

St Paul's Anglican Church - Balga-Mirrabooka

Paul's Epistle

23rd December 2018

The Fourth Sunday of Advent

Welcome to Church

Sunday Services

Eucharist

8.00 am

Sung

Eucharist

9.30 am

Sudanese

Dinka

Service

11.30am



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– Sunday 23 December 2018

Micah 5.2-5a

Song of Mary (*Magnificat*, Luke 1.47-55)

Hebrews 10.5-10

Luke 1.39-45 (46-55)

Is there greater witness to true discipleship than the deep and meaningful engagement of Mary through her words, “My soul magnifies the Lord”? Where would we be if she had said, “No”? What thoughts came to mind as she travelled the long distance from Nazareth to Ein Karem near Jerusalem to visit with Elizabeth? Did she have doubts? Did she have any regrets? Imagine her relief at hearing Elizabeth’s greeting and the affirmation afforded by John the Baptist who leapt for joy within the womb! What reassurances do we need in our own discipleship? What affirmation do we seek?

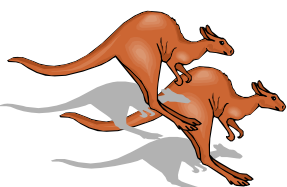
Parish

Priest

**Rev'd Rob
Day**

Associate
Priest:

**The Rev'd
Timon
Yanga**



Pray that we may know how to say “yes” so that our souls might also magnify the Lord!
Pray for the Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma), giving thanks for the work they do to further God’s mission in the world.

Text: The Rev Laurette Glasgow, Special Advisor for Government Relations for the Anglican Church of Canada and the Diocese of Ottawa.

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CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

There will be a Christmas Raffle with over 20 prizes to be won. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Prize draws will be held after midnight service. The raffle tickets will be available at the welcome table or from Nigel. There will also be special prizes for kids (10 years old or under) who attend midnight service.

We are also looking for donations to the Christmas Hamper. Items need are tin Christmas food or with a long expiry date, Christmas decorations, crackers, wine etc. Any questions, please ask Nigel.

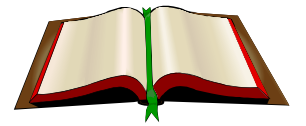
Bible Readings: 30th December

1 Samuel 2.18-20, 2.26

Psalms 148

Colossians 3.12-17

Luke 2.41-52



Readings

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Sentence

Blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY in December to

Hilary Lugg 5th, Pascal Kikanda Shandwe 11th ;
Betty O’Nions 23rd; Thelma Stark 27th; Wayne Carter 30th

May the dear Lord bless you, Shower graces on you;
May He guide you forever: Happy birthday to you!



BUSY BEE

Thank you for all those who were able to help
with the busy bee yesterday.



PEW SHEET

This will be the last pew sheet for this year. There will be no pew sheet throughout January and I will recommence the pew sheet in February (when school goes back).

All the best to Rob & Peta.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone

Thanks

Erin

Christ Is The Light Of Christmas

Christmas joy and lights aglow;
Christmas songs to warm and cheer
Excitement is on the children's faces
As anticipation fills the air —

But for some, it can be lonely
When loved ones have passed away,
Memories are all that linger
As the years begin to fade

But Christ's light should never dim;
It should ever shine out bright
Our ray of hope in this troubled world
Is our joy of eternal light

Christmas, when spent with Jesus,
Can warm our hurting hearts,
For as His light shines within us,
Its glow warms our deepest parts.

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