St Peter's Anglican Church, Cremorne



Family Christmas Service Christmas Eve 2021 5:30pm

Rector

Rev'd Tim St Quintin

Student Minister

James Boardman

Organist

Jenny Davey

Singer

Glenn Amer

Welcome Rev'd Tim St Quintin

Carol - Silent Night

Silent night, holy night
All is calm, all is bright
'Round yon virgin Mother and Child
Holy infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace
Sleep in heavenly peace

Silent night, holy night!
Shepherds quake at the sight!
Glories stream from heaven afar;
Heavenly hosts sing Al-le-lu-ia!
Christ the Saviour is born!
Christ the Saviour is born!

Silent night, holy night Son of God, love's pure light Radiant beams from Thy holy face With the dawn of redeeming grace Jesus, Lord at Thy birth Jesus, Lord at Thy birth

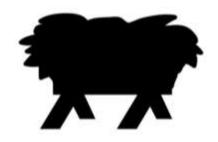


Reading: The Darkness Turns to Light Isaiah 9:2-7

² The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned. ³ You have enlarged the nation and increased their joy; they rejoice before you as people rejoice at the harvest, as warriors rejoice when dividing the plunder. ⁴ For as in the day of Midian's defeat, you have shattered the yoke that burdens them, the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor. ⁵ Every warrior's boot used in battle and every garment rolled in blood will be destined for burning, will be fuel for the fire. ⁶ For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ⁷ Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.

This is the word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

Christmas Talk - Part 1 Good news of great joy



Carol - O Holy Night - Sung by Glenn Amer

O Holy Night!
The stars are brightly shining
It is the night of the dear Saviour's birth!
Long lay the world in sin and error pining
Till he appear'd and the soul felt its worth.
A thrill of hope the weary soul rejoices
For yonder breaks a new and glorious morn!

Chorus
Fall on your knees
Oh hear the angel voices
Oh night divine
Oh night when Christ was born
Oh night divine
Oh night divine

Led by the light of Faith serenely beaming With glowing hearts by His cradle we stand So led by light of a star sweetly gleaming Here come the wise men from Orient land The King of Kings lay thus in lowly manger In all our trials born to be our friend

Chorus

Truly He taught us to love one another
His law is love and His gospel is peace
Chains shall He break for the slave is our brother
And in His name all oppression shall cease
Sweet hymns of joy in grateful chorus raise we,
Let all within us praise His holy
name

Chorus

Reading: The Shepherds Luke 2:8-20

⁸ There were shepherds living out in the fields nearby. It was night, and they were taking care of their sheep. 9 An angel of the Lord appeared to them. And the glory of the Lord shone around them. They were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news. It will bring great joy for all the people. 11 Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you. He is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹² Here is how you will know I am telling you the truth. You will find a baby wrapped in strips of cloth and lying in a manger." Suddenly a large group of angels from heaven also appeared. They were praising God. They said, 14 "May glory be given to God in the highest heaven! And may peace be given to those he is pleased with on earth!" ¹⁵ The angels left and went into heaven. Then the shepherds said to one another, "Let's go to Bethlehem. Let's see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about." 16 So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph and the baby. The baby was lying in the manger. ¹⁷ After the shepherds had seen him, they told everyone. They reported what the angel had said about this child. ¹⁸ All who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them. ¹⁹ But Mary kept all these things like a secret treasure in her heart. She thought about them over and over. ²⁰ The shepherds returned. They gave glory and praise to God. Everything they had seen and heard was just as they had been told.

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Christmas Talk - Part 2 The Joy of Jesus



Song - Mary and Joseph went to Bethlehem

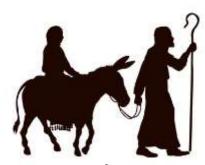
Mary and Joseph go to Bethlehem Bethlehem Bethlehem Mary and Joseph go to Bethlehem On that very first Christmas

Baby Jesus born that night Born that night Born that night Baby Jesus born that night On that very first Christmas

The wise men come to worship him Worship him Worship him The wise men come to worship him On that very first Christmas

The shepherds told that the King is born
The King is born
The King is born
The shepherds told that the King is born
On that very first Christmas

The angels singing 'glory to God' 'Glory to God' 'Glory to God' The angels singing 'glory to God' On that very first Christmas



A Christmas Blessing

And now may we be as faithful and obedient as Mary and Joseph, as full of wonder as the shepherds, and as persistent and generous as the wise men, as we celebrate the coming of Jesus the Messiah into our world, and may the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be with us, with our families, our friends and neighbours, today, this Christmas, each day, and for evermore. **Amen.**

Carol - Joy to the World

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King; let ev'ry heart prepare him room and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.



Joy to the earth, the Saviour reigns! Let men their songs employ, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains, repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.

A voluntary retiring offertory will be collected for the ministry of St Peter's in Cremorne and beyond

Regular services

Sundays

7am Eucharist 9am Sung Eucharist 10.30am Modern Service with Children's Program

Tuesdays

10am Eucharist

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