

Please join us for morning tea after the service

Sunday 11th December, 11am: Christmas Brunch
in our newly renovated meeting room at St Leonard's
Please bring a plate to share
& a small wrapped gift/token.

Advent studies

Advent Reflections from Diocese: copies at the back of each church [further copies can be printed if needed] OR via diocesan website - drop down list "About" click on "Vision and Strategy" and scroll down to the pdf "Copy of Advent Resources".

Heart of the Disciple a small book with 28 days of prayers and reflections for Advent or any time. Revd Sally can obtain via Mandurah Parish if requested.

Revd Sue Lodge-Calvert's Advent Year A Worship Course, follows readings: *I hope you experience this course ... as the travel journal of a friend that might inspire you to go on your own unique journey in a country you thought you knew well enough.*

<https://www.companionsontheway.com/post/advent-year-a-worship-course>

TONIGHT: Evening Prayer, 7pm, St Leonard's

Parish Diary:

- Dec 1 Midweek Eucharist, 2pm St Leonard's *How to Pray* study group [final]
- Dec 3 Blessing of Emergency Fleet, Walpole
- Dec 4 Taize Evening Prayer, 5pm St Georges
- Dec 16 No Twilight Meditation as Community Christmas Parade & Carols are on
- Dec 24 Children's service 5pm, Lessons & Carols 7pm, St Leonard's
- Dec 25 **9.30am** St Leonard's, **TBA** St George's

REGULAR SERVICES & GATHERINGS

Communion/Morning Prayer: St Leonard's **Sun 9.30am**; St George's **10am**

Weekday Eucharist: St Leonard's 1st Thursday of the month, 2pm

Taize Evening Prayer: St George's first Sunday each month, 5pm (*not 1st January*)

Twilight Meditations: St Leonard's, 3rd Fri of month, 5pm practice, 5.30 start (not 16 Dec)

Evening Prayer: St Leonard's last Sunday each month, 7pm (except 23rd Oct)

Choir Practice: St Leonard's Saturday 10.30-11, then coffee. *All welcome*

DIRECT GIVING: BSB: 706-001 ACCT: 3000 4673 *Online only*
quote 'Offertory' in description, or **HEF** for ramp fundraising
Cheques make out to Anglican Parish Denmark Walpole
& mail to PO Box 277 Denmark WA 6333

27th November 2022

**First Sunday of
Advent**
Year A



Prayers of the Day

Faithful God,
whose promises stand unshaken through all generations:
renew us in hope,
that we may be awake and alert
watching for the glorious return of Jesus Christ,
our Judge and Saviour,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

APBA

Holy Thief, stealing away our false securities and idle vanity:
awaken us from the dull sleep
that clings to empty fear and vacant routine;
unfold upon us the time of crisis
when love of truth floods a thirsty world;
through Jesus Christ, the one who is to come, **Amen**

Prayers for an Inclusive Church, Stephen Shakespeare, 2008

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Revd Sally Buckley tssf

Assisting Clergy:

Revd Kevin Callegari

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Harold Luxton, Alison Kershaw, Sally Prickett, Jan Pattinson
Jane James, Tom Sheard

Wardens:

Judy Ross, Harold Luxton, Tom Sheard

*We endeavour to be an expression of God's love
in the community*

Isaiah 2.1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.
In days to come
the mountain of the Lord 's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.
Many peoples shall come and say,
'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord ,
to the house of the God of Jacob;
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.'
For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
He shall judge between the nations,
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into ploughshares,
and their spears into pruning-hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war any more.
O house of Jacob,
come, let us walk
in the light of the Lord !

Psalms 122

- ¹ I was glad when they said to me:
'Let us go to the house of the Lord.'
- ² And now our feet are standing:
within your gates, O Jerusalem;
- ³ Jerusalem which is built as a city:
where the pilgrims gather in unity.
- ⁴ There the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord:
**as he commanded Israel,
to give thanks to the name of the Lord.**
- ⁵ There are set thrones of judgement:
the thrones of the house of David.
- ⁶ O pray for the peace of Jerusalem:
may those who love you prosper.
- ⁷ Peace be within your walls:
and prosperity in your palaces.

⁸ For the sake of my kindred and companions:

I will pray that peace be with you.

⁹ For the sake of the house of the Lord our God:

I will seek for your good.

Romans 13.9-14

The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet'; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Matthew 24.36-44

'But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

Next week: Advent Two. Isaiah 11.1-10, Ps 72.1-7, 18-21, Romans 15.4-13,
Matthew 3.1-12 NRSV