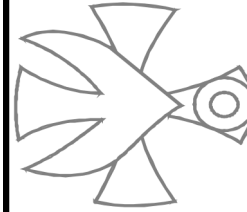


**Sunday, 4 December, 2022**  
**Second Sunday of Advent**



**CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT - ANGLICAN PARISH OF**

**ALGESTER**

362 Algester Road, Algester Q. 4115

Our Parish's Mission

*We share meaning, purpose and direction for today  
and hope for tomorrow through Jesus Christ.*



Date	4-12-22 Second Sunday of Advent		11-12-22 Third Sunday of Advent	
Colour	Violet		Violet	
Theme	Advent in Isaiah—Week 2: Peace		Advent in Isaiah - Week 3: Joy	
Readings	Isaiah 11.1-10 Ps 72.1-7, 18-21 Romans 15.4-13 Matthew 3.1-12		Isaiah 35.1-10 <i>For the Psalm:</i> Song of Mary James 5.7-10 Matthew 11.2-11	
Roster	7.00am	9.00am	7.00am	9.00am
Worship	Rev'd Chris Bate	Rev Chris Bate	Rev'd Chris Bate	Rev'd Chris Bate
Preacher	Rev'd Chris Bate	Rev Chris Bate	Rev'd Chris Bate	Rev'd Chris Bate
LA Leader	Julie Elliker	Kathy Carter	Robert Kake	Dianne Bocquee
Altar Assistant				
Greeter	-	Rhonda Nelson	-	Kerry Tovey
Sidesperson	Robyn Brodie	Joan Harvey	Kay Morris	Joan Harvey
Reader 1	Ross Dinnar	Carol Booth	Norm Booth	Jenny Bullock
Reader 2	James Dinnar	Joan Harvey	Rosemary Kake	Kathy Carter
Offertory	Robyn Brodie	Joan Harvey	Kay Morris	Joan Harevey
Chapel Prayers	Margurita Smethurst	Carol Booth	-	Rhonda Nelson
Morning Tea	Kay Morris	Joan/Kerry	Sharon/Hugh	Kathy Carter
Music Leader	Ross Dinnar	Glenn Rehbein	Michael Po Saw	Darcie [Glenn]
AV Operator	Adrian Scott	Ian/Rhonda	Robert Gilland	Ian/Rhonda
Prayers of the people for the day	Ross Dinnar		Rhonda Nelson	
Counting	Kerry Tovey		Joan Harvey	
S.School Yahweh Youth		Kerry/Jenny		In Recess School Holidays
Retirement Village Ministry Team				
Baptism				

*Readings from NRSV Used with Permission*



*Special Communion Bread is available for people who have gluten intolerance - see Rev'd Chris.*

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## Service Times

### CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

362 Algester Road, Algester

**HOLY COMMUNION**  
Sundays 7.00am & 9.00am

**Baptisms, Weddings and Pastoral Services**  
by arrangement

**SUNDAY SCHOOL & YAHWEH YOUTH**  
Sundays during 9.00am worship

**Pastoral Care & Home Communions**  
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**Mainly Music** Jenny Bullock 0439 847 979

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**MU Australia** Jenny Bullock 0439 847 979

**Prayer Ministry** Parish Office 3273 7169

**Sunday School** Parish Office 3273 7169

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### Prayers of the People:

Almighty God, you sent your servant John the Baptist to prepare your people to welcome the Messiah. Inspire our Clergy, who are stewards of your truth, to turn our disobedient hearts to you, so that when Christ comes again to be our judge we may stand with confidence before his glory. Father, hear our prayer, **Through Jesus Christ our Lord**

Faithful God we pray for your blessing to be upon this congregation, upon the Church throughout the world and upon our Diocese. May your presence be seen vividly in what we do and say each day. We pray that your joy and your love will flow freely in and through us and that we might never be perfect examples of your love in action. Father, hear our prayer, **Through Jesus Christ our Lord**

Creator God, with axe and winnowing fork you clear a holy space where hurt and destruction have no place, and a little child is King. Clear the trouble spots of our world from hatred and despair and sow seeds of joy and peace so that shoots of hope may spring forth and all people, whatever their creed, race, colour or gender may live together in harmony with one another. In our church community we pray for:

- The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East
- The Diocese of Bathurst
- The Parish of All Saint's, Brisbane
- Royal Brisbane & Women's Hospital
- Canterbury College, Waterford

Rev'd Chris, Juliana & family, along with our Liturgical Assistants. We give thanks that our Parish is so blessed to have you. We pray for the Wardens and Parish Council and give thanks for all those who have been called to your service Lord and pray that the Parish Council will continue your work here in Algester. Father, hear our prayer, **Through Jesus Christ our Lord**

Merciful God we raise before you the sick and the suffering, that you would show the strength of your arm and scatter everything which prevents them from enjoying health and wholeness in body mind and spirit. Today we pray for..... Father, hear our prayer, **Through Jesus Christ our Lord**

Loving God, we pray for those whose hearts have been saddened by the death of someone close and dear to them, for members of our families who have died and whose anniversary we recall. Help us to experience the comfort of the Holy Spirit within us, and the fellowship of the church family around us until we are reunited once more in your heavenly kingdom.

Glorious God, source of joy and righteousness, enable us as redeemed and forgiven children evermore to rejoice in singing your praises. May what we have sung and spoken with our lips become strong belief in our hearts and what we believe in our hearts become our way of life, throughout this Advent and in the years to come.

**Merciful father: accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen**

**Our Father in heaven.....**

*Prayers compiled by Ross Dinnar*

### As we pray for those in need ...

Denver; Carol; Katherine; Susan, Tammy, John, Murray, Sharlene, Julie; Kim; Ray; Mike, Karen; Tony, Janine; Sally; Zach & family; Jenny & Bough, Susan & Andrew, Leman; Mary; Juliana; Zillah Daphne; Adrian and Dawn; Varrie; Joyce; Victoria

## CHRISTMAS SERVICES

### Saturday 24th December:

6.30pm FAMILY CELEBRATIONS

11.30pm CHRISTMAS NIGHT  
CELEBRATIONS

### Sunday 25th December:

8.00am CHRISTMAS DAY  
CELEBRATIONS

It's that time of the year again when we ask leaders of all ministry groups to have their reports into the office by mid January as these will be distributed in the Report book for all to read prior to the A.G.M.

### Advent in Isaiah

There are copies of the Advent Study in the porch area. Please take home and join in the studies which will be explored further in the Sunday sermon and associated readings.

Offertory Envelopes for 2023 are now available in the porch area. Feel free to take a set.

## CHRISTMAS HAMPERS



We have several families at this point in time that we would like to provide Christmas Hampers for this year. In addition to the everyday grocery items that are always needed, ideas for food might include: shortbread, mince pies, fruit juice, crackers, tinned fruit, Christmas puddings, chocolate, lollies etc.

The supermarkets usually have an area allocated primarily for food for the festive season so that should help with ideas.

It would be most appreciated if we could bring food items to the church from now on so we can make up hampers in time for delivery to families the week before Christmas.

**- LAST SUNDAY TO MAKE DONATIONS IS SUNDAY 18TH -**

### Baptism Anniversaries this month:

1st	Arthur Lawrence Johnston	16th	Kirby Jade Ravenscroft	16th	Emily Yuenkei Wu
6th	Emilia Stokman		Kye Brett Ravenscroft		
	Oliver Mizzen		Lilly Grace Ross		

## W.I.S.H - WHAT'S IN STORE HERE

### Sunday, December 4, 2022

Today

7.00am Holy Communion

9.00am Holy Communion

Sunday School Break-up

### Forthcoming Events

Tuesday, 20 December

7.00pm

Parish Council meeting followed by drinks & dessert

Saturday, 24 December

6.30pm

Christmas Eve Service - Family Service

11.30pm

Christmas Eve Service - Midnight Service

Sunday, 25 December

8.00am

Christmas Day Service - ONE SERVICE ONLY

### 2023

Sunday, 1 January

8.00am

ONE SERVICE Only

Sunday, 8 January

7am & 9am

Two services as normal

Friday, 3 February

10.00am

Mainly Music Term 1

## *MISSION - DECEMBER*

### *Christmas Bowl*

## PRAYER AND READINGS

**THEME: ADVENT IN ISAIAH - WEEK 2: PEACE**

**SENTENCE:**

The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.

*Mark 1.15*

**OUR PARISH PRAYER:**

Heavenly Father,  
help us to grow in love, faith and obedience  
as we discover meaning and direction for  
today  
and hope for tomorrow  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY:**

God of all peoples,  
whose servant John came baptising  
and calling for repentance:  
help us to hear his voice of judgement,  
that we may also rejoice in his word of promise,  
and be found pure and blameless in that glorious  
Day  
when Christ comes to rule the earth as Prince of  
Peace;  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

**A READING FROM ISAIAH, CHAPTER 11,  
VERSES 1-10:**

A shoot shall come out from the stock of  
Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of his  
roots.

The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him,  
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the spirit of counsel and might,  
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the  
Lord .

His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord .  
He shall not judge by what his eyes see,  
or decide by what his ears hear;  
but with righteousness he shall judge the  
poor, and decide with equity for the meek  
of the earth;

he shall strike the earth with the rod of his  
mouth,  
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill  
the wicked.

Righteousness shall be the belt around his  
waist,  
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.  
The wolf shall live with the lamb,  
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,  
the calf and the lion and the fatling together,  
and a little child shall lead them.

The cow and the bear shall graze,  
their young shall lie down together;  
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.  
The nursing child shall play over the hole of  
the asp,  
and the weaned child shall put its hand on  
the adder's den.

They will not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain;  
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of  
the Lord as the waters cover the sea.  
On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a  
signal to the peoples; the nations shall inquire of  
him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

Hear the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

**A READING FROM THE BOOK OF PSALMS:  
PSALM 72. 1-7, 18-21**

- 1 Give the king your judgement, O God:  
**and your righteousness to the son of a  
king,**
- 2 That he may judge your people rightly:  
**and the poor of the land with equity.**
- 3 Let the mountains be laden with peace  
because of his righteousness:  
**and the hills also with prosperity for his  
people.**
- 4 May he give justice to the poor among the  
people:  
**and rescue the children of the needy,  
and crush the oppressor.**
- 5 May he live while the sun endures:  
**and while the moon gives light,  
throughout all generations.**

## DECEMBER 4, 2022 - SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

6 May he come down like rain upon the new-  
mown fields:

**and as showers that water the earth.**

7 In his time shall righteousness flourish:  
**and abundance of peace, till the moon  
shall be no more.**

18 Let his name live for ever:  
**and endure as long as the sun.**

19 Let all peoples use his name in blessing:  
**and all nations call him blessed.**

20 Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel:  
**who alone does great wonders.**

21 Blessed be his glorious name for ever:  
**and let the whole earth be filled with his  
glory.**  
**Amen, Amen.**

**A READING FROM THE LETTER OF PAUL TO THE  
ROMANS, CHAPTER 15, VERSES 4-13**

For whatever was written in former days was  
written for our instruction, so that by steadfastness  
and by the encouragement of the scriptures we  
might have hope. May the God of steadfastness  
and encouragement grant you to live in harmony  
with one another, in accordance with Christ Jesus,  
so that together you may with one voice glorify the  
God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has  
welcomed you, for the glory of God. For I tell you  
that Christ has become a servant of the  
circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order  
that he might confirm the promises given to the  
patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might  
glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,  
'Therefore I will confess you among the Gentiles,  
and sing praises to your name';  
and again he says,  
'Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people';  
and again,  
'Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,  
and let all the peoples praise him';  
and again Isaiah says,  
'The root of Jesse shall come,  
the one who rises to rule the Gentiles;  
in him the Gentiles shall hope.'  
May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace

in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the  
power of the Holy Spirit.

Hear the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

**THE GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST  
ACCORDING TO MATTHEW, CHAPTER 3,  
VERSES 1-12:**

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the  
wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, 'Repent, for the  
kingdom of heaven has come near.' This is the one  
of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,  
'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:  
"Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths  
straight."'

Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a  
leather belt around his waist, and his food was  
locusts and wild honey. Then the people of  
Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and  
all the region along the Jordan, and they were  
baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their  
sins.

But when he saw many Pharisees and Sadducees  
coming for baptism, he said to them, 'You brood of  
vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to  
come? Bear fruit worthy of repentance. Do not  
presume to say to yourselves, "We have Abraham  
as our ancestor"; for I tell you, God is able from  
these stones to raise up children to Abraham. Even  
now the axe is lying at the root of the trees; every  
tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut  
down and thrown into the fire.

'I baptize you with water for repentance, but one  
who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I  
am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize  
you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork  
is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing-floor  
and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the  
chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.

This is the Gospel of the Lord  
**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**