



**Trentham  
Anglicans  
at St Johns**

15 December 2024

**3rd Sunday of Advent**

*Welcome*

**Today's Service:**

**Preaching:** Rev Jess or Simon Falconer  
**Presiding:** Rev Jess or Simon Falconer  
**9am** Eucharist in Church  
**10:30am** Eucharist in Hall with Young  
Persons Ministry  
**3pm** 9 Lessons and Carols in  
Church  
Zephaniah 3:14 - 20  
Isaiah 12:2 - 6  
Philippians 4:4 - 7  
Luke 3:7 - 18

**Next Week:**

**9am** Eucharist in Church  
**10:30am** Eucharist in Hall with Young  
Persons Ministry.

**Next Sunday's - Readings**

Micah 5:2 - 5a  
Luke 1:47 - 55  
Hebrews 10:5 - 10  
Luke 1:39 - 45

*There will be morning tea after the 9am service and a shared morning tea after the 10:30am service this Sunday. Everyone is welcome.*

***This Week:***

**Monday 16 December**

7:00am Morning Prayer In the Church Chapel

**Tuesday 17 December**

7:00am Morning Prayer In the Church Chapel  
2pm Kelvin House Rest Home Service

**Wednesday 18 December**

7:00 am Morning Prayer In the Church Chapel  
10:00am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

**Thursday 19 December**

7:00am Morning Prayer In the Church Chapel  
12:30pm Mens lunch Quinns Post

**Friday 20 December**

7:00am Morning Prayer In the Church Chapel

**Collect for this week:**

God our strength and our hope, grant us the courage of John the Baptist, constantly to speak the truth, boldly to rebuke vice and patiently to suffer for the truth's sake; in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

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## This week's lectionary readings and prayer suggestions:

Let us pray for St John's new Sunday service as it is developed/created.

### Monday 16 December

Numbers 24:2 - 7, 15 - 17

Psalm 25:3 - 8

Matthew 21:23 - 27

**Diocesan Prayer:** Let us pray for Bishop Justin Duckworth and Bishop Ana Fletcher.

**Anglican Missions:** Today we pray for the New Zealand Church Missionary Society and for those serving overseas as Mission Partners.

**Parish:** We pray for the Parish wardens and the Vestry.

### Tuesday 17 December

Genesis 49:2, 8 - 10

Psalm 72:1 - 5, 19 - 20

Matthew 1:1 - 17

**Diocesan Prayer:** Let us pray for all the ordinands as they start their role in serving in their ministries.

**Anglican Missions:** Today we pray for mission in Aotearoa New Zealand and for those who lead the Anglican Church in our Province.

**Parish:** We pray for our Whanau, that they either can come to know Christ's love for them or develop a deeper faith.

### Wednesday 18 December

Jeremiah 23:5 - 8

Psalm 72:1 - 2, 12 - 13, 19 - end

Matthew 1:18 - 24

**Diocesan Prayer:** Let us pray for David and Maria Cross and their children as they visit communities in Manilla.

**Anglican Missions:** Today we pray for mission agencies around the world and give thanks for the amazing work they do.

**Parish:** We pray for our Parish clergy.

### Thursday 19 December

Judges 13:2 - 7, 24 - end

Psalm 71:3 - 8

Luke 1:5 - 25

**Diocesan Prayer:** Let us pray for Common Grace Aotearoa as they gather submissions on the Treaty Principles Bill.

**Anglican Missions:** Today we pray for the Anglican Indigenous Network and its work in development, training and resource sharing of its international members.

**Parish:** We pray for Parish children & young people and their families.

### Friday 20 December

Isaiah 7:10 - 14

Psalm 24:1 - 6

Luke 1:26 - 38

**Diocesan Prayer:** We pray for all the Parishes with vacancies. That the right person will be called to lead them

**Anglican Missions:** Today we pray for those who move to new lands or travel the seas, and those who offer assistance and guidance to these people.

**Parish:** We pray for everyone who is sick at present and those with underlying medical issues.

### Saturday 21 December

Zephaniah 3:14 - 18

Psalm 33:1 - 4, 11 - 12, 19 - end

Luke 1:39 - 45

**Diocesan Prayer:** Let us pray for those considering going to the New Wine Festival.

**Anglican Missions:** Today we pray for the work among Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and for continued reconciliation and justice.

**Parish:** We pray for those mourning the death of a loved one.

## Our Parish

### A New Chapter for St John's: Uniting and Growing Together

Get ready for an exciting new season at St John's! In February next year, we're launching a refreshed Sunday morning worship service that will bring our parish together in a vibrant and inclusive way.

Starting at 10am, our inter-generational service will unite families, young and old, in the church, while our children's program (Godly Play) will offer meaningful spiritual education for our Tamariki.

This change sets the stage for growth, allowing us to better serve our community and welcome new families.

As we look to the future, we pray for and envision:

- A bustling creche for our littlest ones
- A dynamic youth group program for our teens
- A church overflowing with life, love, and laughter

This process is anchored in our values of faith, family and for others.

We're building for growth, and we invite you to be part of this journey.

Join us as we embark on this fresh expression of worship, embracing a bright future for St John's.

This change is being led by Rev. Simon, Rev. Jessica, Judy, Kate, Shaun, Karen and Gavan.

If you are able to **bring a resident** from Elderslea, Fergusson or Heretaunga Rest Homes to the Carol Service can you please contact Alice on 027 576 9786. There are potentially 12 or so parishioners. Also if you have anyone else that would love to join us if they had transport can you let Alice know.

**A 9 Lessons, and Carol Service**, will be held **today Sunday 15 December at 3pm** in the Church. Please bring a plate for a shared afternoon tea.

We are collecting **groceries to make up Christmas Hampers** for some our families that are in need this Christmas.

Some suggestions of what you could donate or put money towards: cheese, pumpkin, kumara, pavlova, long life milk, 3 litre juice, flour ( not for Leighann : gf), black tea, sugar, oil and salt, chips and corn chips, spaghetti or vermicelli (gf) canned Garden Veg tomato pasta sauce, whole corn kernels, 3 kg potatoes, carrots, onions, big tin Black Doris Plums, Weetbix, Nutella, Christmas crackers. If we could have the donations by the 22 December please.

Please join **Peter Marshall's** son as his **ashes will be interred** after the 9:00am service on Sunday 22nd December.

### Christmas and Holiday Services:

24 Dec, 10:45pm Christmas Eve Service in Church

25 Dec, 10am Christmas Day Service in Church

Sundays 31 December - 10am Eucharist in the Church

26 January inclusive

**From Scratch life group** will be starting in the New Year, once people are back from

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### Ministry Leadership Team:

Judy Harrison  
Shaun Killerby  
Karen Killerby  
Gavan O'Farrell  
Kate Horton

the holidays. It will be held on Tuesday evenings in the church, likely to be 7:00 to 8:30pm, probably fortnightly. If you are interested in joining please email Gavan O'Farrell ([gavan.ofarrell1@gmail.com](mailto:gavan.ofarrell1@gmail.com)) if you are interested.

A reminder that we have a collection for the **Food Bank**, at the 9am service, so if you would like to donate some food please leave it in the box at the door.

Ali has had a request for a **set of drawers** for storing clothes. If any one has a spare set can you please let Ali or Raewyn know.

Prayer for Our Children:

**Lord, grow us as disciples of Jesus and help us make disciples of others.**

**We pray for Your church to grow, - especially for our children.**

**Bring them back into relationship with You.**

**In Jesus name we pray. Amen.**

### *Giving details*

#### **Parish of Trentham Bank Account**

ANZ 06 0773 0009875 00. Put name and 'Giving' as reference.

#### **Envelopes for Giving**

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