

# Saint Mary's Anglican Church, Gordonton. Sun 16<sup>th</sup> Dec



## Parish Office Hours & Contacts

**Office Hours:** Fridays 9am to 3pm

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**Vicar:** Rev. David Smithson

**Peoples Warden:** Sally-Ann Riddell 07 8243850

**Vicars Warden:**

## 10:00 am Advent 3 Family Communion Service

**Homily:** "Encountering Joy" Rev. David Smithson

**Refreshments:** Majella Heaton

When the weight of the world is on your shoulders, your life is stressful, and you may be feeling sad, you would think that joy may be the last thing you will encounter. We will look at the readings of Zephaniah and Philippians – rejoice in the Lord always! Keep close to God, and remember that Jesus is the reason for the Season!

God bless, David.



## Readings for 16<sup>th</sup> Dec:

**OT:** Zephaniah 3:14-20

**NT:** Philippians 4:4-7

**Gospel:** Luke 3:7-18

**Reader:** Melanie Holdsworth

**Children's Church/Junior Youth:** Cool Advent activity packs with a chocolate treat!

**Youth:** Friday's 7pm @ Oaks church, Gordonton, & Weds 7pm "Ignite" @ - Horsham Downs Church.



**Foodbank:** The current need through to the end of Dec is: baby food, milk powder, sugar, flour, baked beans and spaghetti, tinned fruit, tinned fish, tinned stews, tinned tomatoes, tinned cream corn, pasta, rice, biscuits, and of course Christmas treats! Items can be placed in the basket located in the church porch.



## + Prayer Points +

- For Rosalie and the Jennings family
- For God's anointing and blessing on our Parish as it begins a New Church Year
- For Kerry and Lou, Alice & Sam



In case of a fire during a church service, please note the nearest exit: Front porch entrance and the side door to the vestry office. Fire extinguishers are also located near these two doorways.