

Psalm: 72: 1-7, 18-21

*A Prayer Book for Australia, © 1995,
The Anglican Church of Australia Trust Corporation*



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.

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
4TH DECEMBER 2022**

WELCOME



- ¹ Give the king your judgement, O God: and your righteousness to the son of a king,
- ² **That he may judge your people rightly: and the poor of the land with equity.**
- ³ Let the mountains be laden with peace because of his righteousness: and the hills also with prosperity for his people.
- ⁴ **May he give justice to the poor among the people: and rescue the children of the needy and crush the oppressor.**
- ⁵ May he live while the sun endures: and while the moon gives light, throughout all generations.
- ⁶ **May he come down like rain upon the new-mown fields: and as showers that water the earth.**
- ⁷ In his time shall righteousness flourish: and abundance of peace, till the moon shall be no more.
- ¹⁸ **Let his name live for ever: and endure as long as the sun.**
- ¹⁹ Let all peoples use his name in blessing: and all nations call him blessed.
- ²⁰ **Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel: who alone does great wonders.**
- ²¹ Blessed be his glorious name for ever: and let the whole earth be filled with his glory.
Amen, Amen.

Prayer of the Week

Merciful God, who sent your messenger John the Baptist to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: give us grace to heed his warning and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of our Redeemer, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

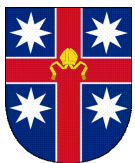
A Parish Prayer for Growth

God of Mission, Who alone brings growth to your Church, Send your Holy Spirit to give Vision to our planning, Wisdom to our actions, and Power to our witness. Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you, and in service to our local community, We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

A Prayer for Faith

Loving God, I bring before you,
_____,
I pray that they would come to accept Jesus into their life. Give them Joy and Peace in knowing You through Jesus and help them to be guided by the Holy Spirit, seeking to follow Jesus in all that they do. **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 11th December 2022 — Third Sunday of Advent
Isaiah 35: 1-10; Psalm Song of Mary; James 5: 7-10; Matthew 11: 2-11

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

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.**

Readings for Today:

Isaiah 11: 1-10; Psalm 72: 1-7,18-21; Romans 15: 4-13; Matthew 3: 1-12

St Cuthbert's Contact Details

Address: 13 Powell St. (P.O. Box 108), Tweed Heads, NSW 2485

Phone: (07) 5536 1060

Facebook: St Cuthbert's Anglican Church, Tweed Heads.

Administration Officer: Nicola Agius

Office Hours: Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9am-12 noon

Email: admin@stcuthbertschurch.com.au **Web:** www.stcuthbertschurch.com.au

Clergy: Rev'd Dway Goon Chew

Phone: (07) 5536 1060 **Email:** priest@stcuthbertschurch.com.au

Rector's Warden: Debbie Shambrook 0409 811 642

People's Wardens: Ian Brookes 0402 421 525

Brook Koopmans 07 5524 8454

Weekly Services: Sunday 9.00am, Wednesday 10.00am

Reflection

John the Baptist quotes the prophecy of Isaiah: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight'. How can we prepare the way of the Lord this Advent? As Isaiah tells us, by proclaiming (in deed and in word) good news to the poor, freedom for the prisoners, recovery of sight for the blind, freedom for the oppressed and the year of the Lord's favour.

- Pray this week for the chance to proclaim to others the fullness of life that Jesus offers the world.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the *Nippon Sei Ko Kai*, the Anglican Church of Japan.

Text: Robert McLean
© Anglican Board of Mission, 2022



Lectionaries for 2023

Lectionaries for 2023 have arrived and are available at the back of the Church. Payments can be made with the envelope provided in the Lectionary and placed in the offertory at the front of the Church.

Mothers Union — Christmas Breakup Lunch

The lunch will be held on Wednesday 7th December at 12 noon NSW time at Club Banora. There is a signup sheet at the back of the church today for members to indicate whether they are able to attend. Partners/husbands are also invited and welcome to join us. We need to confirm numbers by the beginning of December please

Scrabble Group

Our last Friday for 2022 is 9th December. We will be resuming in the New Year. Everyone is welcome. Any queries please see Barbara Marr

Craft / Friendship Group

Our last get together for 2022 is on at Club Tweed 5th December 12.30pm. We will be having a break and resuming on the 6th February 2023. Everyone is welcome to come and join us.

Singing Group

Singing Group will be meeting on the second Thursday of each month. Our next rehearsal is Thursday 8th December. Starting at 4.00pm NSW Time. Any queries please see Tricia Townend.

Personal Notes

Birthdays: 9th Dulcie Brookes

Years Mind: 8th Sid Eccleston

Give thanks for the Life of: The Rev'd Daniel Octigan



Prayer List

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

Julie, June, Jeri & Tony de Kievit, Matthew Read, Glynnis Gamble, Martina Benzen, Gwyneth Clarke, Mavis Johnson, Stephen Blaney, Chrissie Carroll, Bill Wordsworth, Louise Talbot, Alan Wyatt, Wendy Crook, Betty Hagen, Betty Bell, Daphne Hawtin, Fay Flaherty, Loretta Flaherty, Joy Kendrick, Iris Pyle, Jacqueline Kerr, Val Chapman, Barbara, Cressa Bartosek, Margaret Dudgeon, Trish Hooley, Cliff Boyd, Janis Hepburn, Wynn Gilliland, Christine Charlton, Colin Hawtin, Nancy Walker, Mervyn Fitzpatrick, Elan, Robyn Hobson.

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 2022

Wednesdays	@ 8.30am	Alpha Continues
Sunday	4 th December @ 4.30pm	Community Christmas Service Today
		Spiritual Gym @ Lindisfarne Mahers Lane (4.30pm Refreshments, 5.00pm Service)
Sunday	18 th December @ 10.30am	Parish Council Meeting
Sunday	1 st January @ 10.30am	Sausage Sizzle after Church to Welcome the New Year.

Christmas Service Times

Sunday	4 th December @ 4.30pm	Community Christmas Service (Lindisfarne)
Saturday	24 th December @ 6.00pm	Family Service
Saturday	24 th December @ 10.00pm	Traditional Mass
Sunday	25 th December @ 9.00am	Christmas Celebration

Diocese News — Ballina

The Reverend Cathy Ridd has accepted the invitation to become the next Priest-in-Charge of the Parish of Ballina. Cathy's Commissioning will be held on Sunday 11 December at 6pm at St Mary's Ballina. Clergy are invited to robe and the liturgical colour will be white. Please RSVP directly to Ballina Parish office@anglicanballina.com.au or 6686 2094.

Diocese News — Woolgoolga

The Rev'd Simon Reeve will become Priest in Charge of the Parish of Northern Beaches on 19 December. The Rev'd Simon Reeve has been Associate Priest and Young Families Minister at Northern Beaches Anglicans since 2017. A date for Simon's commissioning is yet to be set, but it is likely to be in the New Year.

Christmas Bowl

"Share God's love with a refugee going hungry this Christmas"



Beginning this Sunday, 4th December, and continuing throughout December, Christmas Bowl envelopes will be distributed each Sunday in the Pew Bulletin. Please place your envelopes in the offertory box in the church. Printed envelopes are limited, plain envelopes are available on the church table. If you wish to donate online, please use the following unique donation page link: - mycb.link/50745
Thank you for your continued support for this very worthwhile outreach.
Pamela Ayscough - Mission Secretary.

COVID-19 Update - Current Restrictions in Place as of the 25th February

Face Masks are recommended but not mandatory.
Social distancing is recommended but there are no limits on attendance.
Morning Tea will continue in the Breezeway, after regular Sunday Worship.
Please feel free to call Parish Office on 07 5536 1060 if you have any queries.

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: 0644 10
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.