

# St. Mary the Virgin Anglican Church

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**Second Sunday in Advent**

Blessed Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant that we may in such wise hear, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that by patience, and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

## **TODAY AT ST. MARY'S**

**GLORY BE TO JESUS CHRIST! GLORY BE TO HIM FOR EVER!**

**Flowers on the Altar** To the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving for a loving family by Carol M.

**Nursery** for infants & toddlers is available in the Good Shepherd Nursery. Leader: Heidi D.

**Godly Play** in the Children's Worship Centre for children 3 - 6 years. Today's story is 'The Birth of John' Luke 1:11-14, 57- 66.

**Faith Quest (ages 7-13)** create works of nativity art for their Virtual Pageant. Leader: Clara D. Shepherds: Ernie and Sally K. Memory Verse: Isaiah 9:6b And he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

**Coffee and Tea following the service** will be served in the upper hall. Coffee Host: Yvonne and Christian S.

**The Intercessions Book** on the table with the bread and the offering plates has space for you to write in the names of people you wish us to remember in prayer this morning, and throughout the week. Prayers will be offered for travelers, those in special need, and the departed.

## MORNING PRAYER AT TEN O'CLOCK

Prayer Book, pp.6-5, Psalm 148, 149,150; Amos 6. 1-14; 2 Thessalonians 1. 5-12

## HOLY COMMUNION AT HALF-PAST TEN

The Advent Bell (*Please stand*)

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Advent Acclamation

Leader: A voice cries: In the wilderness, prepare the way of the Lord!

People: **Make straight in the desert a highway for our God.**

Leader: Every valley shall be lifted up

People: **and every mountain and hill brought low.**

Leader: The uneven ground shall become level

People: **and the rough places a plain.**

Leader: And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed.

People: **and all flesh shall see it together.**

Leader: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

People: **In the wilderness prepare a way for the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.**

Opening Hymn # **103 On Jordan's Bank, the Baptist's Cry**

Collect for Purity.

*(Prayer Book p.67)*

The Ten Commandments, Lord have mercy and Collects

*(Prayer Book. P.69,70)*

Prayer with the children

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm

Gradual: # **106 There's a Voice in the Wilderness**

Gospel

Sermon

Nicene Creed

*(Prayer Book p. 71)*

Intercessions: "Lift Up O Church, this World to God."

Response: "**Come Quickly, Lord in Mercy Come .**"

Offertory Hymn: # **116 Your Kingdom Come' On Bended Knee**

Offertory Anthem

Invitation, Confession and Absolution

*(Prayer Book p. 76, 77)*

Great Thanksgiving, Peace, Prayer of Humble Access *(Prayer Book pp. 78 ff)*

Communion Hymn: **Even so, Lord Jesus, Come**

**Even so, Lord Jesus come  
Oh divine and glorious son  
though we live as your body here on earth  
even so Lord Jesus come**

**Gracious Father, Sovereign Lord  
your creations one adored  
by your hand we receive your majesty  
even so, Lord Jesus come**

**Holy Spirit, breath of life  
light a path through darkest night  
in your care we confess our deepest sigh  
even so, Lord Jesus come**

Thanksgiving after Communion

*(Prayer Book p. 85, 86)*

Gloria

Blessing

Announcements

Dismissal

Leader: Judah and Jerusalem, fear not nor be dismayed.

People: **Tomorrow go forth, and the Lord will be with you.**

Leader: Stand still and you shall know the salvation of the Lord.

People: **Tomorrow go forth, and the Lord will be with you.**

Leader: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

People: **Tomorrow go forth, and the Lord will be with you.**

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Leader: We wait for your loving kindness, O Lord.

People: **In the midst of your temple.**

Hymn # 12 **We Bless You, God of Israel**

## Parish Life Notes

**St. Mary's Vestry** meets today in the lounge after service.

**Condolences** Please pray for Ellen and Andrea as they mourn the death of Roy Norberg. His funeral was yesterday. May he rest in peace and rise in glory.

**Aboriginal/ Non Aboriginal Intercultural Potluck Supper and Christmas Party** takes place this Wednesday starting at 5:30 p.m. in the Upper Hall. All are welcome!

**Advent Outreach: Marion Centre** - men's socks, toques, personal items and/or monetary donations. Items need to be brought to St. Mary's by Dec, 19th and will be delivered to Marion Centre on Dec. 20.

**Living Nativity at Moats Farm Sunday**, Dec. 15 3:00 pm. Pageant, Supper, Music. Bring baking or veggies to share and consider bringing a donation for the South Sudanese refugee project. This Sunday December 8th Barb asks, all who love to come out to the farm and take on a role, to meet her in the lounge upstairs after the service. Directions to Moats farm find a printed copy on the table in front of the office.

**Feeding the Hungry.** Come and help to serve and clean up after the evening meal this Thursday, Dec 12 between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Souls Harbour Soup kitchen at 1632 Angus St. Please contact Nat R if you can come.

### **THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S**

Monday to Friday	8:30 am Morning Prayer 5:00 pm Evening Prayer
Tuesday	10:30 am Forever in Motion Senior Exercise
Wednesday	8:30 am Morning Prayer Men's Breakfast 10:30 am Parent and Tots Group 12.15 pm From Silence to Stillness Contemplative Prayer 5:30 pm Intercultural Potluck
Thursday	9:30 am Woman's Time Out Bible Study
Next Sunday	10:00 am Morning Prayer 10:30 am Holy Communion