

A warm welcome to St Peter's Cathedral as we gather for worship this morning.

St Peter's Cathedral resides on the lands of the Kurna people. We give thanks for their ancestors and acknowledge the ongoing right and responsibility of their elders to care for this Country. We are committed to work and pray towards a more just settlement for all Indigenous people and pay our respect to First Nations people with us.

St Peter's Cathedral is a Christ-centred, sacramental, inclusive, thinking, mission-oriented faith community.

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down.

The prophet Isaiah speaks the words of our cry, the Advent cry. The cry of humanity in a world with so much suffering, the cry of longing that God might break into creation and bring healing.

As we gather this Advent Sunday, we hear, in our reading from Chapter 13 from the Gospel of Mark, Jesus speaking with his disciples on the Mount of Olives. Jesus exhorts them to "Keep awake". We are invited to ponder how we might live well this Advent, keeping awake, keeping watch ... watching out for the coming of the Kingdom at the end of time, the coming of Christmas in a few weeks' time, and the coming of God into our lives and the life of all creation day by day.

Blessings,

The Revd Canon Jenny Wilson
Canon Precentor

Celebrant: The Rev'd Sally Sandford-Morgan

Preacher: The Rev'd Canon Jenny Wilson

Readers: Don Morris, Jeremy Jackson

Organist: David Heah

Hymn: 41

Lighting of the first Advent Candle – The Candle of Hope

Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord,
God of our ancestors:
to you be praise and glory for ever!

The candle is lit.

You called the patriarchs to live by the light of faith and to journey in the hope of your promised fulfilment. May we be obedient to your call and be ready and watchful to receive your Christ, a lamp to our feet and a light to our path; for you are our light and our salvation. **Blessed be God for ever.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

ALMIGHTY God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness, and put upon us the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which thy Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious Majesty, to judge both the quick and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, now and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 64.1–9

A reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

O that you would tear open the heavens and come down,
so that the mountains would quake at your presence—
as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil—
to make your name known to your adversaries,
so that the nations might tremble at your presence!
When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence.
From ages past no one has heard,
no ear has perceived,
no eye has seen any God besides you,
who works for those who wait for him.
You meet those who gladly do right,
those who remember you in your ways.
But you were angry, and we sinned;
because you hid yourself we transgressed.
We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
There is no one who calls on your name,
or attempts to take hold of you;
for you have hidden your face from us,
and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity.

Yet, O Lord, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord,
and do not remember iniquity for ever.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

Please respond with the phrases in bold

PSALM 80.1–7, 17–19

Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, you that led Joseph like a flock:
you that are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine out in glory;

**Before Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasseh:
stir up your power, and come to save us.**

Restore us again, O Lord of hosts:

show us the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

O Lord God of hosts: how long will you be angry at your people's prayer?

You have fed them with the bread of tears: and given them tears to drink in good measure.

**You have made us the victim of our neighbours:
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**

Restore us again, O Lord of hosts:

show us the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

**Let your power rest on the man at your right hand:
on that son of man whom you made so strong for yourself.**

And so we shall not turn back from you: give us life, and we will call upon your name.

Restore us again, O Lord of hosts:

show us the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

SECOND READING

1 CORINTHIANS 1.1–9

The beginning of Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,
To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called
to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus
Christ, both their Lord and ours: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the
Lord Jesus Christ.

I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given
you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and
knowledge of every kind—just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among
you—so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our
Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on
the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship
of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Hear the word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

MARK 13.24–37

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

The Holy Gospel is written in the 13th Chapter of the Gospel according to Mark, beginning at verse 24.

Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Jesus said to the disciples:

‘But in those days, after that suffering,

the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light,
and the stars will be falling from heaven,
and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.

Then they will see “the Son of Man coming in clouds” with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

‘From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

‘But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

When invited, please stand to sing

HYMN 41 – LO, HE COMES WITH CLOUDS DESCENDING (HELMSLEY)

1. Lo, he comes with clouds descending,
once for favoured sinners slain;
thousand thousand saints attending
swell the triumph of his train:
Alleluia!
God appears on earth to reign.
2. Every eye shall now behold him
robed in dreadful majesty;
those who set at naught and sold him,
pierced and nailed him to the Tree,
deeply wailing,
shall the true Messiah see.
3. Those dear tokens of his passion
still his dazzling body bears,
cause of endless exultation
to his ransomed worshippers:
with what rapture
gaze we on those glorious scars!
4. Yea, Amen, let all adore thee,
high on thine eternal throne;
Saviour, take the power and glory,
claim the kingdom for thine own:
Alleluia!
Thou shalt reign, and thou alone.

After this, you are invited to sit to listen to the organ postlude.

POSTLUDE

Pietro Yon (1886–1943) *Prelude on Rorate Coeli*
from the First Religious Suite for Organ, Advent



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CATHEDRAL

NOTICES

Sunday Night with Lynn Arnold (7 pm on 1079Life)

Lynn Arnold's program this week will feature a replay of this year's 11 March interview with Greg Low, author of "Eye of the Storm: Forty years of filming the most difficult, desperate and delightful moments in the lives of people and nations."

Tea/coffee after regular services: Our community offer hospitality at the following times:

- The Wednesday 10 am community have tea & coffee after the first Wednesday each month. The next gathering will take place on Wednesday 3 January.
- The Sunday 8 am community have tea & coffee after the first Sunday of each month. The next gathering will take place on Sunday 7 January.
- After the 10.30 am Eucharist, there is tea and coffee provided every week other than on 24 December (10 am on this day) and 31 December.

Anglicare Christmas Hampers

There has been an amazing, wonderful and generous response to the Anglicare Christmas Hamper Appeal and Toy Drive. The number of hampers donated totalled a massive 115!!! In addition to this a substantial pile of toys has also been growing. Thank you to everyone who donated to both the hampers and the toys, many struggling families will benefit from your generosity.

Music Foundation performances of Handel's *Messiah*

The final Music Foundation Concert for the year is the performance of *Messiah* on 22 and 23 December. Tickets are available via the QR code or website, or at the door, if available.

Donate a star for the Cathedral Christmas tree supporting the ABM AID Al-Ahli Hospital Emergency Appeal

During December special envelopes will be available for donating a star for this ABM AID Emergency Appeal. Cash donations of any amount can be made in the envelopes or Eftpos donations can be made at the Cathedral Shop.

The Al-Ahli Hospital is the only functioning hospital in the north of Gaza, providing medical care and a beacon of hope for the wounded and traumatised. The hospital has immediate needs of anaesthesia, antibiotics, fuel, food and potable water. In the next 3 months there will be additional needs for wound care supplies, ongoing burns treatment, physiotherapy and replacement of medical equipment. Regular updates on the tragic humanitarian situation can be found on the ABM website.

Please help make our Cathedral Christmas tree shine with an abundance of stars, guiding the whole world into the way of peace this Christmas.

Cookies and fruit and caring company

On Friday 8 December tea, coffee, biscuits and fruit will be available in the back of the cathedral between 10:30 am and 12:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to come along and join us for a chat. Invite your neighbours, friends, or anyone else you think might be interested.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

For the Church

International The Church of North India (United)
Moderator: Archbishop Bijay Nayak

National Armidale: Bishop Rod Chiswell (Jenni)

South Australia

Diocese of Adelaide St Mark's College: master Don Markwell, chaplain vacant

Diocese of Willochra Church Office staff: Gavin Tyndale (Lily), Sarah Wiles (Steve),
Ashley Roberts (Sarah), Jane Burnett (Lawrie), Sunny Chao
(Haixing)

Diocese of The Murray The Chancellor: Dr Robert Tong

For the People

We hold before God all those who have asked for our prayers, particularly:

Immediate Prayer: David, Christine Chomel, Oliver (WCH), Sarah Boorman, Stephen Lane, Sandra Morrison, Audrey Ball.

Long Term Prayer: Francis Brooks, Peter Garland, Max Lennard, Chris, Bridie Maxwell, Meredith Chesterman, Vernon Lewis, Pauline Van Buren, Alisha Coe-Fox, Anne Hogben, Matilda Lane, Helena Fernandes, Cricket Fox, Daniella, Heather Scott, Peter Black, Jean Arnold, Martin Reece, Norton & Judy Schenscher, Joseph Burgess (WCH), John Hankin, Brooke Garry.

Those who have died recently, especially Hamish Jamieson (bishop).

Those whose year's mind occurs at this time:

- 3rd Thomas Walter Hardy
- 4th Henry George Rischbieth
 Olive Mildred Louise Smith
 Barbara Ruth Kidd
 John William Roffey
- 5th Gerard Sim
- 6th William John Northern
- 8th Sidney Mainstone
 Lancelot Vivian Pellew
 David Stewart Paterson
 Henry Rymill
- 9th Lucy Edith Williams

The Cathedral is compiling a database of the lives of those whose names appear on the Year's Mind list. If you have any biographical details of any of the people remembered today, please contact Stuart Langshaw - langshawstuart@gmail.com

THIS WEEK IN THE CATHEDRAL

For some services, the West Doors of the Cathedral are not opened. Please make your way to the northern (carpark) side of the Cathedral and enter through the St Barnabas Porch.

MON 4 DEC	7:30am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	9.15am	Morning Prayer (St Barnabas College)
	10:30am-1pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
TUES 5 DEC	7:30am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:30am-3:30pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
WED 6 DEC	7:30am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
	10:00am	Eucharist (Nave)
THURS 7 DEC	10:30am-3:30pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
	7:30am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
FRI 8 DEC	10:30am-3:30pm	Open for visiting and private prayer
	7:30am	Eucharist (Lady Chapel)
	8:45am	Morning Prayer (Dean's Chapel)
SAT 9 DEC		Cathedral Closed
SUN 10 DEC SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	8:00am	Eucharist from The Book of Common Prayer
	10:30am	Choral Eucharist Preacher - The Archbishop of Adelaide
	6:00pm	Choral Evensong Preacher - The Rev'd Sally Sandford-Morgan

CATHEDRAL STAFF

Dean	The Right Reverend Chris McLeod
Canon Precentor	The Reverend Canon Jenny Wilson
Assistant Priest	The Reverend Sally Sandford-Morgan
Honorary Assistant Priest	The Reverend Dr Lynn Arnold AO
Honorary Assistant Priest	The Reverend Joan Claring-Bould
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