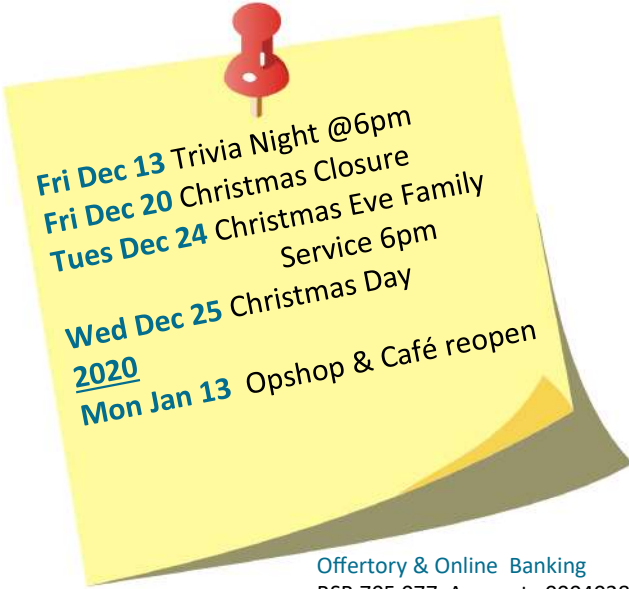


# GOT QUESTIONS?

If you have questions about God, Jesus Christ or faith related issues, or just new to our church, we'd like to welcome you. We are an Evangelical Anglican Church on the Central Coast. Our Sunday worship times are 7:30am for a traditional Anglican worship setting, or if you are more comfortable with something relaxed that is geared to engage all stages of family life with God's Word for daily living, come and join us at 9:30am.

**LAKES ANGLICAN WELCOMES YOU ALL**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



**Fri Dec 13** Trivia Night @6pm  
**Fri Dec 20** Christmas Closure  
**Tues Dec 24** Christmas Eve Family Service 6pm  
**Wed Dec 25** Christmas Day  
**2020**  
**Mon Jan 13** Opshop & Café reopen

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## GROUPS AND MEETINGS HELD AT LAKES ANGLICAN:

**Gamblers Anonymous**  
Mondays 6.00pm

**Kanwal AI-Anon Family Support Group**  
Saturdays 4.30pm

**Quilters Group**  
1st, 3rd Wednesday

**PlayTime**  
Thursdays 9:30am

**Heartbeat Music and Movement (preschool age)**  
Wednesdays 9.15-10.30am

**Mothers Union - 2nd**  
Wednesday of the month  
10am

**Bible Study Groups** - Please phone office for details

**OneFaith Band**  
Raising food for the homeless

Prayer List available on request

To contact a Parish Council Member or Clergy, please phone office for details

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## Lakes Anglican Express

KEEPING YOU UP TO DATE



Week 54:  
from December 8

During the second week of advent we focus on John the Baptist preparing the way for Jesus. John the Baptist arrives in Matthews's gospel wearing clothing made from camel's hair with a leather belt tied around his waist and eating locusts and wild honey but even with his odd dress sense and diet he drew many people with his message of repentance.

Even though John called people to repent nearly 2000 years his words still call out to us today.

Repentance is more than feeling sorry or guilty and then getting over it only to repeat the very thing that made us feel sorry of guilty. Repentance is an action that drives us to turn from what we are doing and to go in the opposite direction. It is a change of heart and mind and causes us to reassess what we have done and compels us in another direction away from those things that cause us to sin.

John was calling for people to prepare themselves for the arrival of the Messiah and the preparation they were to make was to repent of the things that cause them sin and to live lives that bring glory to God.

As we prepare our homes and families for the Christmas season may we also prepare our hearts and minds through turning away from sin, those things that separate us from God, so that we will be found faithfully living fruitful lives for the glory of Gods kingdom.

### Welcome

We welcome and thank God for Hunter and George as they come for baptism today. Please pray for Hunter and George, their parents and godparents as they seek to raise these precious little boys in the faith of Christ and the life of the Christian community.



### Samaritans Christmas Appeal

Its that time of year again where Samaritans are in need of some extra help to assist our community who are in need and can enjoy their Christmas as much as we can. A list of suggested items is located at the back of the church. Items such as non-perishable foods, Christmas puddings, jelly, custard & also sanitary/hygiene and baby products will help those struggling. Donations can be taken to the church office.

### Trivia Night

Join us for fun, laughter and trivia! Friday December 13th at 6pm in the church with supper served for a gold coin donation. Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places will be up for grabs and also raffle tickets will be on sale with proceeds going towards the drought relief.

Tickets are \$6 per person or \$30 per group of up to 6 available from the office or on the night. Anyone able to assist with sandwiches, slices etc would be much appreciated. Please contact the office if you are able to help.

### The Bulletin Board

- Christmas Eve service 24th December @ 6pm
- Christmas Day services 7:30am and 9:30am
- Friday 13th December—trivia Night @ 5pm. Light supper provided. Prizes to be won. Gold Coin donation for supper. Tickers \$6/person or \$30/team of 6
- Anglican Men's Society Diaries now available. \$6.50 each with 50c going to the farmers drought relief
- Mothers Union—11th December @10am—Rev Jody will be leading us in the Eucharist followed by lunch. Cost \$10/person. Please bring your prayer book

### Prayer of the Week

O Lord Jesus Christ, who at your first coming sent your messenger to prepare your way before you: grant that the ministers and stewards of your mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready your way by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous, that at your second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in your sight; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## The Week Ahead

Sun 8 December - Revd Jody 2nd week of Advent

7:30am Traditional Communion Service

9:30am Contemporary Family Service with Baptisms of Hunter & George

Mon 9 December

8:00am Morning Prayer

10:00am Warnervale Gardens

1:00pm Bible Study with Helen

7:00pm Bible Study at the Voorinde's

Tues 10 December

8:00am Morning Prayer

Wed 11 December

8:00am Morning Prayer

10:00am Heartbeat

10:00am Bible Study with Harriet

10:00am Mothers Union

10:30am Glenmere Hostel

Thurs 12 December

8:00am Morning Prayer

9:30am Playtime

10:00am Chat Group

2:00pm Lakelands Village Bible Study

7:00pm Kingsmen Bible Study

Fri 13 December

8:00am Morning Prayer

5:00pm Trivia Night

Sat 14 December

Sun 15 December—Rev Jody 3rd week of Advent

7:30am Traditional Communion Service

9:30am Contemporary Family Service



Income to Sunday 1st December 2019

Offertory giving: \$ 2107

Op Shop: \$ 1254

Coffee Shop: \$ 443

Mission giving: \$ 55

Hall Hire: \$ 10

