

# THE SEASON OF ADVENT

2 DECEMBER – 24 DECEMBER 2018

# TE WĀ O TE AWENETI

2 HAKIHEA – 24 HAKIHEA 2018

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 mō 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.

**Sunday 2**

**1st Sunday of Advent**

“And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.”

LUKE 21:27

**Monday 3**

“Come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!”

ISAIAH 2: 5

**Tuesday 4**

“May his name be blessed forever; as long as the sun his name shall remain.”

PSALM 72: 17

**Wednesday 5**

“The LORD is my shepherd, there is nothing I lack.”

PSALM 23: 1

**Thursday 6**

“Trust in the LORD forever!”

ISAIAH 26: 4

**Friday 7**

“The LORD is my light and my salvation.”

PSALMS 27: 1

**Sunday 9**

**2nd Sunday of Advent**

“For God will show your splendour to all under the heavens.”

BARUCH 5: 3

**Monday 10**

“Truth will spring out of the earth; and justice will look down from heaven.”

PSALMS 85: 12

**Tuesday 11**

“Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice; let the sea and what fills it resound.”

PSALMS 96: 11

**Wednesday 12**

“See, I am coming to dwell among you, says the LORD.”

ZECHARIAH 2: 14

**Thursday 13**

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

ISAIAH 45: 8

**Saturday 8**

“Hail Mary, full of grace! The Lord is with you.”

LUKE 1: 28

**Friday 14**

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

JOHN 8: 12

**Sunday 16**

**3rd Sunday of Advent**

“Shout for joy, daughter Zion! sing joyfully, Israel! Be glad and exult with all your heart, daughter Jerusalem!”

ZEPHANIAH 3: 14

**Monday 17**

“He shows pity to the needy and the poor and saves the lives of the poor.”

PSALMS 72: 13

**Thursday 20**

“The angel said to Mary, ‘The holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore, the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God.’”

LUKE 1: 35

**Tuesday 18**

“Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel,” which means ‘God is with us’.”

MATTHEW 1: 23

**Wednesday 19**

“Be my rock of refuge, my stronghold to give me safety.”

PSALMS 71: 3

**Friday 21**

“Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled.”

LUKE 1: 45

**Saturday 22**

And Mary said, “My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my saviour.”

LUKE 1: 46; 47

**Sunday 23**

**4th Sunday of Advent**

“Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled.”

LUKE 1: 45

**Monday 24**

“And you, child, will be called prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways; ... to guide our feet into the path of peace.”

LUKE 76: 79

**Tuesday 25**

**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.

LK 4: 18

Artists Tanvi Patel, and Ilo and Maria Lui Fa'i from Holy Cross School, Miramar, created this Advent drawing for WelCom. “It helps us to reflect on the journey to Bethlehem taken by Mary and Joseph. It helps us as we prepare for Christmas. The sun, star and moon show us that Mary and Joseph travelled for many days and nights on their journey.”