

# ANNUAL PARISH MEETING (APM)

11.30AM SUNDAY 28TH NOVEMBER, 2021

GILL HALL, 1 ALBERT STREET, POINT LONSDALE, VICTORIA

**AND ON ZOOM:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83304997940?pwd=bFdqb1QxMXVvdGpiQQdoNmdVR1pQQQT09>



## Lovers of the Place\*

Newsletter – Queenscliff Lonsdale Anglicans  
Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2021  
1<sup>ST</sup> Sunday of Advent  
(by hand to those without email)



### ADVENT 2021



We pray for Katie Bellhouse who will be ordained Priest at St Paul's Cathedral in Melbourne this Saturday 27 November. This is Katie's home parish. She began her theological studies soon after being Confirmed at St James on Easter Day in 2016. She is the granddaughter of Pat who is a resident of Sea Views Manor, daughter of Bob and of course niece of Lizzie who died earlier in the year. I will be there representing the parish on this momentous day for Katie.

#### 1. St James' Advent Appeal. See Pages 2 and 3.

#### 2. Advent Study. 'What are we waiting for? The Advent Gospels'

Mondays of Advent: 29 December; 6;13;20 January

Hybrid gathering, face to face and on Zoom. St James, Office Gathering Area and on Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82414985234?pwd=ejRzcndldFgxOE9BeDFjOTJtdHRkQT09>

Meeting ID: 824 1498 5234 Passcode: 813843

#### 3. Opening our Churches

After a false start due to lock down, we will now begin opening one of our churches for an hour each day, from Monday to Friday, to the public for personal visits. This will only be for those who are double vaxed so we need a roster of volunteer COVID officers to open and close the church and to check people in.

The opening time is from 10.00am and 11.00am. Here is the roster for the first fortnight waiting to be filled in.

Please nominate a time, or maybe 2, when you can take your turn.

BETWEEN 10.00AM AND 11.00AM						
Week Beginning ↓	MONDAY St James' Point Lonsdale	TUESDAY St George's Queenscliff	WEDNESDAY St James' Point Lonsdale	THURSDAY St George's Queenscliff	FRIDAY St James' Point Lonsdale	SATURDAY St George's Queenscliff
Sunday 28 November						
Sunday 5 December						

\*We acknowledge that we gather and worship on the traditional land of Wadda Wurrung people and honour and pay our respects to their Elders past and present. We affirm, with them, in the Wadda Wurrung language: 'kim barne barre Wadda Wurrung' (this is the land of the Wadda Wurrung).

#### 4. CHRISTMAS BOWL “Love your neighbour as yourself”

**First Sunday of Advent**



**Hope for families in Indonesia**

Central Sulawesi was hard hit by a huge earthquake and tsunami in 2018. Since then, farms which families rely on for food have been affected by floods, drought and the COVID-19 pandemic. Women are learning to make organic fertiliser and pesticides to help them grow their own food to feed their families. This Christmas Bowl, you are helping communities adapt to climate change and withstand financial hardship when disasters strike. **Please give today.**

**CALL: 1800 025 101 VISIT: [actforpeace.org.au/christmasbowl](http://actforpeace.org.au/christmasbowl)**

The Christmas appeal of Act for Peace, the international aid agency of the National Council of Churches in Australia. ABN 86 619 970 188





Christmas Bowl Envelopes are now available in the foyer for your donation which can be made by Cheque or Card. Simply complete and return to Christmas Bowl, or if you prefer to donate with cash, place money in envelope and put in the locked box in the church porch. Electronic payments can be done by using this unique QR code allocated to St Georges Queenscliff and St James Point Lonsdale. Use your smart phone to open your camera, point to the QR Code and it will take you directly to the site for making direct deposits.

#### 5. St James' Advent Appeal.

This Advent Appeal is directed to those currently participating in the life of the parish, as well as to the many families and households whom we know are 'Lovers of the Place' due to special associations with St James.

Please respond generously in our time of need.

##### *The Story behind the Appeal:*

Over the last 12 months our buildings at St James' have needed special attention. Extreme winds in November 2020 dramatically brought down the brick south wall of Gill Hall. The event revealed serious structural deficiencies in Gill Hall. Unfortunately, when Gill Hall was built in 1990 the builders failed to use the regulation brick ties required for a building by the sea. The corrosion of these brick ties was responsible for the wall collapse. Insurance has covered the immediate wall collapse, but will not cover any future events related to this deficiency. Consequently, we are in the process of remediating the building following a full engineer's report. It is also time to attend to a

backlog of building maintenance. There is also work needed on storm water, roofing and our trees. All this at a time when our major sources of income have been depleted due to COVID. (See report from Parish Council p. 4)

##### *How do I give?*

1. To make an electronic transfer of money into the a special account we have with the Anglican Development Fund for this purpose go to the home page of our website and press the '**St James Advent Appeal**' button: [www.queenscliffionsdaleanglican.org](http://www.queenscliffionsdaleanglican.org)
2. Alternatively, you may pay into this account by Direct Internet Transfer: Account Name - St James Advent Appeal BSB - 703 122 Account Number - 05009956
3. Or thirdly, cheque made out to: St James Advent Appeal

## Christmas 2021

**in the Anglican Churches  
of the Borough of Queenscliffe**

All are welcome at these celebrations of the Birth of Jesus Christ.  
Please join us.

### CHRISTMAS EVE

**Friday 24 December**

**7.00pm** Crib Service with Holy Communion at  
St James' Point Lonsdale

**10.00pm** Midnight Mass at St George's Queenscliff

### CHRISTMAS DAY

**Saturday 25 December**

**8.00am** Holy Communion at St James' Point Lonsdale

**9.30am** Holy Communion at St James'

Point Lonsdale - **LIVESTREAMED**

## FROM PARISH COUNCIL

**Next Sunday 5th December**, after the Eucharist, all parishioners are invited to join a discussion over morning tea in Gill Hall about the Parish involvement in Climate Action, particularly through our membership of the inter-faith Australian Religious Response to Climate Change (ARRCC). You may have seen the banner outside St George the Martyr in Queenscliff and read something of the campaign in *Lovers of the Place*.

There will also be a brief introduction to the process of Re-Imagining the Future. Parish Council's engagement with this instrument of discernment continues with a Parish Council workshop on 13 December. Opportunities for general parishioner involvement in planning will follow.

As mentioned in last week's Newsletter, we plan to have a working bee on the Saturday morning before we commence in the new church each month. This will keep us on top of many maintenance chores and shouldn't be too demanding. We suggest all or part of 9.00-11.00am, followed by morning tea. Of course, everyone is welcome! **So, Saturday 4th December the working Bee will be at St Georges' Queenscliff.** BYO rakes, broom, etc.

Parish Council has decided to rent out the House of Prayer for summer holiday lettings (through Kerley's Real Estate) from as early as practicable in December through to Easter 2022. This is a significant but necessary development to generate some much-needed income for essential maintenance on both sites of St Georges and St James.

Fiona Lindsay Parish Council Secretary

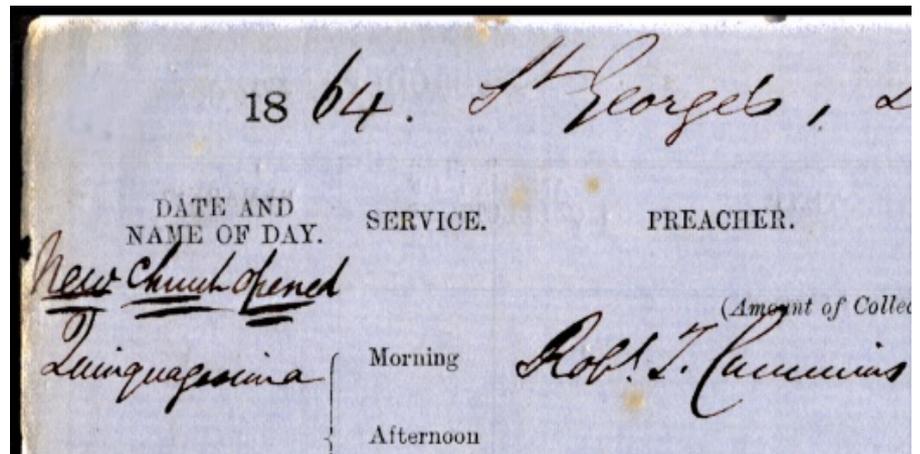
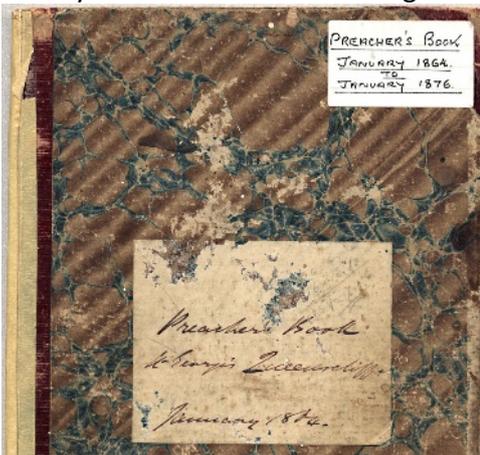
## LIBRARY

All the library books have been returned to the Gill Hall Shelves and are now available for borrowing. Please fill out the purple borrowing book with name, date out, and date in when returned.

## FROM THE HISTORY ROOM

During this coming week two more boxes of our valuable historical records, having been digitised and described, will be lodged with the Diocesan Archives in North Fitzroy. These will be added to two other groups of our records deposited over the last five years for safe keeping.

Oddly enough the last item just digitised happens to be one of the oldest – a "Preacher's Book" dating from 1864 to 1876. Our History Room holds 17 of these books extending up to 1992. They don't make for fascinating reading as just the date, service, preacher, sermon text and collection plate amounts are recorded, so only this first one has been digitised.



However, an early entry in this oldest one dated the 31<sup>st</sup> January 1864 is shown here. The location of this service is doubly underlined for obvious reasons! Incidentally, Quinquagesima Sunday will be known to many of us who attended Sunday school all those years ago as the Sunday prior to Ash Wednesday.

Back then the St George's would have looked as in this pre 1877 photograph, prior to the addition of the sanctuary, vestry and tower.

The digitising program is now reaching its conclusion and next year will be time to focus on making some of our history available on the internet. Lindsay Howe.

## GOSPEL OF THE DAY - Luke 21.25-38

‘There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in a cloud” with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.’ Then he told them a parable: ‘Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ‘Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.’ Every day he was teaching in the temple, and at night he would go out and spend the night on the Mount of Olives, as it was called. And all the people would get up early in the morning to listen to him in the temple.

**ORDER OF SERVICE INCL. READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY 28th November 2021: [CLICK HERE](#)**

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2021: [CLICK HERE](#)**

## OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**Prayer of the week:** 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 your Son Jesus Christ came among us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come 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, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Nations and Peoples:** Brunei, Malaysia, Singapore. The passage of legislation through our federal parliament

### **The Church**

**Our Parish:** Our parish Council and all parishioners for sound decisions at the Annual Parish Meeting

**Oodthenong Episcopate:** Andrew Grills and Danna, Lynette Pearson, Peter Taylor, Jessica Pell, Ben Wright, Louis Glazebrook, Matt Keller- COAH Geelong; Christ Church Geelong; Pastoral Visit (Bp Kate Prowd)

**Melbourne Diocese:** St Stephen’s Richmond (Matthew Healy); St John’s Bentleigh – Pastoral Visit (Abp Philip Freier); St Mark’s Forest Hill – Pastoral Visit (Bp Paul Barker)

**National Church:** The Diocese of Sydney (Abp Kanishka Raffel, Regional Bps Chris Edwards, Michael Stead, Peter Hayward, Peter Lin, Malcolm Richards, Gary Koo, Clergy & People); Working Group on Aboriginal Matters (NATSIAC)

**Global:** Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil (Abp Miguel Uchoa, Primate)

To pray for our Church each day go to [The Melbourne Anglican](#)

**Mission:** Anglicare Australia: Chair, Bishop Chris Jones; Executive Director, Kasy Chambers; Anglican Alliance for Development, Relief and Advocacy

To pray for mission each day go to: [Anglican Board of Mission](#)

**Our Common Home** – The Earth. Development of climate/energy policy in our public and political discourse.

**Requests:** Pippa; Thataw Kunoo; Zion and Doni Htoo; Greg; Mike & Heather; Richard; Peter; Jenny; Ken; Pam; Mary-Anne; Zoe, Mary; Shane; Peter; Helen; Robert; Patricia; Julia; Barry; (& Anne); Philip; Greg; Ron; Alice; Betty; Carlie; Lucy; Parvin; Sisi; Pixie, Julie and Bill; Angela; Jennifer; Terry; Trish; Ros

### **Communion of Saints**

**Sanctoral cycle this week:** Frances Perry, founder of Royal Women’s Hospital, Melbourne (d. 1892); Francis Xavier, priest, man of prayer (d. 1637).

**Month’s mind;** Rebecca Kunoo.

**Year’s mind;** Rosemary Cowell 1.12.2020; Karl Heinz Schenk 03.12.2020

**Anniversaries;** Nancy Winifred Pettigrove 28.11.2014; Hector Walter Todd 29.11.1974; Marjorie Frances Goodwin 29.11.1984; Claude Webber 29.11.1996; Eileen Mary Lowther 29.11.2011; Judith May Colman 30.11.1987; Elin Poedenphant Johnston 02.12.2013

*An asterisk\* signifies those whose ashes are interred in the St James’ Memorial Garden*

*A hash sign # signifies those whose ashes are interred in the St George’s Memorial Garden*

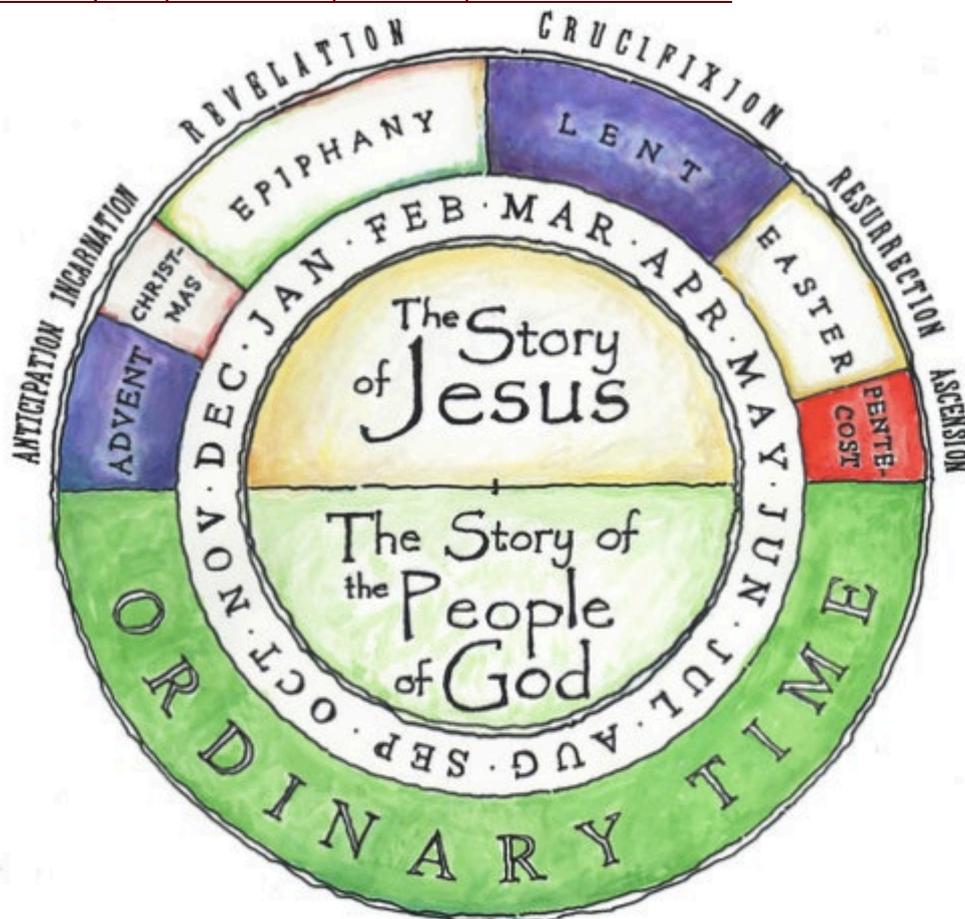
## WHAT’S IN A WORD - JENNI’S GOOGLE WANDERINGS AND WONDERINGS

### **What is Advent? - History and meaning**

For many Christians unfamiliar with the liturgical year, there may be some confusion surrounding the meaning of the Advent season. Some people may know that the Advent season focuses on expectation and think that it serves as an anticipation of Christ’s birth in the season leading up to Christmas. This is part of the story, but there’s more to Advent.

The word "Advent" is derived from the Latin word adventus, meaning "coming," which is a translation of the Greek word parousia. Scholars believe that during the 4th and 5th centuries in Spain and Gaul, Advent was a season of preparation for the baptism of new Christians at the January feast of Epiphany, the celebration of God's incarnation represented by the visit of the Magi to the baby Jesus (Matthew 2:1), his baptism in the Jordan River by John the Baptist (John 1:29), and his first miracle at Cana (John 2:1). During this season of preparation, Christians would spend 40 days in penance, prayer, and fasting to prepare for this celebration; originally, there was little connection between Advent and Christmas.

<https://www.christianity.com/christian-life/christmas/what-is-advent.html>



E-pray have released an App for both iPhone and Android that is freely available for download and which includes the full text, including the set readings and psalm, for Morning and Evening prayer.

[here.](#)

**MORNING PRAYER St James Point Lonsdale and on Zoom**

9.15AM					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ZOOM LINK: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83936429814?pwd=SJjCRE5WNXRZUxRaOdHVk1vL2w3dz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83936429814?pwd=SJjCRE5WNXRZUxRaOdHVk1vL2w3dz09</a>					

**EVENING PRAYER St George's Queenscliff and on Zoom**

5.00PM					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ZOOM LINK: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87628164461?pwd=cEF6K1E1Yjh6TEFka25laG4vUDDMQT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87628164461?pwd=cEF6K1E1Yjh6TEFka25laG4vUDDMQT09</a>					

**MEDITATION St James Point Lonsdale and on Zoom**

8.30AM	8.00AM	8.30AM
Monday	Wednesday	Friday
ZOOM LINK: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81733909876?pwd=WHI4QVNENHRJVFZyWXNLSFJ5cjdrdz09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81733909876?pwd=WHI4QVNENHRJVFZyWXNLSFJ5cjdrdz09</a>		

The parish is a member of the Australian Religious Response to Climate Change ([ARRCC](#))



Parish members participate in the local community movement, Queenscliffe Climate Action ([QCA](#))