HAKIHEA 2017 NAUMAI WELCOM DECEMBER 2017

During the four weeks of Advent, we prepare for the celebration of Christ's birth through prayer and reflection and we look for practical ways to observe the holiness of the season in our everyday lives.

I ngā wiki e whā o te Aweneti, mā te karakia me te whakaaroaro ka whakariterite tātou i a tātou mõ te kaupapa nui, arā te whānautanga mai o te Karaiti, ā ia rā, ia rā ka rapu tātou i ngā tikanga hei whakanui i tēnei wā tapu.

## 3 December - 24 December 2017

1st Sunday of Advent

'Be watchful! Be alert!'

Mk 13: 33

Sun 10

2nd Sunday of Advent Like a shepherd he feeds his flock, in his arms he gathers the lambs. Is 40:11

'O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

Is 2:2-5

Blessed be his glorious name forever; may he fill all the earth with his glory.

Ps 72:19

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.

Upon every high mountain and lofty hill there will be streams of running water.

'They will see the glory of the LORD, the splendour of our God.'

Is 35: 2

Sing and rejoice, O daughter Zion! Wed13

Bless the LORD, all his creatures, everywhere in his domain.

Let the clouds rain down the Just One, and the earth bring forth a Saviour.

Those who follow you, Lord, will have the light of life.

Jn 8:12

Sat 16

Prepare the way of the Lord, Make straight his paths.

Lk 3: 4

3rd Sunday of Advent

May the God of peace make you perfectly holy.

Thes 5: 23

Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and they shall name him 'Emmanuel' (God is with us).

Mt 1-23

I will sing your glory every day. Ps 71:8

The Nativity of the Lord

A holy day has dawned upon us. Come, you nations, and adore the Lord. For today a great light has come upon the earth.

The Three Wise Men travelled from afar bringing gifts to honour the Christ child. Image: Freepik

The Angel said, 'Do not be afraid Mary, for you have found favour with God.' Lk1:30

Most blessed are you among women. Lk1:42

Fri 22

Mary said, 'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord'.

Lk1:46

I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me. Mal 3:1

Fourth Sunday of Advent

The Angel said to Mary, 'The child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God.'

Lk 26:35