



ST LUKE'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, MODBURY

Sunday, 11th December, 2022

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9.00am Sung Eucharist

11.30am Vestry meeting

...WELCOME ...

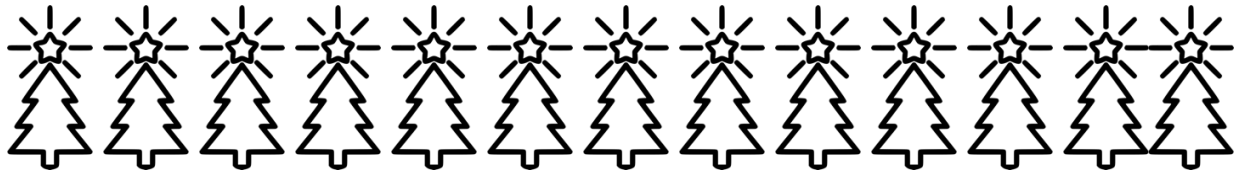
This week at St. Luke's

Monday	10.00am	Bible Study
Tuesday	8.30am	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Community Garden
Wednesday	10.00am	Foodbank
Thursday	10.00am	Holy Communion
Friday	9.30am	Community Garden

Disappointment with God (Matthew 11.2-11)

John the Baptist was a great man of faith. Shortly before Jesus began his ministry, John was telling people to get their hearts and lives ready for the Messiah promised by God. It was a time in Israel when the temple clergy were largely status conscious supporters of the status quo, and the faith of many ordinary people was reduced to a kind of holiday celebration of the major festivals. John the Baptist burst on to this scene proclaiming that God was about to intervene in the history of the world – the status quo would be overturned, and every person would be directly challenged. John's message was 'listen up and get ready'. He directly challenged both the ordinary people of Israel and those who governed its religious life, and he did so in a most uncompromising way. How strange then that in our Gospel passage for today John sends to ask Jesus 'Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another? Was he disappointed in Jesus? Was he beginning to doubt his calling? How might we understand what's happening here, and what might we learn from it?

Our Vision Statement. St. Luke's will be an open community of faith which engages with the community and inspires and encourages people to know Jesus Christ.



CHRISTMAS SERVICES

<i>Saturday 24th Dec. Christmas Eve</i>	<i>Family Service</i>	<i>6.00pm</i>
	<i>Midnight Mass</i>	<i>11.00pm</i>
<i>Sunday 25th Dec. Christmas Day</i>		<i>9.00am</i>

Vestry Meeting, today at 11.30am.

This vestry meeting (of which notice has been given for the past three Sundays) will consider a motion that St Luke's and St Mark's should worship together on Sundays at 8am and 9.30pm at St Luke's from 4th February 2023 to 16th April 2023 (Easter 2). Please see the additional sheet for the full text of the motion and background information.

Canterbury Cross Dedication. Archbishop Justin Welby gave St. Luke's a Canterbury Cross to mark the occasion of his visit to the parish on Saturday, 8th October this year. The cross has now been mounted by David Owen and will be dedicated today at 11.30am, immediately prior to our Vestry Meeting.

Prayer in Advent. Parish Council is encouraging church members to get together in three's for 30 minutes a week, to pray for our church, our Christian services, our mission and our community. If you are interested in joining a "Prayer Triplet" please speak to Helen Wright or one of the Wardens.

Christmas raffle. Once again Linda has made a delicious Christmas cake for our raffle. Tickets are 3 for \$5 and available from Thelma.

Lost Property box. If you have mislaid any items at the church, please check the lost property box located in the church foyer.

Christmas flowers. If you would like to make a donation towards provision of flowers for Christmas, please give to the wardens or Margaret Shillabeer.

DIARY DATES.

Sunday 11th Dec. 11.30am. Vestry Meeting – St. Luke's/St. Mark's proposed amalgamation discussions.

Christmas services – see above.

ROSTER REMINDER for 9.30am service next Sunday

<i>Reader 1:</i>	<i>Adrienne W</i>	<i>Welcoming:</i>	<i>Christine A</i>
<i>Reader 2:</i>	<i>Jan W</i>	<i>Morning Tea:</i>	<i>Dorothy & Colleen</i>
<i>Sidespersons:</i>	<i>Hugh W & Kirk S</i>		

Please join us for morning tea in the Balcony Room after the service

FOR PRAYER



*The Ukraine and other countries suffering war and civil unrest
Our Aged Care industry suffering extreme staff shortages
The sick, lonely, marginalised, refugees and asylum seekers
People persecuted for their religious beliefs*

The health and well-being of those needing immediate prayers:

Kathy Fennell, Peter Cooling, Iliya Khanzade, Eveline Robinson, Carol Aitken, Helen Gummow, Sadie Jane Hodge

Those who need ongoing prayers for healing and well-being: Barry Connell, Betty Mugg, Ian Archer, Susan Restall, Jessie Waters, Helen Spencer, Donald & Marjory Prince, Ngaire Stitchbury, Richard and Beth Morgan, Emily Cahill, Emmett Bollen, Chris Landden, Adrienne Wright, Bryan Shillabeer, Cathie, Faith Drodge, Catherine Cooling, Christopher Allen, Christopher Richmond, Malcolm Mayes, Mia, Naomi and Roland Barker, Russell Blore, Vicky Pattie, Jake Drury, Samantha Drury, Nerida Fidock, Brian Gummow, Cynthia Hendriks, Jeanette Leister, David Cooling

Cycle of Prayer. This week we keep before God in our prayers the following members of our St. Luke's family: Christine & Ian Archer, Stephanie Baraglia, Roland Barker, Dorothy Beinke, Margaret Bernard and Schools Ministry

Those who have died recently and whose anniversaries occur this week:

Christopher, Kenneth Candlett, Brian Smith, George Dyer, Coral Nicoll, Al Heubler, John Datson, Colin Brown

+ *Rest in peace, and rise in glory*

Requests for prayer should be made to Deb Travis 0450 950 112 (8am service); June Hindmarch 0402 138 694 (9.30am service); or speak to Jean Rechner (Thursday service)

Next week's readings

Isaiah 35.1-10

James 5.7-10

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Song of Mary

Mathew 11.2-11

Thought for the week

In Christ you have been brought to fullness (Colossians 2:10)

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*Sacraments of Anointing for Healing, Reconciliation, Baptism, Marriage and Funerals are all available.
Enquiries about pastoral visiting and home communion are welcome.
Please see Rev'd Cameron or Colin Fidock.*

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WEEKLY PEW SHEET Please forward information to the church email or put a note
under the office door by Wednesday.

REGULAR ACTIVITIES AT ST. LUKE'S

Community Garden	Tuesdays at 9.30am and Fridays at 9.30am
Community Garden BBQ	1 st Tuesday of each month at 11.30am
Men's Group	2 nd Thursday of each month at 7.30pm
Bari Worship	1 st and 3 rd Sunday of each month at 11.30am
Parish Council	3 rd Saturday of each month at 9.00am