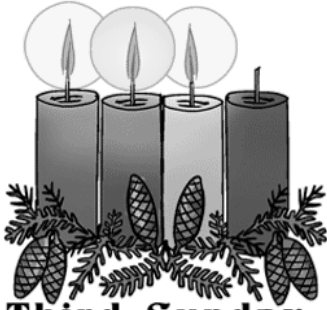


THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF
S. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS,
CHRISTCHURCH



**Third Sunday
of Advent**

“Lord, teach us to pray” (Luke 11:1) Prayer by Heart

Knowing a prayer or Bible passage “by heart” has more than one meaning. It means we can repeat these words from memory – without looking at a text. It also means these words have sunk deeply into our hearts. The metaphor of our heart draws on the ancient understanding of that being the seat of our intelligence, memory, emotion, and will.

There are prayers and Bible passages that we can repeat until they become part of the fabric of our lives. They are words we use at the most solemn and the most

vulnerable times in life. They are like well-worn pebbles, polished by the passage of time, used repeatedly at deep moments in our life.

I encourage you to have by heart the Lord’s Prayer, the Hail Mary, the Collect for Purity, some other prayers that are special for you, and some favourite Bible passages, especially psalms and psalm portions.

The O Antiphons

Today we sing “O Come, O come, Emmanuel!...” In Daily Prayer, before and after psalms and canticles, there is usually an antiphon which changes with the Church Season or celebration.

From at least the eighth century at Evening Prayer, for the seven days leading up to Christmas Eve, the antiphon with the Magnificat (“My soul magnifies the Lord...” Luke 1:46-55) has greeted Christ with a title starting with “O”. These became the basis of “O come, O come, Emmanuel”. The initials, when read backwards, form the Latin “Ero Cras” which means “Tomorrow I come.” There is much more on my website (liturgy.co.nz) about these wonderful Advent O Antiphons. You can use the search box there.

Bosco +

Fr Bosco Peters

The Third Sunday of Advent
11 December 2022

Parish Covid Practices

- Mask wearing is optional. Hand sanitizer is available for you to use, and you are encouraged to use it - especially as you come to Communion.
- In greeting one another nearby at The Peace, please be conscious that some people may not wish to touch other people (even with a handshake).
- You may receive Communion in one kind only (Consecrated Bread). You may come up for a Blessing (hold your hands crossed across your chest, rather than held out to receive the Bread). You may receive in both kinds (Consecrated Bread and Wine, by drinking or intinction).

The Third Sunday of Advent

Celebrant 8.00 am: Fr Bosco Peters

Celebrant 10.00 am: Fr Bosco Peters

Organ: Paul Ellis & Eric Apperley

Organ Voluntary: Pie Jesu

Gabriel Fauré

Mass Setting: S. Mary's Mass

Anthony Caesar

(Music scores are available from sides people)

Introit Hymn: 11

O come, O come, Emmanuel!
Redeem thy captive Israel,
That into exile drear is gone
Far from the face of God's dear Son.
*Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.*

O come, thou Wisdom from on high!
Who madest all in earth and sky,
Creating us from dust and clay:
To us reveal salvation's way.
Rejoice! Rejoice! ...

O come, O come, Adonai,
Who in thy glorious majesty
From Sinai's mountain, clothed with awe,
Gavest thy folk the ancient law.
Rejoice! Rejoice!...

O come, thou Root of Jesse! Draw
The quarry from the lion's claw;
From those dread caverns of the grave,
From nether hell, thy people save.
Rejoice! Rejoice!...

O come, thou Lord of David's Key!
The royal door fling wide and free;
Safeguard for us the heavenward road,
And bar the way to death's abode.
Rejoice! Rejoice!...

O come, O come, thou Dayspring bright!
Pour on our souls thy healing light;
Dispel the long night's lingering gloom,
And pierce the shadows of the tomb.
Rejoice! Rejoice!...

O come, Desire of nations! Show
Thy kingly reign on earth below;
Thou Corner-stone, uniting all,
Restore the ruin of our fall.
Rejoice! Rejoice!...

Greeting:

I runga i te Ingoa ✠ o te Atua, te Matua, te Tama me te Wairua Tapu. **Āmine.**
(In the name of the Father, and of the Son, ✠ and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.)
Grace and peace to you from God. **God fill you with truth and joy.**

The third candle is lit on the Advent Wreath.

Light the Advent candle, three:	Candle, candle, burning bright,
Think of heavenly harmony;	shining in the warm Summer night;
angels singing ""Peace on earth""	candle, candle, burning bright,
at the blessed Saviour's birth.	fill our hearts with Christmas light.

The people are invited to call to mind their sins in silence

Kyrie, eleison, Kyrie, eleison.
Christe, eleison, Christe, eleison.
Kyrie, eleison. Kyrie, eleison.

Through the cross of Christ, ✠ God have mercy on you, pardon you, and set you free. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. God strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in life eternal. **Amen.**

Incline your ear, O God, to our pleading, and by the grace of your coming to us enlighten the darkness of our hearts, through Jesus Christ, our Saviour, who is alive with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading: *(sit)*

Isaiah 35: 1-10

Sue Shannons

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God.

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you.'

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveller, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm: 146

R. As long as I have life: I will sing praises to my God.

1. Happy are those whose helper is the God of Jacob: whose hope is in the Lord their God, who made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is in them: who keeps a promise forever. **R**
2. God defends the cause of the oppressed: and gives food to the hungry. The Lord sets free the prisoner, and gives sight to the blind: the Lord raises up those bowed down and loves those who are just. **R**
3. The Lord cares for the stranger in the land, and sustains the widows and orphans: but turns the way of the wicked to ruin. The Lord shall reign for ever: your God, O Jerusalem, shall reign for all generations. O praise the Lord. **R**

Second Reading: James 5: 7-10 Jenny Daniels

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

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Gospel Acclamation: *(stand)*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob. **Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

The Lord be with you

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

The Lord bless you

Praise and Glory to God

Gospel: Matthew 11: 2-11

Fr Peter Williams

When John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to Jesus, 'Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?' Jesus answered them, 'Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offence at me.' As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: 'What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, "See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you." Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

This is the Gospel of Christ. **Praise to Christ the Word.**

Sermon:

Fr Bosco Peters

Affirmation of Faith:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became fully human (*all genuflect or bow*).

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, and has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection ☩ of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Intercessions:

Robert Maclagan

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord: **And let light perpetual shine upon them.**
May they rest in peace and rise in glory. **Amen.**

**Hail Mary, full of grace; the Lord is with you,
blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death. Amen.**

The Peace

The peace of Christ be always with you. **And also with you.**

At the Peace all may exchange a greeting with those near them.

E te whanau, we are the body of Christ.

By one spirit we were baptised into one body.

Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace:

Amen. We are bound by the love of Christ.

Offertory:

Ann and Dudley Jinman

The Preparation of the Gifts

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this bread to offer,
which earth has given and human hands have made.
It will become for us the bread of life. **Blessed be God for ever.**

By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share
in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have this wine to offer,
fruit of the vine and work of human hands.
It will become our spiritual drink. **Blessed be God for ever.**

Offertory Hymn: 9

Lo! he comes with clouds descending,
Once for favoured sinners slain;
Thousand thousand saints attending
Swell the triumph of his train:
Alleluya!
God appears, on earth to reign.

Those dear tokens of his passion
Still his dazzling body bears,
Cause of endless exultation
To his ransomed worshippers:
With what rapture
Gaze we on those glorious scars!

Every eye shall now behold him
Robed in dreadful majesty;
Those who set at nought and sold him,
Pierced and nailed him to the tree,
Deeply wailing
Shall the true Messiah see.

Yea, Amen! let all adore thee,
High on thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory:
Claim the kingdom for thine own:
O come quickly!
Alleluya! Come, Lord, come!

Pray, sisters and brothers,
that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty One.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands,
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good, and the good of all his Church.**

God of hope, as we wait for the coming of Christ, accept all we offer you this day, and
renew in us the joy of your salvation. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord is here.

Lift up your hearts.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

God's Spirit is with us.

We lift them to the Lord.

It is right to offer thanks and praise.

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word.

He is the one foretold by all the prophets,

whom the Virgin Mother bore with love beyond all telling.

John the Baptist was his herald and made him known when at last he came.

In his love Christ fills us with joy as we prepare to celebrate his birth,

so that when he comes again he may find us watching in prayer,

our hearts filled with wonder and praise.

Therefore with the faithful who rest in Christ, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

All glory and thanksgiving to you, holy Father. Send your Holy Spirit, that these gifts of bread and wine which we receive may be to us the body and blood of Christ, and that we, filled with the Spirit's grace and power, may be renewed for the service of your kingdom.

On the night before he died, your Son Jesus Christ took bread; when he had given you thanks, he broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said:

Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me. After supper he took the cup; when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them, and said:

Drink this, all of you, for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; do this as often as you drink it, to remember me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Glory to you, Lord Christ: your death we show forth;

your resurrection we proclaim; your coming we await. Amen!

Come, Lord Jesus.

Therefore, loving God, recalling your great goodness to us in Christ, his suffering and death, his resurrection and ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate our redemption with this bread of life and this cup of salvation. Accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving which we offer through Christ, our great high priest. Hear the prayers of the family you have gathered here before you. In mercy and love unite all your children, wherever they may be.

Welcome into your kingdom our departed brothers and sisters, and all who have left this world in your friendship. We hope to enjoy for ever the vision of your glory through Christ our Lord, from whom all good things come. United in Christ with all who stand before you in earth and heaven, we worship you, O God, in songs of everlasting praise:

**Blessing, honour and glory be yours,
here and everywhere, now and for ever. Amen.**

Kua ākona nei tātou e tō tātou Ariki, ka īnoi tātou

**E tō mātou Matua i te rangi
Kia tapu tōu Ingoa.
Kia tae mai tōu rangatiratanga.
Kia meatia tāu e pai ai ki runga ki te whenua,
kia rite anō ki tō te rangi.
Hōmai ki a mātou āianei he taro mā mātou mō tēnei rā.
Murua ō mātou hara,
Me mātou hoki e muru nei i ō te hunga e hara ana ki a mātou.
Aua hoki mātou e kawea kia whakawaia;
Engari whakaorangia mātou i te kino:
Nōu hoki te rangatiratanga, te kaha,
me te korōria,**

Eucharistic Ministers: Jenny Daniels, Michael Graveston

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we all share the one bread.

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us your peace.**

I was glad when they said to me: Let us go to the house of the Lord.

This is the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.
Happy are we who are called to his supper.

**Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

For Communion, leave your seat by the side aisle and come down the central aisle. You are encouraged to use the hand sanitizer.

Anthem: This is the truth sent from above arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams

Advent Prose: 501

Antiphon:
**Drop down, ye heavens, from above,
and let the skies pour down
righteousness.**

Be not wroth very sore, O Lord,
neither remember iniquity forever:
thy holy cities are a wilderness,
Sion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a
desolation:

our holy and our beautiful house,
where our fathers praised thee.

[Antiphon]

We have sinned, and are as an unclean
thing,
and we all do fade as a leaf:
and our iniquities, like the wind,
have taken us away:
thou hast hid thy face from us:
and hast consumed us, because of our
iniquities.

[Antiphon]

Prayer after Communion:

God for whom we wait, you have fed us with the bread of eternal life. Keep us ever watchful, that we may be ready to stand before the Son of Man. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Notices

Blessing: *The Priest gives the blessing.*

Ye are my witnesses, saith the Lord,
and my servant whom I have chosen:
that ye may know me and believe me:
I, even I, am the Lord,
and beside me there is no Saviour:
and there is none that can deliver out of
my hand.

[Antiphon]

Comfort ye, comfort ye my people,
my salvation shall not tarry:
I have blotted out as a thick cloud
thy transgressions: Fear not, for I will save
thee:

For I am the Lord thy God,
the Holy One of Israel, thy Redeemer.

[Antiphon]

The Mass is ended. Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.

Amen. We go in the name of Christ.

Final Hymn: 499

Thy kingdom come, O God,
Thy rule, O Christ, begin;
Break with thy iron rod
The tyrannies of sin.

When comes the promised time
That war shall be no more,
And lust, oppression, crime,
Shall flee thy face before?

Where is thy reign of peace
And purity and love?
When shall all hatred cease,
As in the realms above?

We pray thee Lord, arise,
And come in thy great might;
Revive our longing eyes,
Which languish for thy sight.

O'er lands both near and far
Thick darkness broodeth yet:
Arise, O morning Star,
Arise, and never set.

Organ Voluntary: Gottes Sohn is kommen

JS Bach

7:00 pm Taizé

Christians have been praying today's collect ("Incline your ear...") for at least a millennium. It is found in the 10th Century Gregorian Sacramentary. In the Sarum Missal it is prayed on Advent 3. This Sunday has John the Baptist as a strong thread, the one who was not the light, but came to testify to the light. We cannot of ourselves, darkness cannot of itself, eliminate darkness, but light shining, by the very act of shining, removes darkness.

Online Services

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Sunday 10.00 am Solemn Mass

Health & Safety Regulations: In an emergency, use the closest exit and assemble in the drop-off zone. In an earthquake, drop down and shelter behind or under a pew, covering your head. Follow instructions.

THIS WEEK**Notices**

Meditation Group—Wed 12.00 noon everyone is invited to meditate for 20 minutes at home in a virtual group. Contact: Margaret Maclagan 0275599216.

The meditation group are looking for a coordinator—not a daunting task please contact Fr. Bosco by email or telephone if you can help.

Bible Study—Thurs 11.00 am, Parish Lounge.

Pray the Rosary—Thurs noon, Church. Contact: Gilbert Wealleans on 021338380.

Inasmuch Basket—please continue to support the work of the City Mission.

NEXT WEEK**The Fourth Sunday in Advent**

18 December 2022

8:00 am	Low Mass	Celebrant:	Fr Bosco Peters
10.00 am	Solemn Mass	Celebrant:	Fr Bosco Peters
Servers:	SD: Margaret Maclagan	MC:	Michael Graveston
	Th: Jack Barrie	Cr:	Sung Bae
	Ac: Mila Pepperle-Coles		Georgia Caughey
First Reading:	Isaiah 7: 10-14		Jack Barrie
Second Reading:	Romans 1: 1-7		Robert Maclagan
Gospel:	Matthew 1: 18-25		Simon Green
Sermon:	Fr Bosco Peters		
Sides people:	Adrienne Curtis		
Intercessions:	Jenny Daniels		
Offertory:	Jenny and Peter Daniels		
Eucharistic Ministers:	Margaret Maclagan, Jane Evans		
Morning Tea:	Gail Chiswell, Carol Fraser		
Sacristan:	Jenny Daniels		
Sacristy:	Jenny Daniels		
Flowers:	Toni Stewart		
7:00 pm	9 Lessons and Carols		

Please pray for...**The Sick:**

Alastair Scott, Rita Libeau, John Preston, Lois Peters, Denis Coulter, Betty Mechen, Suzanne Keys, Ghislaine Brewer-Quirke, Bert Riseley, Shirley Kember, Clemency Mutze, Margaret Weaver.

Sr Annette, Anne Fenton, Oscar Bisman, Fi-Bee, Kay Burgess, Magda Burney, David & Sandra, Philip Souter, Mary Lazarus, Ongloon Yee, Raylene Coochey, Deb Smith, Andrew Lawson.

Departed: John Moyle

Anniversaries: (Sun) John Stevenson, Keith Royce (Fri) Robert Sisson-Stretch

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Wednesday	Feria
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