

The Season of Advent

3 December - 24 December 2023

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.

Te Wā o te Aweneti

3 Hakihea - 24 Hakihea 2023

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
3 DECEMBER**
First Sunday of Advent
"Brothers and sisters:
Grace to you and peace
from God our Father and
the Lord Jesus Christ."
1 CORINTHIANS 1:3-9

**FRIDAY
8 DECEMBER**
"Hail, Mary, full of
grace, the Lord is with
you; blessed are you
among women."
LUKE 1:28

**THURSDAY
14 DECEMBER**
"Let the clouds rain
down the Just One, and
the earth bring forth a
Saviour."
ISAIAH 45: 8

**MONDAY
4 DECEMBER**
"I rejoiced because they
said to me, 'Let us go to
the house of the LORD.'"
PSALM 122: 1

**SATURDAY
9 DECEMBER**
"The kingdom of heaven
is at hand."
MATTHEW 10:7

**FRIDAY
15 DECEMBER**
"Those who follow you,
Lord, will have the
light of life."
JOHN 8: 12

**WEDNESDAY
20 DECEMBER**
"Behold, I am the
handmaid of the Lord.
May it be done to me
according to your word."
LUKE 1: 38

**TUESDAY
5 DECEMBER**
"May his name be
blessed forever; as long
as the sun his name
shall remain. In him
shall all the tribes of the
earth be blessed; all the
nations shall proclaim
his happiness."
PSALM 72: 17

**SUNDAY
10 DECEMBER**
Second Sunday
of Advent
"Prepare the way of
the Lord, make straight
his paths."
LUKE 3: 4

**SATURDAY
16 DECEMBER**
"Lord, make us turn to
you; let us see your face
and we shall be saved."
PSALM 80: 4

**THURSDAY
21 DECEMBER**
"Blessed are you who
believed that what was
spoken to you by the
Lord would be fulfilled."
LUKE 1: 45

**WEDNESDAY
6 DECEMBER**
"Only goodness and
kindness follow me all
the days of my life; And I
shall dwell in the house
of the LORD for years to
come."
PSALM 23: 6

**MONDAY
11 DECEMBER**
"Kindness and truth
shall meet; justice and
peace shall kiss.
Truth will spring from
the earth;
justice will look down
from heaven."
PSALM 85: 11,12

**SUNDAY
17 DECEMBER**
Third Sunday of Advent
"The Spirit of the Lord
is upon me, because
he has anointed me to
bring glad tidings to the
poor."
LUKE 4: 18

**FRIDAY
22 DECEMBER**
"Mary said, 'My soul
proclaims the greatness
of the Lord; my spirit
rejoices in God my
saviour."
LUKE 1: 46; 47

**THURSDAY
7 DECEMBER**
"Everyone who listens to
these words of mine and
acts on them will be like
a wise man who built his
house on rock."
MATTHEW 7:24

**TUESDAY
12 DECEMBER**
"And Mary said: 'My soul
proclaims the greatness
of the Lord; my spirit
rejoices in God my
saviour."
LUKE 1: 46, 47

**MONDAY
18 DECEMBER**
"Blessed be his glorious
name forever; may he
fill all the earth with his
glory."
PSALM 72: 19

**SATURDAY
23 DECEMBER**
'Lift up your heads and
see; your redemption is
near at hand.'
LUKE 21: 28

**WEDNESDAY
13 DECEMBER**
"Come to me, all you
who labour and are
burdened, and I will give
you rest."
MATTHEW 11: 28

**TUESDAY
19 DECEMBER**
"My mouth shall be filled
with your praise, and I
will sing your glory."
PSALM 71: 8

**SUNDAY
24 DECEMBER**
Fourth Sunday of Advent
"Behold, I am the
handmaid of the Lord.
May it be done to me
according to your word."
LUKE 1: 38

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