

Station Area 4 Back Left
Reflection & Meditation on Christ's
Second Coming - Ongoing Power-
Point Presentation

The word "Advent" comes from the Latin word *adventus* which means coming or arrival. Advent has been seen as a time of preparing for the coming of Jesus into the world as Lord and King.

When Jesus came as a baby, he began the process of bringing God's kingdom into world. However, he did not complete the process before his death and resurrection. Even though the Kingdom continues to impact on us and our world, the fulfilment of God's promise of a new heavens and a new earth won't happen until the time when Jesus comes back in glory.

Advent is also therefore a time of getting ourselves ready for Jesus' Second Coming, and this station will help us consider through words pictures and music what that might mean.

"...the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night." (1 Thess. 5:2)

Station Area 5 Entrance Hall
Children's Activities

- 1: Write sorry prayer
- 2: Hope for the future
- 3: Advent Bible Story
- 4: Make Christmas decoration
- 5: Make Book Mark
- 6: Advent colouring

Station Area 6 Upper Room
Creative Exploration by 3-Dub

As we think and reflect in the weeks leading up to the birth of Jesus, take some time to think and pray about your hopes and aspirations for the future.

This Prayer Wall has been split into 4 sections:

1. Hopes for future
2. Hopes for the lost
3. Hopes for the sick
4. Hopes for our World

In these 4 sections use the pens provided to write/draw your hopes for your future and the future of those you know and love. Be creative!

Hebrews 11 v 1:

'Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.'

BISHOP RIDLEY CHURCH ADVENT CAFE



**SUNDAY 28TH
NOVEMBER 2010
6.00PM**



*Sharing the love of Jesus in
our Community*

Station Area 1 Back Right

Confession - Stones at the Cross

“How often do we find ourselves returning to our sinful ways, even after confessing them and receiving God’s forgiveness? How often do we take our problems to the Lord – but take them with us again as we walk away? Jesus longs for us to be free; to be those who “walk in the light”.

Please use your time to reflect on those things which keep us from His blessings. If it is appropriate, place a stone at the foot of the cross as a symbol of leaving your burden with Him and please also take a text to meditate on during your prayer time”

Station Area 2 Front Right

Prayer Tree - Intercessions (Tree of Hope)

Please use the labels to write down something you hope for this advent. It may be a prayer for the world, for someone in need or for God to work in your own life.

Add your label to the tree.



Station Area 3 Front Semi Circle

Reflection and Meditation on Christ's First Coming - The Christmas Story

The opening chapters of Matthew and Luke tell the story of the beginning of Jesus’ life. Take time to reflect and meditate on the characters who were waiting for Christ’s arrival. The people of Israel had been promised a Messiah but for more than 400 years the people of Israel had heard no more, but they lived in hope and expectation. Consider Elizabeth and Zechariah, childless for so long but blessed in their old age, Mary and Joseph, chosen to bring the Messiah into the world and raise him through childhood, Simeon and Anna, who had waited for the Messiah’s arrival.

Light of the world,
You stepped down into darkness,
Opened my eyes,
Let me see.
Beauty that made this heart
adore you,
Hope of a life spent with
you.