



ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF WANGARATTA  
PAROCHIAL DISTRICT OF WANGARATTA WEST & THE WARBYS

**1<sup>st</sup> December 2024**  
**First Sunday of Advent**

*This week I have asked The Rev'd Cathy Carden to write. NKH*

Dear Parishioners

New beginnings! May I begin by thanking you all for the very warm welcome you have shown me (and my husband Mark), since I was licensed as Priest Assisting (part-time) just 6 weeks ago. Throughout that time, I have greatly enjoyed being able to take Sunday and mid-week services at the Cathedral, Wangaratta West, Moyhu, Glenrowan and at Illoura and St John's Nursing homes. I have also been able to do a few home visits, and participated in a couple of social events, most recently the lovely fellowship lunch at Remel 185 at Whorouly.

**ADVENT:** Today marks the beginning of Advent, and the start of the new Christian calendar year. Advent, derived from the Latin word "adventus," meaning "coming" or "arrival," serves a dual purpose as a time of waiting and preparation for both the celebration of Jesus's birth at Christmas and the return of Christ at the Second Coming. The themes of hope, peace, joy, and love abound throughout this time, and it is a wonderful message to be living out and sharing in our communities. In my sermon last week, and particularly following on from our Stewardship series on Committed to Community, Creation and to Christ; I suggested that just as we do in our secular lives, we might like to make new Christian Year resolutions – with many of you taking the opportunity to do this through your return of the Commitment Renewal envelopes. As we look forward to Christmas, may we be mindful of the needs of others, and make the world around us aware of the true reason for the season – Christ-Mas – celebration of Jesus Christ.

As I celebrate the 1st anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood (2nd Dec) this week, I do so with a grateful heart for the many blessings and opportunities that I have received during the past 12 months. I thank you all for your support, friendship, understanding and assistance, as I settle in, and look forward to the many ministry opportunities that will unfold in the year ahead.

*Cathy Carden*  
*part time Assistant Priest*

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## Dates for your Diary

**Friday, 6th** 6.00 p.m., The Chosen, screening in St Michael's, then a light tea in Hall.

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### Christmas Raffle -

There are 3 Hampers  
for this Raffle.

Thankyou for all donations.

**Raffle drawn December 15th.**

**Ticket Books available now.**

**\$2 per ticket.**

**ARTISAN MARKET  
more news later.**

**Rain caused cancellation  
but Cake Stall went ahead.**

### Advent Quiet Day

We are asking for expressions of interest to attend a Saturday in December where we start with a Morning Prayer service and then reflect and prepare ourselves for the birth of Jesus. The day will be one of quiet reflection and an opportunity to come together in a quiet space away from the noise of the world and be with God. If you are interested or have any questions please contact Ela Heaton 0419 001 184 or [eheaton@wagarattawestanglican.org.au](mailto:eheaton@wagarattawestanglican.org.au)

### Christmas Puddings

Mrs Savery's famous Christmas Puddings are available for \$30.00 per pudding. Proceeds benefit the Friends of Holy Trinity Cathedral.

Please see Fr Neil for details.

**Frances Perry (December 2)** Charles Perry accepted the new bishopric of Melbourne in 1847 and he and Frances left England in October on the Stag. The party reached Port Phillip on 23 January 1848, then just a dozen years since its being founded. They immediately set out on their task, to advance the Church of England in the new colony of Victoria in both public and private spheres. Frances coped with demanding work as Charles' personal assistant, while coping with the expectations of local gentry: she was recalled by Mary Stawell as "a lively good little woman, nothing very particular as a companion, and has a good deal of English wit or kitten liveliness". She especially disliked tea meetings: "I cannot help considering them useful things, but I get dreadfully tired, and shirk them whenever I can".

Frances accompanied Charles on long journeys through his huge diocese, riding, walking, and staying in rough quarters. She wrote copiously about the country she found herself in — its flora and fauna, the Snowy Mountains, the heat, flies, bushfires and discovery of gold. Her colourful letters were published under the pseudonym 'Richard Perry', and show a detailed interest in the people and landscapes she encountered.

Frances' chief work was as founding president of the Melbourne Lying-in and Infirmary for Diseases of Women and Children (now Royal Women's) Hospital, from 1856 to

## WHAT'S ON & DAILY BIBLE READINGS

**Monday, 2nd December** *Frances Perry, founder Royal Women's Hospital, Melb. (d 1892)*  
Isaiah 2. 1-5. Psalm 122. Matthew 8. 5-11.

**Tuesday, 3rd** *Francis Xavier, Missionary, Apostle of the Indies, 1552.*  
Isaiah 11. 1-10. Psalm 72. 1-7. Luke 10. 21-24.  
9.30 a.m. Eucharist—St Michael's Hall. 10.15 a.m. Bible Study  
10.00 a.m. - 2.30 p.m. Safer Church Training—St Michael's Hall.  
4.00 p.m. —Friends of Holy Trinity Cathedral Committee—Purbrick Hall.

**Wednesday, 4th** *Nicholas Ferrar, Deacon, Founder of the Little Gidding Community, 1637*  
Isaiah 25. 6-10. Psalm 23. Matthew 15. 29-37.  
9.30 a.m. Craft Group—St Michael's Hall.  
10.00 a.m. Eucharist—Holy Trinity Cathedral—Lady Chapel.

**Thursday, 5th**  
Isaiah 26. 1-6. Psalm 118. 19-25. Matthew 7. 21-27  
10.00 a.m. Funeral—Cathedral.  
11.00 a.m. Eucharist at Illoura Aged Care.  
11.15 a.m. H.C. at Rangeview Private Nursing Home.

**Friday, 6th** *Nicholas bishop of Myra and philanthropist, d. c. 342*  
Isaiah 29. 17-24. Psalm 27. 9-17. Matthew 9. 27-31.  
6.00 p.m., The Chosen, screening in St Michael's, then a light tea in Hall.

**Saturday, 7th** *Ambrose, Bishop of Milan, Teacher of the Faith, 397*  
Isaiah 30. 19-26. Psalm 147. 1-6. Matthew 9. 35 — 10. 8.

### **Sunday 8th December, Second Sunday of Advent**

8.00 a.m. Eucharist @ St George's, Taminick.

9.30 a.m., Eucharist @ St Michael's, Wangaratta.

11.00 a.m. Eucharist @ St Paul's, Glenrowan.

Malachi 3. 1-14. Canticle: Benedictus. Philippians 1. 1-11. Luke 3. 1-6.

1874, the modern day Frances Perry House perpetuates her memory. After the Melbourne Hospital declined to set up a midwifery section, she helped negotiate the new institution's establishment with two local doctors and a Ladies' Committee (supported by a smaller Gentlemen's Committee) the first version of the Rules drawn up by the Ladies' Committee stated that the hospital would run according to "the principles of the Christian Religion as these are received by the various Evangelical branches of the Protestant Church". Morning and evening prayers were to be read by the Matron, including appeals to the Creator for mercy, pity and forgiveness for suffering.

## Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2024

- ◆ **The World:** Myanmar, Thailand.  
For peace and justice in the world  
The World Council of Churches
- ◆ **Australia:** Governor General: Her Excellency the Hon. Ms Sam Mostyn AC.  
The Prime Minister—Mr. Anthony Albanese  
Leader of the Opposition—Mr. Peter Dutton  
Commonwealth Parliament and Government.
- ◆ **The Church in our nation:** Romanian Orthodox Church.
- ◆ **Anglican Church of Australia:** Primate: Archbishop Geoffrey Smith (*Lynn*).  
General Secretary: Anne Hywood. General Synod and its Standing Committee.  
Our General Synod representatives: Bishop Clarence, Rachel Ellyard.
- ◆ **Our Diocese:** Bishop Clarence Bester (*Michelle*). (*Kian & Kyle*).  
The Bishop: Clarence Bester. The Vicar General & The Dean: Neil Hicks.  
The Registrar: Julie Torpey. The Diocesan Treasurer: Norm Kenny.
- ◆ **Our Parish:** Ecumenical Children's Ministry Outreach (find the sheep).  
The Co-operating Ministry between our parish and Wangaratta Parish.
- ◆ **Those in Need:** Warren Gould. Rob Butler. Mark Heaton. Shirley Cameron.  
Bp Garry Weatherill. Josef. Wayne. Michael E. Kaye McKenzie.
- ◆ **Year's Mind: 1<sup>st</sup>—7<sup>th</sup> December.**  
[01/12] Mary McLeod, 2010.  
[04/12] Jean McDonald, 2019.

Rest eternal grant unto them O Lord.  
**And may light perpetual shine upon them.**

### **Prayer of the week** (*pray daily*) {*Advent One*}

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came among us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



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