

Nelson Cathedral Sunday Bulletin



Sunday 27th November 2011 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 sacraments here.

ADVENT

The Christian count-down to Christmas begins today, with all the challenge for us to build in to the days ahead, time and space to reflect on its meaning for us.

Central to that are opportunities for worship.

Tonight is our **Service of Advent Music and Readings at 7pm.**

Tuesday 6th December, Opening of the Christmas Tree Festival at 7pm

Then on **11th December at 10am Christmas Nativity Play**

Sunday 18th December Nine Lessons and Carols at 7pm



Special Parishioners' Meeting Tuesday 29th November at 7pm

Parishioners meeting in the Cathedral to discuss the parish budget for 2012. At this meeting Vestry will present their recommended budget. Parishioners are urged to attend this very important meeting.

To help you

- *Those receiving Holy Communion are invited to do so EITHER by intinction, i.e. retaining the wafer when it is given to you and then dipping it in the cup of wine before consuming it OR by consuming the wafer when it is given to you and then drinking from the common cup when it is offered to you.
- *Grape juice is available at communion for those who do not wish to receive communion wine.
- * Gluten free wafers are available for those who need them.
- *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
- *Special chairs are available from the Pulpit side for those with disabilities or back problems. Note that the leg height can be adjusted to suit.

Sentence and Collect

Sentence: To you Lord I lift up my soul; my God I have put my trust in you;
you are God my Saviour; for you I have waited all the day long.

Psalm 25: 1,4

Advent Collect: 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 Reverend Jude Benton
Preacher: Dean Nick Kirk

10.00am Choral Eucharist

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Celebrant: The Reverend Sue Patterson
Organist and Minister of Music: Alan K. Gray
Minister of the Liturgy: Russell Smith

Introit: Matin Responsory - Palestrina
Processional hymn: 32 O come, O come Emmanuel
Service Setting: Missa Deus Genitor Alme
Reading: Isaiah 64: 1-9 Reader: Sally Astridge
Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9 Reader: Jim Wiseman
Gradual Psalm:(choir) 80 vv 1-7, 17-19 Chant: Attwood
Gospel: St. Mark 13: 24-37

(please stand for the Gloria of the Psalm & turn to face the reader)

Reader: The Reverend Chris Crow
Sermon: Dean Nick Kirk
Creed: NZPB page 410
Intercessions: Jane Wulff
The Peace: NZPB page 419
Offertory Hymn: 31 Lo, he comes with clouds descending
Great Thanksgiving: NZPB page 420
Anthem: O thou, the central orb - Wood
Final Hymn: 37 The Lord will come and not be slow
Organ Voluntary: Wachet auf – J.S. Bach 1685-1750 BWV 645

(text for readings and psalms on page 6&7)

7.00pm Readings and Music for Advent

For your prayers

The Church

*The Rt. Revd Dr Thomas John Brown, Wellington.

* Parish of Kaikoura, the Revd Owen & Lorraine Haring & their people.

*Cathedral Flower Guild.

The World

*For peace around the whole world this Advent Season.

The Community

*For those in our region who are struggling financially.

The Sick

*Mandy, Claudia, Jim (Wales), Michelle (UK), Pam, Helen, Carrie, Val, Genevieve, Anne-Marie, Robert, Kathryn, Shelley, Malcolm, Rebecca, Michael, Bishop Peter, Joyce, Margaret, Kevin, Ivan, Ruben, JoAnn, Keith, (Aust), Lyn, Moira & Penny (UK), Paul, Jared, Nicky & family, & others known to us.

Services for Sunday 3rd December

8am Holy Communion

10am Choral Eucharist

6pm Choral Compline – experiencing the history, meaning and significance.

7pm Sunday @ Seven –
Christmas Party.

Christian World Service Christmas Appeal

envelopes are available today.

“Share the Care” Please support the CWS



Flowers for 2012

If you would like to donate the flowers for next year in memory of a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion please fill in the form on the sidespersons' table or contact the office. Cost \$45.

Farewell Gift for Jude

The Revd Jude Benton will finish as Priest Assistant at the Cathedral on 30th December. If you would like to make a contribution towards a farewell gift please place in a marked envelope in the offertory, in the 'Office' box in the quiet room, or bring to the office.

Cathedral Welcomers - Welcoming has got off to a good start this month, with all 26 two-hourly gaps filled. However there are gaps in December from 11am-1pm on Thursdays, 12pm - 2pm and 2pm - 4pm on Sundays. Can you volunteer to fill one of these? There is a clear Position Description available. Also we need to fill gaps in January as some people are away then. Please speak to or phone Elizabeth McKee-Benbow (547 2211) or Roger Chapple (546 7531).

Notices

Thank you to all who helped with the springcleaning last weekend. It was a huge job well done.

Monday 28th November 7-9pm at 15 Mill Street, a 6 week Bible Study digging into the Lord's prayer. For more details contact Murray Campbell 5481170

Walks for health Tuesday at 9am. Meet at the cathedral for a 1 hour walk.

Flax craft on Tuesday at 10.30am.

Home Group Tuesday 1-2:30 at 9 South street. Studying 40 days of purpose. All welcome. Contact Jude 5481008 for more information

There will be no Meditation group on Tuesday 29th November and 6th December

Exercises on Wednesday at 11.00am.

Invitation to Holy Communion on Wednesday 30th November at 114 Kawai Street to commemorate the Revd Denis Mellsop's 50th years of ordination. Morning tea to follow. If you know of anyone who usually attends Wednesday communion please let them know. There will be no communion in the Chapel.

Cathedral Choir rehearsal Thursdays 4.30 – 7pm.

Do you realise that your gift problems are easily resolved? The AAW is selling its 2 publications at the jaw-dropping price of \$10.00 for 2. We have the delightful anthology, **Baubles, Bangles and Beads**, and its companion volume, our recipe book (revamped and updated) **Something Familiar, Something Different**. They slot easily into an A5 envelope.

Bishopdale Chapel Holy Communion on Thursday 1st December at 12.15pm. All welcome. Please note there will be no service in January 2012. Services resume on Thursday 2nd February.

Children, youth & family corner...

This week – Working on the Nativity Play. Everyone will be bringing home a script of the play, please spend some time during the week reading through it and helping learn lines.

Any adults able to assist with costumes, props, sound, crowd control etc - either on the 11th or during practices please let Jude know.

Pasoda – Starting today ... during advent Mary and Joseph will be making their way around the parish, staying with different people before arriving at the Cathedral for Christmas Eve. If you would be able to have them visit your home / school / workplace please let Jude know this week!

Blood Pressure checks – Valerie Sirett will be in the Quiet room on Wednesday 30th November from 2.30-4pm to check blood pressures.

Diocesan Farewell

for the Revd Tim & Fiona Harris
Saturday 17th December starting at midday at All Saints, Nelson.
BBQ lunch – meat and fruit juice provided. Please bring a salad to share. Please RSVP to Anita at the Anglican Centre 54 83124.

Midday Music on Saturdays

December 3rd
Mary and Juliet Ayre
Violin and Piano Recital
Gold coin donation.





CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

Come visit our Cathedral and see over
30 Christmas trees from
December 6th – 21st
Refreshments available.

Opening ceremony
Tuesday 6th Dec at 7pm

FOR YOUR DIARY

Services in the Cathedral for December and Christmas



Sunday 4 December

8am Holy Communion
10am Choral Eucharist
6pm Choral Compline
7pm Sunday @ Seven



Sunday 11 December

8am Holy Communion
10am Christmas Nativity Play Service
6pm Choral Evensong

Sunday 18 December

8am Holy Communion
10am Choral Eucharist
7pm Service of Nine Lessons and Carols

Christmas Eve

Saturday 24 December

5pm Christingle Service
8.45pm Carols on the Cathedral Steps
10.45pm Choir will sing carols from the gallery
11.30pm Christmas Midnight Eucharist



Christmas Day

Sunday 25 December

8am Holy Communion
10am Choral Eucharist

Psalm 80 vv 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.

Today's readings

Isaiah 64: 1-9

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence 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! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. 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. 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. 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. 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. Yet, O LORD, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O LORD, and do not remember iniquity for ever. Now consider, we are all your people.

1 Corinthians 1: 3-9

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind— just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you— so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

St. Mark 13: 24-37

‘But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in clouds” with great power and glory. 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.

‘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. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

‘But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. 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. 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, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.’



First Sunday *of* Advent

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