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Advent 2018

Anglican Parish
of
Mount Maunganui



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From the Vicar's Desk

*Carol our Christmas,
an upside down Christmas;
snow is not falling
and trees are not bare.
Carol the summer,
and welcome the Christ-Child
warm in our sunshine and sweetness of air.*

The first verse of this hymn by New Zealand hymn writer, Shirley Murray, is a reminder that Christmas is just around the corner. Advent is on its way and despite the advertising material that is bombarding us, it is still a few weeks until Christmas Day.

Advent is a time to allow space in our lives, in the midst of the busyness of Christmas preparation, it's a time to stop and linger with the Christ whose birth we celebrate on Christmas Day.

I realise that it's difficult to wait, to spend time watching for God to come again as a tiny baby boy, when the bright displays of discounted merchandise wink and beckon at every turn and the Christmas music is being played in the shops and malls. It's hard to wait when the street light decorations are going up, the Christmas parade is in a few days and there's heavy pressure at every turn to skip those boring Advent hymns and get on to the "good stuff" — angels and shepherds and wise ones!

But waiting is the invitation Advent gives us, and we will get to sing the "good stuff" on Sunday 16 December at the Nine Lessons and Carol service led by Scholars Pro Musica at St Peter's at 7pm, then on through our Christmas celebrations which begin on Christmas Eve.

On a personal note, I would like to thank you all for your welcome into the Parish of Mount Maunganui and look forward to meeting more of you at our Advent and Christmas Services.

The times and places for our services can be found on page 3.

Vicar Christine

Advent & Christmas Services



Sun 2 Dec	7pm	Advent Lessons & Carols	St Peter's
Wed 5 Dec	9am	Family Centre Pageant	St Mary's
Fri 7 Dec	9am	Tahatai Christmas Pageant	St Mary's
Sun 9 Dec	4pm	A Christmas Carol	St Peter's
Sun 16 Dec	7pm	9 Lessons and Carols	St Peter's
Wed 19 Dec	10am	Holy Communion Service <i>(Last Wed Service for 2018)</i>	St Peter's
Mon 24 Dec	5pm	Family Christmas Service	St Mary's
Mon 24 Dec	11pm	Midnight Service	St Peter's
Christmas Day	8am	Christmas Day Eucharist	St Peter's
Christmas Day	10am	Christmas Day Eucharist	St Mary's

From the Parish Registers

Baptisms

Lincoln Ian Loader on 22 April 2018

Anna Louise Southern on 16 September 2018

Marriages

Yuen Lam Jackie Tsui and Justin Drummond Scott on
18 January 2018

Anna Louise Southen and Luke Thomas Preston
Bilas on 24 February 2018

Funerals

Zoe Francis Coley on 11 June 2018

Raewyn Joy Uttinger on 12 July 2018

Margaret Gwladys Tankard on 18 July 2018

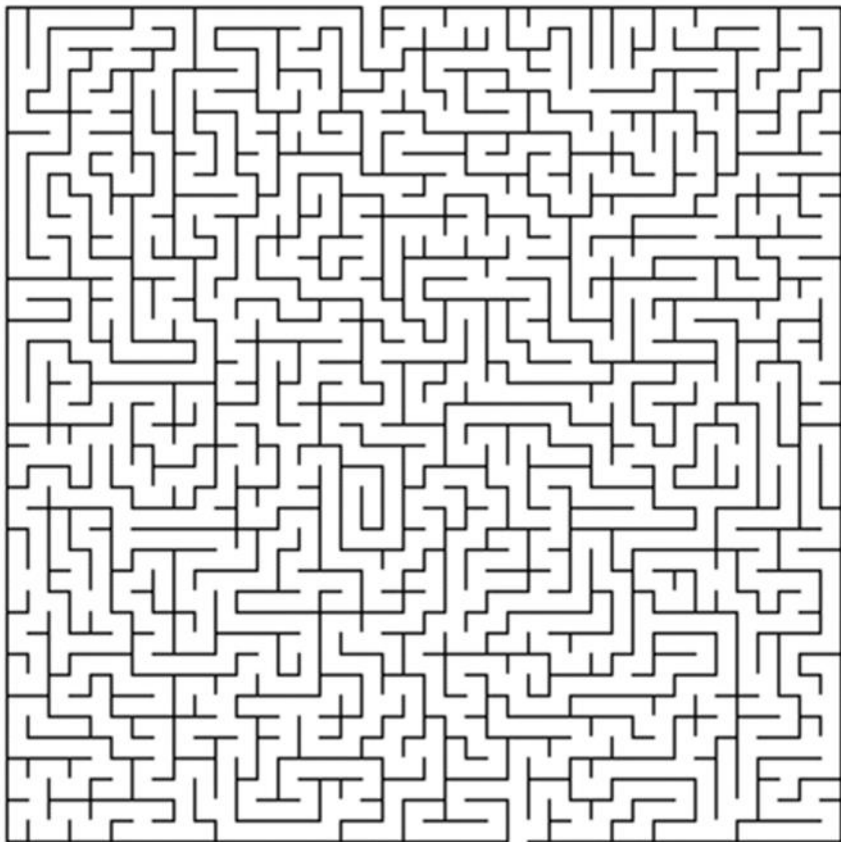
Timothy John Bernau on 21 July 2018

Betty Decima Instone on 2 August 2018

Richard Arthur Coleman on 3 August 2018

Maureen Mavis Cutforth on 14 December 2018

Follow the Star to Bethlehem





SAINTLY SHAKERS

MORNING TEA



SING

PLAY

MUSIC

FUN

\$3 Per Family

DANCE

Saintly Shakers will resume in 2019 on

Tuesday 29th January

10am-11.30am

St Peter's Anglican Church

15 Victoria Rd

Mt Maunganui

Thursday 31st January

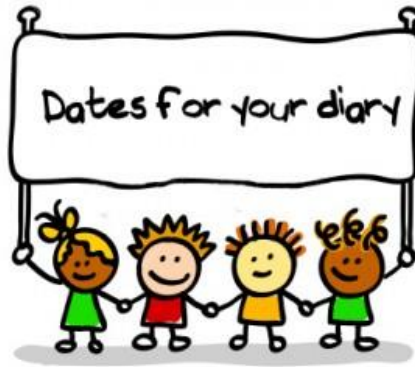
10am- 11.30am

St Mary's Anglican Church

Cnr Girven Rd & Marlin St,

Bayfair





- The Parish Office will be closed from the afternoon of 21 December 2018, re-opening on the morning of 8 January 2019.
- The Op Shop will be closed from the afternoon of 21 December 2018, re-opening on Monday 7 January 2019.
- The 8am and 10am Sunday services continue through the holiday season. The Choir and Breakfast team will be taking a well-earned break during late December and all of January.
- The Wednesday Communion Service will be taking a break during late December and January. These services will resume on Wednesday 13 February 2019.
- The Annual General Meeting of Parishioners will take place on Sunday 3 March. There will be a combined service at St Peter's Church at 9am, with the meeting at 10:45am.

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