Saint Mary's Anglican Church, Gordonton. Sun 8th Dec



Parish Office Hours & Contacts

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Vicar: Rev. David Smithson

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10:00 am Advent 2 Family Communion Service

Sermon: "Hope in Christ" Rev. David Smithson

Refreshments: Trish Smithson

Advent is a time to prepare for the coming of Christ to the world. It gives us hope in what had happened at Bethlehem, and it gives us hope in that he will return again. Paul wrote to the Roman church who were facing great difficulties to encourage them, and to remind them that Christian hope is real, not just a wishful thinking, or a random hope, such as winning Lotto! God bless, David.



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.



Readings & Intercessor for 8th Dec:

OT: Isaiah 11:1-10 **NT:** Romans 15:4-13 **Gospel:** Matthew 3:1-12

Reader: Trish Smithson Intercessor: Trish Smithson

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



+ Prayer Points +

 That as we enter fully into the Christmas season, may we fully enter into Christ in our lives



In case of an emergency 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.