

Nambour Village Services December 2024

18 December Rotary Rev Maile 2.00PM

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Service Roster

**Second Sunday of Advent
8 December 2024**

Minister: Rev Maile Molitika
Music: Nola and Margaret
Readers: Jimmy Stewart, Linda Woodward
Prayers: Sheila Hodges
Data Projector: Chris Bowden
Sound System:
Offering: Weekly retiring offering
Welcome: Our great welcoming team

Ministry

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**THE
BIRTHDAY
BOOK**

9 Don Heaton
11 Phillip Tierney
14 Karen Coates

**Happy Birthday
Don, Phillip
and Karen!!!**

**VANDERBILT LECTIONARY
NEXT SUNDAY**

15 December 2024
Third Sunday of Advent
Zephaniah 3:14-20,
Isaiah 12:2-6,
Philippians 4:4-7,
Luke 3:7-18.



Nambour Uniting Church

9AM Sunday Worship Service

**Growing stronger together in Christ
and sharing His love**

Sunday 8 December 2024 Second Sunday of Advent

Collect: How glad we are, O God, for the great things you have done for us. We listen now for your word of promise and for the instruction we need. Unite us in remembrance with all your saints. Link us with one another in gospel partnership, that love may abound more and more and our wisdom increase. Make us instruments of your saving grace, Amen.

From the desk of the minister: "Getting ready for Christmas"

I think we are all in the same boat at this time of the year. People are now starting to do their Christmas shopping. Some have already finished by now, they are well-prepared by it doing early. Whatever stages we are in now whether we have started or not, or whether we have finished, we sometimes overlook the most important preparation of all.

We have to remember, that preparing for Christmas is more than the usual shopping list or the gifts sent to our friends and families. It is the repentance of hearts that John is challenging us today.

When John says: **"Prepare the way of the lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."** John is saying it to us that we need an internal change, there are mountains to be levelled within us. We all knew about it. There are valleys within us that needed to be levelled. There are crooked roads within us that need to be straightened up. Today, the second Sunday of Advent, we are reminded of the best preparation for Christmas. As we continue our journey during Advent, we hear the voice of John the Baptist in the wilderness calling for us to change. May we abound more and more in love, with all the knowledge and discernment that God is bringing forth in us through the fruits of righteousness. **May we go forth to be his servants to live out the good news of Jesus Christ at all times. May you all have a wonderful preparation as we approach Christmas of 2024.**

Grace & Peace, Rev Maile

Welcome

Nambour Uniting Church

Welcome to our Sunday Worship Service

Our Nambour congregation welcomes everyone to worship.
Please accept all who gather to worship in peace and hope,
with an invitation to pray and reflect in the Prayer Chapel at any time our Church is open.

Rev Maile Molitika is leading our Sunday Worship Service today

Please welcome the ministry of Rev Maile and his family in our Nambour Uniting Church.

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VANDERBILT LECTIONARY SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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Baruch 5:1-9,
Luke 1:68-79,
Philippians 1:3-11,
Luke 3:1-6,
Malachi 3:1-4.



REJOICE

The announcement of the coming of Jesus was accompanied with the instruction to Rejoice!

The Good News that a Saviour has come, that Emmanuel - God with us - has made himself known, should lead us to gratitude, to thanksgiving, to wonder, and indeed to rejoicing! There is plenty wrong with the world to grieve and mourn, but there is also a cause for rejoicing and joy.

Let us not lose sight of the wonder that, as Eugene Peterson says, "The Word became flesh and blood and moved into the neighbourhood." John 1:14 MSG
"Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, rejoice!"
Philippians 4:4

Proverbs for Daily Living –

1. "Character cannot be developed in ease and quiet. Only through experience of trial and suffering can the soul be strengthened, ambition inspired, and success achieved." *Hellen Keller*
2. "All the Christmas presents in the world are worth nothing without the presence of Christ" *David Jeremiah*

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

Praise be to our LORD God, who alone does marvelous deeds. As we light the second advent candle (the candle of peace), may God's spirit prepare your heart to receive Jesus as your King. May God's grace abound in your life in this season of holy anticipation.

Activities in our Church this week;

Sunday 8 Dec	Sunday Worship Service 9AM - Bring & share Christmas morning tea
Tuesday	Bible study 9AM Indoor Bowls 10AM-12noon Narcotics Australia 12noon-2PM
Wednesday	Tai Chi 8.30AM-11.00AM Narcotics Australia 6.30PM-8.30PM New World Rhythm Choir 6.30PM-9.00PM - Christmas celebration
Thursday	Indoor Bowls 10AM-12noon Narcotics Australia 12noon-2PM
Friday	Attack Pest Management Inspection 10.30AM
Saturday 14 Dec	Narcotics Australia 6PM-9PM