



## Second Sunday of Advent

5 December 2021

### Dates for Calendar

Sunday 5th December - Healing and Hope and service 5pm.

Sunday 19th December - Normal morning services 8am and 10am and  
Carol Service at 5pm.

Friday 24th December - Christmas Eve Children & Families Service 5pm,  
Christmas Midnight Service 11pm.

Saturday 25th December - Christmas Day 9:30am (one service only).

Sunday 26th December - Christmas 1 9:30am (one service only).

Sunday 2nd January - 9.30am (one service only).

Sunday 9th January - 9.30 am (one service only).

Sunday 16th January - 8.00 am and 10.00 am

Sunday 23rd January - 8.00 am and 10.00 am

Thursday 27th January - 10.00 am Return of Thursday Eucharist

Sunday 30th January - 8.00 am and 10.00 am

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet, the people of the Kulin nation, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

This parish is committed to Child Safety and complies with Diocesan and State requirements.  
This is a shared responsibility of staff and parish. Please see the back of pew leaflet for contact details.



The 2021 Toy Appeal will operate this year from September **to December in line with Victoria's current social distancing** regulations.

To give to this valuable cause, you can donate:

1. online at [www.anglicarevic.org.au/-toy-appeal](http://www.anglicarevic.org.au/-toy-appeal) either making a financial donation or selecting a gift on the Simply Giving Page.
2. by calling: Anglicare direct on 1800 809 722
3. by mail: PO Box 45, Abbotsford VIC 3067



**Mothers' Union will have its final meeting for the year** a celebratory Garden Party on Monday Dec 6th @ 2pm. This will be a time to meet and reconnect after a difficult year. Our first meeting for 2022 will be on Tuesday February 22nd Eucharist at 2pm celebrated by our Vicar Ven Dianne in the Church, followed by revealing our program for 2022, our prayer partners and of course, afternoon tea. We welcome members of the parish and their friends to this **meeting**. **Visitors and new members are always welcomed in Mothers' Union.**



**Mothers' Union** would like to thank its members and the people of this parish for their generous response to the collection of Survival Bags to support the international campaign 16 Days of Activism Against Domestic Violence. We can accept bags until Sunday Dec.12th as we intend to deliver them to the Monash -Waverley Community Centre which is a main distribution point, the following day. Symbolic gestures such as filling these bags to support women and children escaping from domestic violence and providing food for the alms baskets, are practical expressions of our Christian faith which encourages to love and care for those in need.

Alms Baskets - please bring something

Firstly, please bring items for the Alms Baskets - we understand that both organisations are running very low on supplies with so many donors in similar situations to ours, while the number of people in need has increased.

## The Ladies Guild

The Ladies Guild will meet on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 2.00 pm in the Parish Centre Meeting room. Please come along for a chat and afternoon tea.

Janice Miller.



## 3rd Thursday Christmas - 16th December

This year for the 3rd Thursday Christmas Service - in lieu of a luncheon - we will be having a festive morning tea.

The service will be at 10am as usual. Looking forward to seeing everyone.



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Richard Williams for Act for Peace

### Bringing Peace to children in Gaza

The recent bombing of Gaza and the escalation of tensions between Israel and Palestine can make peace feel more distant than ever, especially for children. Through the Christmas Bowl, you are helping our local partner run three health clinics across Gaza. They provide medical care and psychosocial support, including counselling and a place where children can play and feel safe. Your support gives children in Gaza a chance at the childhood they deserve. **Please give today.**



**CALL: 1800 025 101 VISIT: [actforpeace.org.au/christmasbowl](http://actforpeace.org.au/christmasbowl)**

The Christmas appeal of Act for Peace, the international aid agency of the National Council of Churches in Australia. ABN 86 619 970 188

Let me only live to hallow  
God's pure name till life shall end,  
Bow before his will, and welcome  
All his providence may send,  
Vow, and pay my vows, receiving  
From the Lord's rich treasure-store  
Grace to strengthen and to crown me  
Victor in the conflict sore.



E. Wyn. James [trans. H. A. Hodges] Hymn V Stanza 4





# WHAT IS YOUR FESTIVE FOOTPRINT?

**Experts report up to a 50% increase in household waste during the Festive Season.**

Be mindful of the environment and think about how you are going to dispose of waste and packaging when choosing and buying food, gifts, toys and household items.

## Food

Think about how many people you are expecting to feed. Create a food plan that includes what you can do with leftovers.



## Gifts

Opt for eco-friendly gifts where possible. Use wrapping that has already served a purpose like gift bags, boxes, pillowcases, and recovered wrapping paper. Food gifts could be wrapped in a tea towel. Avoid using sticky tape, glitter and foil sheets.



## Waste

Avoid excess packaging and recycle what you can. Think about re-gifting unwanted items or donating them to charity.



*Please consider your 'Festive Footprint' this Christmas and help to keep our Planet in good shape*



Waverley Helpmates is a Disability Service and Support Organisation in Ashwood. For many years, they have mown our lawns and tidied up around the property. This is their fundraiser which we have always supported.



## WAVERLEY HELPMATES INC

12-14 Mavron St, Ashwood - 9807 1155

### FUNDRAISER

## Christmas Tree Order Form 2021



#### Tree Size

☐ 5' tree at \$70 each

☐ 7' tree at \$80 each

#### Date

☐ Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

☐ Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December

#### Pickup or Delivery

☐ Pick up from Ashwood Office between  
10 am - 3 pm

☐ Delivery, *please have a bucket of water  
ready.*

☐ \$10 in Ashwood

☐ \$25 or more \$\_\_\_\_ further from Ashwood

#### Payment

☐ Cash

☐ Cheque

☐ Bank Transfer

BSB: 313140

A/C: 00403769

Ref: "Your surname" tree

#### Total

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Delivery Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Comment: \_\_\_\_\_



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## CHRISTMAS STALL

SUNDAY 12 DECEMBER 2021  
AFTER EACH OF THE SERVICES

ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST STEPHEN AND ST MARY  
MOUNT WAVERLEY

# Dates to put in your diary ...

## Sunday Second Sunday of Advent

- December 5, 2021

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Parish Eucharist

## Monday 6

1.30 - 4.00 pm MU

## Tuesday 7

10.00 am Morning Prayer (zoom)

2.00 pm Funeral

## Wednesday 8

10.30 am mainly music

6.30 - 9.15 pm Ballet (Parish Centre)

6.30 - 9.30 pm Kiwanis (Old Church)

## Thursday 9

10.00 am Holy Communion

2.30 pm Ladies Guild (Meeting room)

7.30 pm Choir (Church)

7.30 pm Meditation (zoom)

## Friday 10

## Saturday 11

9.00 am - 2.00 pm TCCV (Main Church)

3.00—10.00pm Chinese Church

## Sunday 12 Advent 3

8.00 am Holy Communion

10.00 am Parish Eucharist

3.00 - 8.00 pm TCCV Carol Service

## The Thursday Evening Meditation Group

We continue to meet on Zoom on the second and fourth Thursday evenings of the month at 7.30pm. Our next session on Thursday, December 9 will be our final session for the year. Zoom links are emailed to members prior to the sessions and enquiries can be directed to Michael Mosley.

## Next Sunday Third Sunday of Advent

- December 12, 2021

### 8.00 am

Server Brett Gaffney

Welcomers David Sharrock

Reader John Foster

Zephaniah 3 :14 -20

Gospel Luke 1: 7-18 (Clergy)

### 10.00 am

Welcomers Maggie and Graeme Dellora

Readers Dennis Mills

Zephaniah 3: 14 – 20

Gospel Luke 1: 7 – 18 (Clergy)

Intercessor Joan West

Morning Tea Judy and David Duncan

The Mount Waverley

Chadstone Inter

Church Council



is holding a STREET STALL outside Westpac Mt Waverley on Saturday 11th December from 10.00am to 2.00pm to support the Act for Peace Christmas Bowl Appeal.

They need goods for the stall - cakes, biscuits, slices, muffins, Christmas treats as well as jams and preserves. They also need helpers on the day. If you can offer help please contact

Marg Taylor

Doug Hastings

Tamil Christian Church services

2nd and 4th Sunday from 3pm

Joyriver Chinese Church

Saturdays from 3pm

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<b>Priest</b> (Day off - Monday)	The Venerable Dianne Sharrock
<b>Assistant Curate</b> (Tues, Thurs, Fri)	The Revd Greg Wong
<b>Children's and Families' Minister</b> (Tues 10.00 am - 3.00 pm, Wed 9.30 am - 2.30 pm, Sun 10.30 am - 12.30 pm)	Lisa Eames
<b>Child Safety Compliance Officer</b>	Elaine Fasken
<b>Covid19 Compliance Officer</b>	Sugan Blanchard
<b>Music Director</b>	Brian Copple
<b>Treasurer</b>	Helen Warren
<b>Office Manager</b>	Katherine Rushby
<b>Churchwardens:</b>	Sugan Blanchard Graeme Dellora Sue Retschko
<b>Parish Council:</b>	Sugan Blanchard, David Bruce, Graeme Dellora, Judith Gibson, Sally Hibbert, John Leaver, Sue Retschko, Helen Warren, Joan West
<b>Pastoral Care Ministry:</b>	
<i>Hospital Visiting:</i>	Clergy
<i>Funeral Ministry:</i>	The Vicar
<i>Contemporary Eucharist Contact:</i>	Rowena Ferguson
<b>Spiritual Directors:</b>	Cath Connelly Val Dyke
<b>Prayer Chain contact</b>	Margaret Syfret
<b>SERVICES:</b>	
	<b>Sunday 8.00 &amp; 10.00 am</b>
	<b>Thursday 10.00 am</b>