Sunday 29th Nov, Saint Mary's Anglican Parish, Gordonton



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10am Advent Family Communion Service

Sermon: "Beginnings" Rev. David Smithson

Refreshments: Katy Cockerton

Wow! The church is beginning to look fabulous with all the beautiful Christmas decorations going up! Well done all who contributed! For those who are too shy to usually do so; between now and Christmas is an excellent time to invite friends along to a church service to worship in our very pretty church!

During Advent we "go back to the future" in that we look back at when the world looked forward to the coming of the Messiah. In advent we also look to the future of Christ's return as King and ruler – the colour of Advent is that of a royal colour - purple God bless, David.

Christmas at Gordonton Hall: Friday 11th Dec at 7pm – a wonderful community event largely organized by the Oaks church. A Gospel Choir and Gordonton School pupils will be singing Christmas Carols

Christmas Fair help: Next Saturday 5th Dec from 9am to 2pm is when our fair starts and finishes, but we also need helpers from 7:30am throughout the day and for the tidy up at the end.

Christmas Shoe Box appeal: We require 10 shoeboxes filled with gifts for men: Toothbrush + paste, deodorant stick, hankies, socks, toilet soap, disposable razors, sweets and playing cards. These are for men who have left prison. Please leave the boxes at the back of the church.

Readings for 29th Nov:

OT: Jerimiah 33:14-16 **NT:** 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 **Gospel:** Luke 21:25-36

Children & Youth: Cool Advent activities this Sunday in the Kids Space!



+ Prayer Points +

- For a great turnout for the Christmas Fair and that all will go smoothly
- For those who are sick, sad, grieving, or lonely; may we be Christ's hands to them.
- For our Mission family Richard & Fee Fraser in the UK. working with BETEL

