### Psalm 25

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

# A Prayer at this Time

Loving God, source of healing and comfort, at this time of fear, fill us with your grace, that the sick may be made whole, the virus contained and the vaccines be effectively distributed. Strengthen those who care for the sick, calm the anxious, and protect the most vulnerable in the power of the Spirit and in the faith of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

## **Prayer of the Week**

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away 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 among us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, 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.** 

## <u>Diocesan Prayer</u>



God in whom we live, and move and have our being, we thank you for Jesus Christ who is the Good News. By the power of your Holy Spirit, enable us to be people who transform lives, make disciples and grow communities, that your glory may be revealed in all creation. We pray through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.



Readings for 5<sup>th</sup> December 2021 — Second Sunday of Advent Malachi 3: 1-14; Psalm Song of Zechariah; Philippians 1: 1-11; Luke 3: 1-6



## St. Cuthbert's Anglican Church Tweed Heads

Our Vision: Transforming lives through Jesus Christ. Our Mission: Sharing the good news of Jesus Christ, Making disciples and Growing faith communities.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2021



Sentence: Stand up and raise your heads; your redemption is drawing near. Luke 21.28

JESUS

## **Collect:** Eternal God,

you have taught us that the night is far spent and the day is at hand: keep us awake and alert, watching for your kingdom, and make us strong in faith, so that when Christ comes in glory to judge the earth, we may go out joyfully to greet him; and, with all your saints, may worship you for ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen** 

## **Readings for Today:**

Jeremiah 33: 14-16; Psalm 25: 1-10; Thessalonians 3: 9-13; Luke 21: 25-38

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#### Reflection

Advent has begun: a time of waiting for the coming of Christ. This whole year has been a time of waiting - waiting to see loved ones; waiting to worship together; waiting for simple freedoms we have always taken for granted. Waiting can be tough! But that changes when we wait with hope. Our readings today encourage us, even as we wait, to hope in God who is compassionate, faithful, and who draws near to us (sometimes in unexpected ways).

- Give thanks for the hope that comes in knowing and trusting God.
- Give thanks for the work of ABM, whose mission is to bring God's love, hope and justice to this hurting world.
- Text: The Reverend Cathv Ridd Ballina and Lennox Head Anglicans © Anglican Board of Mission, 2021



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### Sinaina Group

Singing Group has Resumed You must be fully vaccinated to attend. Any queries please see Tricia Townend

#### Craft / Friendship Group

Hand Made Christmas Cards are available at the back of the church \$2.00 each. The group is on hold until the end of the year. Any gueries please see Margaret Blaney.

#### SCRABBLE GROUP.

An invitation for the Scrabble Group to meet at Club Tweed on Friday 3rd Dec at 10.30am for a morning tea get together to wind up the year's activities.

Also a get together at South Tweed Sports Club on Friday 21<sup>ST</sup> January, at 11.30am for luncheon to plan the New Year. Many thanks Barbara Marr

#### Angel Tree

"Again this year we are giving children of prisoners who come from our area a Christmas gift. Please see Trisha or Yvonne following the service to receive the details of your child. Thank you."

> Lectionaries for 2022 Are available at the back of the church \$15,00each

## Personal Notes

Please call Nicola in the office if you would like your Birthday, an Anniversary or a Year Mind included in the weekly bulletin.



# <u>Prayer List</u> The following people are in need of our prayers at this time:

Louise Talbot, Kevin Turner, Bryan Osborne, Alan Wyatt, , Wendy Crook, Anne Davies, Marie Gill, Betty Hagen, Betty Bell, John French, Daphne Hawtin, Fay Flaherty, Loretta Flaherty, Joy Kendrick, Iris Pyle, Jacqueline Kerr, Val Chapman, Barbara, Cressa Bartosek, Margaret Dudgeon, Trish Hooley, David Leigh, Cliff Boyd, Janis Hepburn, Wynn Gilliland, Christine Charlton, Brian Scrase, Colin Hawtin, Nancy Walker, Mervyn Fitzpatrick, Elan, Robyn Hobson, Tony de Kievit. Give thanks for the on going recovery of Ross Johnson

Our Church is committed to protecting your privacy. People on this list have requested prayer. Please contact the Parish Office for any changes to the Prayer List

## Coming up in 2021

19<sup>th</sup> December @ 10.30am Parish Council Meeting Sunday

#### **Christmas Service Times**

Friday	24 <sup>th</sup> December @ 6.00pm	Christmas Eve Service
Friday	24 <sup>th</sup> December @ 10.00pm	Traditional Midnight Mass
Saturday	25 <sup>th</sup> December @ 9.00am	<b>Christmas Day Holy Communion</b>

#### **Church Calendar**

Today is Advent Sunday, we begin the Bible Readings from Year C of our 3 year cycle. In Year C we focus on the Gospel of Luke.

#### COVID-19 Update - Current Restrictions in Place as of the 8<sup>th</sup> November

We are currently allowed to worship in person, if you are vaccinated or unvaccinated. 2sq Metre Rule with a maximum of 160 People. Face Masks must be worn. Singing will resume for the vaccinated. Morning Tea will resume back in the Breezeway.

Please feel free to call Parish Office on 07 5536 1060 if you have any queries.

#### **Diocese Vaccination Policy for Clergy & Volunteers**

The Diocese has a new policy in place. If you did not receive this, please see Nicola in the office for a copy. Certain Ministries will require full vaccination and forms will need to be completed.

#### Advent Events

When the rubber hits the road...

During Advent Bishop Sarah MacNeil and Fr Ian Chaplin will be leading 4 sessions at Grafton Cathedral looking at the Five Marks of Mission for Anglicans. Live-streaming from Grafton Cathedral on four Tuesdays during Advent 2021: 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> November and 7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> December at 5.30pm till 6.15pm. Join us for an exploration of how we can live our faith in these complex times. www.graftoncathedral.org.au

#### Lindisfarne Community Christmas Service

Lessons and Carols at Maher's Lane Chapel on Sunday December 5<sup>th</sup> . 2021 at 5pm followed by refreshments. The school h as invited us to join them.



#### Christmas Bowl

Envelopes are available. Please place donation in the Bowl at the Front of the Church.

Supporting our Parish Ministry

A Big Thank You to All who financially support our Parish either at Worship or electronically. We now have a new Bank Account with the Commonwealth Bank.

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Please call Rev. Dway on 07 5536 1060 or Treasurer Margaret Bishop on 0413 993 923 if you have any queries, or would like to discuss this further.