

Welcome to worship at Holy Trinity, Terrigal
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
8th December, 2024



8.00am – **Sung Eucharist** *Presiding and Preaching – Fr Mark Watson*
Organist – Cliff Bingham
Hymns: TIS 271, 270, 526, 265

9.30am – **Holy Eucharist** *Presiding and Preaching – Fr Mark Watson*
Trinity Band and Singers
Hymns: TIS 231, 287, 526, 279

[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 SECOND ADVENT CANDLE

PREPARE A WAY FOR THE LORD. The season of Advent is a time in which we prepare for the Lord's coming. We prepare for the feast of Christmas which commemorates his first coming as a child in Bethlehem. And we prepare also for his final coming in glory. We do this by heeding John the Baptist's call to repentance, and by striving for 'peace through integrity, and honour through devotedness'.

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.

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.



Christmas Bowl 2024
Second Sunday of
Advent

Being committed to acting for peace means being present in the world's darkest places. Places like war-torn Gaza where millions of people don't have a safe place to belong.

With your support, Act for Peace continues to stand with our long-term partners, the Near East Council of Churches (NECC) and Department of Service to Palestinian Refugees (DSPR), who, despite their own personal losses, have been working tirelessly to provide vital humanitarian assistance and protection to the civilians of Gaza through mobile medical clinics.

Your support can help our local partner continue to provide lifesaving medical care to help respond to this unprecedented humanitarian crisis.

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

Sentence

By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Luke 1.78-79

Prayer of the Day

God of our salvation,
you straighten the winding ways of our hearts
and smooth the paths made rough by sin:
keep our hearts watchful in holiness,
and bring to perfection the good you have begun in us.
We ask this through him whose coming is certain,
whose Day draws near, your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Reading from Malachi Chapter 3, verses 1 – 4

¹ See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. ² But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap; ³ he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the Lord in righteousness. ⁴ Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm: The Song of Zechariah (Benedictus, Luke 1.68–79)

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel:
who has come to his people and set them free.

**The Lord has raised up for us a mighty Saviour:
born of the house of his servant David.**

Through the holy prophets, God promised of old:
to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all who hate us,

**To show mercy to our forebears:
and to remember his holy covenant.**

This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham:
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

**Free to worship him without fear:
holy and righteous before him, all the days of our life.**

And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High:
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

**To give his people knowledge of salvation:
by the forgiveness of their sins.**

In the tender compassion of our God:
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

**To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow
of death:
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

A Reading from The Letter of Paul to the Philippians Chapter 1, verses 1 – 11

¹ Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,
To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the
bishops and deacons: ² Grace to you and peace from God our
Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ³ I thank my God every time I
remember you, ⁴ constantly praying with joy in every one of my
prayers for all of you, ⁵ because of your sharing in the gospel
from the first day until now. ⁶ I am confident of this, that the
one who began a good work among you will bring it to
completion by the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷ It is right for me to
think this way about all of you, because you hold me in your

heart, for all of you share in God's grace with me, both in my imprisonment and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸ For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the compassion of Christ Jesus. ⁹ And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight ¹⁰ to help you to determine what is best, so that on the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, ¹¹ having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

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 Luke,
Chapter 3, verses 1 – 6**

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

¹ In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene,

² during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness.

³ He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins,

⁴ as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

"Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.

⁵ Every valley shall be filled,
and every mountain and hill shall be made low,
and the crooked shall be made straight,

and the rough ways made smooth;
6 and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.” ’

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

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, Charlotte Christie and Cal Priest.

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.

Prayer of the Week

Merciful God,
who sent your messenger John the Baptist
to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation:
give us grace to heed his warning and forsake our sins,
that we may greet with joy the coming of our Redeemer,
Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

'WHISPERS OF LOVE' A MEDITATION

Our last meeting of 'Whispers of love' meditation for 2024 will meet on Monday 9th December at 10am. We will resume meditation on Monday 3rd February, 2025.

Reflection:

*As we journey through Advent we pray:
God of our Longing, give us eyes to see and hearts to desire
your presence and action in our lives, as we rejoice in the gift
of your Son.*

Prayerfully, Reverend Ann.

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MISSION NEWS

As we light the second advent candle, we focus on peace. We think today about Gaza and the Holy Land.

We pray for the Holy Land torn apart by conflict. Remember those living under military occupation; those whose homes and livelihoods have been demolished;

those whose land has been confiscated; those who have no place to safely lay their head.

God of peace, you were born in a land that was occupied.

COME LORD JESUS, SET YOUR PEOPLE FREE.

Libby Harvey

MISSIONS SECRETARY

HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH MINI CHRISTMAS MARKET – AT OUR MARKET DAYS

14th 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.



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.

GARDEN WORKING BEE THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who worked so hard, once again, making our gardens thrive! Your help and dedication are always very much appreciated. This was the last Garden Working Bee for 2024. We look forward to seeing you in the garden in 2025.

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

MARKET DAY

The last Market Day for 2024 will be on Saturday 14th December. Once again, we will need all the help we can get when setting up from 12.30pm on Friday 13th and especially when packing away and clearing up on Saturday. If you can come at 12.30pm for an hour on Saturday to pack up, we would love to see you. Your help is always appreciated.

If you would like to contribute home-made slices, cakes or jams for our cake stall, please label your donation clearly with all of the ingredients and drop your donation off to the tea area early on the morning of Saturday 14th December. Your donations will be very much appreciated.

Thank you.

Ian Wolstenholme.



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Advent 2C – Sunday 8 December 2024

- Malachi 3.1-14; The Song of Zechariah (APBA p. 425); Philippians 1.1-11; Luke 3.1-6

Malachi's voice rings loud and clear. The Lord is coming. Not as a jolly Santa but coming to cleanse. The Lord's own righteousness will expose and purify that which is not of God. The message is clear: turn from evil and do good by doing justice.

- May our ears be open to the insistent voice of God calling for us to be people of justice.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia

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Next Sunday – 15th December 2022

THIRD 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*
Organist – Sharon Sandstrom

Readings: Zephaniah 3.14-20 , Psalm: Song of Isaiah, Philippians 4.4-7

Gospel: Luke 3.7-18

4.00pm – Nine Lessons and Carols

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEK - THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Friday 13th December 10.30am Eucharist

Reader
Colleen Cronin

8.00am 15th December Sunday Eucharist

Readers	Servers
1 st – Chris Sillince 2 nd – Terry Rowe	Neil

9.30am 15th December Sunday Eucharist

Readers	Servers
1 st – TBA 2 nd – TBA	Neil

Morning Tea	Flowers
Joann Lilly	Bev Clark

This Week

Monday 9th December

10.00am – Whispers of Love – A Meditation - Rev'd Ann Watson
(Last one for 2024)

Tuesday 10th December

7.00pm – Trinity Band and Singers Practice
7.00pm – Parish Council

Wednesday 11th December

Thursday 12th December

Friday 13th December

10.30am – Holy Eucharist [Fr Mark Watson]
Readings: Isaiah 48.17-19, Psalm 1,
Gospel: Matthew 11.16-19

Saturday 14th December

8.00am – 1.00pm – Market Day



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 Families

11.00pm Midnight Mass

CHRISTMAS DAY - Wednesday 25th December 2024

8.00am Sung Eucharist

9.30am Holy Eucharist

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

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