



Christ Church Cathedral and St Peter's Hamilton

52 Church Street, Newcastle 148 Denison Street



Welcome to worship today, especially all who are visiting

Weekly News Sunday 27 December 2020

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS



East Anglian Missal

Today's Services at the Cathedral

8am: Eucharist

Presider: The Reverend Angela Peverell, Sub Dean

Preacher: The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer, Dean

10.30am: Eucharist

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5.30pm: (Online only)

Evening Prayers with the Senior Leadership Team

You Tube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXyas2uhJUNOnDetOpPdUOg>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/christchurchcathedralnewcastle/>

Dear Parish Family,

This week we've seen fear come back into our communities with COVID-19 once again causing heightened concern. For many this has affected travel plans and Christmas plans, and I know how devastating it is for those who had been looking forward to these happy celebrations in a year which often hasn't had much to celebrate. Please don't hesitate to contact myself or the Reverend Angela Peverell if you would like to talk about how this has affected you.

Thank you to all who are enabling our wonderful Christmas celebrations. Understandably there has been caution around large gatherings, and I'm really thank full to our dedicated team who make everything happen in a COVIDSafe way.

IT IS ESSENTIAL to register to attend Christmas services at the Cathedral and St Peter's. Our numbers are limited due to COVIDSafe restrictions, and I don't want anyone to be turned away! In your pewslip today you'll find information about how to book for Christmas services at the Cathedral and St Peter's. **Please share this information widely.** Due to COVIDSafe capacity restrictions, **it is essential to book a ticket** for everyone coming to a service – including children. The full list of services with booking information can be found here: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/o/christ-church-cathedral-newcastle-nsw-30413307258>

Please contact the office if you have any difficulties.

Please continue to visit the Choir YouTube channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCj1uCQsfG7Ek4NLW_SJzvRQ , and read the Choir blogger's reflections

<https://newcastlecathedralchoir.wordpress.com/> . Online services on the Cathedral YouTube channel can be found here:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCXyas2uhJUNOnDetOpPdUOg> .

Finally, this week's poem by U A Fanthorpe is a wonderful reflection on the moment when all was changed. In this year of change may we never forget the change that is at the centre of our hearts and faith – Emmanuel – Christ with us. On behalf of myself, David, Thomas (in Melbourne) and Elizabeth, I would like to wish you a Happy and Holy Christmas. Thank you for all your prayers and support and all you have given to the parish this year.

BC:AD

This was the moment when Before
Turned into After, and the future's
Uninvented timekeepers presented arms.

This was the moment when nothing
Happened. Only dull peace
Sprawled boringly over the earth.

This was the moment when even energetic Romans
Could find nothing better to do
Than counting heads in remote provinces.

And this was the moment
When a few farm workers and three
Members of an obscure Persian sect
Walked haphazard by starlight straight
Into the kingdom of heaven.
U A Fanthorpe 1929-2009

With my thanks and prayers.

Dean Katherine

Ps: Please share this email with others who would like to hear news of the parish.

To receive our weekly mailings, please contact the Cathedral Office

cathedral@newcastlecathedral.org.au to be placed on the email or mail out list.

THE REVEREND ANGELA PEVERELL: It was announced last Sunday that the Reverend Angela Peverell has accepted the appointment of Parish Priest of Muswellbrook. Angela is commissioned at Muswellbrook on 15th February 2021.

We offer our love, prayers and congratulations to Angela, and continue to pray for her and the parish of Muswellbrook at this time of new beginning.

Today's Music in the Cathedral

**Sunday, 27th
December**

**1st Sunday after
Christmass**

8am Eucharist

Hymns

290, 293, 316, 303

Organist

Keith Murree-Allen

10:30am Sung Eucharist

Setting

Newcastle Mass (Guy)

Psalm

148 (said)

Postlude

Postlude on *Hark! The Herald* (Willcocks)

Hymns

290, 293, 316, 303

Organist

Peter Guy

Today's Flowers

have been kindly donated by

Pauline Chambers

in loving memory of her brother

Stanley Grainger



Office Closure

The Cathedral Office will be closed from Thursday December 24 until Tuesday January 5, 2021.

THERE WILL NOT BE A PEWSHEET FOR SUNDAY JANUARY 3

Sharon Dyett will be on leave until January 19, during this time the office will be operating on reduced hours assisted by Lynette Russell.

SUNDAY EUCHARIST TIMES

From 1 January 2021

8.00am and 10.00am

at the Cathedral

Stewardship: Thank you for your ongoing faithful financial support of the mission and ministry of the parish. With no opportunities for additional fund raising, your giving is greatly appreciated. In this time, the best way to exercise our stewardship, to support the work of the parish, is through electronic giving. Our stewardship is an expression of our thankfulness to God, offering as we have received.

Name: Electronic Giving Account

BSB: 705-077

Account: 00040917 (please include all 8 digits)

Please include your Initial & Surname in the reference line, if required.

Please ask the sidespersons at the Cathedral or St Peter's if you would like a set of stewardship envelopes. If you would like information on how you can contribute to the Music Fund, Missions, and other ministries, please contact the parish office so we

can share those details with you. Thank you for your generosity, which supports ministry now and in the future.

Mainly Music is currently in recess –

Please check our Cathedral Ministry Facebook page and our Cathedral Facebook for fun activities and resources you can do at home!



SERVICES THIS WEEK IN THE CATHEDRAL

All services in the St Christopher Chapel.

Please enter through the transept doors

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| Monday 28 December | 8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist | The Dean |
| Tuesday 29 December | 8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist | The Dean |
| Wednesday 30 December | 8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist | Bishop Sonia Roulston |
| Thursday 31 December | 8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist | Fr Philip Thirlwell |
| Friday 1 January | 8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist | The Reverend Dr Julia Perry |

Donations for Flowers

To donate flowers *in memory of a loved one* or as a *thank-offering*, please advise Suzanne Evans on 4955 9170 and place your donation in an envelope listing the date for display and include a message and place in the wall safe.

Flowers are required for 2021 January 10, 31 and February 7.



CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY LUNCHESES: The Cathedral Community Lunches Program is continuing to offer a hot meal **every second Sunday at 12.30pm** as a ‘**take away**’ option from the Horbury Hunt Hall. Thank you to the dedicated volunteers who are ensuring this important outreach program continues to operate. **Community lunch take away will recommence for 2021 on Sunday January 31.**

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SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS

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NO EVENSONG

There will be no Evensong on Sunday 27 December 2020.

Evensong will resume on Sunday 3rd January.

THANK YOU

To everyone who enable our Christmas worship to be so wonderful and welcoming and COVIDSafe. From welcomers and readers, to servers and cleaners, magnificent flowers and glorious choir, thank you to everyone who was able to assist in any way!

We have taken measures to ensure that the Cathedral is a safe environment for all. All who work with children or youth have completed Safe Ministry Training and all clergy, staff and volunteers are subject to strict employment measures such as working with children checks. The Cathedral is committed to being a place where survivors of abuse experience care and support.

For a confidential discussion,

please call or email the Director of Professional Standards 1800 774 945

dps@newcastleanglican.org.au or survivorsupport@newcastleanglican.org.au

Christmas – Mission Giving

We continue to support ABM but each year we also support the Christmas Bowl over the Christmas and New Year period.

THE CHRISTMAS BOWL – ACT FOR PEACE

(Envelopes available at the back of the cathedral. Please place your envelopes in the basket provided)

Act for Peace is the international aid agency of the National Council of Churches in Australia and a member of the global ACT alliance, which helps communities affected by conflict and disaster in more than 130 countries. Act for Peace's work began in 1948 with the sending of food and other provisions to help refugees who had suffered during World War II. This important work was carried on when, on Christmas Day in 1949, the Rev. Frank Byatt of Victoria placed an empty bowl on the dinner table and asked all present to give what they considered to be the value of the meal. Since the first Christmas Bowl began in 1949, Australian churches, across denominations, have come together to follow in Rev. Frank Byatt's footsteps and have helped to provide food, shelter, education, healthcare and training to some of the world's most vulnerable people, giving them the ability to prepare for, cope with and recover from conflict and disaster. This year, our partners in every country we work in are working to help keep people safe during COVID-19. Act for Peace supports partners on the ground to respond to emergencies and implement long-term humanitarian and development programs, as well as advocacy initiatives responding to the needs of communities in protracted conflicts or disaster affected regions. Together, we will continue the tradition of the Christmas Bowl to build the foundations for real and lasting peace and make a growing difference to communities where it's needed most.



Merry Christmas!

In Zimbabwe, the coronavirus is pushing already vulnerable families to the brink without the support they need to survive. Through your gift this Christmas Bowl, Act for Peace's local partner will help families like Martha's to grow their own food and become more food secure.

This Christmas, you can shine Christ's light by giving life-changing training, seeds and tools to families in Zimbabwe. **Please give today.**



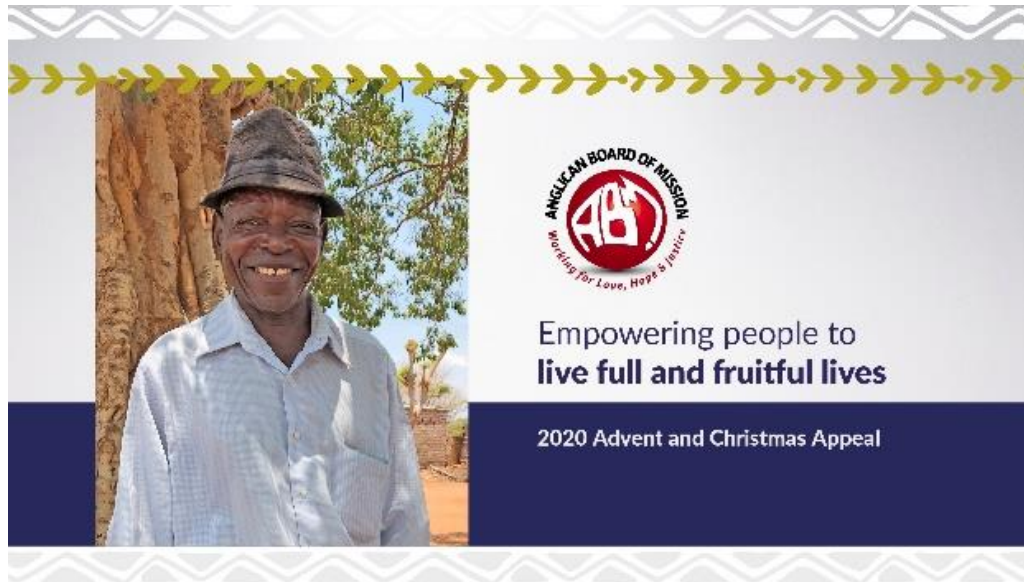
Christmas Bowl

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 86 619 970 188

Missions

Advent/Christmas envelopes are available.



The Advent and Christmas Appeal has three projects.

Wontulp-Bi-Buya and Nungalinya Colleges both train Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders to become future leaders.

Kenya Livelihoods Project supports poor farmers to farm sustainably in semi-arid lands.

Zambia Integrated Gender Project supports men and women in Eastern Zambia to say 'NO' to gender-based violence, and provides counselling and livelihood support to survivors as well as training community members in Savings with Education so all can access a brighter future.

You may find more information about the featured projects on the ABM website at abmission.org/projects. ABM's Advent Study, Songs from a Strange Land, is available at <https://tinyurl.com/Songs-in-a-Strange-Land>

Name Missions Account Account BSB 705077 Account Number 00041087

ONLINE SERVICES THIS WEEK

The Weekly and mid-week Eucharists and the Morning and Evening offices continue to be distributed online via **You Tube** and **Facebook** at **8.30am** and **5.30pm** each day.

We encourage you to share these resources widely during this time.

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| Monday 28 December <i>Holy Innocents</i> | 8.30am | The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer |
| Tuesday 29 December <i>Thomas Becket</i> | 8.30am | The Reverend Canon Janet Killen |
| Wednesday 30 December <i>Josephine Butler, social reformer</i> | 8.30am | The Reverend Nicole Baldwin |
| Thursday 31 December <i>John Wycliffe, teacher & reformer</i> | 8.30am | The Reverend Canon Andrew Eaton |
| Friday 1 January | 8.30am | The Reverend Stephen Williams |
| Saturday 2 January | 8.30am | The Reverend Angela Peverell |

**Please send any notices for inclusion in the pew sheet to
cathedral@newcastlecathedral.org.au
 by 9am on Tuesday**

FACT SHEET No.6

SAFE ENTRY AND EXIT OF THE CHURCH BUILDING

COVID-19 SAFE RETURN TO CHURCH FRAMEWORK STEP TWO

The **health and safety** of all workers, volunteers and participants attending our sites is paramount. The increase in the numbers of parishioners that are now able to attend sites brings some additional complexities in moving people safely into and out of our buildings.

Requirements of the Parish:

Entry

- ✓ The church site will not open until 15 minutes before the service. Any access to the site should remain closed until this time.
- ✓ On booking, parishioners must be advised that they should proceed directly to the entry point of the building and not to gather in the carpark or waiting area.
- ✓ A designated entry point should be established, and parishioners asked to social distance while moving into the building.
- ✓ An authorised representative must be designated to direct parishioners to their seats. This will ensure that social distancing is complied with and only the allocated seating is used.
- ✓ The parish must develop a plan to move parishioners safely into their allocated seating. This plan must include details of what order seats will be filled to avoid pushing past occupied seating.

Exiting

- ✓ At the conclusion of the service the Incumbent, Churchwarden or Authorised Representative must direct parishioners on how to safely leave the building.
- ✓ The whole congregation should not leave the building at the same time, small groups should be asked to leave with the groups closest to the exit point leaving first.
- ✓ The church site will be closed 15 minutes after the service. A reminder must be provided to leave the site directly after the service. This should be monitored by the Churchwarden or Authorised Representative.

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