### THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST STEPHEN AND ST MARY

**MOUNT WAVERLEY** 

### **WELCOME**

### Fourth Sunday of Advent

### **19 December 2021**

Dates for Calendar

<u>Friday 24th December</u> - 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

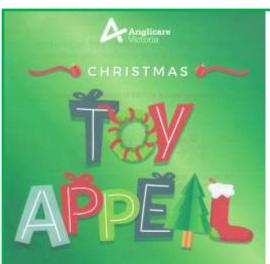


ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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.





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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 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

### Sharing God's love this Christmas



It's been 10 years since the civil war broke out in Syria with thousands of families still living in neighbouring countries like Jordan. The challenges refugees face no longer make front page news, and now COVID-19 has made life even harder. Through the Christmas Bowl, you are helping our local partner provide support for families, including food rations and hygiene kits, along with psychosocial care. **Please give today.** 

CALL: 1800 025 101 VISIT: 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 18

# Mothers'

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 Monday February 21st 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. Proof of covid vaccination **If you can't access your covid vaccination** certificate online, you can phone the Australian Immunisation Register - 1800 653 809 between 8am-5pm, Mon-Fri and ask them to send it to you. It can take up to two three weeks to arrive in the mail.

The Thursday Evening Meditation Group The group meets on Zoom at 7.30pm on the second and fourth Thursday evenings of the month. However, we are now in recess until January 27, 2022 the second Thursday in January. Zoom links are emailed to members prior to the sessions and enquiries can be directed to Michael Mosley.

Dates to put in your diary

Sunday Fourth Sunday of Advent - December 19, 2021

8.00 am	Holy Communion
10.00 am	Parish Eucharist
5.00 pm	Carol Service
<u>Monday</u>	20
<u>Tuesday</u>	21
<u>Wednesday</u>	22
<u>Thursday</u>	23
<u>Friday</u>	24
<u>Saturday</u>	25
3.00—10.00pm	Chinese Church
<u>Sunday</u>	26 Christmas 1
9.30 am	Parish Eucharist
3.00 - 8.00 pm	TCCV

### CONGREGATIONAL GIVING ENVELOPES

To those parishioners who still prefer to give via the weekly envelopes, we have done a little tweakage to save on costs. (Each " yearly packet" costs \$ 16 -- we spent \$ 800 per year on envelopes !) We discovered many " left-over packets".

A parishioner has modified about 36 " yearly packets" by altering the year, etc. So please take home a packet for 2022 -- you will be able to figure out the approximate date. Packets are available for pick-up now near the Orange Door.

Thank you for your dedicated stewardship.

Joyriver Chinese Church Saturdays from 3pm

Christmas Eve Welcomers Readers	<u>e 11pm</u> Nima Flora Glenda Biddle
	Irene Donohue Clyne Isaiah 9: 2 – 7
<u>Ron Ritchie</u> Intercessions	Titus 2: 11 – 14 Joan West to prepare
<u>Christmas Day 9.30am</u>	
Next Sunday First Sunday after Christmas - December 26, 2021	
<u>Welcomers</u>	
<u>Readers</u>	Frank Miller Isaiah 62: 6 – 12 Lyn Ryan Titus 3: 4 – 8a
Intercessions	Val Dyke
<u>9.30 am</u> <u>Welcomers</u>	Graeme and Maggie Dellora
<u>Readers</u> Dennis Mills	1 Sam 2: 18 – 20,26
<u>Gospel</u>	Luke 2: 41 <b>–</b> 52
Intercessions	Judith Gibson
Morning Tea	Graeme and Maggie Dellora

Tamil Christian Church services

2nd and 4th Sunday from 3pm

## The Anglican Parish of St Stephen & St Mary **Mount Waverley**

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The Venerable Dianne Sharrock

(Day off - Monday)	
Assistant Curate (Tues, Thurs, Fri)	The Revd Greg Wong
Children's and Families' Minister	Lisa Eames
(Tues 10.00 am - 3.00 pm, Wed 9.30 am - 2.30 pm,	, Sun 10.30 am - 12.30 pm)
Child Safety Compliance Officer	Elaine Fasken
Covid19 Compliance Officer	Sugan Blanchard
Music Director	Brian Copple

Treasurer

Priest

Office Manager

**Churchwardens:** 

Katherine Rushby Sugan Blanchard Graeme Dellora Sue Retschko

Helen Warren

**Parish Council:** Sugan Blanchard, David Bruce, Graeme Dellora, Judith Gibson, Sally Hibbert, John Leaver, Sue Retschko, Helen Warren, Joan West

#### **Pastoral Care Ministry:**

Hospital Visiting: Funeral Ministry: Contemporary Eucharist Contact: Clergy The Vicar Rowena Ferguson

**Spiritual Directors:** Cath Connelly Val Dyke **Prayer Chain contact** 

Margaret Syfret

### SERVICES: Sunday 8.00 & 10.00 am Thursday 10.00 am