

**20 December 2020**

**4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

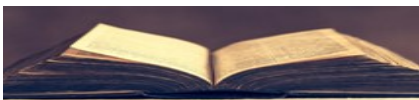


## **All Saints Anglican Church**

*Encountering the love of God in our relationships, sharing our journey as we discover God in the plan and learning to trust God in and for every situation.*

### **THE READINGS FOR THE DAY**

Readings: 2 Samuel 7 : 1 - 11, 16  
Romans 16 : 25 - 27  
Psalm: 89 : 1 - 4, 19 - 27 (pg.715)  
Gospel: Luke 1 : 26 - 38



### **THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY**

God of Elizabeth and Mary:  
Make our hearts leap with joy,  
Fill our mouths with songs of praise  
and make us ready to welcome  
the Christ in our midst;  
Who is alive and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit,  
One God in glory everlasting. Amen

### **MESSAGE FROM REVD ANASTASIA**

Beautiful Saints planted by grace in this community, peace be with you. Today marks the 4th Sunday of Advent and an opportunity to do the final preparations for receiving the Christ Child afresh in our lives. The Anglican Prayer Book pg 68 dedicates the time from 17—23 December as an opportunity to reflect on the Anthems related to Jesus.: O Sapientia (Wisdom), Adonai (Lord of Lords), Radix Jesse (Root of Jesse), Clavis David (Key of David), Oriens (Morning Star), Rex Gentium (King of Nations) and Emmanuel (God with us). If you would like to follow these please click on our website link - <https://www.allsaints.co.za/2020/12/18/advent-anthems/>

We focus today on the participation of Mary and Elizabeth in making God's plan of salvation a reality. Leaving me with the question "How is God inviting me to participate in this salvific mission to the world?" A question I hope you too will ponder in the hours and days ahead.

On Thursday we begin our Season of Christmas which will end on 7 January with the Feast of the Epiphany. The focus of the Season is the Incarnation, God taking human form and entering fully into our humanity, fulfilling all the requirements of the Law. In this sense all the celebrations of this Season are connected with the infancy of Jesus, and the observance of all that was required of him and Mary and Joseph under the Jewish Law. May your journey through the Christmas Season be a time of deep renewal of hope in the love and mercy of our Lord and Saviour Jesus the Christ. Please continue to pray for me and be assured that I am praying for you. With love and light always.



## NOTICES

PLEASE NOTE MIDNIGHT MASS IS NOW @ 19H00 TO ALLOW FOR THE NEW CURFEW IN EFFECT

Thank you to those who have given so generously towards our Christmas Collection for Revd. Anastasia. You can also do an EFT directly into our bank account with reference "Christmas Collection".

We trust that you are enjoying our new website [www.allsaints.co.za](http://www.allsaints.co.za). There you will be able to fill out your Dedicated Giving Pledge as well as our wish list. Please give any feedback on the website look and feel to Owen on [owen.rodgers@live.co.uk](mailto:owen.rodgers@live.co.uk)

**Annual Leave :** Mdu will be away from 22 December up to and including 08 January. Rev Anastasia will be on leave from Sunday 27 December up to and including 10 January 2021. Revd. Nigel will be assisting during this period.

**Daily Prayers/Reflections :** The readings for morning and evening prayer can be found in the lectionaries, and we still have a few available at R30 each. We will resume our reflective questions after Epiphany.

Please note the office will be closed for the week—Monday 28 December to Friday 1 January. For all emergencies please contact one of our Church Wardens.

### Please pray for

Louisa Snyman, Graham Taylor, Colleen Butler, Ernie Mutch, The Lamble Family, Ronel Briers, Barbara Morrison, Gwen Alexander, Elaine Elliott, Shona Flemming, Peter McMurray, Talfryn & Liz Davies, Tish White, Esness Motsa, Thelma Muir, Luleka Mekane, Thembi Ndlovu, Jane Chithila Kapanga, Ada Rebelo, Judith & Colin Sims, Dorothy Carey, Adrian Krige, Mike & Carol Zingel, Nigel & Nadene Twidale, Tony & Sue Poriazis, Rev. Bruce Smith, The residents of Evergreen Village, Arch Bishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu, Dilia DeCaires, John DeVilliers, Dr. Richard & Gerald and Margaret Ebertson



We remember in love those who have died

(20 - 26 December)

Maud Gordon

Sheila Rogers

Erin Moore

Gerhardus Badenhorst

Matt Kekana

RIP : Derek Lamble

We pray for Angie and the Lamble family during this time and we continue to hold in the light Gillian McEwen, Bruce Kau and Rev. Anastasia and their family's during this time of bereavement

### December/January Service Times

24 December - 19h00

25 December - 08h30

27 December, 3 & 10 January - 08h30



### Parents-In-Waiting

We welcome into our All Saints family,

**Joelle Akuzike Kibundila Mugeni.**

Congratulations to Jordy and Judith

Contact Heather:-(083-789-7311/  
[hmacserv@mweb.co.za](mailto:hmacserv@mweb.co.za)) for any additions.

### Sign up for our services

(Please note that the forms are only available from Monday morning until they are full)

24 December 19:00 service

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1AQLjMqocBfoIsar1eykBWf8dnMhakei76YnZu3A38U/edit?usp=sharing>

25 December 08:30 service

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/19oBlsIW6raD-OqqqdGHZ7UP8A5HdB8le5Jfosnja-ow/edit?usp=sharing>

Sunday, 27 December 8:30 service

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1cbGRvs2U4hS-P\\_4pKzTyniKcn-fSiA1JUiyoZoLKxayo/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1cbGRvs2U4hS-P_4pKzTyniKcn-fSiA1JUiyoZoLKxayo/edit?usp=sharing)

THE WEDNESDAY SERVICES WILL RESUME ON 13 JANUARY 2021

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