



ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH CANBERRA

22 December 2024
Fourth Sunday of Advent
(This week's service times within)

*Blessed is she who believed that
there would be a fulfilment of what
was spoken to her by the Lord.*
(Luke 1.45)



*Visitation, From The Predella Of The Annunciation Altarpiece,
by Fra Angelico c1430-32. (fineartamerica.com)*

***St John's exists to bear public witness to Jesus Christ,
the source of life.***

NOTICES



Christmas Letterbox Drop (Reid & Campbell). If you have some time in the next two days to walk some local streets to advertise our Christmas Services, please drop into the office to collect leaflets and a map.

Christmas Greenery and Flowers. We request that anyone who has greenery in their gardens and wishes to contribute to the window box display in the church, could you please bring the greenery in between **12noon and 2pm** on **Monday 23 December**. Also, anyone who wishes to contribute flowers for the window boxes please bring them into the church between 8am and 9.00am on Tuesday 24 December.

Thanks, Chris Creelman.

Parish Office. The office will be closed from 24 December. Regular hours (Tues-Friday, 10.00am—3.00pm) will resume on 14 January 2025.

Post-Christmas Service Times. From Christmas, our 7am, 11.15am and 5pm (Evensong) services will pause, recommencing in February. 8am, 9.30am, 6pm and Wednesday morning services will continue unchanged over the holiday period, except that there will be no 10.00am service on 1 January.

St John's Schoolhouse Museum Summer Closure. The Schoolhouse Museum is now closed for a summer break for our hardworking volunteers and will re-open on Saturday February 1st, 2025, between 2-4pm. Next year will be a busy one, to include the celebration of 180 years of existence for both the Church and Schoolhouse.

Women's Book Group commencing in 2025. Interested in forming a women's book group in early 2025? Expressions of interest from women within St. John's parish are welcome. Please contact Alison Campbell (9.30am) a.jc@live.com.au

St John's Archives. Among the many treasures in the Parish Archive are nearly 300 sermons dating back to the 1930's, including virtually all of those delivered at St John's since 2020. The most recent ones are audio files, while the earlier ones are printed documents. If you would like to know more about these or any other feature of the Archive, please contact the Honorary Archivist, Alan Wilson, via the Parish Office.

1 Way FM Appeal. Local Christian radio station '1 Way FM' are keen supporters of St John's, St John's Annual Fair, and St John's Care. 1 Way FM are a listener-funded station and have an upcoming appeal. For anyone who would like more information including how to donate, please go to: <https://www.1wayfm.com.au/donate/>

SERMONS AND TALKS NOW VIA PODCAST!

It's not a substitute for coming to church. We need each other, face-to-face, to pray together, build connections and participate in the Lord's Supper.

'Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another' – Hebrews 10.24-25



But for when you cannot be here, sermons are still available at www.stjohnscanberra.org/sermons Or; via podcast—search 'St John's Canberra Talks'; Or;

Spotify



Apple



Pocket Casts



ST JOHN'S CARE DONATION APPEAL



If everyone reading this page gave **\$10 and 2 cans of non-perishable food**, or a little more, St John's Care would be able to meet escalating needs in our community.

You can [make a donation](#) via -

- credit card over the phone, 9:30am-2pm Monday to Friday 02 6248 7771 (closed on public holidays)
- post to St John's Care, GPO Box 219, Canberra. 2601
- bank transfer to St John's Care:
BSB: 702 389
Account: 0520 9490



- PayPal:
www.stjohnscare.org.au/donate or scan the code.

FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT

Mary's Song Word Search

Mary's Song

And Mary said: "My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior." Luke 1:46 (NIV)

Words are taken from Luke 1:46-55 (NIV).



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blessed

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mercy

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rejoices

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servant

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Upcoming services

Sunday 22 December 2024

Fourth Sunday of Advent

Readings: Micah 5.2-5a; Song of Mary; Hebrews 10.5-10; Luke 1.39-45 (46-55)

7.00am: Eucharist (1662 Book of Common Prayer)

8.00am: Sung Eucharist

9.30am: Family Eucharist (School Holidays – Kids Church in recess)

6.00pm: stjohns@6 (Praise, Prayer & Proclamation)



24 & 25 December 2024 Christmas Eve and Christmas Day



(See next page)

Sunday 29 December 2024

First Sunday after Christmas

Readings: 1 Samuel 2.18-20, 26; Psalm 148; Colossians 3.12-17; Luke 2.41-52

8.00am: Sung Eucharist

9.30am: Family Eucharist (School Holidays – Kids Church in recess)

6.00pm: stjohns@6 (Praise, Prayer & Proclamation)

Sunday 5 January 2025

The Epiphany of our Lord

Readings: Isaiah 60.1-6, Psalm 72.1-7, 10-14; Ephesians 3.1-12; Matthew 2.1-12

8.00am: Sung Eucharist

9.30am: Family Eucharist (School Holidays – Kids Church in recess)

6.00pm: stjohns@6 (Praise, Prayer & Proclamation)

Each Wednesday (except 1 January 2025)

10am Eucharist (1662 Book of Common Prayer)

For more information: www.stjohnscanberra.org

CHRISTMAS AT ST JOHN'S

St John's Anglican Church Reid

Celebrating Christmas since 1841



24 December – Christmas Eve

6.00 pm Christmas Eve Carols on the Lawn in the wonderful and historic grounds of St John's. Children are welcome to dress as shepherds, angels, or animals for the pageant. This is a fantastic opportunity to share in the joy of Christmas with your family and friends. Grounds open from 5.30pm. Bring along a picnic basket, blankets, and chairs. The wet weather venue will be the St John's Hall.

9.00 pm Christmas Eve Choral Eucharist /Holy Communion

11.00 pm Christmas Eve Sung Eucharist / Holy Communion

25 December – Christmas Day

8.00 am Christmas Day Sung Eucharist / Holy Communion

9.30 am Christmas Day Sung Eucharist / Holy Communion

11.15 am Christmas Day Sung Eucharist - 1662 Book of Common Prayer

Whether you come with your family, friends or on your own, we look forward to welcoming you as we celebrate the joy and mystery of the Christmas story.

St John's Care Christmas Day Community Lunch

The St John's Care Christmas Day Community Lunch, in the Church Hall commencing at **12pm**, is for anyone and everyone. It is designed to make sure that no one has to spend Christmas Day alone. If you have a neighbour or a friend who may be alone, please invite them. For more information, please ring St John's Care on 6248 7771.



ST JOHN'S
ANGLICAN CHURCH
CANBERRA

Bellringing | Advent 2024

*Celebrating 60 years of the
bells*

Christmas Eve

24 December, just before 6pm

The bells call Canberra to the
St John's Carols on the Lawn.

Christmas Day

25 December, All Morning

The bells ring out in joyful
celebration of the birth of Christ
before and after all services at
St John's.

SUPPORTING THE MINISTRY OF THE PARISH

The best way to support our ministry is to (annually) prayerfully consider an appropriate amount, and then set up automatic regular transfers using our 'giving' account:

BSB:702 389 **ACCOUNT:** 0520 9450 **NAME:** St John the Baptist Reid

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