



St Luke's Mosman

ADVENT 2

"Comfort, Strength, Promise"



Eucharist 4 December 2022 9am

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Our Diocese, Northern Region, our local church community

The Archbishop: The Most Reverend Kanishka Raffel

The Regional Bishop: The Rt Revd Chris Edwards

Northern Region: Parishes of Lane Cove and Mowbray, Lavender Bay,

and Longueville; clergy and people

Local Churches: Our own Parish of St Luke Mosman:

the Revd Dr Max Wood, Rector; clergy and people

Our 2022 Parish Missions

Anglicare Sydney:

Mobile Community Pantry Program;
Bill Farrand, Anglicare Community Services Manager

Bush Church Aid:

BCA Indigenous Ministry Officer,

The Revd Neville Naden and Mrs Kathryn Naden

Anglican Board of Mission:

Sustainable Livelihoods Program, Kenya; The Revd John Deane, ABM Executive Director

Those we are holding in prayer

Immediate Sick:

Michael Ford, Adrienne Miles

Those Requiring On-Going Prayer:

Irina Dimitric, Heather Chisholm, Bernie Walsh, Shannour, Chloe Turner, Denise Thomas, Robert Alexander, Jenny Willis, Don Menzies, Dallas Ford, Anna Tarrant, Rowan Weir, Ann Neill

People in Residential and Home Care:

Dawn Holdaway, Betty Gemmell, Helen Huby, Nancy Lovitt, Nan Oliver, Dorothy Bashford

OFFERTORY

Offertory to support the ministry of the church may be given in the vestibule on entering or leaving. Please use the Donation Tap Point or place your gift into the Offertory Basket. Offertory envelopes are available in the vestibule, if you would like to take a set for regular giving.

SAFETY IN MINISTRY

St Luke's is committed to the principles of Safety in Ministry of the Anglican Diocese of Sydney. Copies of our Child-Safe, Child-Friendly policy are available in the porch and on the parish website. If you have any queries, please contact: Dr Jocelyn Chey, tel: 9967 5136 or the Rector, tel: 9969 6910.

Gathering of God's People

Please stand for the Procession

Processional Hymn Come, thou long expected Jesus - TiS 272 (Tune: Stuttgart)

Greeting

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Amen.

Blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever.

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The Lord be with you And also with you.

The Advent Wreath

The Presider says:

God our Father,

you spoke to the prophets of old of a Saviour who would bring peace. You helped them to spread the joyful message of his coming kingdom. Help us, as we prepare to celebrate his birth, to share with those around us the good news of your power and love.

All: Lord Jesus, light of the world, the prophets said you would bring peace and save your people in trouble.

Give peace in our hearts this Advent and show all the world God's love. Amen.

The second Advent candle is now lit.

May God bless you and fill your hearts with love, so that you show his love and goodness in all you do. **Amen.**

Sentence

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news. [Mark 1.15]

Prayer of Preparation

Let us pray.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Kyries Please sit to sing

The Balmoral Setting by Callum A. Close



Lord, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer-cy, Lord, have mer - cy.



Invitation to Confession and Absolution

The Lord comes, bringing to light things now hidden in darkness, and disclosing the purposes of the heart.

Silence

Let us open our hearts and prepare for his coming, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, and in what we have failed to do: we have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves; we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:

♣pardon you and set you free from all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness and keep you in eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Collect

God of all peoples, whose servant John came baptising and calling for repentance: help us to hear his voice of judgement, that we may also rejoice in his word of promise, and be found pure and blameless in that glorious Day when Christ comes to rule the earth as Prince of Peace; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Ministry of the Word

Please be seated

The First Reading A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

Gwenda Brook

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his roots. The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord. His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide by what his ears hear; but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist, and faithfulness the belt around his loins. The wolf shall live with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and the lion and the fatling together, and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze, their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp, and the

weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den. They will not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain; for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.

On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

[Isaiah 11.1-10]

For the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

Please remain seated to sing the Psalm Response Psalm 69 - TiS 39

The Second Reading A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope.

May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus, so that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name"; and again he says, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people"; and again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him"; and again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

[Romans 15.4-13]

For the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God** *Please stand to sing*

Gradual Hymn
On Jordan's bank, the Baptist's cry - TiS 270 (Tune: Winchester New)

The Gospel Reading



Choir first, followed by the congregation

You will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud; stand up and raise your heads; your redemption is drawing near.



The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew, Chapter 3, beginning at the 1st verse.

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight." Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not presume to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even now the ax is lying at the root of the trees; every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. "I baptize you with water for repentance, but one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

[Matthew 3.1-12]

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

The Sermon - The Rector

The Creed

Let us stand and join together in the words of the Nicene Creed.

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 truly human. 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 with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who 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.

Paula Turner

The Prayers of the Community

Please be seated

Let us pray for the world and for the church.

Response after each petition

Lord in your mercy: Hear our prayer

After the last petition

Hear us, Father, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Greeting of Peace

Please stand

May the God of peace make you completely holy, ready for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Please do not physically exchange the greeting of peace.

The Offertory
Offertory Hymn
Of the Father's love begotten - TiS 290 (Tune: Corde Natus)

The Presider says

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation.
Through your goodness we have these gifts to share.
Accept and use our offerings for your glory
and for the service of your kingdom.
Blessed be God for ever.

The Great Thanksgiving

Please remain standing

The Sursum Corda We sing together

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Presider continues

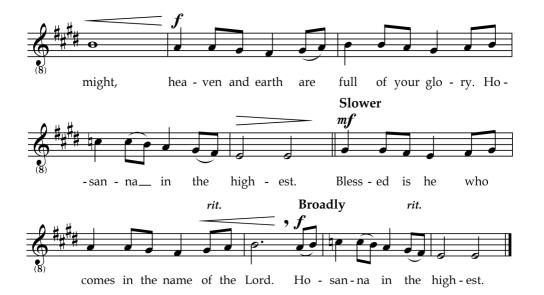
All glory and honour be yours always and everywhere, mighty Creator, everliving God.
We give you thanks and praise for your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, who by the power of your Spirit was born of Mary and lived as one of us.

By his death on the cross and rising to new life, he offered the one true sacrifice for sin and obtained an eternal deliverance for his people.

We thank you that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may with joy behold his appearing, and in confidence stand before him who redeems us from sin and death and makes us heirs of everlasting life.

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





Merciful God, we thank you for these gifts of your creation, this bread and wine, and we pray that by your Word and Holy Spirit, we who eat and drink them may be partakers of Christ's body and blood.

On the night he was betrayed Jesus took bread; and when he had given you thanks he broke it, gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Take, eat. This is my body given for you. *Do this in remembrance of me.'

After supper, he took the cup, and again giving you thanks he gave it to his disciples, saying, 'Drink from this, all of you. This is my blood of the new covenant shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

*Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.'

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:



Christ has died. Christ is ris-en. Christ will come a-gain.

Therefore we do as our Saviour has commanded: proclaiming his offering of himself made once for all upon the cross, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming again, we celebrate, with this bread and this cup, his one perfect and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world.

Renew us by your Holy Spirit, unite us in the body of your Son, and bring us with all your people into the joy of your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, we worship you, Father, in songs of never-ending praise:



Bless-ing and hon-our and glo-ry and pow'r are



As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,

and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread and the Communion

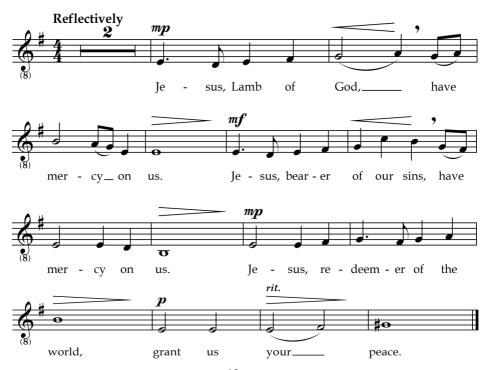
The Presider breaks the bread and says

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

We who are many are one body

For we all share in the one bread.

Please sit to sing the Agnus Dei



The Presider says

The Gifts of God for the people of God. Come, let us take this holy sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ, in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Communion will now be administered to the congregation at the chancel steps. Please form two lines.

Communion Anthem

Please remain seated to listen to the Choir sing the Communion Anthem

Summer suns are glowing (William How)

Summer suns are glowing over land and sea; happy light is flowing bountiful and free. Everything rejoices in the mellow rays; all earth's thousand voices swell the psalm of praise.

See God's mercy streaming over all the world, and his banner gleaming everywhere unfurled. Broad and deep and glorious as the heaven above, shines in might victorious his eternal love.

We will never doubt you, though you veil your light; life is dark without you, death with you is bright. Light of light, shine o'er us on our pilgrim way; still go on before us to the endless day.

The Sending Out of God's People

God for whom we wait, we thank you that you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation.

As we joyfully await your Son, keep us ever watchful that we may be ready to stand before him on the day of his coming.

Father.

we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Notices

Please stand to sing
Final Hymn
Long ago, prophet's knew -TiS 283 (Tune: Theodoric)

The Blessing and Dismissal

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, scatter the darkness from before your path, and make you ready to greet him when he comes in glory; and the ♣blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland BWV659

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Tr. Now come. Saviour of the Gentiles

COMING EVENTS AT ST LUKE'S AND OTHER IMPORTANT ITEMS

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Today, Sunday 4th December, in our 9am Eucharist, we will observe Advent 2: Comfort, Stength and Promise. These gifts are ours, if we choose to accept them, during our annual Advent journey.

Today is also the final day you will be able to support the St Luke's Christmas Wine Drive. Proceeds from the wine drive will be shared amongst our three parish general missions. Please give your completed forms directly to Paula Turner before you leave this morning. If you would prefer to simply make a donation to missions, please give your cash gift to Paula Turner or Helen Bell.

The final **Blokes Night** for this year will be held **this Wednesday**, **December 7 at 6pm in the Upper Duck**, **Hotel Mosman**. Please contact the Rector to indicate you will be attending or email the Parish Office.

Our mid week activities will conclude for the year this **Thursday**, **8 December: Study Group in the Lower Hall at 10.30am**, followed by **Holy Eucharist in the chapel at 11.30am**. For those who wish, there is then a **lunch gathering at Café Jam** in Bridgepoint just after **12 noon**. All are welcome. **Please note**, **our mid-week activities will recommence in 2023 on Thursday 5 January**.

Next Sunday, 11 December, in our 9am Eucharist, we will observe **Advent 3 or Gaudete Sunday**, as it is sometimes known, from the Latin word Gaudete ("Rejoice"). This is the Sunday during the penitential season of Advent that we look forward with gladness and rejoice at the birth of Christ.

Next Sunday, 11 December, our monthly Pub Lunch will be held in the **Lower Duck at the Hotel Mosman from 12 noon**. Please let Helen in the Parish Office know if you plan to attend so an appropriate booking can be made.

ALSO NEXT SUNDAY, in the church at 7pm, we will celebrate our **Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols**. Invite family, friends, neighbours and work colleagues to come and share the Christmas story with us through scripture passages and music. The Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols is a highlight of our Church calendar and it would be wonderful to pack the church once again on this occasion.

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Born in the night, Mary's Child, a long way from your home; coming in need, Mary's Child, born in a borrowed room.

Clear shining light, Mary's Child, your face lights up our way; light of the world, Mary's Child, dawn on our darkened day.

Truth of our life, Mary's Child, you tell us God is good; prove it is true, Mary's Child, go to your cross of wood.

Hope of the world, Mary's Child, you're coming soon to reign; Saviour of all, Mary's Child, walk in our streets again.

by Geoffrey Ainger



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2023 COMING EVENTS AT ST LUKE'S AND OTHER IMPORTANT ITEMS

ABM Brunch	5 February	11am
Shrove Sunday Pancakes	19 February	11am
Ash Wednesday Service	22 February	11am
Lenten Study Groups commence	23 February	10.30am (Lower Hall) 7pm (Zoom)
Parish AGM	12 March	10.30am
Palm Sunday Eucharist	2 April	9am
Maundy Thursday Eucharist	6 April	7pm
Good Friday Liturgy	7 April	9am
Good Friday Stations of the Cross	7 April	12 noon
Easter Balmoral Eucharist	9 April	7am
Easter Sung Eucharist	9 April	10am
Easter Sparkling Brunch	9 April	11.30am
Mid-Winter BBQ	25 June	11.30am
Trivia Brunch	23 July	11.30am
Patronal Festival Eucharist	22 October	10am
Patronal Festival Sparkling Brunch	22 October	11.30am
Nine Lessons and Carols	17 December	7pm

Come and Celebrate Christmas

at St Luke's Anglican Church Mosman



A FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

7pm Sunday 11 December CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY SERVICE

> 5pm Saturday 24 December

CHRISTMAS DAY SUNG EUCHARIST

> 9am Sunday 25 December

Cnr. Ourimbah Rd. & Heydon St. Mosman www.stlukesmosman.org

Please send any notices for inclusion in the weekly bulletin to the office no later than 4.30pm Tuesday.



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What's On This Week 04/12/22

Today 9am ADVENT 2

Eucharist Church

Wed 6pm Blokes Night

Upper Duck

Thur 10.30am Study Group FINAL

Lower Hall

11.30am Holy Eucharist FINAL

Chapel

12pm Lunch FINAL

Café Jam

Next Sunday 11/12/22

9am ADVENT 3

Eucharist Church

12pm Pub Lunch

Lower Duck

7pm The Festival of

Nine Lessons and Carols Church



St Luke's is a place of rich and diverse liturgy, where life and faith connect. We are a progressive community that welcomes all people regardless of gender, age, race, sexual orientation or religion.

