

Sentences, Collects, Readings, December – January 2015

Sunday 28th December – Services at 8.00am and 9.30am

Sentence – I will cause a righteous branch to spring forth for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. Then Judah will be saved and Jerusalem will dwell securely. Jeremiah 33: 15-15.

Collect – As we are glad, Creator God, when the dawn reveals the world to us, innocent and fresh, so may we discover the infant in the manger, and in delight be ready to start anew. **Amen.**

1st Reading – Isaiah 61: 10 – 62: 3

Epistle – Galatians 4: 4-7

Gospel - Luke 2: 22-40

Sunday 4th January – The Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ - Services at 8.00am and 9.30am

Sentence – The Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight is coming, says the Lord of hosts Malachi 3: 1b.

Collect – O God, by the leading of a star you revealed your Son Jesus Christ to the gentiles; grant that your Church may be a light to the nations, so that the whole world may come to see the splendour of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

1st Reading – Isaiah 60: 1-6

Epistle – Ephesians 3: 1-12

Gospel - Matthew 2: 1-12

Monday January 5th Opportunity Shop opens.

Sunday 11th January – Baptism of the Lord

Sentence – My people, I took you from the ends of the earth, from its farthest corners I called you. I said, ‘You are my servant, I have chosen you and not rejected you.’

Collect – Holy Spirit as you drove Jesus into the wilderness, when John baptised him and the heavens opened, drive us to wrestle and reflect so that we may fulfil our baptism, and live your life of victory. **Amen.**

1st Reading – Genesis 1: 1-5

Epistle - Acts 19: 1-7

Gospel - Mark 1: 4-11

Services -

Lady Allum Tuesday 13th January 10.30am

Selwyn Centre reopens Tuesday 13th January 9.30am

Wednesday 14th January 10am Holy Communion and morning tea

Sunday 18th January – Epiphany 2

1st Reading – 1 Samuel 3: 1-10

Epistle - 1 Corinthians 6: 12-20

Gospel John 1: 43-51