



Regular Service times:

Wednesday: 9am Service

Every Sunday of the month
7am Eucharist
9am Family Eucharist

*Good Shepherd
Community Church*

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Bundaberg



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1st Sunday of Advent—29th November, 2020

‘Heaven and earth will pass away,’ says the Lord, ‘but my words will not pass away.’ *Mark 13.31*

	1st Sunday of Advent— 29th November, 2020	2nd Sunday of Advent— 6th December, 2020
O.T.	Isaiah 64.1-9	Isaiah 40.1-11
Psalm	80.1-7, 17-19	85.1-2, 8-13
N.T.	1 Corinthians 1.1-9	2 Peter 3.8-15a
Gospel	Mark 13.24-37	Mark 1.1-8

It seems that the Roman Emperor Vespasian needed a striking victory to establish his rule, and so what had begun as the quelling of a revolt in Palestine, became an utter destruction. 

If you are taken to the base of the Temple Mount in Jerusalem today, you will see huge stones from the second temple, some as large as houses, tossed from the top of the Mount. It would have taken enormous effort, even as it would today, to accomplish this.

Advent calls us again to consider the coming of Christ and Mark chapter 13 plunges us into his vision of the future. It reminds us that most of what we regard as permanent in our own lives is in fact temporary. Ultimately what we can rely on is Christ. *Come Lord Jesus!*

For Your Prayers!

Our Parish Family prayer list this week

Charlotte Bryan; Bob & Sue Burrows; Nicky & David Carr; Carole Colville; Warren & Margaret Darnley; Coral Dilger.

Prayers for Healing: “Come to me all who labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest”, Marjorie, Tony, Margaret, Marie, Jan, John, Catherine, PamMcD, Paul, Ross, BobW, Tamara, CherylW, Janelle, Des, AndrewW; Cher-rine, Brian, JackB, GrahamB, PeterS, Josephine, Sharon, Rachael, Jill, Iris, Joanne, IvanW, Sherryl, Reg, David, Dot, Charlotte, Lorraine, James, Michelle, Fr Robert, BillH, VickiA JanH & those known only to the Lord.

Special Needs:

Edna, Janetta, Jan, Laura & Jarrod; MatthewF, CoralD, ArthurA, Dot, the Morrall family, Greg & Joanne, Dr Mike & Jean, the Hill family, Yvonne & Alan and those known only to the Lord.

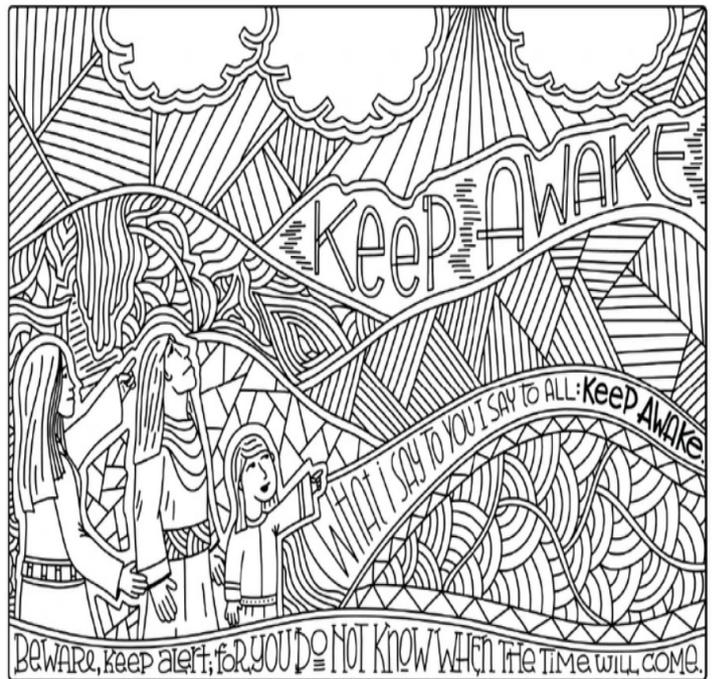
School Chaplains: Fr Iain, Julie, John, Lynne, Luke, Paula, Kelly, Tanya, Steve P, Steve T, Lynn, Selina, Evan, Kelli & Brenda, May & District Co-ordinator Lisa Hardie.

Missionaries with CMS - Bruce & Libby Hayes & Family and the people of Nepal. Please continue to pray for the people of Nepal

Eagles Wings—COAT: Pray for all involved with Eagles Wings who we support through COAT.

Prayer Chain: If you have a prayer request or would like to be part of the prayer chain please call the prayer chain co-ordinator

For your hands, while you pray!



KEEP AWAKE - Mark 13:24-37

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The cookie jar is feeling sad! She didn't get enough to eat last week. Please feed her notes and coins so we can pay to have the church cleaned and the grounds maintained.



COMBINED RETREAT

LOCATION: Moore Park Community Centre
DATE: Saturday 5th December, 2020
TIME: 9:30 am for 10:00am commencement (to finish by 3:30 pm)
COST: \$10 (approx.) to cover the cost of lunch
FACILITATOR: Fr. Andrew Schmidt
TOPIC: "Advent—Prophets, Angels, Shepherds, Magi"

If you are able to attend this retreat in a peaceful and beautiful setting please leave your name & contact details on the list in church

Please bring your Bible, a note book and pen

Parish Notices

In the 1800s many migrants moved from England to Australia and found a home here. One of those migrants found a home as a real fixture of the Old Bundaberg Fire station, which was on Bourbong street. In fact, it was a fixture, being a bell that had been cast in iron and had been used to alert people in the case of a fire.

In 1960 that old Bell met another stalwart of the Bundaberg Community, Mr Stan Lohse, who undertook to build the Civic centre on the land occupied by the fire station. In the process of demolishing the fire station he preserved the bell which was gifted to Good Shepherd Anglican church. It was erected in front of the Church, which approximately 40 years later became the parish hall as a new Church building was constructed. As time has moved on the Bell became weathered and as part of rebuilding the church hall it was recently refurbished, before being proudly remounted.

Sadly, just recently the bell was stolen, I cannot imagine what the thieves are hoping to gain from this action as although replacing it will be expensive, I find it difficult to imagine a substantial market for a bell like it.

Even if we do get a new bell, it will not have the same history or connection as the Old Bell had, so I hope it finds its' way back to us.

Rev. Andrew Schmidt Rector of Bundaberg West Anglican Parish

PARISH FAMILY NEWS!

Birthdays

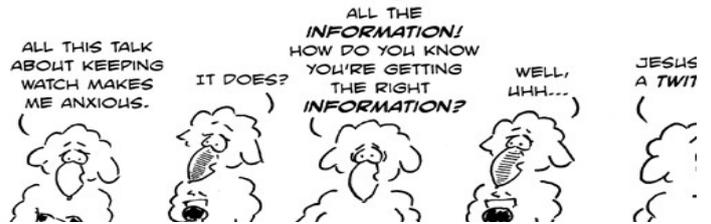
30th Ian Ashurst
 4th Warren McLucas
 5th Helen Lander

Anniversaries

30th Fr. Warren Deaconed
 4th Tracy & Joshua Roberts

Year's Mind

1st Nancy Costin (mother of Ann Hoffmann)



The ABM battle of **Blue VS Yellow** is on now! Choose your bag. All the proceeds go towards the Archbishop's November Appeal. This year the appeal will help support the establishment of the Melanesian Brothers' ministry in the Torres Strait.

HEALING MINISTRY: If you would like prayers for healing please let us know and we will put them on the Prayer Chain.



An Update from COAT: Staff in China have worked hard this year to care for the children during the Covid crisis. The children hardly noticed which is a good thing. There have been a couple of health issues with 3 children contracting Tuberculosis which they have since recovered. TB is still a problem in China. Soon another year will be here (thank goodness I hear you say) and we wish you the best for 2021. Linda and all the staff appreciate the prayers and support you have given the children.

Anglican Church

Good Shepherd

Bundaberg West
 201 George St

20th 7am & 9am Advent 4
 24th 7pm Kids Carols & Eucharist
 - Dress ups encouraged
 25th 7am Christmas Eucharist
 9am Family Christmas

St Mary's

Gin Gin
 Mildren Street

24th 5pm Family Christmas

Woodgate

Community Hall
 Esplanade & 7th Ave

24th 11:30am Family Christmas



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