



THE ANGLICAN CHURCH OF  
**ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, GORDON**  
THE FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT / ADVENT SUNDAY  
2 DECEMBER 2018



**A D V E N T   C A R O L S   S E R V I C E**  
TONIGHT AT 7:30PM

**W E L C O M E   T O   S T   J O H N ' S**

*I was glad when they said unto me, We will go into the house of the Lord. Psalm 122:1*

**S U N D A Y   S E R V I C E S**

7:30AM Morning Prayer

8:00AM HOLY COMMUNION, BCP service with APBA readings

9:30AM HOLY COMMUNION, APBA

**WEEKDAYS**

7:00AM Monday to Thursday Morning Prayer, Chapel

10:00AM Thursday Holy Communion, Chapel

**CHORAL EVENSONG**

Second Sunday of the month, 4:00PM, March through November,

Next Evensong 10 March 2019

The next **RED LETTER DAY** is Friday, 21 December, St Thomas, Apostle and Martyr.

Red Letter Days falling Monday through Thursday are observed with  
a service of Holy Communion immediately following 7:00AM Morning Prayer.

The church is open for prayer on weekdays

**VISITORS**, you are welcome to receive Communion at St John's  
if you receive at your own church and your church discipline allows.  
Scan this QR code to go to the church website.



## Notices

### **READINGS For Today, 2 December, First Sunday In Advent**

**8:00AM** 1 Thessalonians 3:9-4:1 Luke 21:25-36

**9:30AM** Jeremiah 33:14-16 1 Thessalonians 3:9-4:1 Luke 21:25-36

### **READINGS For Next Sunday, 9 December, Second Sunday In Advent**

**8:00AM** Philippians 1:3-11 Luke 3:1-6

**9:30AM** Isaiah 40:1-11 Philippians 1:3-11 Luke 3:1-6

New American Standard Bible Sunday Mornings, King James Version at Evensong

We now enter Year C in the three year Bible readings cycle.

Thank you to **BISHOP MICHAEL** for leading us in **MISSION**.

The **WOMEN'S EVENING GROUP** has set up their **CHRISTMAS STALL** this morning. They have small iced Christmas cakes, shortbread, fudge, jams and Christmas gifts. Be sure to stop and shop before leaving the premises.



### **ADVENT CAROLS SERVICE**

**TONIGHT AT 7:30PM**

**O COME LET US ADORE HIM**

Thursday night, at a service at Duntroon, **FATHER ROB** will be collated as the **ARCHDEACON OF THE ARMY**. Pray for him as he takes on this new responsibility.

James Winter is taking names for **CHRISTMAS LUNCH AT ST JOHN'S**—for those who wish to attend and for those who can help with preparation. Reach him at [james.winter@au.gt.com](mailto:james.winter@au.gt.com) or 0411 752 802.

**THURSDAY EVENING SOCIAL ACTIVITIES** will no longer be advertised as being “for Chinese speakers”, as the games are open to all. Father Keith tells us he has stopped by a few times and played ping pong. Mah-jong may be played in the near future and perhaps other games. Show up any time on Thursdays from 5:00PM to 9:00PM, ready to have fun.

Group and activity leaders, **REPORTS FOR THE PARISH REVIEW** should be e-mailed to [office@stjohnsgordon.org.au](mailto:office@stjohnsgordon.org.au).

**THE VERY REVEREND DR KEITH JOSEPH**, Dean of Darwin, former St John's parishioner and student minister, has been elected **BISHOP OF NORTH QUEENSLAND**. He is likely to be consecrated in March 2019. This is a very helpful election as far as Warrior Welcome home and Australian Defence Force chaplaincy is concerned.

## This Week In The Parish

|              |                |   |
|--------------|----------------|---|
| <b>SUN 2</b> | <b>7:30AM</b>  | 8AM Singers' rehearsal, Tower Room  |
|              | <b>Morning</b> | "Repentance, Humanity, Getting Back To Basics In Luke"<br>Mission, led by Bishop Michael, concludes |
|              | <b>Morning</b> | Women's Evening Group Stall   |
|              | <b>11:30AM</b> | Choir rehearsal, stalls   |
|              | <b>7:30PM</b>  | Advent Carols with Parish Choir, 8AM Singers<br>and members of St John's Evensong Choir             |
| <b>TUE 4</b> | <b>Morning</b> | Op Shop sorts and prices  |
| <b>WED 5</b> | <b>10:00AM</b> | Wednesday Morning Bible Study with Father Keith   |
|              | <b>11:00AM</b> | Bible Study led by Father Ernest, Upper Room  |
|              | <b>Noon</b>    | Women's Evening Group Christmas Luncheon,<br>Gordon Golf Club                                       |
|              | <b>4:00PM</b>  | Women's Bible Study Group, church office  |
| <b>THU 6</b> | <b>Morning</b> | Op Shop sorts and prices  |
|              | <b>5:00PM</b>  | Social Activities, hosted by Father Ernest, Hall  |

*Regular Sunday and weekday worship services are listed on the front page.*

## Upcoming Events

|               |                |  |
|---------------|----------------|--|
| <b>MON 10</b> | <b>Noon</b>    | St John's Kitchen Monthly Community Luncheon,<br>Christmas luncheon  |
| <b>SAT 15</b> | <b>9:00AM</b>  | Op Shop Sale   |
| <b>SUN 23</b> | <b>7:30PM</b>  | Nine Lessons And Carols with Parish Choir, 8AM Singers,<br>members of St John's Evensong Choir and The Cathedral Singers |
| <b>MON 24</b> | <b>11:00PM</b> | Midnight Mass with <i>Voces Joannis</i>  |
| <b>TUE 25</b> | <b>8:00AM</b>  | Christmas Day Festal Choral Communion<br>with 8AM Singers and Parish Choir   |
|               | <b>10:00AM</b> | Christmas Day Festal Choral Eucharist  |
|               | <b>Noon</b>    | Christmas Lunch  |



Contributions for **FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH AT CHRISTMAS** would be gratefully accepted—cash donations or the promise of blossoms from your garden. Please speak to either of “the two Jans”, Jan Kneeshaw or Jan McLachlan, or cash donations may be sent to the church office, marked for that purpose.

**CHURCH DUTY ROSTERS** will soon be compiled for the first six months of the new year. Additional **WELCOMERS** are needed for the 8:00AM service and **INTERCESSORS** for the 9:30AM service would be most welcome. Indicate your willingness by e-mailing [james.winter@au.gt.com](mailto:james.winter@au.gt.com) or telephoning 0411 752 802.

**CAROLS IN THE PARK** is Saturday night, 8 December at Bicentennial Park, West Pymble. Entry and food sales are from 6:00PM—pre-show entertainment from 6:30PM—and main stage program from 7:00PM to 9:00PM.

## Services and Rosters

### TODAY, 2 DECEMBER, FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

#### **8:00AM CHORAL COMMUNION with 8AM Singers**

Sidesmen: John Dickson, John Ross Edwards and Peter Lyons  
 Welcoming: Alan Tilley  
 Reader: Belinda Howell  
 Morning Tea: Women's Evening Group

#### **9:30AM CHORAL EUCHARIST with Parish Choir**

Sidesmen: Kathy Helm and Hugh Keithly  
 Welcoming: Rita McColl  
 First Reading: Alan Mewett  
 Intercessions: Nicola Chau  
 Offertory Procession: Bierer Family  
 Morning Tea: Clarita and Leo Lin and Cindy Xin

#### **7:30PM ADVENT CAROLS SERVICE**

**with Parish Choir, 8AM Singers, and members of St John's Evensong Choir**

### NEXT SUNDAY, 9 DECEMBER, SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

#### **8:00AM CHORAL COMMUNION with 8AM Singers**

Sidesmen: Leonie Hayne, John Brandon and Alan Tilley  
 Reader: Leonie Hayne

#### **9:30AM CHORAL EUCHARIST with Parish Choir**

Sidesmen: Jim Bierer and Brian Wood  
 Welcoming: Mary Mewett  
 First Reading: Junhee Seo  
 Intercessions: Ann or Robertson Wright  
 Offertory Procession: Kathy Helm and Rita McColl  
 Morning Tea: The Friday Group



### **ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH DIRECTORY**

754 Pacific Highway (P.O. Box 295) Gordon NSW 2072

Telephone 9498 2744

Website [www.stjohnsgordon.org.au](http://www.stjohnsgordon.org.au)

**Church Office Open On Thursdays**

|                      |                                  |   |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| Rector               | <b>REV'D KEITH DALBY</b>         | Mobile 0433 538 915,<br>rector@stjohnsgordon.org.au   |
| Assistant Priest     | <b>REV'D ROB SUTHERLAND</b>      | CSC 0406 767 757, revrob@ozemail.com.au   |
| Honorary Assisting   | <b>Rev'd Ernest Chau</b>         | revechau@tpg.com.au, 0414 549 082   |
| Parish Missioner     | <b>Rt Rev'd Dr Michael Hough</b> | anathoth.hough@gmail.com  |
| Director of Music    | <b>Dr Brett McKern</b>           | 0408 303 225, music@stjohnsgordon.org.au  |
| Asst Dir of Music    | <b>Nicola Chau</b>               |   |
| People's Warden      | <b>The Hon Patricia Forsythe</b> | patricia.forsythe@tpg.com.au  |
| Rector's Warden      | <b>Chris Russell AM</b>          | chris@clRussell.com.au  |
| Warden, Treasurer    | <b>James Winter</b>              | james.winter@au.gt.com  |
| Parish Council       | <b>Dr Janet Long, Secretary</b>  | parishcouncil@stjohnsgordon.org.au  |
| Pastoral Care        | <b>Cynthia Keithly</b>           | pastoralcaresjohnsgordon@gmail.com  |
| Pastoral Chaplain    | <b>Jennifer Lum</b>              | jennifer.lum@bigpond.com  |
| Safe Ministry        | <b>Jan McLachlan</b>             | janmclachlan@bigpond.com, 0408 641 037  |
| Office Administrator | -                                | office@stjohnsgordon.org.au   |
| Pew Bulletin         | <b>Cynthia Keithly</b>           | sjgpewbulletin@gmail.com<br>In the office on Thursdays,<br>deadline for notices is sunset Tuesday |