



Advent Peace Park

St Mary's By the Sea
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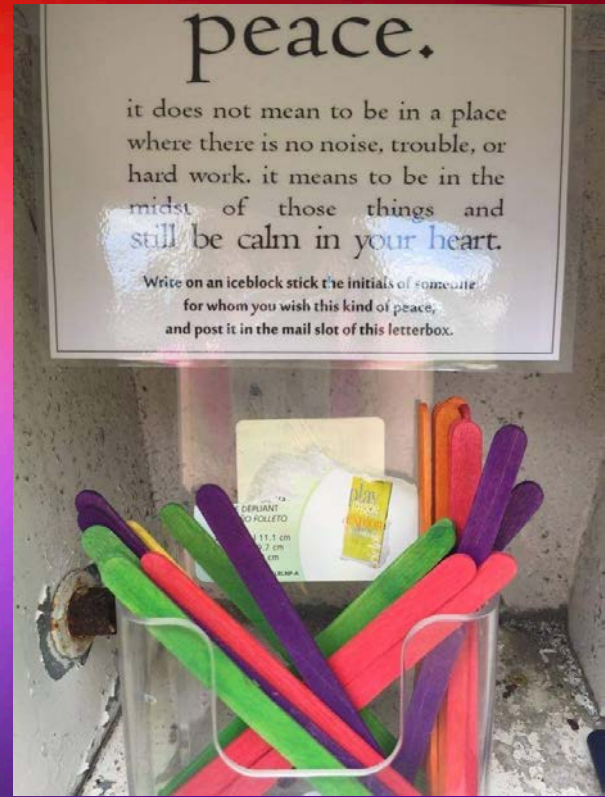


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Clevedon Anglican Parish.
Sarah Parks

Advent Calendar Letterboxes



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ART

Art historian Katie Kresser, “One of the functions of art is to disrupt the calcification of faith.” I like this thought for a few reasons, but I especially like that she doesn’t say *prevent* the calcification of faith. Her verb choice—disrupt—assumes calcification is inevitable. What Kresser takes for granted is that we become numb to truth and beauty when it’s presented the same way again and again. One of art’s responsibilities is to make us vulnerable again, to subvert our callousness and make us porous enough to receive truth and beauty, the way poetry forces you to look at things from odd angles, to hear something familiar in a new cadence or imagine it sideways through metaphor. ...

In recent years, what's permeated my heart the most has not been my church's liturgy but poetry and visual art that touches the sacred, approaching faith in unfamiliar ways. Maybe it takes an artist's perspective to evoke mystery from what has grown familiar.

ART

Traditional



Contemporary

The Nativity, Gari Melchers





ADVENT IN ART
2010

1st Sunday in Advent

*It's come back positive: the
Annunciation in Townsville.*

Jan Hynes, 2002.
Oil on canvas. 120 x 150 cm



2nd Sunday in Advent

The visitation: Elizabeth meets Mary at the C-bar over skinny decaf cappuccino and carrot cake.

Jan Hynes, 2002.
Oil on canvas. 120 x 150 cm



3rd Sunday in Advent

*Mary reads up on home birthing which
proves to be a good thing.*

Jan Hynes, 2002.
Oil on canvas. 120 x 150 cm



4th Sunday in Advent

*Bonding time:
the Nativity in Townsville.*

Jan Hynes, 2007.
Oil on canvas. 80 x 100 cm



MUSIC/TRACKS

The Brilliance, e.g. *May You Find A Light*.
Future of Forestry, e.g. *O Come, O Come*.
Mike Crawford and His Secret Siblings
Young Oceans
Gungor
Sufjan Stevens
Opiate Mass



The Brilliance: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wRQp3rNQAM> (2 min interview)



Future of Forestry: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uKi-uKfCXYQ>

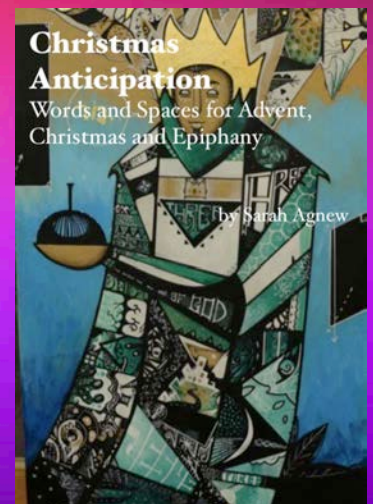
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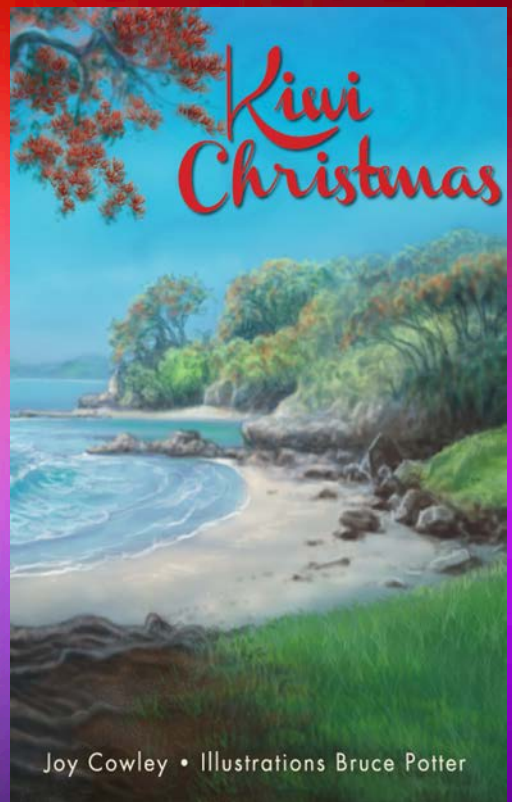
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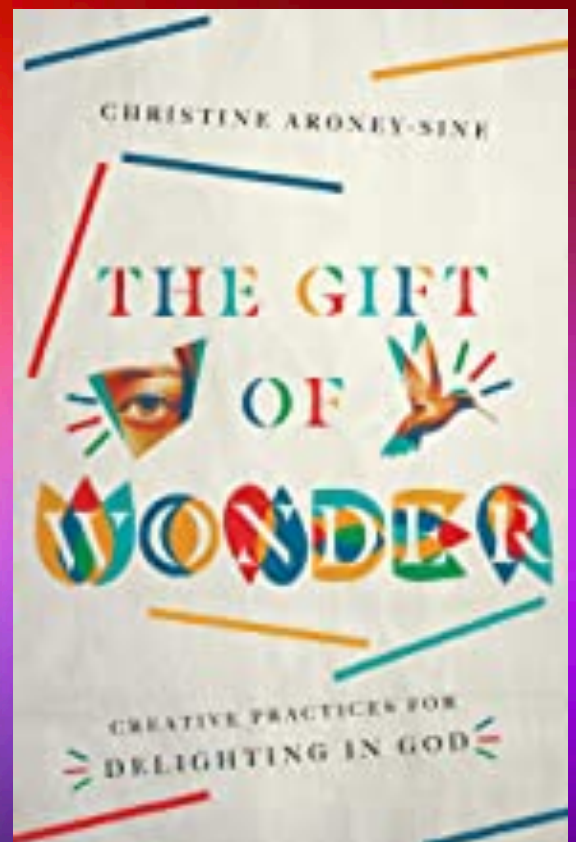
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