



Sunday Bulletin

30 November 2008

ADVENT SUNDAY

*refreshing life, transforming faith,
at the heart of the community*

WELCOME to Nelson Cathedral.

If you are a visitor, please make yourself known to us. All Christians are welcome to receive the sacrament here.

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ADVENT is a season of expectation and preparation, as the Church prepares to celebrate the coming (*adventus*) of Christ in his incarnation, and also looks ahead to his final advent as judge at the end of time. The readings and liturgies (orders of service) not only direct us towards Christ's birth, they also challenge the modern reluctance to confront the theme of divine judgement.

The characteristic note of Advent is expectation, rather than penitence, although the character of the season is easily coloured by an analogy with Lent. The anticipation of Christmas under commercial pressure has also made it harder to sustain the appropriate sense of alert watchfulness, but the fundamental Advent prayer remains 'Our Lord, come' (1 Corinthians 16:22).

(From Times and Seasons, UK)

To help you

- * It is our practice at Communion to hold the wafer and DIP it into the wine. This is for health reasons.
 - * Hearing Aid Loop available - please turn to the T position on your hearing aid.
- ALSO
- * Three individual speakers on the Pulpit side in rows 4 and 5.
 - * Ramps for access to the Sanctuary (on the Font side)
 - * Large print versions of all Services - please ask sidesperson
 - * Gluten free wafers are available for those who need them.

Sentence and Collect

To you Lord I lift up my soul; my God I have put my trust in you; you are God my Saviour; for you have I waited all the day long. *Psalm 25: 1,4*

Almighty God, give us grace to cast off 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 to us in great humility; so that when he shall come again in his glorious majesty 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.

Everyone is invited to enjoy fellowship over tea, coffee or juice after the 8am and 10am services

8.00am Holy Communion

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Celebrant: The Right Reverend Richard Ellena,
Bishop of Nelson
Preacher: The Dean

At Communion please remember to dip the wafer into the wine

10.00am Choral Eucharist

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Celebrant: The Right Reverend Richard Ellena
Minister of the Liturgy: Joy Wright

Processional Hymn: 32 O come, O come Emmanuel
Service Setting: Setchell
OT Reading: Isaiah 64: 1-9 *Reader:* Audrie Gill
Psalm: 50 vv 1-6 Chant: Camidge
Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9
Reader: Russell Smith
Gradual Hymn: 36 *tune 391* The advent of our King
Gospel: St. Mark 13: 24-37
(Please turn to face the reader)

Sermon: The Dean
Creed: NZPB page 410
Intercessions: Graham Allan
The Peace: NZPB page 419
Offertory Hymn: 31 Lo, he comes with clouds descending
Great Thanksgiving: NZPB page 420
Motet: E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come – Paul Manz b.1919
Final Hymn: 396 *tune 530* Christ is the world's true light
Organ Voluntary: Advent Reflections – Rosalie Bonighton b.1946

6.00pm

Advent Carol Service

For our prayers

The Church

*Companion Dioceses throughout the world.

*Dr Edric Baker in Bangladesh.

*Bill & Margaret Dunlop, Missionaries in Africa and Mission Support Groups.

*Te Pihopatanga O Aotearoa.

*Cathedral Bellringers.

*For our new Minister of Music as he travels to New Zealand and for our choir during the Advent/Christmas season.

World Vision Child

* Jivan Dittyaji in India.

The World

*For peace and justice around the world this Advent Season.

The Community

*For the Women's Refuge.

The Sick

*Allan, Jared, Kathleen, Michael, Margy, Joyce, Margaret, The Renwick family, Dianne, Dawn, Chris (UK), Ross, Linda (UK), Colin, Linda, Debbie, Nicky & family, Boaz, Ruben, Helen, Paul & family, Robynne, Peter, Andrew, & others known to us.

The Bereaved

*The family & friends of Eileen Courtman (UK), friend of Dean Charles and Elaine Tyrrell.

Services & Readings for 7th December

8am Holy Communion

10am Choral Eucharist

Isaiah 40: 1-11: 2 Peter 3: 8-15a

St. Mark 1: 1-8

6pm Choral Evensong

Baruch 5: 1-9: St. Luke 1: 5-25

*Bring your children,
grandchildren, and invite your
neighbours to the Nativity Play
on Sunday 14th December at
10am.*

Christmas Tree Festival 8th - 20th December

Lighting Ceremony 7:00 on Monday, 8th December. We have 32 trees promised, including a Memory Tree. Tea/coffee available between 10:00 - 4:00 each day. All donations will be shared between the Cathedral's charity of choice, and that of the AAW.

Christmas Tree: During Sunday School we'll be making decorations for our exhibit in the Christmas tree festival. The Cathedral Christmas tree will be here on the 3rd December. We need helpers to decorate the tree.

Many hands, light work: We will be spring cleaning next Saturday morning, 9am - 12md, before the Christmas Tree festival starts. Please help if you can (bring the gear for the job you like doing best).

Notices

Daily worship in the Chapel.

12.15pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday; 10am. Wednesday and 8am Saturday.

Cathedral News and Witness are available today. Distributors please deliver promptly. Spares copies are beside the bookstall.

Donations towards the purchase of Christmas flowers may be left at the office or placed in a marked envelope in the offertory.

Walks for health on Tuesdays. Meet at the Cathedral at 9am.

The Cathedral Office will be closed on Tuesday 2nd December.

Advent Labyrinth Meditation at the Cathedral on Tuesday at 7pm.

Exercises for health every Wednesday at 11am in the quiet room.

Bishopdale Chapel celebrates the Diocese's 150th anniversary on Thursday 4th December at 12.15pm. Holy Communion in the Celtic tradition will be celebrated by Bishop Richard Ellena, followed by a shared lunch. All are welcome.

Ordination Service on Friday 5th December at 7.30pm

Nativity Play: For the next 2 Sundays (Nov 30 & Dec 7) we'll be having a quick rehearsal immediately after the 10am service. Could those families involved please plan to stay an extra 30 mins max – Thank you.

OIKOS meetings on Wednesday 10th December, 7.30pm at 167 Tahunanui Drive, and on Thursday 11th December, 7pm at 55 Neale Avenue.

Packs of cards are available on the bookstall depicting children's art from the 150th Anniversary competition, "When Nelson became a city

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