

**Lonan & Laxey Pew Notes**  
**20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> December 2020**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> January 2021**  
**Fourth Sunday of Advent and**  
**Christmas**



Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> December		4.00pm Carols by Candlelight at Christ Church
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> December		† 10.30 VLV meeting in Christ Church † 3.00pm Zoom Prayer Meeting
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December		† Home communions for all who cannot come to church Please contact me if you know someone who like to receive 3.00pm is the only "taken time"
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> December		† 10.00am Holy Communion at Coolroi Lounge † 11.00am Time together at the Glen Pavilion
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> December		4.00pm Crib service at Christ Church 6.00pm Carols on the Green at Ard Reayrt 23.45 "midnight communion" at Christ Church
	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> December	10.30 Carols for Christmas Day followed by Holy Communion for anyone wishing to remain
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> December		10.30 Service of the Word at Christ Church 2.00pm Short service for those who Walk the Keills at St Adamnan's
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> December		† 3.00pm Zoom prayer group
Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> December		† 11.00am Time Together Ecumenical Prayer group at the Glen Pavilion
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2021		0800 Holy Communion BCP at Christ Church 10.30 Service of the Word to welcome the New Year Christmas Tree parade will be dismantled
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January		10.30 Meet and Mingle at Christ Church –to be confirmed
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> January		10.00am Coffee and Chat at the Football Club 12. 30 Holy Baptism (postponed due to Covid this will Hermione's first birthday )

Prayers For the Week s

Advent 4

God our redeemer,  
who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary  
to be the mother of your Son:  
grant that, as she looked for his  
coming as our saviour,  
so we may be ready to greet him  
when he comes again as our judge;  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Christmas

Lord Jesus Christ,  
your birth at Bethlehem  
draws us to kneel in wonder at  
heaven touching earth:  
accept our heartfelt praise  
as we worship you,  
our Saviour and our eternal God.  
Amen.

Thought for the Season

The year draws to a close and another year  
dawns, the older we get I suppose the less  
exciting that prospect becomes. However this  
year all is different with 2020 having been so  
unfavourable to so many of our people. We all  
pray that 2021 will be so much better.

We will hear again the Christmas Story and  
remember that Jesus is the reason for the  
season.

The carols are old and familiar but we must not  
let them become meaningless, maybe popping  
a new one in their midst will add a different  
dimension.

Taking the bells to ring at Senior citizens home  
at this time of the year is always so wonderful  
where folk who perhaps cannot remember their  
own name can still sing Away in a Manger.

We MUST not leave that baby in that manger  
He must be the King in our hearts.

Happy Christmas everyone.

Jo

**Time Together** continues for December at the Glen Pavilion at 11 on Wednesdays.

**Thank you.....** to all who have contributed to making this year so interesting and rewarding at Christ Church in so many different ways . Thank you for all the support you have given to me and the fellowship we have shared. Special thanks to Jean for taking on the role as our organist. Thanks also to Carol who does a sterling job as our cleaner, and how lovely now to have flower, reader, intercessions and tea rotas and so many lending hand with maintenance—well done everyone. If you would like to regularly receive this pew note contact me. jodudley56@gmail.com

**Christmas Services**

I hope all will enjoy the Carols by Candlelight today –how super to have too many readers volunteering. Please stay for mince pies and (non alcoholic) Mulled wine after the service.

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Holy Communion at Coolroi 10.00

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve ...Crib Service 4pm.

Carols on the Green Ard Reayrt 6.00pm.

Holy Communion 23.45 (Midnight Communion)

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day 10.30 Carols for Christmas –then shortened communion for anyone wishing to stay

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Service of the word

**Christmas Tree festival** runs until the-3<sup>rd</sup> January-I have not heard of any “decorating for Christmas” but the trees and lights surely “say it all” and we need only flowers on the altar.

**St Christopher’s** –we are still collecting for the young people, please put your donations in the box at the back of the church.... The collection for Christmas has been collected.

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