

First Sunday of Advent

November 27 2022



Services in December and January

Sunday 11th December 5 pm – Carols and Lessons.

Saturday 24th December 5 pm - Children's and Families
Christmas Eve service

11 pm - Midnight Mass

Sunday 25th December 9.30 am - Christmas Day service.

Sunday 1st & 8th January – Joint service 9.30 am only.



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Hope for families forced to flee their country



Eugene and her family were forced to make the heartbreaking decision to flee their country Ukraine when the fighting escalated. They are just one of the millions of families who have been forced to flee their home in recent months. Your gifts through the Christmas Bowl can help local partners, like HIA, respond immediately to emergencies, giving families like Eugene's safety in exile – and hope for the future – when they need it most. **Please give today.**

CALL: 1800 025 101 VISIT: actforpeace.org.au/christmasbowl

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



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.

Anglicare Toy and Food Appeal 2022

This year the Anglicare Toy and Food Appeal is in partnership with Anglicare-Dixon House Clayton.

Donations will be collected under the Christmas tree in the Narthex from Sunday 27th November until Sunday 11th December. (A list of Donation Ideas is on the notice board).

Please do not donate second-hand items or soft toys and please do not pre-wrap gifts so that clients can choose gifts appropriate for each child. However, donations of Christmas paper are welcome.

If you need to bring donations before 27th November, please speak to Marg Taylor or Joanne Burns.

Donations will be transported to Dixon House on Monday 12th December in time for volunteers to pack them ready for distribution on Wednesday 14th December.

Dixon House is also in need of volunteers to help with the distribution of hampers and toys in the week 12th-14th December. If you are able to assist, please call Dixon House.



FIVE LEAF ECO TIP

The Overload of Plastic Bags

Do you know that Australians use more than 5 billion plastic bags each year? Only 3% are recycled and most end up littering our streets, parks, beaches and waterways. Plastic **doesn't decompose like food waste so it's everywhere forever. Each of us can make a** difference. Say no to plastic bags. Look for alternatives such as paper and take your own cloth bags.
Source: 50 ways to help our planet every day. Hint 11.



Mothers Union Meeting

Monday 28 November at 1.30pm in the Parish Centre

Thinking about Advent and Christmas. All Welcome.

Please ring an item or decoration related to this season to share with others.



"Many Voices - One Body"

The MWCICC is holding a Street Stall for ACT FOR PEACE on Saturday 10 December from 10.00 am until 2.00 pm near Westpac Mount Waverley. Goods for sale can be delivered from 9.30am onwards. Your donations of cakes, slices, sweets, Christmas treats and handmade items would be greatly appreciated.

Please deliver to the stall from 9.00am and ensure that you attach your name and list of ingredients. THANK YOU For more information contact Marg Taylor.



Dates to put in your diary ...

Sunday November 27, 2022 - First Sunday of

Advent

8.30 am	Holy Communion
10.00 am	Parish Eucharist
11.30 am	Wedding (Old Church)
11.30 am - 3.30 pm	Cedar Church
3.00 - 8.00 pm	TCCV
<u>Monday</u>	28
1.30 - 4.00 pm	MU (Parish Centre)
4.00 - 8.45 pm	Karen Margaret Dance
<u>Tuesday</u>	29
<u>Wednesday</u>	30
7.15 - 9.15 pm	TCCV Choir
<u>Thursday</u>	1
10.00 am	Thursday Eucharist
7.30 pm	Choir
<u>Friday</u>	2
<u>Saturday</u>	3
10.00 am - 3.00 pm	Advent Quiet Day
3.30 - 8.00 pm	TCCV Choir
4.00 pm	Junior Youth (Old Church)
<u>Sunday</u>	4
8.30 am	Holy Communion
10.00 am	Parish Eucharist
11.30 am - 3.30 pm	Cedar Church
3.00 - 8.00 pm	TCCV Carol Service
6.00 - 8.00 pm	Young Adults

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 will be on Thursday, December 8. Zoom links are emailed to members prior to the sessions.

Enquiries can be directed to Michael Mosley.

Next Sunday -

Advent 2
- December 4, 2022

8.30 am Holy Communion

Server Revd Andrea

Welcomers Katherine Rushby
Celia Gant

Reader Adam Thevapalan

10.00 am Parish Eucharist

Welcomers Nima Flora
Natalie Stroud

Reader **Eleanor U'Ren**

Intercessions Dennis Mills

Morning Tea Maggie Dellora
Graeme Dellora

Next Sunday's Readings:

Romans 15.4-13

Psalms 72.1-7, 18-21

Matthew 3.1-12

JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP

Our next Junior Youth group is on
Saturday 3rd December @ 4.00 pm.
Suitable for ages 10 -13yrs.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Our next Young Adults Group will be held on
Sunday 4th December at 6pm.
Suitable for those aged 18-22 yrs.

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Priest (Day off - Monday)	The Venerable Dianne Sharrock
Assistant Curate (Days off - Monday & Saturday)	The Revd Andrea Nagy
Children's and Families' Minister (Tues 10.00am - 12.00pm, Sun 9.30am - 11.30pm)	Lisa Eames
Safe Ministry Compliance Officer	Elaine Fasken
Child Safety Officer	Lisa Eames/Elaine Fasken
Covid19 Compliance Officer	Sugan Blanchard
Music Director	Brian Copple
Treasurer	Helen Warren
Office Administrator	Katherine Rushby
Churchwardens:	Sugan Blanchard Graeme Dellora Sue Retschko
Parish Council:	Sugan Blanchard, Graeme Dellora, Judith Gibson, Sally Hibbert, John Leaver, Sue Retschko, Fiona Sawyer, Helen Warren, Joan West
Pastoral Care Ministry:	
<i>Hospital Visiting:</i>	Clergy
<i>Funeral Ministry:</i>	The Vicar
Spiritual Directors:	Cath Connelly Val Dyke
Prayer Chain contact	Margaret Syfret
SERVICES:	Sunday 8.30 & 10.00 am Thursday 10.00 am