

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF PLYMPTON

Sharing God's love in our community:
Faith, Hope, Fellowship

3rd Sunday of ADVENT

13th December, 2020



ADVENT BIBLE STUDY DATES AND TIME
(COVID-19 Restrictions permitting)

ADVENT the *Wonder of Wonders: leading us to Christmas*
Tuesday Evening 15, & 22 December) 7.00pm (Garden Room)
Wednesday (16, & 23 December) 10.45am ish (Garden Room)

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Advent 4 Family Christmas Party cancelled due to COVID restrictions
Christmas Eve Thursday, 24 December - 11.30pm
Christmas Day Christmas Morning Friday 25 December - 9.00 am
First Sunday After Christmas **ONLY ONE SERVICE**
Sunday 27 December 9.00 am

SIDESPERSIONS ROSTERS, 2021

Because of the SA Health COVID requirements, rosters for sidespersons will remain on hold until we return to normality *Trevor Owen*

The **CRAFT GROUP** is now in recess until school recommences in 2021. The group has donated \$300 to Fred Hollows Foundation for cataract surgery in Vietnam.

ANGLICAN OVERSEAS AID is looking for support for their Christmas Appeal 2020, *Lifting up the lowly*. If you would like to help there are brochures in the narthex.

PARISH MINISTRY TEAM

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<https://www.facebook.com/GoodShepherdAnglicanChurchPlympton/>

John 1:6-8, 19-28

⁶There came a man who was sent from God; his name was John. ⁷He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all men might believe. ⁸He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light.

Readings for 20th December, 2020

1st Reading: 2 Samuel 7: 1 - 11, 16

Psalm 89: 1 - 4, 19 - 27

2nd Reading: Romans 16: 25 - 27

Gospel: Luke 1: 26 - 38



DIARY OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY	3rd Sunday of Advent	13th December
	8.00am Eucharist	
	10.00am Sung Eucharist	
MONDAY	10.30am Holy Communion (Bucklands)	
TUESDAY	10.30am Holy Communion (Pines)	
WEDNESDAY	10.00am Eucharist	
THURSDAY		
FRIDAY		
SATURDAY		
SUNDAY	4th Sunday of Advent	20th December
	8.00am Eucharist	
	10.00am Sung Eucharist	

*We invite everyone to receive the bread (if this is your Christian practice) or a blessing.
Low gluten wafers available - please let the Priest know if you need one.*

BIRTHDAYS: Pauline Glover (12th) Ruth Prater (17th)

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Llew Spargo and those on the long term list.

We keep a **long-term prayer list** on the main altar for people who have ongoing issues to deal with. Names on this list are not published, are added as needed, and only removed when the issue has come to an end.

They are mindfully included in our worship.

Please let Rev'd Michael or Vanessa know if you would like a name added to either list.

YEARS MIND

Murray Boughen
Joan Payne

Philip Grundl
Sheila Claridge



Prayer of the week

God of hope,
you call us home from the exile of selfish oppression
To the freedom of justice,
the balm of healing,
and the joy of sharing.
Make us strong to join you in your holy work,
as friends of strangers and victims,
companions of those whom others shun,
and as the happiness of those whose hearts are broken.
We make our prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



3rd Sunday of Advent

In this week's Gospel we have part of John's stunning Prologue. We also have John's introduction of John the Baptist. The one who sets the scene for the coming Messiah. John's appearance is prophesied. In fact, he is the last of the Old Testament style of prophets, coming out of the wilderness and preaching judgement and repentance. John makes it very clear that he is not the Messiah and points to the one to come. Jesus will turn up soon enough.

From the very beginning of the narrative in John's Gospel there is a tension with the Jewish leaders who want to know "who are you?" - first John and then Jesus himself. The rest of the Gospel is taken up with answering this question.

We give thanks to God for John the evangelist and his Gospel of profound wisdom and witness.

Give thanks for the work and witness of the Church of the Province of Central Africa

The Very Rev Phillip Saunders, Dean of Canberra and Goulburn © ABM, 2020

If you have any Pew Sheet notices, contact Vanessa **0412 356 654** or **vanessalinke1951@gmail.com** by Wednesday 5pm.

Also, many have now abandoned their home phones and now 'live' on mobiles alone. If you have changed any of your details, can you please let me know so that I can update the Parish Roll **Thank you**