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**SUNDAY 24TH DECEMBER 2017**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**



### TODAY

**8am** Eucharist  
**Celebrant** Dean  
**Preacher** Dean  
**10am** Choral Eucharist  
**Celebrant** Cn. Anne  
**Preacher** Dean  
**5pm** Children's Service  
**11pm** Christmas Eve Eucharist



### Anthem

*'In the Bleak Midwinter'*  
By Harold Darke

### Concluding Voluntary

*Prelude in E Minor*  
By JS Bach

### TODAY'S READINGS

#### Fourth Sunday of Advent

2 Samuel 7. 1-11, 16  
Song of Mary  
Romans 16. 25-27  
Luke 1. 26-38

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

#### First Sunday after Christmas

Isaiah 61. 10-62. 3  
Ps 148  
Galatians 4. 4-7  
Luke 2 22-40



Those who attend worship this morning will experience a nine months' time shift between this and the Christmas Eucharist. Let the reverberation of Mary's words carry you through the rest of this day as you make ready for your celebration of Christmas. 'Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word.'

*Text: Atsushi Shibaoka ABM 2017*

### CATHEDRAL DAILY SERVICE TIMES

#### Monday—Friday

MORNING PRAYER 8.00 AM  
EVENING PRAYER 4.30 PM

#### REGULAR

#### WEEK DAY EUCHARIST SERVICES

Monday 4pm, Tuesday 12noon, Wed 5pm(w.prayers for healing), Thurs 10am Friday 8.15am

NB: MONDAY 4PM (NOT 5PM)

#### CATHEDRAL MISSION STATEMENT

*As the mother church of the Diocese and Cathedral of Goulburn, St. Saviour's 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 our Anglican tradition and engaging with an ever changing world. In particular, we are committed to:*

- *Prayerful and joyous worship*
- *The ministry of hospitality*
- *Serving the broader community*
- *Supporting those from diverse background including those with special needs.*
- *Supporting Goulburn and the Diocese in good times and in bad.*

#### REGULAR GIVING & DONATIONS 2016

To assist our Stewardship program we welcome your regular contribution by way of direct payment into our

#### St. Saviour's Cathedral

General Account:

**BSB 032721 ACCOUNT 280248**

Please use the appropriate reference:

**MINISTRY** (to support Cathedral Ministry)

**MISSIONS** (supporting Diocese of Willochra, Anglicare & ABM projects)

#### OTHER DONATIONS:

Organ Appeal BSB 702389  
ACC 5209664

Heritage/Restoration Appeal  
BSB 032721  
ACC 680946



### Dean Phillip's Christmas Message

Christmas is at the same time one of the most joyful, and one of the most stressful, seasons of the year. Seeing those we love around the table, but also shopping in the madness of the Christmas crowds.

For many of us too, it is also a time of sadness when we miss those who are no longer with us or feel estranged from. It can be a time of acute loss, regret and loneliness. So Christmas stirs up many memories and emotions.

However, the story of Christmas is not simply a sweet tale of the birth of a baby, but tells of the very human struggle of Mary and Joseph to travel long distances while she is very pregnant, the struggle to find a place to bear him. And not to put too fine a point on it, birth in an animal stable is not particularly glorious! This story is also told in the shadow of the cross, reflected in the carols we sing.

God with us - in all the aspects of life, in the joy and the suffering, the feasting and the world weariness we may feel at this time. The Good News that because of God with us in all of our human experience has value. The Good News that we can connect with God again. May you find renewed hope and faith this Christmas.

St Saviour's Cathedral Hymns  
24th December 2017



*Opening Hymn*

Creator of the starry height,  
thy people's everlasting light,  
Jesu, redeemer of us all,  
hear thou thy servants when they call.

Thou, sorrowing at the helpless cry  
of all creation doomed to die,  
didst come to save our fallen race  
by healing gifts of heavenly grace.

When earth was near its evening hour,  
thou didst, in love's redeeming power,  
like bridegroom from his chamber, come  
forth from a virgin-mother's womb.

To God the Father, God the Son,  
and God the Spirit, Three in One,  
praise, honour, might, and glory be  
from age to age eternally.

*Latin*  
*Tr JM Neale 1818-1866*  
*CP25 Tune 49*

St Saviour's Cathedral Hymns  
24th December 2017



*Gradual Hymn*

When came in flesh the incarnate Word  
The heedless world slept on,  
And only simple shepherds heard  
That God had sent his Son.

When comes the Saviour at the last,  
From east to west shall shine  
The awful pomp, and earth aghast  
Shall tremble at the sign.

Lord, who could dare see thee descend,  
In state, unless he knew  
Thou art the sorrowing sinner's friend,  
The gracious and the true?

Dwell in our hearts, O Saviour blest:  
So shall thine advent's dawn  
'Twixt us and thee, beloved guest,  
Be but the veil withdrawn.

*J. Anstice*  
*A&MR 56*

*Offertory Hymn*

Of the Father's love begotten  
ere the worlds began to be,  
he is Alpha and Omega,  
he the source, the ending he,  
of the things that are, that have been,  
and that future years shall see  
evermore and evermore.

O that birth for ever blessed  
when the virgin, full of grace,  
by the Spirit's power conceiving  
bore the saviour of our race,  
and the babe, the world's redeemer,  
first revealed his sacred face,  
evermore and evermore.

This is he whom seers and sages  
sang of old with one accord,  
whom the voices of the prophets  
promised in their faithful word;  
now he shines, the long-expected:  
let creation praise its Lord  
evermore and evermore.

In the heights of heaven adore him,  
angel hosts his praises sing,  
all dominions bow before him  
and extol our God and king;  
let no tongue on earth be silent,  
every voice together sing  
evermore and evermore.

*Aurelius Clemens Prudentius 348-c. 413 tr. John*  
*Mason Neale 1818-66 Henry Williams Baker 1827-*  
*77 and others*  
*TIS290*



*Final Hymn*

O come, O come, Emmanuel,  
and ransom captive Israel,  
that mourns in lonely exile here  
until the Son of God appear.

*Rejoice! rejoice!*

*Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.*

O come, O come, great Lord of might  
who to the tribes on Sinai's height  
in ancient times did give the law  
in cloud and majesty and awe.

*Refrain*

O come, O key of David, come,  
and open wide our heavenly home;  
make safe the way that leads on high  
and close the path to misery.

*Refrain*

O come, O branch of Jesse, free  
your own from Satan's tyranny;  
from depths of hell your people save  
and give them victory o'er the grave.

*Refrain*

O come, O dayspring, come and cheer  
our spirits by your advent here;  
disperse the gloomy clouds of night  
and death's dark shadows put to flight.

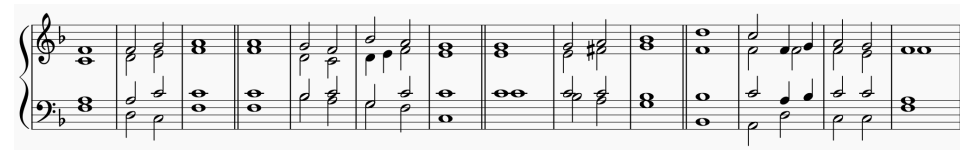
*O come, O come, Emmanuel*

*Refrain*

*Anon., Latin, 18th cent. or earlier based on Antiphons from 9th cent. or earlier  
tr. John Mason Neale 1818-66 alt.  
TIS265*

## Magnificat

*Chant: R. Langdon*



My soul proclaims the | greatness of . the | Lord:

**my spirit re- | joices . in | God my | Saviour,**

Who has looked with favour on his | low . ly | servant:

**from this day all gener- | ations . will | call me | blessed**

The Almighty has done | great things | for me:

**and | ho. ly | is his | name.**

God has mercy on | those who | fear him:

**from gener- | ation . to | gen - . e- | ration.**

The Lord has shown strength | with his | arm:

**and scatt-e-red the | proud in | their con | ceit,**

Casting down the mighty | from their | thrones:

**and | lif- ting | up the | lowly.**

God has filled the hungry with | good | things:

**and sent the | rich a- | way | empty.**

He has come to the aid of his | servant | Israel:

**to re | member . the | promise . of | mercy,**

(2nd half) The promise made | to our | forebears:

**to Abraham and his | children | for | ever.**



Food Pantry  
Donations Needed

**OUR CATHEDRAL MINISTRY TO THOSE IN NEED**  
**OUR SHELVES ARE NOW VERY HEALTHY. Thank you.**

*You may all take a well earned break. Our shelves are "bulging".*

*Please hold this ministry in your prayers. A huge thank you to those who have heeded our call particularly parishioners but also community businesses assisted in restock.. We will advise via pew sheet when items should resume.*



**STORAGE FACILITY NEEDED.**

For many years Mrs Edna Knowlman generously allowed our Parish to use her garage as our "off site storage" facility. However, now Kerrie's family home has been sold and we are asking if any parishioner has a single garage, with concrete floor, waterproof and secure that is unused and you are willing to allow the Cathedral items to be securely stored. Please contact the Office or speak to Dean Phillip.

**A Prayer for St George's Cathedral, our sister church in East Jerusalem**

Our God, as you nurture the Body of Christ in different places, we ask for blessing for our sister church St George's. In 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

Thank you to all who donated to **The Anglicare Christmas Giving Tree.** Each year, your generosity makes Christmas brighter for struggling local families. All presents have been collected by Anglicare and have been distributed.



**ADVANCE NOTICE:** The Cathedral will be offering EfM (Education for Ministry) next year. Year 3 CHURCH HISTORY with Canon Anne. If you did this course years ago, the course has changed quite dramatically and you are most welcome to come along. Sessions will be on Sundays, early afternoon.

**ADVANCE NOTICE:**

The Cathedral will hold a *Harvest Festival* on **Sunday, 18th February 2018.**

Get your veggie gardens ready, make some jams, anything and everything in generous food and drink offerings



December 2017

**Christmas at the Cathedral**

**Tonight 5pm** Children's service

**Tonight 11pm** Christmas Eve Eucharist

**Tomorrow: 9am** Christmas Day Eucharist

**(REMINDER: No 5pm Services during JANUARY)**

**SATURDAY 31 MARCH 2018 11AM :** +Stuart Laying up of staff



If you are a visitor here this morning, we welcome you and hope you enjoy warm fellowship and are inspired by our worship. Please be mindful of a **STEP DOWN** as you leave your pew.



The Cathedral Office will be **CLOSED** from

**22 DECEMBER and reopen 15 JANUARY 2018**

(The telephone messages will be answered frequently during the closure period).

**CATHEDRAL GUIDES:** We seek your help to keep our Cathedral open. If you can help or if you would like to know what is involved, please speak to Fred Rainger - Ph 4821 5725. Training is given. Our aim is to open 10am-4pm (3hrs/once week or month will assist greatly). This is a treasure to share with the faithful and the weary traveller.

**HOME COMMUNIONS**

**CELEBRANT:** (N), we send you out to share Communion with those unable to come to Church.

**PEOPLE:** May you carry the prayers of our Cathedral community as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence.

**CELEBRANT:** May those who receive it be strengthened and encouraged in Christ. **AMEN**

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