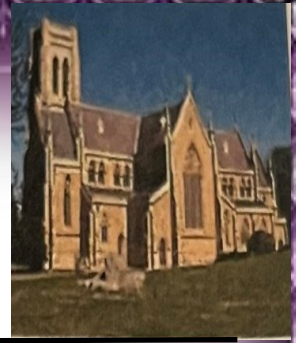


The Cathedral Church of St Saviour's, Goulburn
Mother Church for
The Anglican Diocese of Canberra & Goulburn



10th of December Advent 2

Preacher: 8am and 10am : Acting Dean Canon Anne Wenzel

Presider: 8am and 10am : Acting Dean Canon Anne Wentzel

Readings

Isaiah 40.1 –11

Psalm 85.1-2,8-13

2 Peter 3. 8-15a

Mark 1. 1-8



WEEKDAY EUCHARISTS
Monday & Thursday 9.30am
in the Lady Chapel



SENTENCE

Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight .For the glory of of the Lord shall be Revealed, and all people shall see it together.

COLLECT

Merciful God ,
You sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy
the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer,
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit ,one God now and for ever.Amen

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners as the custodians of this land, recognising their connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respects to Australia's First Peoples, and to their Elders, past present and emerging.

Introit Hymn

HARK, a thrilling voice is sounding;
‘Christ is nigh,’ it seems to say;
‘cast away the dreams of darkness,
O ye children of the day.’

- 2 Wakened by the solemn warning,
let the earth-bound soul arise;
Christ, her Sun, all ill dispelling,
shines upon the morning skies.
- 3 Lo, the Lamb, so long expected,
comes with pardon down from heaven;
let us haste, with tears of sorrow,
one and all to be forgiven;
- 4 That when next he comes with glory,
and the world is wrapped in fear,
with his mercy he may shield us,
and with words of love draw near.
- 5 Honour, glory, might, and blessing
to the Father and the Son,
with the everlasting Spirit,
while eternal ages run.

Latin
tr. EDWARD CASWALL * 1814–1878

Isaiah 40.1-11

**Comfort, O comfort my people,
says your God.**

**Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her**

**that she has served her term,
that her penalty is paid,**

**that she has received from the LORD's hand
double for all her sins. A voice cries out:**

**'In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.**

**Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;**

**the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.**

**Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together,**

for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.' A voice says, 'Cry out!'

And I said, 'What shall I cry?'

**All people are grass,
their constancy is like the flower of the field.**

**The grass withers, the flower fades,
when the breath of the LORD blows upon it;**

surely the people are grass.

**The grass withers, the flower fades;
but the word of our God will stand for ever.**

**Get you up to a high mountain,
O Zion, herald of good tidings;**

lift up your voice with strength,

O Jerusalem, herald of good tidings,

lift it up, do not fear;

say to the cities of Judah,

Isaiah 40.1-11 continued

'Here is your God!'

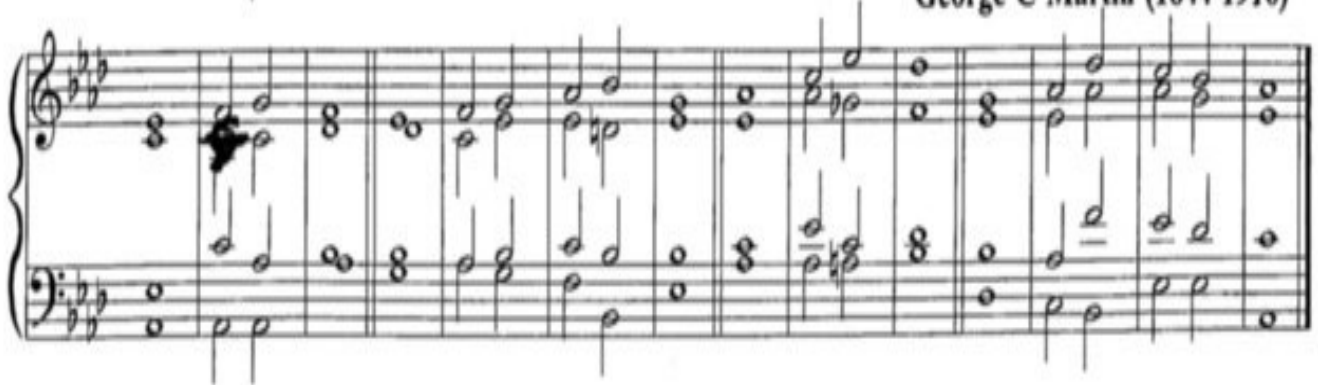
**See, the Lord GOD comes with might,
and his arm rules for him;
his reward is with him,
and his recompense before him.**

**He will feed his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms,
and carry them in his bosom,
and gently lead the mother sheep.**

For the word of the Lord

Advent 2 (Year B) Psalm 85

George C Martin (1844-1916)



- 1 O Lord, you were gracious | to your | land:
you re-|stored the | fortunes · of | Jacob.
- 2 You forgave the iniquity | of your | people:
and | covered | all their | sin.
- 8 I will hear what the | Lord God · will | speak:
for he will speak peace to his people,
to his | faithful ones, · whose | hearts are | turned to him.
- 9 Truly his salvation is near to | those that | fear him:
and his | glory · shall | dwell in · our | land.
- 10 Mercy and truth are | met to-|gether:
righteousness and | peace have | kissed each | other.
- 11 Truth shall flourish | out of · the | earth:
and righteousness | shall look | down from | ^{2. Sphai...} heaven.
- 12 The Lord will also give us | all that · is | good:
and our | land shall | yield its | plenty.
- 13 For righteousness shall | go be-|fore him:
and tread the | path be-|fore his | feet.

2 Peter 3.8-15a

But do not ignore this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like one day. The Lord is not slow about his promise, as some think of slowness, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish, but all to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a loud noise, and the elements will be dissolved with fire, and the earth and everything that is done on it will be disclosed.

Since all these things are to be dissolved in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in leading lives of holiness and godliness, waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set ablaze and dissolved, and the elements will melt with fire? But, in accordance with his promise, we wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home.

Therefore, beloved, while you are waiting for these things, strive to be found by him at peace, without spot or blemish; and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation. So also our beloved brother Paul wrote to you according to the wisdom given to him,

For the word of the Lord

Gradual Hymn

**1 O breath of life, come sweeping through us,
revive your church with life and power;
O breath of life, come cleanse, renew us,
and fit your church to meet this hour.**

**2 O wind of God, come bend us, break us,
till humbly we confess our need;
then in your tenderness remake us,
revive, restore: for this we plead.**

**3 O breath of love, come breathe within us,
renewing thought and will and heart;
come, love of Christ, afresh to win us,
revive your church in every part.**

**4 Revive us, Lord! Is zeal abating
while harvest fields are vast and white?
Revive us, Lord, the world is waiting,
equip your church to spread the light.**

Mark 1. 1-8

The beginning of the good news of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

As it is written in the prophet Isaiah,

**‘See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way;**

the voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

**“Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight” ’,**

John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And people from the whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem were going out to him, and were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. He proclaimed, ‘The one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to stoop down and untie the thong of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.’

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Communion Hymn

**1 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry
announces that the Lord is nigh:
come then and hearken, for he brings
glad tidings of the King of kings.**

**2 Then cleansed be every heart from sin;
make straight the way for God within;
prepare we in our hearts a home
where such a mighty guest may come.**

**3 For you are our salvation, Lord,
our refuge and our great reward;
without your grace we waste away
like flowers that wither and decay.**

**4 To heal the sick stretch out your hand,
and bid the fallen sinner stand;
shine forth, and let your light restore
earth's own true loveliness once more.**

**5 To him who left the throne of heaven
to free us all, let praise be given;
and praise be to the Father done,
and Holy Spirit, Three in One.**

Final Hymn

**1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown:
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation;
enter every trembling heart.**

**2 Come, almighty, to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
never more thy temples leave:
thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee, without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.**

**3 Finish then thy new creation,
pure and spotless let us be,
let us see thy great salvation,
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love and praise.**



Advent study booklet available for those who wish to best prepare for the Festive season.

Friday 15th Dec. NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS at 6pm.

At the time of choosing a new Dean

Bountiful God,
Give this parish a faithful Dean
Who will faithfully speak your word
And minister your sacraments ;
An encourager who will equip people for ministry
And will enable us to fulfill our calling.
Give those you choose, wisdom, discernment and pa-
tience ,
And give to us warm gentle hearts
For Jesus Christ “s sake Amen

St. Saviour's Cathedral Children's Choir
Rehearsals Thursdays 4-5pm

St. Saviour's Cathedral children's choir has begun rehearsing during school term on Thursday afternoons. We would like to invite children aged 9-15 to join us. The choir will learn singing techniques, how to read vocal music and sing as a choir, during services and concerts. If you would like more information, please contact Debra McConnell 0458221339.



CATHEDRAL FOOD PANTRY

FOR THOSE IN THE COMMUNITY IN NEED

The following items are needed



Urgently Required: UHT Milk , pasta sauce ,baked beans ,canned spaghetti ,beef casseroles, tinned fish please.

Please check used by dates as we can't give away expired products

Refreshments available after each Service in the Mary Thomas Room



Lectionaries are waiting for you to pick up \$16 to those whose names are listed. Please collect from the Office Mon ,Tues, Thurs and Friday :10am –12 noon
Heather B, Nina, Val, Helen R and Phil F

3rd Sunday Of Advent

Isaiah 61.1-4,8-11

Psalm 126

1 Thessalonians 5.12-28

John 1.6-8,19-28

From the Parish Treasurer for Parish Council

Our Parish Bank Details

Name: St Saviour's Cathedral Parish

BSB : 032 721

Account : 280 248

Reference : Ministry

Envelopes : Place them in the offertory plate. If you are unable to attend please phone me to arrange pick up of your envelopes.

For collection phone : 4822 8394

Tap –Go : In the Cathedral any debit card to donate to the Cathedral in \$10 increments.

Please note donations to everyday expenses and Sower-

SOWERBY TRUST

This Trust is vital to our Cathedral's continuing ministry should you wish to contribute, please note:

BSB: 702389

ACCT: 05209886

Thank you.

Prayer for the Israel /Palestine conflict

They say: “our beloved Holy Land has changed dramatically over the past , We are witnessing a new cycle of violence with an unjustifiable attack against all civilians. Tensions continue to rise and more innocent and vulnerable people are paying the ultimate price as the dramatic level and death and destruction in Gaza clearly show.”

The Anglican Archbishop in Jerusalem, the Most Revd Hosam Naoum, Vice Chair of the Anglican Communion Standing Committee, is a member of the Patriarchs and Heads of Churches in Jerusalem group. In his own statement, he said: “we pray without ceasing for justice, reconciliation, peace, and an end to hatred and war. We also pray for God to change the hearts of all leaders and decision-makers in our countries and around the world, For we are in dire need or hearts that love, show mercy, and are willing to live in unity with others – hearts that respect human dignity and choose life rather than death.”

The Secretary General of the Anglican Communion, Bishop Anthony Poggo, has endorsed the call for a day of prayer and fasting, and is calling on Anglicans around the world to take part, saying: “Archbishop Hosam, and his ecumenical colleagues in the Patriarchs and Heads of Churches group, are in the front line of the Christian response to the ongoing catastrophe in Israel and the Gaza strip.

“I join them in calling on Christians around the world to join together in prayer , in the words of Archbishop Hosam, “for justice, reconciliation, peace, and an end to hatred and war.”



Welcome

If you are a visitor to our service today or a new resident to Goulburn, **WELCOME !**

We hope you are uplifted by the worship and enjoy your time with us .

Please make yourself known to our Clergy.

Cathedral Mission Statement

As the mother church of the Canberra Goulburn Diocese and Cathedral of Goulburn

St Saviours is a haven for nurturing Christians and fostering new faith in Christ

In the love of Christ and the grace of the Holy Spirit the Cathedral community is committed to reinforcing the wisdom of the Anglican tradition and engaging with the ever changing world .

We Are Committed to :

Prayer and joyful worship

The ministry of hospitality

Serving the broader community

Supporting those from diverse backgrounds including those with special needs

Supporting Goulburn and the Diocese in good times and in times of adversity

ABM REFLECTION Advent 2 B – Sunday 10 December 2023 • Isaiah 40.1-11; Psalm 85.1-2, 8-13; 2 Peter 3.8-15a; Mark 1.1-8 John the Baptist is an important figure in Advent for he prepares the way for the coming of our Lord. He appears odd and acts differently to most, calling people to repentance and making paths straight. Yet, people are drawn to him, they confess their sins, and he is busy baptising them in the river Jordan. There is still more to come and he promises the Holy Spirit. • God, I confess my sins and in my repentance straighten my path to holiness and truth. • Give thanks for the work and witness of the Church of the Province of Central Africa. Text: Fr Matthew Smedley, Diocese of Perth © Anglican Board of Mission, 2023



The second candle that we light today represents PEACE. Henri Nouwen speaks of the marvellous vision of the peaceable Kingdom, in which all violence has been overcome and all men and women and children live in loving unity with nature. This is a call to us for its realisation in our day-to-day lives. Instead of being an escapist dream, it challenges us to anticipate what it promises. Every time we forgive our neighbour, every time we make a child smile, every time we show compassion to a suffering person, every time we arrange a bouquet of flowers, offer care to tame a wild animal, prevent pollution, create beauty in our homes and gardens, and work for peace and justice among peoples and nations, we are making the vision come true.

Did you know that during Advent we celebrate a very special and appropriate feast day. On Wednesday 6th December, it was the Feast of St Nicholas! Legend tells that St Nicholas once heard about three sisters who couldn't get married because their parents were too poor to provide the dowry that was traditional at the time, so St Nicholas decided to surprise them. One night he left three bags of gold at their house and in the morning they were happily surprised to find such wonderful gifts. Today, in some countries, children leave shoes (instead of socks) outside the bedroom doors on the night of December and the next morning, on St Nicholas's day, they find the shoes full of lollies and toys.

Canon Anne Writes Continued

On the first Saturday of each month our cathedral market takes place in the hall and over the years it has grown to the point of stalls spilling into the Mary Thomas room. Our December market was the largest we have ever had and I thank all those parishioners who set up, maintain our stall and pack down at the end of the 4 hours. For many years this was the responsibility of Wardens, Kerrie Knowlman and Pamela Shaw. With circumstances as they evolved, Heather and Alan Cox stepped in to assist Heather is now running the market under the guiding hand of Pamela and Alan helps Robert as chef at our BBQ along with Joan. In recent months more parishioners have helped and to all I say, thank you.

Our Christmas Giving Tree stands, 20 ft tall, decorated and ready to receive your gifts for children in need. A team of 18 and under strict instructions from Fred and Stephen Relf worked for two hours after church on Sunday. It was a great effort on everyone's part. Thank you one and all.

On Friday 15th at 6pm we hold our very traditional Nine Lessons & Carols. It is a beautiful service, open to all 1 Goulburn community. Bring a friend and enjoy true fellowship in preparation for celebrating Christmas.

Blessings to all.



SPEND THE AFTERNOON WITH CATH

FOURTH THURSDAY EVERY MONTH, 1.30 PM—3.00 PM,
MARY THOMAS ROOM, ST SAVIOUR'S

CRAFT AT THE CATHEDRAL



Social Afternoon, tea, coffee and tim-tams



Bring your craft



Learn another craft

Share your craft

Informal afternoon gathering where you can
relax, catch up with others, continue with your own craft,
share ideas and be inspired

As time goes by, we may make themed craft together (eg Christmas) but for
now, it is just an opportunity to meet like-minded people and share time and
craft together.

Want to know more? Email Margaret Emil
margaret.at.stsaviours@gmail.com

Our Cathedral Prayer

Almighty God whose hand has guided and sustained your Church through many generations, accept our prayers for this Cathedral church, bless all who serve within its walls and strengthen the hands of those who seek to ensure its future. Make it a constant witness to your glory and a place of peace and joy: for the sake of your Son our Saviour Amen

A Prayer for St. George's Cathedral,

our sister church in Jerusalem Our God, as you nurture the Body of Christ in different places, we ask your blessing for our sister church, St. George's. In these difficult times, may your Spirit sustain, guide and protect your people there. Bring joy to them as they witness to your presence. In Jesus' name, Amen

A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace, Amen . *Archbishop Justin Welby*
Archbishop Stephen Cottrell



Call to Prayer for Israel and Hamas ConflictAs the Israeli-Hamas war continues, the Patriarchs and Heads of Churches in Jerusalem, have issued a call for a global day of prayer and fasting on I've forwarded the call to prayer below for your information, in case you have not received it. In the midst of your busy lives, please join our brothers and sisters across the Anglican Communion when you have an extra moment to pray. While you're praying, please also remember Afghanistan, which has now been affected by four earthquakes each in excess of 6.0. Thousands are dead, thousands more injured, so many whose families have been lost, and countless homes destroyed. Please pray for believers to be a blessing in this time, and that the nation receives aid and hope for the future. As the eyes of the world are focused on conflicts elsewhere, little aid is being offered..

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9.30am –12noon (Mon,Tues,Thurs,Fri.....Cl

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Darren Churchill, Peter Ogilvie.

Director of Music :Debra McConnell

Organist for December Phil Fraser

Vanessa Kemp

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