

TRINITY NEWS

ADVENT I. DECEMBER 2, 2018



If you invite someone for dinner, there is preparation that usually takes place. Boil the rice, cook the meat and set the table. Then the anticipation of the arrival. "Did I get the time right? Have they remembered?"

Advent, the first season of the Christian church year, leading up to Christmas is a bit like that. Advent comes from the Latin word meaning "coming." Jesus is coming, and Advent is intended to be a season of preparation for His arrival. A time of preparation of heart to welcome the strength of God wrapped in the form of the fragility of the Christ Child. If you have had a year of shattered dreams, this is the season of expected hope where an unexpected promise is born again, and we are left gazing into the eyes of love.

Season Greetings
Fr. Peter

NOTICES:

- Thank you to Fr. Bert for your work and ministry while I was on Annual leave in Australia. I enjoyed my time with Deacon Mary and the rest of the family including my son Andrew's wedding. Deacon Mary will be with us again on December 17.
- Please note the Christmas Service times. This is an opportunity to invite others to worship.
- Sunday Dec 9, 9.30am service. Nine Lessons and Carols. If you are able to contribute, **please bring Christmassy finger-food for refreshments** after the service.
- The Annual General Meeting will be on Sunday January 27, 2019 following the 9.30 a.m Service. Could those who submit reports be in Claire by Sunday Dec 23. Thank you.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS:

Baruch 5:1-9; Psalm 126; Philippians 1:1-11; Luke 3:1-6

CALENDAR DATES:

- Dec. 3-5. THEA Inventory Sale
- Dec. 5. Bible Study, 10:30 a.m.
- Dec. 6. Wedding, 3:00 p.m.
- Dec. 7. THEA Inventory Sale.
- Dec. 8. Wedding, 1:30 p.m.
- Dec. 9. Sunday service, 7:30 a.m.



- Dec. 9. **Nine Lessons & Carols, 9:30 a.m.** *If able, please bring Christmassy finger-foods to be shared during coffee hour.*
- Dec. 12-15. THEA Inventory Sale
- Dec. 16. Norway Advent Service, 5:00 p.m.
- Dec. 23. Wedding, 3:00 p.m.
- Dec. 24. **Christmas Eve Family Service, 4:00 p.m.**
- Dec. 24. **Christmas Eve Holy Eucharist, 10:30 p.m.**
- Dec. 25. **Christmas Day Holy Eucharist, 10:00 a.m.**

The church buildings are in need of some decorating. Please if you know of any painters and carpenters that are BIR registered, let Debbie Fitch know at fitch.deborah@gmail.com

