

COLLECT: Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which you Son, Jesus Christ came among us in great humility; that on the last day, when he comes again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

PRAYER BEFORE READING: Our Father, we love to hear you speak to us, and so we are eager to hear you Word. Please help us by your Spirit to listen to you as your Word is now read, and soften our hearts so that we might know you better, and love you more. **Amen.**

Next Week's Bible Readings:

Malachi 3:1-14
 Philippians 1:1-11
 Luke 3:1-6

Next Sunday's Sermon Text:

Luke 3:1-6

FEEDING ON GOD'S PROMISES

"My defense to those who examine me is this: Don't we have the right to eat and drink? ... Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat its fruit? Or who shepherds a flock and does not drink the milk from the flock?"

1 Corinthians 9:3-4 & 7 (HCSB)

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WEEKLY HAPPENINGS

- Monday:** 8.30am - Prayer Gathering
 9-11am - Stay and Play (Playgroup)
 2.00pm - Fellowship Gathering @ Woolgoolga Aged Care Centre
- Tuesday:** 8.30am - Prayer Gathering
 4pm - Choir Rehearsal
- Wednesday:** 9-10am - Prayer Gathering
 1.30pm - Women's Bible Study - fortnightly (Anne Dorman's home) **IN RECESS**
 2pm - Women's Bible Study - fortnightly (Lilian Essex-Clark's home)
 4pm - Sunday@10 Singing Practice - see Simon Reeve
 7.30-8.30pm - Men's Bible Study - see Simon Reeve
- Thursday:** 8.30am - Prayer Gathering
 11.00am - Armchair Church @ Woolgoolga Aged Care Centre
 4.30pm - 6pm - TEF - 8 Whitehaven Crescent Woolgoolga (Hanger home)
- Friday:** 8.30am - Prayer Gathering
 9am - Women's Bible Study - Alison Reeve's home (Rectory)
 5.30pm - WiFY - Years 4-12
- 2nd Sunday:** 2pm - Jesus Club, Sunday **TODAY 1st December**

DAYS OFF Simon—Thursday Pam—Friday



1st December 2024 AD

We warmly welcome you to Northern Beaches Anglicans
*If you are new, visiting, or one of our regulars,
 we are glad you have joined us today.*



HOPE – In Advent

With Christmas less than a month away we enter the season of Advent, a season when we anticipate the coming of Jesus. Of course, this is to remind us of the first coming of Jesus as a child, born of an earthly mother, yet also born of a heavenly father, born the Son of Man, and the Son of God. However, this is also to remind us of the second coming of our Lord and Saviour, as the judge of the world. Our Old Testament reading set for today, Jeremiah 33:14-16, speaks of Jesus' coming as a fulfilment of God good promise to his people. v14 "The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will fulfill the good promise I made to the people of Israel and Judah". v15 "In those days and at that time I will make a righteous Branch sprout from David's line; he will do what is just and right in the land. v16 In those days Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The LORD Our Righteous Saviour." In this season what better hope does our world need?

PARISH SERVICES: SUNDAY@8 - 8AM (Holy Communion) & Sunday@10 - 10AM (Family Service). NEXT Combined Service 29th December Sunday@9 - 9am

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Belinda Stone, Marj Simmons, Lillian Essex-Clarke, Pam Stone, Joan Neuwirth, Judy Howard and Matthew Doherty.

Praise God for the life and witness of Alan Moore. Please pray for his family as they grieve his death.

Praise God for the life and witness of Mark Wyborn. Please pray for Karen and the Wyborn family as they grieve his death.

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The people on this list have requested prayer at this time.

Heaven to Earth

Christmas Eve – 24th Dec
6pm – Kids' Christmas

Christmas Day – 25th Dec
8am – Holy Communion

Sunday – 29th Dec
9am – Combined Service

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GOSPEL PARTNERSHIP: SMBC MISSION 25

The SMBC Mission in 2025 is fast approaching. It will be held from the 6th to the 13th April, a week before Easter. Please continue to pray for the preparations as we seek to ready our congregation for this week, as we seek to engage the Northern Beaches community with these events, and as we seek to encourage these Bible College students to use their God-given gifts and consider serving in regional ministry in Northern NSW.



OUR GOD is a God who does far more than we ask for. Convicted of that truth Anne and David have been praying for both services in the chapel from 7.15am. Everyone is welcome to join us. Please talk with David if anyone is interested in doing likewise before the 10.00am service.



BCA SUMMER EDITION:

Please note that the Summer Edition of the Real Australian and the Prayer Notes for BCA Field Staff are freely available on the BCA noticeboard. Please take one set per family as we continue to support the wonderful work of BCA as they seek to reach Australia for Christ.

NO MEN'S BREAKFAST: There will be no Men's breakfast next weekend. The next Men's breakfast will be **1st February 2025**.

Happy Anniversary

Josh & Julianne Oxley

Monday 2nd December

May you enjoy your celebration and may God bless you both on your special day.



"Hope—In Advent"

Today's Readings:

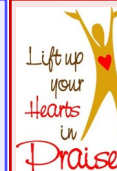
Jeremiah 33:14-16 (pg 793)

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 (pg 1187)

Luke 21: 25-38 (pg 1056)

This Sunday's Sermon Text:

Luke 21: 25-38 (pg 1056)



Today's Songs of Praise

- @8 * Rejoice! The Lord is King
- * Let All Mortal Flesh
- * Take Time to be Holy
- * O Come O Come Emmanuel
- @10 * Everlasting God
- * The Voice of the Lord
- * This Life I Live
- * Christ Our Wisdom

STAY & PLAY and **WiFY**: This week signals the last week of the year for some of our young families' outreach ministries. Tomorrow will be our final Stay & Play for the year, finishing with a Christmas Party. Friday will be the last WiFY of the year, with a Beach Christmas Party to celebrate with our youth, the birth of our Saviour Jesus.



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

There will be a short Parish Council Meeting this week on Tuesday 3rd December at 5:30pm in the Parish Hall, followed by a Christmas celebratory dinner at the rectory. All Parish Council members, and their families are welcome as we celebrate God's blessings throughout this year.



SANDY BEACH CAROLS: Sandy Beach Baptist Church is again hosting the Sandy Beach Christmas Carols event on **Sunday 8th December**, starting from **4:30pm**.

Please come and join a wonderful community evening which is openly Christian and very family orientated. This is also a wonderful opportunity to invite your family or neighbours to hear the Christmas message.

ROSTERS are being prepared for **Feb—April 2025**. If you are away during that time, or you would like to go onto the roster, please let **Leone** know **ASAP**.



CHRISTMAS AT NBA: With Christmas only one month away NBA begins to enter the Christmas Season. Next Sunday we will begin a four-week preaching series thinking about Advent, as we prepare for the coming of Christmas. This season gives us a chance to reconnect with the events of Christmas, and rekindle our relationship with Christ. Next Sunday in the notice sheet will be a list of short Bible readings for us to read personally each day in the lead up to Christmas. Also, the Sandy Beach Carols on 8th Dec., our Kids Christmas Eve 6pm Service 24th Dec., and our Christmas Day 8am Service will all be opportunities to join in the celebration of Jesus' birth, and of God's plan of salvation. So please make the most of this Christmas Season and allow love, joy, peace and hope to encourage us in Christ.