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The Pebble

Sunday December 11, 2022

Advent 3

Collect for Advent 3

Almighty God,
you sent your servant John the Baptist
to prepare the way for the coming of
your Son;
grant that those who
proclaim your word
may so guide our feet into the way of
peace that we may stand with
confidence before him
when he comes in his glorious kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Judge and our
Redeemer.

AMEN.

(A New Zealand Prayer Book)

WELCOME

to all who are sharing in worship with us today and those who read the Pebble on-line.

The Liturgy for Today.

8.00 am Holy Eucharist (1662)10.30 am Solemn Sung Eucharist

HYMNS FOR TODAY

8 Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates (t.251) We sing the Alleluia at the Gospel procession.

7 Hills of the North, rejoice!

18 Ye servants of the Lord

5 Hark! A herald voice is calling

READINGS FOR TODAY

Isaiah 35: 1-6, 10

Psalm 146 Response: Lord, come and save us

<u>James 5: 7-10</u>

Matthew 11: 2-11

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

(Nine Lessons and Carols)

Bishop's Companion Programme. Information regarding this programme is available at the back of church. If you are interested in taking part, chat to the Vicar or David Hoskins.

Parish News

<u>Morning Prayer</u> Wednesday at 9am in the Lady Chapel. <u>Mid-week Eucharist</u> The Holy Eucharist is celebrated on Thursday at 10am in the Parish Lounge.

<u>Brass Cleaning</u> The church brass will be cleaned this Friday December 16 at 10.30am in the Parish Lounge. Everyone is welcome to come along and 'give a hand'.

<u>Pray for the Sick and Infirm</u> Claire Christie, Paul Hill, Rosemary Stott, Joy Henderson, Kristian, Glenda Stephenson, Jim Menzies, Michael Forrest, Steven Lighton, David Horne and Harry Brown.

<u>Pray for those who have died recently</u> Anne Wilkinson <u>Pray for those whose memorials occur at this time</u> Allan Paterson, John Jerome, William Tubman, John Dougherty, and Marjorie Garth.

Christmas Services at St Peter's.



Sunday December 18

8.00am Holy Communion (1662)

10.30 am Nine Lessons and Carols and Eucharist

5.00pm Evensong and Benediction

Saturday December 24

8.00 pm Mass of Christmas Eve

Sunday December 25

9.00 am Holy Communion and Carols (1662)

From the Vicar



The third candle to be lit in Advent is the candle of Joy, and it's pink. But what is joy?

It's the feeling you get when someone you love walks into the room, when your body and mind are connected in a relaxed yet energised manner, and when you learn that everything is going to be alright. That is what the shepherds were encouraged to feel. JOY.

We are meant to be the people of joy, people who feel assured that God is with them and loves them. This joy should underpin how we deal with all aspects of our lives. We are born of this earth, yet made for heaven, created to be loved by God and heirs with Jesus Christ through faith. Let's encourage each other to share in this joyous knowledge.

Natalie.

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