

## Song of Mary

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My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord: my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,

**Who has looked with favour on his lowly servant: from this day all generations will call me blessed;**

The Almighty has done great things for me: and holy is his name.

**God has mercy on those who fear him: from generation to generation.**

The Lord has shown strength with his arm: and scattered the proud in their conceit,

**Casting down the mighty from their thrones: and lifting up the lowly.**

God has filled the hungry with good things: and sent the rich away empty.

**He has come to the aid of his servant Israel: to remember the promise of mercy,**

The promise made to our forebears: to Abraham and his children for ever.

**Glory to God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; as in the beginning, so now, and for ever. Amen.**

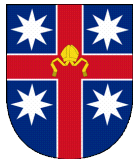
### A Prayer at this Time

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

O Lord, raise up your power and come  
among us, and with great might succour  
us, that, whereas through our sins and  
wickedness we are sore let and hindered  
in running the race that is set before us,  
your bountiful grace and mercy may  
speedily help and deliver us; through your  
Son our Lord, to whom with you and the  
Holy Spirit be honour and glory, now and  
for ever **Amen.**

### Diocesan Prayer



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 26<sup>th</sup> December 2021 — First Sunday After Christmas  
1 Samuel 2: 18-20, 26; Psalm 148; Colossians 3: 12-17; Luke 2, 41-52



## 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.

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
19<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2021**

*W E L C O M E*



**Sentence:** Blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.

Luke 1.45

**Collect:** Gracious God,  
you have visited your people and redeemed us in your Son:  
as we prepare to celebrate his birth,  
make our hearts leap for joy at the sound of your word,  
and move us by your Spirit to bless your wonderful works.  
We ask this through him whose coming is certain,  
whose Day draws near, your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

### Readings for Today:

Micah 5: 2-5a; Psalm Song of Mary; Hebrews 10: 5-10; Luke 1: 39-45 (46-55)

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**Weekly Service:**

Sunday 9am COVID-19 Safety Plan in place.

## Reflection

Today's readings highlight what for me is the essence of Christianity: That Jesus came to save us, particularly the lowly, downtrodden and insignificant – that is, you and me. Sometimes I think we (and the powers that be in all aspects of life) place too much emphasis on who we are, where we fit in society and how important someone (us included) might be. Jesus and Mary both epitomise the humblest of origins, insignificant in the wider world. We should remember this – we have been chosen by God to represent his values on this earth and live our lives to be an example of his love.

- Pray that we may always act to reflect God's love, and work to empower those who have little power or position to lift themselves up.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

*Text: Anne Marie Troutman  
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## Singing Group

Singing Group has Resumed.  
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 queries please see Margaret Blaney.

## SCRABBLE GROUP.

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

## Lectionaries for 2022

Are available at the back of the church. \$15.00each

## Personal Notes

**Birthdays:** 19<sup>th</sup> Matthew Wilson, 19<sup>th</sup> Christine Vickers

**Anniversaries:** 23<sup>rd</sup> Grahame & Barbara Marr (60<sup>th</sup>)

**Years Mind:** 22<sup>nd</sup> Jeanette Turner, 23<sup>rd</sup> Robert Burns

**Give thanks for the life of :** Sister Fiona CSC – Kempsey, Ethel Togo



## Prayer List

**The following people are in need of our prayers at this time:**

Neil Callaghan, Alan Hampson, 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

### 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 **Christmas Day Holy Communion**

### Helping out at the Christmas Services

If you are able to help out at the Christmas Services please place your name on the roster at the back of the church.

### COVID-19 Update - Current Restrictions in Place as of the 15<sup>th</sup> December

Check in is required in places of Worship  
Social distancing is recommended but there are no limits on attendance.  
Face Masks are recommended, but not mandated.  
Singing will resume for all.  
Morning Tea will continue in the Breezeway.  
Please feel free to call Parish Office on 07 5536 1060 if you have any queries.

### "Mission News - Christmas Bowl Appeal"

As there is a limited number of giving envelopes this year, these were placed in the pew bulletins last Sunday. Should you not have received an envelope and would like to donate, please do so online at any time from now to the end of the year. Our church's unique online donation page is:  
[mycb.link/50745](http://mycb.link/50745)

Alternatively, cash donations can be made using the envelopes marked "Christmas Bowl" on the church table and placed in the Bowl.

On behalf of Christmas Bowl I thank parishioners for your continuing support of this vital outreach.  
Pamela Ayscough Mission Secretary

### Notice of Parish Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2022 commencing at 10:30am.  
Would all event coordinators please have your reports for the AGM into the Parish Office by Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> January 2022 Thank you.

### 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.**

If you would like to contribute electronically to the mission and ministry of our Parish, you can use the following account. Direct Debiting to our St Cuthbert's Parish Account

Name: ST CUTHBERT'S ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA TWEED HEADS  
BSB: 064410  
Account No.: 10395636

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.