

Christmas Day

December 25 2022



Wondrous sight for men and angels!
Wonders, wonders without end!
He who made, preserves, sustains us,
He our Ruler and our Friend,
Here lies cradled in the manger,
Finds no resting-place on earth,
Yet the shining hosts of glory
Throng to worship at his birth.

E. Wyn. James [trans. H. A. Hodges]

Hymn XXII Stanza 1

In our Parish all are welcome, all are accepted, all are valued and all are respected.

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.

January services

Sunday 1 st January	9.30 am only (Joint service)	The Epiphany of our Lord.
Sunday 8 th January	9.30 am only (Joint service)	The Baptism of our Lord.
Sunday 15 th January	8.30 am and 10.00 am	Second Sunday after Epiphany.
Sunday 22 nd January	8.30 am and 10.00 am	Third Sunday after Epiphany.
Sunday 29 th January	9.30 am and 10.00 am	Fourth Sunday after Epiphany.

THANK YOU TO ALL PARISHIONERS

For your support for Food for Friends Appeal.

10 food hampers were delivered to Dixon House.

For your very generous support for the Anglicare Food and Toy Appeal. All goodies were distributed to needy families by Dixon House during the past week.

Also for your support of the MWCICC Stall last Saturday which raised \$1400 for Act for Peace.



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Merry Christmas!

Mugisha*, along with her sister and two young children are just some of the millions of families living as refugees around the world. Mugisha fled to Kenya after conflict broke out in her home country of Congo. Since arriving, she has faced many challenges to meet the basic needs for her family. Through the Christmas Bowl, our local partners around the world can continue to share God's love with refugees like Mugisha by providing food, care and lifesaving support. **Please give today.**

*Mugisha's name has been changed for safety reasons.



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

FIVE LEAF ECO TIP

Words of peace and joy.

Sometimes the festive cheer of Christmas is difficult. Whether due to bereavements or distance, absent families or estrangement. Let's be mindful and share smiles and kindness. Small actions each day make a difference to our world.

Happy Christmas from the Social Justice Committee.



Dates to put in your diary ...

Sunday December 25, 2022 - Christmas Day

9.30 am Joint Service

11.30 am - 3.30 pm Cedar Church

3.00 - 8.00 pm TCCV

Monday 26

Tuesday 27 - Office Closed

Wednesday 28

Thursday 29 - Office Closed

Friday 30 - Office Closed

7.45 - 9.45 pm Cedar Church

Saturday 31

9.15 pm TCCV Watchnight Service

Sunday 1

9.30 am Joint Service

11.30 am - 3.30 pm Cedar Church

Next Sunday -

The Epiphany of our Lord

- January 1, 2023

9.30 am

Parish Eucharist

Welcomers

Sugan Blanchard

Arunthy Blanchard

Readers

Graeme Dellora

Jenny Bowers

Intercessor

Dennis Mills

Next Sunday's Readings:

Isaiah 60.1 - 6

Ps 72.1-7, 10-14

Ephesians 3.1-12

Matthew 2.1 - 12

Christmas Holidays

The Parish Office will be closed until Thursday
5th January 2023.

There will be no pew sheet next week.

Offertory envelopes

The new envelopes have arrived and are
available for collection from the church.

Ordination of Deacons

Candice Mitrousis will be ordained on

Saturday 4th February at 10.30am At St Paul's.

Her first service here will be on Sunday 5th

February 2023.

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
February 9 2023. Zoom links are emailed to
members prior to the sessions. Enquiries can
be directed to Michael Mosley.

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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