

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DECEMBER 2009

Each Sunday @ 5 pm **Christian Meditation** in our Church

Each Friday @ 11 am to 3pm **Church Office** open

Fri 4.12.09 7.30pm: Mosman/Neutral Bay Inter-Church Council will hold a short service to bless the Nativity Scene in the entrance foyer of the Mosman Municipal Council, followed by carol singing led by the St Clement's choir. Please come and take part in this Christmas celebration. Mosman Council will also light a Christmas Tree, we are invited to bring gifts for the "Humpty Dumpty Foundation" for sick children up to age 15. Gifts should be labelled with the gender and age of the possible recipient but not wrapped. Please, *no soft toys or toys with very small parts.*

Sun 6.12.09 9.30am: **2nd Sunday of Advent.** Communion Service, and Kids n God.
Last day for placing your gifts of cakes and puddings for the Harris Centre under the Christmas Tree.
Retiring Collection for the Campbelltown Regional Mission.
12 noon **Advent Progressive Lunch.** All welcome. Cost \$20

Thurs 10.12.09 12.15 for 12.30 – 1.30pm: **Business Network Lunch:**
Venue: Australian Institute of Management, Level 1, Room103, 215 Pacific Highway, North Sydney.
Speaker: Jennifer Acklin. Cost \$20 includes drinks and sandwiches. RSVP Charissa Suli: 0427 939 170

Fri 11.12.09 2.30pm: **Church Council** Meeting

Sun 13.12.09 9.30 am: **Advent 3 Worship Service** Children from Kids n God will take part in this service.

Tues 15.12.09 6pm: **The Friendship Club** invites all the congregation to join them in the Fellowship Room for **Christmas High Tea** followed by light entertainment. Please bring a plate and a

small present to put under the tree for Santa to distribute.

Sun 20.12.09 9.30am: **Advent 4 Worship Service:** Lessons and Carols

Fri 25.12.09 9.00am: **Christmas Day Service.** Christmas Bowl appeal envelopes may be returned at this service.

Sun 27.12.09 9.30am: **Worship Service**

Volunteer Conductor, Pianist & Singers

We are seeking volunteers for a new community choir.

This choir is open to anyone who likes singing and music. It is not a church choir.

Please contact Junmo on 8065 5166, 0414 907 404 or email
minister@mosmanuniting.org

With you, with community

Mosman Uniting Church



Mosman Uniting Church is starting a *playgroup* next **February**. We would appreciate gifts of suitable toys etc. See Kyounghee for details



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Junmo's Reflection



As the Christmas season approaches, it seems to be a good time to have a look around us.

Let me begin my reflection with a story about my children which is related to Christmas. Until last Christmas my children believed that it was Santa who brought them Christmas presents on the night before Christmas. They would leave bikkies and milk for Santa on the table and they would sleep in the living room beside the Christmas tree because they wanted to see Santa coming. My eldest son was nine years old last year and some of his friends made fun of his strong belief in Santa.

A few days after Christmas, my son unexpectedly found a receipt in our bed which revealed that his parents had in fact bought his Christmas presents. He went into his room for a while. He seemed shocked and embarrassed. Since then, his imaginary fairy world has disappeared. He doesn't believe in Santa or the Tooth Fairy anymore.

Coming close to Christmas, I was reminded of this story. Like my son, I took many things for granted. I thought I knew exactly who gave some things to me and to whom I gave things. However, beyond such certainties there must be some things I don't know for sure. From somewhere, I don't know exactly where, God provides me with what I need. And also, I might at times provide for someone who doesn't know it came from me. What a happy and funny moment it is when we recall such things.

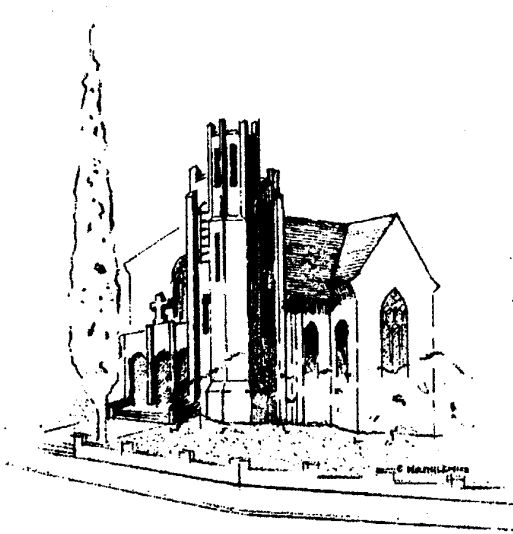
Let's be such providers for others' happiness and let us express a heartfelt thanks to those who provide for us. In particular, let us say many thanks to God, our Provider who supplies us with wonderful things. Amen.



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