family have endured many disasters over the years. By working with Church World Service Indonesia, Act for Peace has helped to develop the DREAM program (Disaster Resilience through Enhanced Adaptive Measures) in Central Sulawesi, which aims to strengthen community resilience to the impacts of climate change and to prepare for when disasters strike.

Eko has been an inspirational participant, enthusiastically trialling new, sustainable approaches to farming and the use of organic fertilisers. He now plans to expand these new techniques to more of his land and has been encouraging other farmers in his community to do the same. Your support can help farming families, like Eko's in Indonesia, to adapt to the changing climate, reducing the risks of being displaced from their homes.

> Act for Peace through the Christmas Bowl. Please give today. Giving envelopes are now available. https://christmasbowl.actforpeace.org.au/

#### <u>Sentence</u>

Stand up and raise your heads; your redemption is drawing near.

Luke 21.28

#### Prayer of the Day

Eternal God, you have taught us that the night is far spent and the day is at hand: keep us awake and alert, watching for your kingdom, and make us strong in faith, so that when Christ comes in glory to judge the earth, we may go out joyfully to greet him; and, with all your saints, may worship you for ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

## A reading from Jeremiah Chapter 33 verses 14 – 16

<sup>14</sup> The days are surely coming, says the Lord , when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>15</sup> In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>16</sup> In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: `The Lord is our righteousness.'

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

#### Psalm 25.1-10

1 In you, O Lord my God, have I put my hope: in you have I trusted, let me not be ashamed, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

2 Let none who wait for you be put to shame: but let those that break faith be confounded and gain nothing. 3 Show me your ways, O Lord: and teach me your paths.

#### 4 Lead me in the ways of your truth, and teach me: for you are the God of my salvation.

5 In you have I hoped all the day long: because of your goodness, O Lord.

## 6 Call to mind your compassion and your loving-kindness: for they are from of old.

7 Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions:

but according to your mercy think on me.

## 8 Good and upright is the Lord: therefore will he direct sinners in the way.

9 The meek he will guide in the path of justice: and teach the humble his ways.

## 10 All the paths of the Lord are faithful and true: for those who keep his covenant and his commandments.

## A reading from the first Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians Chapter 3 verses 9 – 13

<sup>9</sup> How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? <sup>10</sup> Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. <sup>11</sup> Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. <sup>12</sup> And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. <sup>13</sup> And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

> 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!

#### A reading from the Gospel of Luke Chapter 21 verses 25 – 38

<sup>25</sup> 'There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. <sup>26</sup> People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.<sup>27</sup> Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in a cloud" with power and great glory. <sup>28</sup> Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.' <sup>29</sup> Then he told them a parable: 'Look at the fig tree and all the trees; <sup>30</sup> as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup> So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup> Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup> Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. <sup>34</sup> 'Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, <sup>35</sup> like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup> Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.' <sup>37</sup> Every day he was teaching in the temple, and at night he would go out and spend the night on the Mount of Olives, as it was called. <sup>38</sup> And all the people would get up early in the morning to listen to him in the temple.

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

## 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**.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Carolyn Gibbs, Angarad O'Malley, Emma Horton, Gloria Townsend, Robyn Smith, Merv Singh, Janice Clark, Jackie Davidson, Malcolm Sandstrom, Lynette Brennan, David Lamb Neville Clark and Charlotte Christie.

*Please note: This prayer list will be updated at the beginning of each month. Please legibly print prayer recipients' names in the prayer book. Please get their permission first. Thank you.* 

## **OFFERTORIES VIA DIRECT DEBIT**

Offering via direct debit. Direct debit details of account: ASDF Account: Parish of Terrigal, BSB:705-077 Account Number: 00040934. - Terry Rowe, Treasurer.

## **WHISPERS OF LOVE' – MEDITATION**

Our 'Whispers of Love' meditation meets each Monday at 10.00am. A warm welcome is extended to join us. Reflection:

In silence let us reflect on the gospel and remember that we belong to the whole company of saints both past and present.

Prayerfully, Reverend Ann.

## WYOMING EMERGENCY RELIEF CENTRE

Items needed for Christmas are long life custard, fruit salad, Christmas cakes and pudding and any other Christmas fare. Please donate before the 2nd week in December as they do Christmas parcels early. Thank you very much. Margaret Maclachlan.

## **MISSION NEWS**

Today is the first Sunday in Advent. As is our tradition we support the 75th Christmas Bowl Appeal.

As you know, the Christmas Bowl is more than just a charitable appeal; it embodies the spirit of solidarity and compassion that defines our faith. We are called to do good and seek justice, and for 75 years churches across Australia have followed this call and given hope to refugees and displaced people around the world.

The Christmas Bowl began back in 1949 in response to the growing refugee crisis after World War 2. This is still relevant today because right now there are 120 million people displaced by conflict, without the peace that comes from a safe place to belong.

Help give hope to displaced families this year by your generous giving to the Christmas Bowl.

Envelopes are available or just place your gift in the bowl provided.

Libby Harvey - MISSIONS SECRETARY

## HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH MINI CHRISTMAS MARKET – AT OUR MARKET DAYS 14<sup>th</sup> December

Handmade crafts and craft kits – Great for stocking fillers. Small Christmas Cakes & Puddings - Homemade shortbread. Well priced for that little extra you need at Christmas. Our Craft Stall is to raise funds for our Mission work.



## THANK YOU BOXES

New Thank You Boxes are now available.

Please take one and put some money in it whenever you receive a Blessing. From now until the end of August 2025, your donations will go to the Barbara May Foundation which builds Hospitals in Africa and staffs them with Doctors, Surgeons, Midwives, Nurses and other care staff.

These hospitals are supporting women by providing safe birth and maternal care. Some women, aged as young as 14 years, suffer horrific, life changing injuries giving birth and often the mother and baby die or become outcasts in their communities following childbirth due to their injuries.

Full Thank You Boxes may be placed in the offertory and a new one taken. Thank you for your support.



## Advent 1 C - Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024

 Jeremiah 33.14-16; Psalm 25.1-10; 1 Thessalonians 3.9-13; Luke 21.25-38

As Advent begins, the words of the ancient prophets ring clear for us today as they did when first heard thousands of years ago. God's purposes will be worked out and God will make known the righteousness and justice and mercy which is at the heart of God's love and desire for all people.

• We pray that we may hear God's call to righteousness and justice, and so live by this way that we are agents too of God's good news of peace and love for all people.

• Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea, remembering especially today the Bishop-Designate of Port Moresby, the Very Rev'd Wilfred Kekea, as well as the recently-appointed new Principal for the Bishop Newton School of Theology, the Rev'd Dr Ishaya Anthony, as well as the other staff and students.

*Text:* Brother Christopher John SSF © Anglican Board of Mission, 2024

#### This Week

#### Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

Frances Perry, founder of the Royal Women's Hospital, Melbourne (d. 1892) **10.00am** – Whispers of Love – A Meditation – Rev'd Ann Watson

#### **Tuesday 3rd December**

Francis Xavier, priest and missionary (d. 1552)

7.00pm – Trinity Band rehearsals

#### Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December

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

## Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December

## Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December

Nicholas of Myra, bishop and philanthropist (d. c. 342) **10.30am –** Eucharist – Fr Mark Watson Readings: Isaiah 29.17-24, Psalm 27.9-17 Gospel: Matthew 7.21-27

## Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December

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

#### Next Sunday – 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2024 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

<u>8.00am</u> – Sung Eucharist – Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson Organist – Cliff Bingham

> <u>9.30am</u> – Holy Eucharist – Presiding & Preaching – Fr Mark Watson

**Organist** – Trinity Band and Singers

**Readings:** Malachi 3.1-4, Psalm: Song of Zechariah, Philippians 1.1-11 Gospel: Luke 3.1-6

#### Rosters for next week

#### Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December – 10.30am

Reader

Margaret Blanch

#### Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December - 8.00am and 9.30am

Readers	Servers
8.00am	8.00am
1 <sup>st</sup> – Jocelyn Mulcahy	Margaret and Neil
2 <sup>nd</sup> – Lorraine Zahra	
9.30am	9.30am
1 <sup>st</sup> – TBA	Margaret and Neil
2 <sup>nd</sup> – TBA	

Flowers	Sunday Morning Tea
Sue James	Anna Holt
	Elsa Sorensen

## 2024 CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH, TERRIGAL

#### **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - 15th December, 2024.**

# 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, our special guest, Ian Cox,* and *The Trinity Band and Singers.* 

#### **CHRISTMAS EVE Tuesday 24th December 2024**

- **5.00pm** Eucharist for Children and Families
- **11.00pm** Midnight Mass

#### CHRISTMAS DAY Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December 2024

- 8.00am Sung Eucharist
- 9.30am Holy Eucharist

Please note: Incense will be used at both Midnight Mass and also on Christmas Day at the 8.00am Sung Eucharist.

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