

La Côte Anglican Church

Weekly Bulletin

Reflection and prayer for week of 12 to 19 November from Peta Tracey

If you find yourself driving along the Quai Wilson in Geneva, spare a thought, as you pass the Palais Wilson, for the headquarters of the 'League of Nations' founded in Geneva in 1919 to maintain peace in Europe after World War 1. We are privileged to live in this 'city of peace', with many friends and members of our congregations working for the League of Nations' successor, the United Nations Organization, for arbitration and the peaceful resolution of conflicts. For in remembering this Sunday the many in the armed forces who have died in the two World Wars and later conflicts, we cannot make sense of this massive loss of human life unless we honour their sacrifice by working for peace. Here is a prayer, from *Roots on the Web*, for hope on Remembrance Sunday:

As one family, we reflect today on the horrors of the past that continue to haunt humanity and darken our world.

Lord, where pain still overwhelms, bring healing.

Where hearts are still breaking, bring comfort.

Where peoples are still oppressed, bring liberation.

Where communities are still victimised, bring justice.

Where children are still brutalised, bring compassion.

Where lives are still crushed, bring hope.

Where evil is perpetrated, bring repentance.

Where war still devastates, bring peace.

But most of all,

wherever a single voice cries out in the darkness,

bring us to one another,

in the name of the love you bear in your heart for all people,

all nations and all creation.

Amen.

SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER – 3rd Sunday before Advent

10:00 Divonne, Service of the Word, with prayers for Remembrance and Peace

16:00 Gingins, Holy Communion with Prayers for Remembrance and Peace

NB Poppies will be on sale at both services

SUNDAY 19 NOVEMBER – 2nd Sunday before Advent

16:00 Gingins, All-Age Welcome to the Lord's Table

Next week

TUESDAY 14 NOVEMBER

The morning [Bible Study](#) group in Founex will be looking at St Paul's letter to the Ephesians. Please contact Dorothy and Trevor if you are interested in joining this group. [\[email\]](#)

NB This week it will be hosted by Daphne Meadmore – please contact her for her address. [\[email\]](#)

WEDNESDAY 15 NOVEMBER

09:30–11:00 Church Hall, Gingins, [Coffee, Cake and Catch up](#)

THURSDAY 16 NOVEMBER

19:00 onwards, Nyon, [La Côte Blokes' Dinner](#)

SATURDAY 18 NOVEMBER

Quiz Night, Alinghi Hall at the school in Coinsins, [Flyer](#)

We are looking forward to a fun evening and to raising money to support the Ekwendeni Resource Centre for Food Security in Malawi. All the tickets have now been sold, but if you would like to help behind the coffee bar, please contact Liz Bramley. [\[email\]](#)

COMING UP

SATURDAY 25 NOVEMBER

09:30-12:30 in Gingins

A Mini Advent Retreat

Do you need to catch your breath? A small window to pause, listen, and rest, leading into the Advent season?

You are invited to a half-day retreat on the contemplative practice of Lectio Divina.

Please see the [poster](#) and respond if you are interested.

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And elsewhere ...

CHRISTMAS FAIR

SATURDAY 18 NOVEMBER

09:30-16:00 Holy Trinity Church 14b rue du Mt-Blanc, Geneva, [Christmas Fair](#)

With cards, crackers, gifts, jams, cakes, books, bric-a-brac, refreshments.

[Information and requests](#) concerning our work with asylum seekers

MENTORSHIP opportunity. Would you like to mentor an asylum seeker or refugee? The only requirement is that you speak English or French, and if possible both languages. Mentoring can be deeply satisfying, a win-win relationship for both mentor and mentee. Just give it a try! For more information (no commitment), contact Andrea Goovaerts [\[email\]](#).

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ACCOMMODATION. If you know of anyone who could help with accommodation for our asylum-seeking community - please go to link above for more details. This is an URGENT need for some of the refugees who we know well and attend our church. Please do prayerfully consider if you can help or know someone who can.

Please speak to Diantha Terry with any thoughts you have. [\[email\]](#)

Odd jobs need doing this autumn?

If you would like help with odd jobs - for example, gardening, moving furniture, paint work – do get in touch with Cassie Whetham [\[email\]](#) who will be able to match you up with one of our refugee friends in the community.

LA COTE ANGLICAN CHURCH IS ON TWITTER!

Please let Peta Tracey know [\[email\]](#) if you would like info about a church event to be 'tweeted' or tweet to @lacoteanglican

<https://mobile.twitter.com/lacoteanglican>

PARKING OUTSIDE THE TEMPLE IN GINGINS

We have been asked very clearly to park ONLY in the four places to the right of the church as you approach it. This will thus be reserved for those setting up in church and needing to drop off equipment. Please ensure that you park either behind the Auberge de la Poste, in the village itself – or down by the Post Office and playing fields at the entrance to Gingins. We apologise for any inconvenience this will cause you, but we are keen to work with the commune and to continue enjoying good relations with the local people of Gingins.