

FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

29TH NOVEMBER 2015

ST PAUL'S: 8 & 10AM

ST DAVID'S: 8.30AM



ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, MANUKA
DIOCESE OF CANBERRA & GOULBURN

WELCOME TO ST PAUL'S AND ST DAVID'S CHURCHES

Welcome! On behalf of the clergy and people of St Paul's Church, Manuka and St David's, Red Hill. A large-print version of this bulletin is available from the sidespeople and at St Paul's a hearing loop is installed in the first five rows. *Please silence all phones and pagers for our worship.*

Visitors. If you are visiting, let us know. We encourage you to stay after the service for coffee and fellowship in the Hall.

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8AM - ST PAUL'S	8.30AM - ST DAVID'S	10AM - ST PAUL'S
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Setting at 10am: (choir): Michael Dudman (1938-1994) *Parish eucharist*

Gathering in God's Name

INTROIT at 10am: Plainsong *Rorate Caeli*

Drop down ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness. Be not wroth very sore, O Lord, neither remember iniquity for ever: the holy cities are a wilderness, Sion is a wilderness, Jerusalem a desolation: our holy and our beautiful house, where our fathers praised thee. 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. Drop down ye heavens...

HYMN TIS 265

**1 O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel,
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.**

Rejoice! rejoice!

Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

**2 O come, O come, great Lord of might
who to the tribes on Sinai's height
in ancient times did give the law
in cloud and majesty and awe.**

Rejoice! rejoice! ...

**3 O come, O key of David, come,
and open wide our heavenly home;
make safe the way that leads on high
and close the path to misery.**

Rejoice! rejoice! ...

**4 O come, O branch of Jesse, free
your own from Satan's tyranny;
from depths of hell your people save
and give them victory o'er the grave.**

Rejoice! rejoice! ...

**O come, O dayspring, come and cheer
our spirits by your advent here;
disperse the gloomy clouds of night
and death's dark shadows put to flight.**

Rejoice! rejoice! ...

Words: Anon., Latin, 18th cent. or earlier based on Antiphons from 9th cent. or earlier tr. John Mason Neale 1818–66 *alt.*
Tune: *Veni Emmanuel*

THE FIRST CANDLE – THE CANDLE OF HOPE

Celebrant: Light and peace, in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Celebrant: Today is the First Sunday in Advent and we light the candle of hope.

God told Abraham that through him all nations would be blessed, because he trusted and put his hope in God. The Old Testament spoke of the coming of Christ, of how a Saviour would be born, a king in the line of King David. He would rule the world wisely and bless all nations. We too believe in the hope of God's promise in Jesus.

The first candle is lit

Hope is like a light shining in a dark place. As we look at the light of this candle we celebrate the hope we have in Jesus Christ.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

All: **God of Abraham and Sarah and all the Patriarchs of old, you are our Father too. Your love is revealed to us in Jesus Christ, Son of God, and Son of David. Help us in preparing to celebrate his birth, to make our hearts ready and to place hope in you. Help us today and every day to worship you, to hear your word, and to do your will by sharing the hope of Christ with others. We ask this in the name of the one who was born in Bethlehem. Amen.**

The service continues on page 119.

SENTENCE

‘Heaven and earth will pass away,’ says the Lord, ‘but my words will not pass away.’ *Mark 13:31*

Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

Eternal God, through long generations you prepared a way for the coming of your Son, and by your Spirit you still bring light to illumine our paths: renew us in faith and hope that we may welcome Christ to rule our thoughts and claim our love; to whom be glory for ever. **Amen.**

The Ministry of the Word

A READING FROM JEREMIAH 33:14-16

Please be seated

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfil the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. And this is the name by which it will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God.

PSALM 25:1-10 (*Said by the congregation in alternate verses at 8am, by all the congregation at 8.30am and led by the choir at 10am*)

- 1 In you, O Lord my God, have I put my hope:
in you have I trusted, let me not be ashamed, nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 **Let none who wait for you be put to shame:**
but let those that break faith be confounded and gain nothing.
- 3 Show me your ways, O Lord:
and teach me your paths.
- 4 **Lead me in the ways of your truth, and teach me:**
for you are the God of my salvation.
- 5 In you have I hoped all the day long:
because of your goodness, O Lord.
- 6 **Call to mind your compassion and your loving-kindness:**
for they are from of old.
- 7 Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions:
but according to your mercy think on me.
- 8 **Good and upright is the Lord:**
therefore will he direct sinners in the way.
- 9 The meek he will guide in the path of justice:
and teach the humble his ways.
- 10 **All the paths of the Lord are faithful and true:**
for those who keep his covenant and his commandments.

A READING FROM 1 THESSALONIANS 3:9-13

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

For the word of the Lord,
thanks be to God

HYMN — TIS 398

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| <p>1 Come down, O Love divine,
seek now this soul of mine,
and visit it with your own ardour glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear
and kindle it, your holy flame bestowing.</p> <p>2 There let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes, in its heat consuming;
and let your glorious light
shine ever on my sight
and clothe me round, the while
my path illuming.</p> | <p>3 Let holy charity
my outer garment be,
and lowliness become my inner clothing:
true lowliness of heart,
which takes the humbler part
and for its own shortcomings weeps
with loathing.</p> <p>4 And so the yearning strong
with which the soul will long
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace
till we become the place
in which the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.</p> |
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Words: Bianco da Siena d. 1434 tr. Richard Frederick Littledale 1833-90 *alt.* Tune: *Down Ampney*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (10am only)

Choir: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Congregation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Choir: Show us, Lord, your love: and grant us your salvation.

Congregation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

THE HOLY GOSPEL — LUKE 21:25-38

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

✠Glory to you, ✠Lord Jesus ✠Christ

‘**T**here will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in a cloud” with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.’ Then he told them a parable: ‘Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ‘Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.’ Every day he was teaching

in the temple, and at night he would go out and spend the night on the Mount of Olives, as it was called. And all the people would get up early in the morning to listen to him in the temple.

For the gospel of the Lord
praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SERMON - ST PAUL'S - THE VENERABLE DR BRIAN DOUGLAS
- ST DAVID'S - THE REV'D CANON JOHN CAMPBELL

A brief period of silence is observed for reflection on the sermon.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY HYMN — TIS 284 (*During the singing of this hymn, the gifts of bread, wine and money are brought to the altar*)

1 O bless the God of Israel
who comes to set us free;
who visits and redeems us,
with love for all to see.
The prophets spoke of mercy,
of rescue and release:
God shall fulfil his promise
and bring our people peace.

2 He comes! the Child of David,
the Son whom God has given;
he comes to live among us
and raise us up to heaven:
before him goes his servant —
forerunner in the way,
the prophet of salvation,
the herald of the Day.

3 Where once were fear and darkness
the sun begins to rise —
the dawning of forgiveness
upon the sinner's eyes.
He guides the feet of pilgrims
along the paths of peace:
O bless our God and Saviour
with songs that never cease.

Words: Words: Luke 1:68–79 Michael Arnold Perry 1942–96
Tune: *Merle's Tune*.
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OFFERTORY PRAYERS

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - Page 147 than pages 128-9

COMMUNION (at 10am: choir: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) *This is the truth sent from above*)

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HYMN — TIS 446

- 1 There's a light upon the mountains, and the day is at the spring
when our eyes shall see the beauty and the glory of the King;
weary was our heart with waiting, and the night-watch seemed so long,
but his triumph day is breaking, and we hail it with a song.
- 2 There's a hush of expectation, and a quiet in the air,
and the breath of God is moving in the fervent breath of prayer:
for the suffering, dying Jesus is the Christ upon the throne,
and the travail of our spirit is the travail of his own.
- 3 He is breaking down the barriers, he is casting up the way,
he is calling for his angels to build up the gates of day:
but his angels here are human, not the shining hosts above;
for the drum-beats of his army are the heart-beats of our love.
- 4 Hark, we hear a distant music, and it comes with fuller swell —
the great triumph song of Jesus, of our King, Immanuel:
Zion, go you forth to meet him; and, my soul, be swift to bring
all your finest and your dearest for the triumph of our King!

Words: Henry Burton 1840–1930 *alt.* Tune: *There's a light upon the mountains*

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Please remember in your prayers: The Sick: David Bond, Monica Freeman, Diana Hanna, Peta Hill, Andrew Livingston, Ella Nicholls, Rosemary King, Barbara Osborne.

To add a name, call or email the parish office. The person's permission is required. Names remain on the prayer list for four Sundays only, unless the parish office is advised otherwise.

Pastoral visits for the sick. Please let the Parish office know if you know of someone who is sick who may appreciate a pastoral visit.

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News and Announcements

*To add a notice, email or call the Parish Office by 1.30pm on the **Tuesday** before the notice is to appear.*

Advent. We begin the more sombre season of Advent today as we prepare for Christ's coming at Christmas. In this mood we use purple and use the Kyries (Lord, have mercy) instead of the Gloria.

Christmas Cake Raffle. Having already won the cake several years ago this year's winner, Gwen Jackson, has asked that the raffle be redrawn as she does not think it right to win it twice. Accordingly the Rector will redraw the raffle after morning tea today.

Tapestry/Handicraft Group will celebrate another successful year with a lunch on Wednesday 2nd December at The Ricetta Bakery/Caffe/Pizzeria commencing at midday. The address is Shop 13/14 M Centre, Palmerston Lane, Manuka. Please contact Jenny Hodge today if you are attending - Telephone 6161 3864.

Women's fellowship will meet for BYO lunch at 11.30am on 3rd December in the Mollison Room.

Trading Table Sunday 6th December. Donations of cakes, biscuits, garden produce, craft very welcome. Bring and buy for Christmas.

Carols in Manuka. The highly anticipated Carols services will this year take place on **8th December** at St Paul's and **10th December** at St Christopher's, both 7.30pm. They will be sung by the Choirs of St Paul's and St Christopher's, with organ and brass.

Donations received for the Refugee After School Program: Thanks for your kind donations towards the Refugee After School Program via the recent display of photos and the drawings by refugee children. The total of \$310 is being sent to the Migrant and Refugee Settlement Services ACT.

Sunday 27th December. Advance notice that there will be only one service at St Paul's on Sunday 27th December. It will be at 9am. The preacher and celebrant will be The Rev'd Susan Bridge. The St David's service that day will be at the usual time of 8.30am.

Community. The Summer issue of *Community* is now available on St Paul's web site. Printed copies will be distributed at Sunday services. *Community* includes comprehensive coverage of the special service to honour the reign of Queen Elizabeth II, Synod and the fete, as well as a preview of the children's nativity play to be performed on Christmas Eve. The issue reflects the joint efforts of parishioners, clergy and the young players for which the Editor is grateful.

Christmas Cake Raffle. Thanks to several very generous donations, the Cake Raffle raised a record \$540 this year. Thanks to all who supported us in this venture. Ros Deane

Climate walk. 12 noon **today**, Federation Mall (lawns in front of Parliament House) – People's Climate March. Show our peaceful, powerful unity in caring for our common home. Wear traditional or religious dress, or purple. Details: www.Peoplesclimatemarch.Org.Au/#arrcc.

NEXT SUNDAY – 6TH DECEMBER - SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

LECTIONARY TEXTS: Malachi 3:1-14; Song of Zechariah (APBA p. 10); Philippians 1:1-11; Luke 3:1-6

8AM - ST PAUL'S

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8.30AM - ST DAVID'S

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Eleanor Scott-Findlay

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Rosemary Carter

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10AM - ST PAUL'S

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