

**First Sunday in Advent**

**1st December 2024**



**Christmas & January services**

- Sunday 1st December - Blue Christmas at 5pm
- Wednesday 4th December - Revd Cara's Advent Devotions at 4.30pm  
(every Wednesday during Advent)
- Sunday 15th December - Carol Service at 5.00pm
- Thursday 19th December - Third Thursday Eucharist with Christmas brunch
- Tuesday 24th December - Children's & Families' service at 5.00pm  
- Christmas Eve service at 11.00pm
- Wednesday 25th December - Christmas Day service at 9.30am
- Sunday 29th December - Joint service at 9.30am
- Sunday 5th January - Joint service at 9.30am
- Sunday 12th January - Joint service at 9.30am
- Sunday 19th January - Back to normal services - 8.30am and 10.00am.



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.

## **Monash Interchurch Council**

Name change - the Mount Waverley Chadstone Inter-Church Council has extended its boundaries to include more churches in the Monash area.

The MICC will be holding a Christmas Street Stall in aid of Act for Peace on Saturday 15 December outside Westpac Bank in Hamilton Place, Mt Waverley.

Donations of Christmas handcrafts, cakes, cookies etc would be most welcome. Please deliver your goods around 9.30am

## **Count Your Blessings During Advent**

This is a Mothers Union fundraising activity which will run during Advent.

Ven Dianne has agreed that we invite other parishioners to be part of this in support of MU projects in the South Pacific. Handouts with an explanation of how it works are available in the Parish Centre.

Please contact me if you require further information.

Joan West, MU President



Christmas Bowl envelopes are in your pews. If you would prefer to give online please go to the following donation page is <https://mycb.link/47554>

## **The Wednesday Evening Meditation Group**

The meditation group meet on Zoom on the first and third Wednesday evenings of the month at 7.30pm. The next session will be on Wednesday 4 December. This will be the final session for the year. The group will reconvene in 2025 on Wednesday 5 February. Zoom links are emailed to members prior to the sessions. Enquiries can be directed to Michael Mosley.

# What's on this week ...

Sunday December 1, 2024

Advent 1

8.30 am Holy Communion  
10.00 am Parish Eucharist  
11.30 am - 3.30 pm Cedar Church  
5.00 pm Blue Christmas (Church)

Monday 2

Tuesday 3

9.15 - 10.45 am Yoga (Old Church)  
10.00 am Morning Prayer (zoom)

Wednesday 4

4.30-5.30 pm **Cara's Advent Devotions**  
7.30 pm Meditation (zoom)

Thursday 5

10.00 am Eucharist  
7.30 pm Choir

Friday 6

Saturday 7

8.00 - 9.30 am Yoga (Old Church)  
9.30 am - 12.30 pm Tamil Choir (Church)  
2.00 - 7.00 pm Kandy Old Girls (Parish Ctr)

Sunday 8

8.30 am Holy Communion  
10.00 am Parish Eucharist  
11.30 am - 3.30 pm Cedar Church  
4.00 - 8.00 pm Tamil Church

Next Sunday December 8, 2024

Advent 2

8.30 am Holy Communion

Server Revd Cara

Welcomers Adam Thevapalan  
Nirmala Thevapalan

Reader Adam Thevapalan

10.00 am Parish Eucharist

Lay Reader Jenny Bowers

Welcomers David Stanley  
Nima Flora

Readers Jenny Brown  
Howard Brown

Intercessions Val Dyke

Chalice Assistants Jenny Brown  
Howard Brown

Morning Tea Jenny Brown  
Howard Brown

## **Next Sunday's Readings:**

Malachi 3.1-14

Song of Zechariah

Philippians 1.1-11

Luke 3.1-6

## ***Possible Power Outage***

We have been advised by our electricity supplier that there may be an interruption to our power on Friday November 29 between 8.30 am and 3.30 pm so the office will be closed. Please send any notices for the pew sheet to arrive by Wednesday morning.

## ***Parish Bank Account Details***

If you wish to give electronically to support the work of this parish account details follow:  
Westpac BSB 033-038 Account no. 211 656  
Account name: Parish of St Stephen & St Mary Mt Waverley General Account

**Thanks**

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## **Priest**

(Day off - Monday)

The Venerable Dianne Sharrock

## **Assistant Curate**

(Day off - Monday)

The Revd Cara Greenham Hancock

## **Assistant Curate**

(Sundays only)

The Revd Candice Mitrousis

## **Safe Ministry Compliance Officer**

Elaine Fasken

## **Music Director**

Brian Copple

## **Treasurer**

Helen Warren

## **Office Administrator**

Katherine Rushby

## **Churchwardens:**

Sugan Blanchard

Sally Hibbert

Sue Retschko

## **Parish Council:**

John Leaver, Fiona Sawyer, David Stanley,  
Helen Warren, Joan West

## **Pastoral Care Ministry:**

*Hospital Visiting:*

Clergy

*Funeral Ministry:*

The Vicar

## **Spiritual Director:**

Val Dyke

## **Prayer Chain contact**

Margaret Syfret

**SERVICES: Sunday 8.30 & 10.00 am**

**Thursday 10.00 am**