

Sentence

You are the Holy One enthroned on the praises of your people. Our ancestors trusted in you and you delivered them; they put their trust in you and were not disappointed.

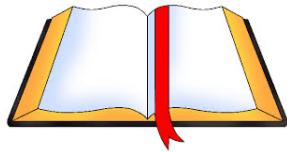
Psalm 22:3-5

Collect

Gracious God, John the Baptiser prepared your way:
help us hear your word to us,
and give us the grace to respond.
For you are alive and reign with the Father
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



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Readings

Malachi 3:1-4
Philippians 1:3-11
Luke 3:1-6

Prayers

This Sunday in the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for Bishop Steve and Lorraine; and for our Archdeacon Keith Gover and Anne. This week we pray for the Bluff Cooperating Parish, the Forum of Cooperative Ventures, the Joint Regional Committees, and the Commission on Ecumenism. We pray also for the Parish of Caversham as they search for a Vicar.

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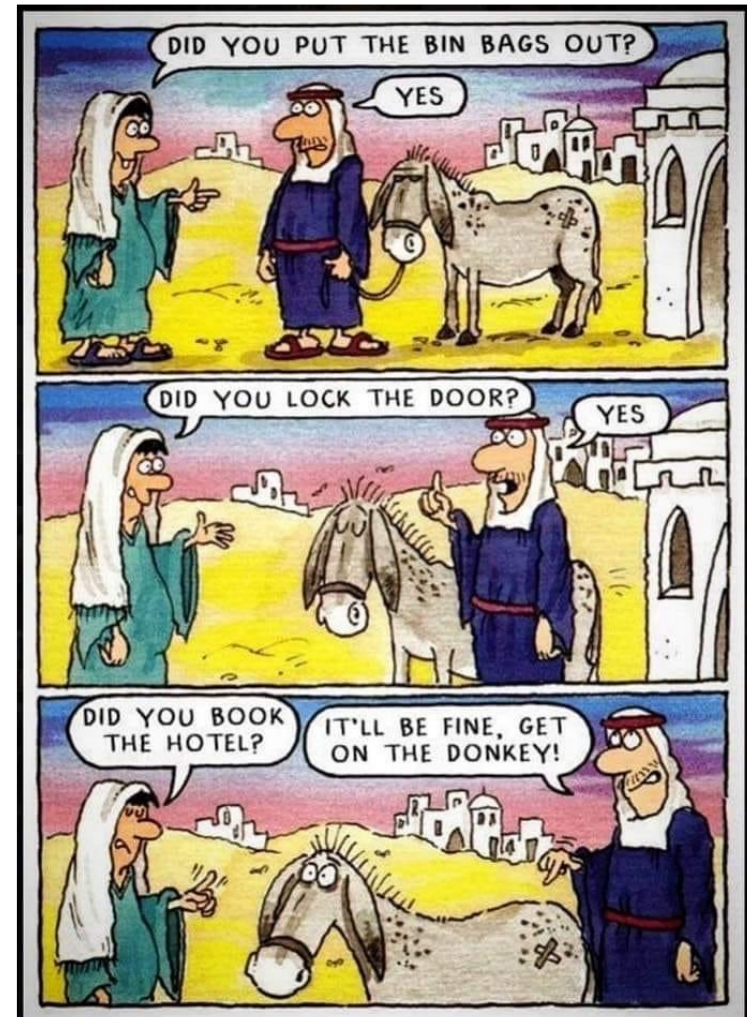


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All Saints' Church

The open door

Second Sunday in Advent
5 December, 2021



Service at 9.30am: All Age Service Booklet

Opening	8	Brother, Sister, Let Me Serve You
Offertory	7	Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Come To Us
Closing	6	God Is Our Strength And Refuge

Your organist this Sunday is: Alan Menzies

Nine Lessons and Carols Service

This annual service is always a highlight of our Christmas schedule. **Choir rehearsals** for this year's Nine Lessons and Carols service are underway on **Thursdays, 7pm - 8.30pm**, in the church. They will continue **each Thursday** until the service at **7pm on Sunday 19 December**.

If you know of singers from other parishes or churches, please encourage and invite them to join the choir. For further information please contact Alan Menzies (217 3480) or the Vicar.

Night Church

Our final Night Church service for 2021 will be held **THIS EVENING**. Night Church is a service of contemporary music, prayer and praise with opportunity for fellowship over supper after the service. Come along and hear our wonderful worship team next Sunday evening from 7.00pm.

South Centre Anglican Care

Thank you to all those who have contributed to South Centre during the year, our donations towards their food bank and clothing closet are always so gratefully received. Just a reminder that at this end of the year there are always additional demands on the food bank, so if you are able to bring along a few extra non-perishable items to contribute, we will ensure that these get delivered in time for Christmas.

Parish thanks go to Jill and Tony Whitfield who drop the items off to South Centre on our behalf.

Carol Service

St Mary's Anglican Church, Waikaia, would like to welcome everyone to join them for a Carol Service with the Bishop, at 6 pm on Tuesday 7th December 2021.

Covid conditions apply.

This service is usually followed by a meal at the Waikaia Hotel.

Calendar...

<i>5 December</i>	Today
Said Eucharist	8.00am
Prayers Before Church	9.00am
Holy Communion	9.30am
Night Church	7.00pm
<i>7 December</i>	Tuesday
Music and Movement	10.00am
<i>8 December</i>	Wednesday
Said Eucharist	10.30am
<i>9 December</i>	Thursday
9 Lessons Choir Rehearsal	7.00pm
<i>12 December</i>	Sunday
Said Eucharist	8.00am
Prayers Before Church	9.00am
Holy Eucharist	9.30am

Roster...

Ministries for Today...	
8.00am	J Trotter
9.30am	<i>Sidesperson</i> J&D Murphy <i>Worship Leader</i> K Jones <i>Readers</i> S Carter R Carter <i>Morning Tea</i> J Gray L Cruickshank
Ministries for Next Sunday...	
8.00am	J Trotter
9.30am	<i>Sidesperson</i> S Pratt <i>Worship Leader</i> J French <i>Readers</i> D French D Horrell <i>Morning Tea</i> M McKay

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Covid-19 Traffic Lights at All Saints

As you will no doubt be aware, the government's new Covid-19 Traffic Light system arrives on December 3rd. This has implications for everyone, including us here at All Saints' Gladstone. The Bishops of Tikanga Pakeha have together recommended that all churches and parishes use the Vaccination Pass approach to holding worship services.

We would like to understand where our congregation is placed regarding this issue before making any final decisions around how we conduct services going forwards. Therefore for this week (Sunday December 5) our practices will remain at the current Level Two protocols that you have all become familiar with. If you have any concerns with moving to the Vaccination Pass approach, please speak with either the Wardens or myself at your earliest convenience.

Vestry is aware that these new conditions under which we are all living can cause stress and anxiety. As a church we need to look out for each other, we need to support one another, and we need to remain aware of God's presence with us throughout even the most challenging of times.

Blessings, Richard.