November 30, 2025

10 am

First Sunday of Advent





Loving God. Loving People. Growing in Christ Together.

Presiding: The Reverend Canon Dr. Patrick McManus

Assisting: The Reverend Ginnie Wong

Good Morning! We always provide a leaflet to assist people in finding their way through the worship service. This format has some marginal notations to help us understand the rhythm of the liturgy. This time before our service begins is an invitation to prepare ourselves for worship.

This service is called a Eucharist. The word Eucharist comes from the Greek, meaning "thanksgiving". It is the family meal of the church. It is sort of like a family meal in our own homes. The table is set. There will be conversation and food, and we will gather together to receive our Lord's gift of himself. Then we go out to celebrate and witness His presence and power in the world.

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

We gather with song and prayer as the People of God

Prelude: Hark, the Glad Sound! Arr. Edward Broughton

Advent Hymn 89 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel Tune: Veni Emmanuel

O come, O come, Emmanuel, And ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear.

Refrain (R): Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel Shall come to you, O Israel!

O come, O Rod of Jesse's stem, From every foe deliver them That trust your mighty power to save, And give them victory o'er the grave. (R)

O come, O Key of David, come, And open wide our heavenly home; Make safe the way that leads on high, And close the path to misery. (R)

O come, Desire of nations, bind In one the hearts of humankind; O bid our sad divisions cease, And be for us our Prince of Peace. (R)

Welcome:

The Greeting:

Presider: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,

the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit

be with you all.

People: And also with you.

We come to the Eucharist in the name of the living God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The celebrant greets us. We answer.

Advent Reflection:

Reader 1: Come, Lord Jesus,

All: Come and dispel the darkness of our world with the

light of your love. Nurture in us expectant hearts. Cultivate in us a deep longing for more of you, until that day when you burst through the heavens, and flood

our horizons with your glorious splendour.

Reader 1: Jesus, you are the hope in our messy world. This Advent,

help us slow down, listen to your voice, and focus on

what's really important.

Reader 2: We place our hope in you as we prepare our hearts to

celebrate your birth on Christmas.

The Lighting of the Advent Wreath: *Light the 1st candle.*

All: As we reflect on the coming of Christ who brings light to the world, help us leave behind the darkness of sin,

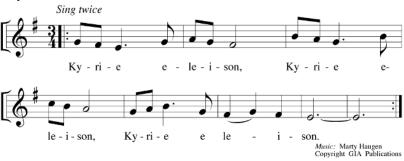
walk in the light that shines on our path, and renew within us the hope of glory to which you beckon us.

Amen.

For centuries, Christians around the world have used the four weeks leading up to Christmas to prepare themselves for celebrating the birth of Jesus and for anticipating his coming again. Each week is dedicated to remembering and pondering a key biblical theme that was fulfilled in the arrival of Jesus: hope, peace, joy, and love.

Kyrie Eleison: Marty Haugen (b. 1950)

Refrain:



Choir: Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations

into the peace of God's kingdom. (Refrain)

Choir: You come now in word and sacrament to strengthen

us to serve you. (*Refrain*)

Prayer of the Day:

Presider: Let us pray.

Silence is kept.

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that on the last day,

when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. Amen.

During the season of Advent (and Lent) we do not sing the traditional "Gloria" that we would normally. Instead, we sing "Kyrie Eleison", which is Greek for "Lord, Have Mercy".

Before we read from the Word of God, we begin with the Prayer of the Day, which is also called the Collect of the Day, in which the concerns of the church are "collected up" in a short prayer.

Prayer for our Young People:

Children leave for Faith Formation. This program is geared towards children ages 4-11.

Presider: May our Lord Jesus bless you as you meet him in the

Scriptures.

Please be seated.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

We read and respond to God's message in Scripture

First Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

Reader: Mary Anne Huggins

Reader: A reading from the book of Isaiah.

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. In days to come the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths." For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Reader: The word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

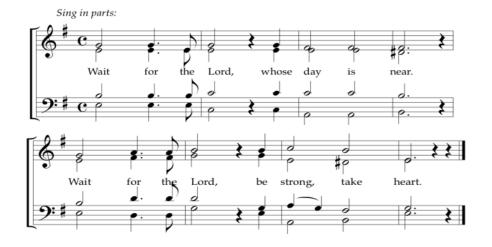
Please keep a period of silence for reflection.

Psalm 122 Wait for the Lord Jacques Berthier (1923-1994)

Please remain seated

At the Eucharist, we read from the Bible. It tells the story of God's love. All the stories lead us to Jesus.

The Psalms are the prayerbook of the Bible; they are the prayers of God's people set to music. St. Augustine said those who sing them "pray twice."



Refrain (R): Wait for the Lord, whose day is near; Wait for the Lord, be strong, take heart!

Verses:

I was so glad when they said/ unto me,
/"Let us go up to the house of the/ LORD."
/Our feet are standing here with-/in your/ gates,
/O bless'd Jerusalem, of/ all a-/dored.

See now Jerusalem, the city/ great,
/Built as a city close—compacted/ well;
/To which the tribes go up—tribes/ of the/ LORD,
/To praise His name, as/ He told/ Israel. (R)

There stand the thrones for judgment set by/ God—/Thrones of the house of David for the/ land. /Pray for the peace now/ of Je-/rusalem: /"May all who love you prosper/ well, and/ stand.

Peace be within you, the peace of our/ God. /So, for the sake of the house of the/ LORD, /I will seek your pro-/sperity and/ good, /O bless'd Jerusalem, of/ all a-/dored. (R)

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14

Reader: Evelyn Clarke

Reader: A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armour of light; let us live honourably as in the day, not in revelling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarrelling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

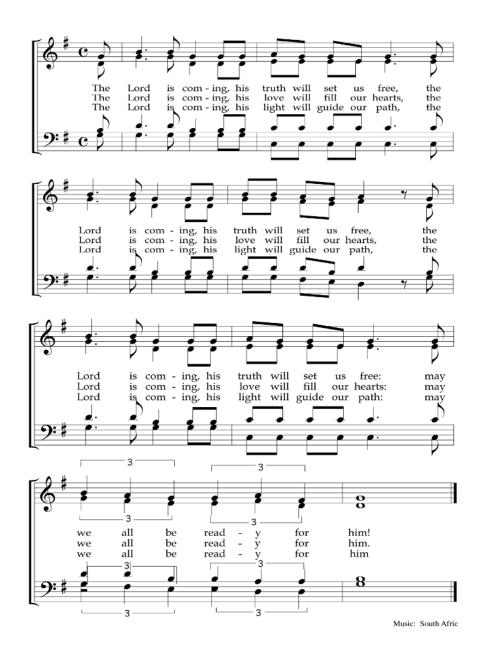
Reader: The word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Please keep a period of silence for reflection.

Gospel Acclamation: The Lord Is Coming South African Chant (Verses 1 & 2)

Please stand as you are able

We sit for a second reading from the Bible, usually one of the letters to the early church.



Holy Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

Gospeller: The Reverend Ginnie Wong

The highpoint of Proclamation is the Gospel reading.

Gospeller: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to

Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospeller: But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

Gospeller: The Gospel of Christ.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation: The Lord Is Coming South African Chant

ith African Chant (Verse 3)

The Lord is coming, his light will guide our path, The Lord is coming, his light will guide our path, The Lord is coming, his light will guide our path, May we all be ready for him.

Please be seated.

Because it is the good news of God come among us in the person of Jesus Christ, we stand as an act of praise and thanksgiving. We turn to face the Deacon to show that we are listening. The Deacon faces the door in anticipation that, after hearing the good news, the congregation will go and live out the good news they have just heard.

You may see some making the sign of the cross on their foreheads, lips and heart to ask God to bless our thinking, speaking and living.

The Gospel is usually followed by the sermon during which the preacher speaks about the readings and helps us to understand God's word. The sermon is followed by a period of silent reflection to let the words which have been spoken sink in.

Sermon:

The Rev'd Canon Dr. Patrick McManus

The Nicene Creed: Please stand as you are able.

Now we stand to saying the Nicene Creed. We were given the baptism. We

affirm our faith by remember that we new life of Jesus at remember all that God has done and continues to do for us. It is customary in many churches to make the sign of the cross at the end of the Creed. We do that by touching our forehead, then the centre of our chest, our left shoulder and right shoulder and then return to the

centre of our chest.

Presider: I invite those who would like to make a profession of

Christian faith to join with me in the words of The Nicene

Creed.

All: We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Presider: Having reaffirmed our faith, let us prepare to offer our

prayers to God.

Prayers of the People:

For the Church, those in authority, the world, our community, the sick and those in need, for the departed, and for the forgiveness of our sins.

Intercessor: Helen Skippon

Confession and Absolution:

Presider: Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;

he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table. Let us confess our sins,

confident in God's forgiveness.

our worship where the concerns we hold as the people of God are brought to God in prayer by one intercessor. We are all praying as we respond to each petition.

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A big part of being a Christian is being honest with ourselves and, more importantly, being honest with God about our failings, our faults, and our brokenness.

Please kneel as you are able.

As we come before God, we come to the One, "whose property is always to have mercy" as the prayer book says. God is love. God is mercy. God has forgiven you of whatever sin might cling to you. You have freedom from all of that in Jesus Christ, and this is where we speak that out for each and every one so that we can go to the table of Jesus with a clean heart, at peace with God and with one another.

This is a joyful

moment in the

primary purpose in

the Peace is to give and receive the greeting of the

Risen Lord who brought, and still

brings, the blessing

of His peace to His followers. The

greeting "Peace be

with you" is

exchanged throughout the congregation.

liturgy. Our

Presider: Most merciful God,

All: we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done,

and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will,

and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your name. Amen.

Presider: Almighty God have mercy upon you,

pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,

and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

The Peace:

Having prayed for God's peace for us and the world, we offer an exchange of peace with one another from where we are standing and online in the 'live chat'.

Please stand as you are able.

Presider: In the tender mercy of our God,

the dayspring from on high shall break upon us, to give light to those who dwell in darkness

and in the shadow of death,

and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Presider: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

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THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

We share God's banquet of love for this community of faith

Advent Hymn 102 Prepare the Way, O Zion

Tune: Bereden väg för Herran

It's during the singing of this hymn that we give back to God from what God has given us. You can use an offering envelope or give via e-transfer: etransfer@allsaintskingsway.ca

Prepare the way, O Zion, your Christ is drawing near! Let every hill and valley a level way appear. Greet one who comes in glory, foretold in sacred story. Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most holy name.

He brings God's rule, O Zion; he comes from heaven above. His rule is peace and freedom, and justice, truth, and love. Lift high your praise resounding, for grace and joy abounding. Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most holy name.

Fling wide your gates, O Zion; your Savior's rule embrace. His tidings of salvation proclaim in every place. All lands will bow before him, their voices will adore him. Oh, blest is Christ that came in God's most holy name.

Prayer over the Gifts:

Presider: God of love and power,

your word stirs within us

the expectation of the coming of your Son.

Accept all we offer you this day,

and sustain us with your promise of eternal life. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

As we prepare for Communion, or the Eucharist, we give offerings as a way of acknowledging that everything we have comes from God and so we honour God, and say thank you, by giving God back a portion of what He has given us. We also offer the simple vessels of bread and wine for God to use to show us Iesus. Ultimately, the offering God wants is you, "your soul and body" as the prayer book says.

We bring not what is ours, but what is God's own back to God when we bring the gifts of our labour forward in the offering.

The Great Thanksgiving:

We express our joy, our love and gratitude in the Great Thanksgiving. The priest invites us to give thanks. Presider: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Presider: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Presider: And now we give you thanks

because you sent Jesus to redeem us from sin and death and to make us inheritors of

everlasting life;

that when he shall come again in power and

great triumph to judge the world, we may with joy behold his appearing, and in confidence may stand before him.

Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, for ever praising you and singing:

Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord (722)

Tune: Picardy

Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of power and might, Heav'n and earth are full, Full of your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.

We all join in the sanctus (holy, holy, holy) with the gathered faithful here but also with saints before us and indeed with the whole host of heaven. Then we remember what Jesus said and did during his last supper with his friends.

Presider:

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness; grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit, and according to your holy will, these gifts of bread and wine may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

Who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross, his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world; rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption. As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

The priest asks God to make our gifts of bread and wine holy through the power of the Spirit and says the words that Iesus said. We offer our life with Jesus for others. The priest says words such as these: "Through Christ, with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, almighty Father, now and for ever." And we all respond with the Great "Amen".

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

Amen.

We end this great prayer of Thanksgiving by joining together and praying the prayer that Jesus taught us. We pray that the needs of all people will be satisfied. We pray to be forgiven. We pray to be forgiving. We pray for strength when life is hard and for protection from evil that can hurt us.

Presider:

All:

We share the Bread of Life. The priest breaks the bread to remind us that we all have a share in the new life of Christ. The bread we use is not like the bread vou have at home. It is unleavened. Some people like to call it a wafer. The priest invites us to share in Communion.

The Lord's Prayer:

As our Saviour taught us, let us pray,
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Breaking of Bread:

Presider: God of promise,

you prepare a banquet for us in your kingdom.

People: Happy are those who are called

to the supper of the Lamb.

Presider: The gifts of God for the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Song for the Breaking of Bread:

Agnus Dei (745)

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The Communion:

As we come to communion, we serve the common cup. No one should feel any pressure to partake; we just ask that as you come up, you either touch the base of the chalice as an act of acknowledgement or simply cross your arms across your chest and the chalice bearer will proclaim the words of acknowledgement. You are all welcome to the Lord's table. Please come knowing it is Christ himself who welcomes you and feeds you here.

Communion Hymn 63: Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup

Refrain (R):

Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry. Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.

I am the bread of life, the true bread sent from the Father. (R)

Your ancestors ate manna in the desert, but this is the bread come down from heaven. (R)

Anyone who eats this bread, will live forever. (*R*)

If you believe and eat this bread, you will have eternal life. (R)

Choral Anthem: "People Look East"

Arr. Malcolm Archer

At the end of the Eucharist, the priest finishes up the bread and wine. The Deacon helps to clean up after the meal. At home the dishes would have to be done and put away.

At church the same thing must happen. Then the priest invites us to pray. We stand in silence. The priest says a prayer. Prayer after Communion: *Please stand as you are able.*

Presider: God for whom we wait,

you have fed us with the bread of eternal life.

Keep us ever watchful,

that we may be ready to stand before the Son of man. We ask this in the name of Christ the Lord.

Amen.

Doxology:

Presider: Glory to God

All: Whose power, working in us,

can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine.

Glory to God from generation to generation,

in the Church and in Christ Jesus,

forever and ever. Amen.

Announcements:

Blessing of Prayer Shawls:

Presider: Loving and generous God, we know that you are

with us in the midst of the toils, struggles and

joys of our lives.

May these Prayer Shawls be a sign of your presence and a source of hope and peace for

those who will receive them.

Bless these Prayer Shawls, the work of our hearts

and hands.

May they bring love, support and comfort in the

name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Blessing:

Presider: Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you,

scatter the darkness from before your path,

and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son,

and Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.

Advent Hymn 103
On Jordan's Bank, the Baptist's Cry

Tune: Winchester New

Now we are at the end of our worship service, and we sing our final hymn.

On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry Announces that the Lord is nigh; Awake and hearken, for he brings Glad tidings of the King of kings.

Then cleansed be every breast from sin; Make straight the way for God within; Prepare we in our hearts a home Where such a mighty guest may come.

To heal the sick, stretch out thine hand, And bid the fallen sinner stand; Shine forth and let thy light restore Earth's own true loveliness once more.

All praise, eternal Son, to thee Whose advent sets thy people free, Whom, with the Father, we adore, And Holy Ghost, for evermore.

The Dismissal:

After the hymn, the Deacon dismisses us, sending us out into the world to embody and share the love of Christ. Our hearts are full of joy. We know Jesus is alive. We know he is with us. So, we will answer joyfully, saying, "Thanks be to God."

Leader: As we await our coming Saviour,

go forth in the hope of Christ.

People: Thanks be to God.

Postlude: O Come, O Come Emmanuel Arr. Craig Phillips The postlude is music that is a part of our worship meant to move us up and out into the world with the good news of Jesus.

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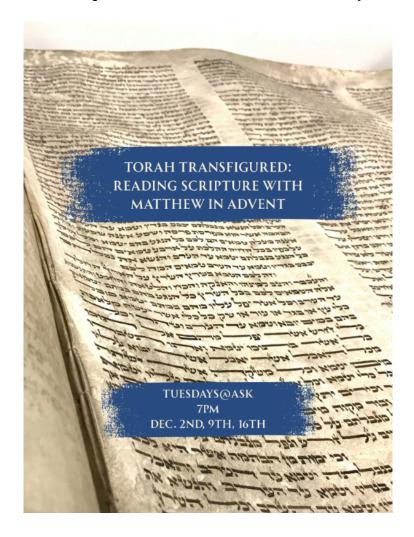
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All are welcome to join these upcoming services & events!

Mark Your Calendars

December 16th, 7 pm, Out of the Cold Concert at Our Lady of Sorrows





SCHEDULE

Tuesdays @ ASK
Youth Group Xmas Party
Christmas Pageant Rehearsals
Senior's Lunch and Euch.
Kid's Christmas Party
Final Pageant Rehearsal
Lessons and Carols



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The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God

in loving memory of John Charles Dalton, given by Jill Dalton and family

Please notify the Clergy if you know of anyone who is ill or otherwise in need of pastoral care. Such information is of great assistance to the Clergy as they endeavour to minister to parishioners.

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