

For prayer... The word Advent comes from Latin and means "coming" its purpose is to look forward to the coming of Christ to Earth; it is a season that is focused on waiting. God broke into time and space and entered our world.

Through prayer, *we* can enter into *God's* world and ask Him to prepare our hearts the way He prepared all of history to receive the gift of His Son. In prayer ask the Father to use this time during Advent to cut away the distractions and make your life a place of warmth and openness, make sure there's "room at the inn" of your heart this year. Let us focus too in prayer for those in our Parish family unwell at this time plus thanksgiving for those healed.



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Our Parish Offertory target is \$1,000 per week –
Sun. Nov.25th - Offertory \$657.20 Concert \$120 Book sales \$10
Wednesday \$5 = \$792.20.

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WEEKLY BULLETIN LONGFORD/PERTH ANGLICAN PARISH

SUNDAY 2nd DECEMBER 2018 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Jesus Passion

'I will build my church'
Matthew 16:18

Our Mission

'To build Christ's Church and take God's Word to the people'.



Today the first candle is lit on the Advent Wreath
– 'The Candle of Hope'

Welcome, we are blessed to have you with us today. We are a friendly parish that exists to worship God, to minister to the needs of the community, and to help all people grow in faith and fellowship as a family of believers.

Please make yourself know to us and stay for fellowship and refreshments at the back of the church following the 9am Service.

The Service of Holy Communion Second Order
Commences on page 119 of the Green Prayer Book

Sentence for today:

Stand up and raise your heads; your redemption is drawing near. Luke 21:28

Collect: (*Pray together*)

Eternal God, you have taught us that the night is far spent and the day is at hand: keep us awake and alert, watching for your kingdom; and make us strong in faith, so that when Christ comes in glory to judge the earth, we may go out joyfully to greet him; and, with all your saints, may worship you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Reading: JEREMIAH 33: 14 – 16
(Red Pew Bible page 563)

PSALM 25: 1 – 10
(Green Prayer Book page 244)

The Epistle: 1 THESSALONIANS 3: 9 - 13
(Red Pew Bible page 838)

The Holy Gospel: LUKE 21: 25 - 38
(Red Pew Bible page 746)



Agnes Dei.....Our Eucharist Anthem
Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

PARISH NOTICES

There will not be a further Service at Christ Church Illawarra until the 11am Holy Communion Service on Christmas Day.

There will not be a Wednesday Holy Communion Service at Christ Church Longford during December 2018 or January 2019.

No 'Snackchat' in December 2018 or January 2019 to recommence again in February 2019.

Wednesday 5th December A.M.S. Meeting @ 2pm Parish Hall.

Annual Hedge Clip and Church Clean

Volunteers are needed to help with the hedge clip and cleaning of the church on Saturday the 8th December commencing at 8.00am.

Many hands make light work!

THREE VERY WORTHY APPEALS –

CHRISTMAS BOWL – Envelopes available at the back of the church and placed in the offering if you can help. There are nearly 60 million displaced people in the world that need our help.

HELPING HAND – Christmas fare for the less fortunate in our community e.g. pudding, custard, tinned vegetables, gravox, mince pies, cake, shortbread and sweets. Box at the back of the church for donations.

CHRISTIAN BLIND MISSION – An opportunity to help alleviate the suffering and eventual eradicate Trachoma in Africa. There is a collection jar for donations by the door today.

11th December Parish Council Meeting @ 6pm Parish Hall.
Note the earlier start.

A *Carols by Candlelight* combined Churches service will be held at Christ Church Longford on the 23rd December @ 7pm.

The Parish Fair will be held on Saturday 16th February 2019 at 8.30am This will take the form of a Mini Fair and will be located in and around the grounds of the Parish Hall. Please start gathering saleable items for the white elephant and book stalls – goods can be left at the Parish Office on Tuesday mornings. Seedlings, plants and vegetables can be started for the produce stall. Marie Heggaton would like Moccona Coffee Jars please. Any queries please contact Glenys Joyes 0448 999 053.