



Christ Church Cathedral and St Peter's Hamilton

52 Church Street, Newcastle
148 Denison Street, Hamilton



Welcome to worship today, especially all who are visiting
Weekly News Sunday 3 December 2023

ADVENT I



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Services Today

8.00am: Eucharist

Presider: *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*

Preacher: *The Reverend Gary Atherton*

10.00am: Sung Eucharist

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7.00pm: Advent Carols

Officiant: *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*

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Dear Parish Family

This weekend we begin the season of Advent – a time of expectation and waiting. It's easy to get caught up in the busyness around us (speaking from personal experience this week!), and keeping Advent is an intentional way to stop and reflect.

Please take advantage of:

- The Advent Carol Service on Sunday at 7.00pm.
- The Advent Bible Study hosted by Catherine and David Banney
- The incredible selection of Advent resources available from our Cathedral Shop.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to a wonderful weekend of celebration last Sunday. It was a great day – even with a storm during the Camerata Concert!

On Saturday six people will be ordained priest in the Cathedral at 10.00am. If you are able to assist with welcoming, please contact me. **FAMILIES@FIVE** has our last service for the year on Saturday at 5.00pm – come along for very dynamic and mobile worship and lots of fun!

CRUISE SHIPS: There is a Cruise Ship berthing in Newcastle on Monday at midday. If you are able to pop into the Cathedral to help welcome people throughout the afternoon, that would be greatly appreciated.

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s a Parish Community we are committed to the ongoing work of being a safe, welcoming, inclusive, and affirming place for all. We are committed to the journey of *Makarrata* – reconciliation with First Nations peoples. Thank you also for your ongoing prayers for our LGBTQIA+ community, at this time when their validity and identity continues to be challenged and questioned.

WHAT'S HAPPENING...

NEWS: This is our parish pewslip. If you have news, or items for the pewslip, please send them to Sharon in the parish office. We love contributions!

COVID AND ATTENDING WORSHIP: COVID is on the rise again! The aged care residences in our parish now require us to take a RAT before attending, and wear masks at all times. Please continue to be mindful of COVIDSafe practices as we gather, and to be mindful of our own health and vulnerabilities as well as those in our community. Please strongly consider wearing a mask in places, including church, where you feel you are not able to adequately maintain physical distancing.

ADVENT RESOURCES: The Cathedral Shop has many excellent resources for Advent, including individual studies, candles, and traditional Advent Calendars. There are also wonderful nativity sets and Christmas decorations and cards for sale. Please shop local and support our shop!

ADVENT CAROLS: Will be on Advent Sunday at 7.00pm. This is a beautiful and reflective way to enter the season of anticipation and expectation, and take a break from the busyness! Details are in the pewslip.

SAMARITANS CHRISTMAS APPEAL: Details for how to support the Samaritans Christmas Appeal are in the pewslip.

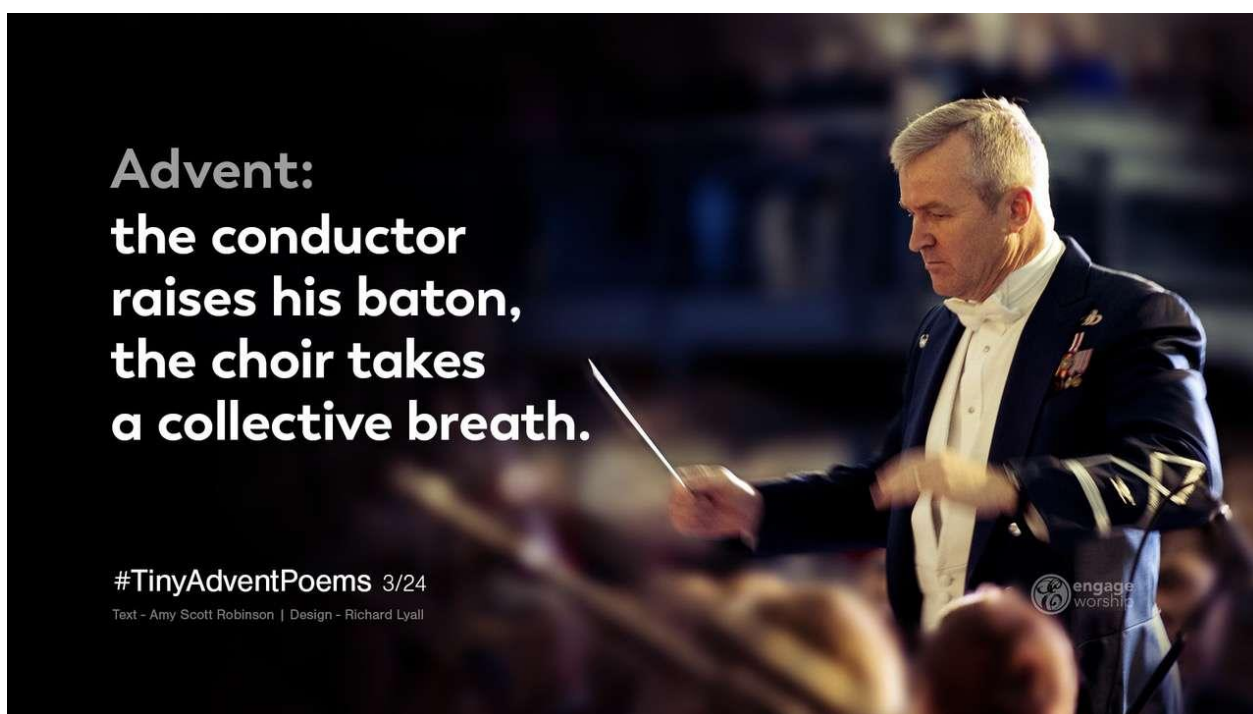
LIVESTREAM: The Livestream is back! The easiest way to connect to the livestream is through the cathedral YouTube channel:

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

The sacrament is administered in both kinds. You are welcome to receive in one or both kinds. We ask that you do not intinct (dip) the host.

Finally, this week's poem is a picture!

With our Advent Carols this weekend, I thought this was very apt. It also reminds us to watch, and remember to breathe – as Julian of Norwich says, “*All shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well.*”



**With my thanks and prayers,
Dean Katherine**

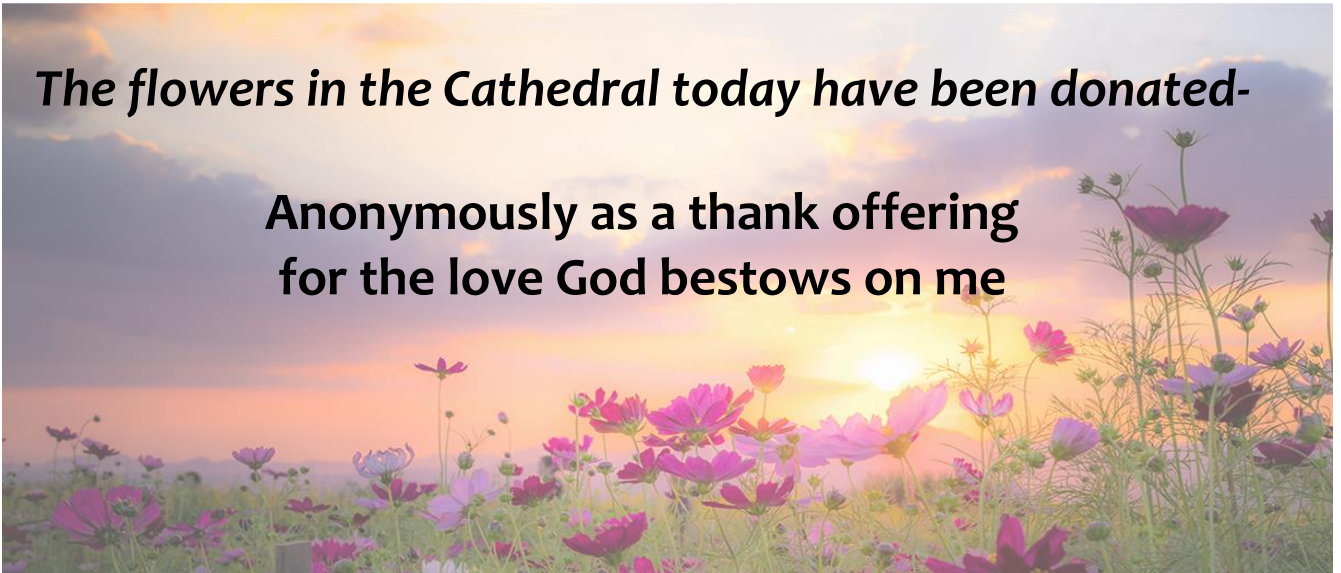
Ps: Please share this email with others who would like to hear news of the parish.

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 flowers in the Cathedral today have been donated-

***Anonymously as a thank offering
for the love God bestows on me***



What are we waiting for? ***Three studies for Advent***

*Advent, we are told, is a time of waiting. But what exactly are we waiting for?
Please join us for study, prayer and fellowship as we prepare to celebrate Christmas.*

7.30-9.00pm
Wednesdays in Advent
(December 6, 13, 20)

Venue: 6 Burke St, New Lambton
(Home of David and Catherine Banney)

All are welcome - if you could let us know that you are
coming that would be helpful, but not essential:
dabanney@gmail.com



Looking for accommodation

Patricia is coming to work in a research job with the University of New South Wales (UNSW), Sydney and is looking for accommodation in Newcastle. A single older woman, she was hoping a parishioner may have a roomy one bedroom, a self-contained part of a house, or a granny flat she could rent. Close to public transport would be helpful. Please contact the Cathedral office if you can help – 49 29 2052.

Music this Sunday

8am – Eucharist

Hymns - 265, 264, 527, 272

10am - Eucharist

Setting – Missa mundi (Plainsong)

Psalm 44

Anthem – E'en so, Lord Jesus (Manz)

Hymns - 265, 264, 527, 272

Keith Murree-Allen (organ)

Gavin Clark (cello)

7pm – Festival of Lessons and Carols for Advent

Including: E'en so, Lord Jesus (Manz), There is no rose (Koppin),
Never weather-beaten sail (Wood), O come, O come, Emmanuel
(Traditional), Adam lay ybounden (Ord), Advent Prose (Banney)

David Drury (organ)

Music notes

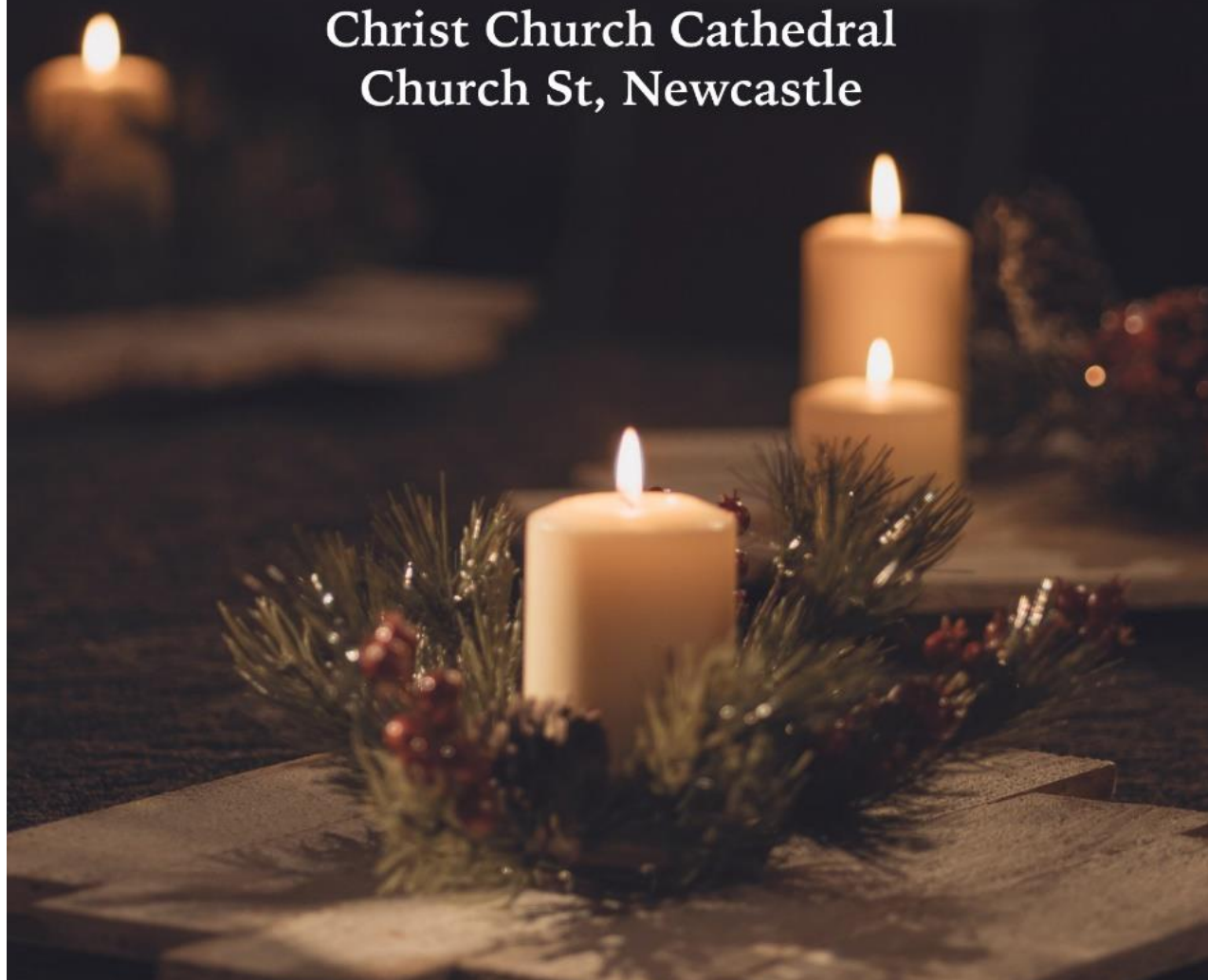
The first Sunday in Advent marks a New Year for the church, and as is so often the case the church turns things upside down! Instead of parties and presents, we mark Advent as a time of meditation and preparation - fasting before the Feast of Christmas - and our music reflects this. In some parts of Europe, the organ is ceremonially closed at the beginning of Advent, and not opened again until Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve. We don't go quite that far, but we do observe a musical fast to some degree, keeping the grand sounds of the organ only for accompanying the hymns, while our Mass settings, Canticles, anthems and other things being sung by the choir without accompaniment. This Sunday's Mass setting takes us back to some of the earliest music of the church - plainsong melodies that were collected and published in the seventh Century, but probably much older than that. In our Eucharist, the choir is accompanied simply by a solo cello. Our evening service is one of the great liturgies of the year - Lessons and Carols for Advent - with a wealth of beautiful music from many times and many places.

LESSONS & CAROLS for ADVENT

A service of readings and exquisite music
as we prepare for Christmas.

7pm, Sunday, December 3

Christ Church Cathedral
Church St, Newcastle





Top End Music

Come and hear David Banney, Rosemary Ponnekanti, and Bianca Ponnekanti reflect on their experiences of music in the Top End. Hear the Tope End Suite composed as part of this trip. Sunday 17th December, during the 8.00am, 10.00am, and 6.00pm services. Read more about the trip here: topendmusic.com

Samaritans

Christmas Appeal

www.samaritans.org.au/donate

THE TRIVIA NIGHT IS NEXT WEEKEND!

An exciting evening of entertainment and challenging questions is being planned and you don't want to miss out! Organise a table of 6-8 or send Sharon your numbers and I will collate a table for you. Please see the included flyer for more info. Bookings are made through the Cathedral office.

DON'T WORRY, IF YOU ARE UNDECIDED BY CLOSE OF OFFICE FRIDAY, THERE WILL BE TICKETS AT THE DOOR SATURDAY NIGHT.



REMEMBER TO WEAR SOMETHING FESTIVE!



Raffle

**Supporting
Christ Church Cathedral Choir's
UK Tour in 2025**

\$2 each or 3 for \$5

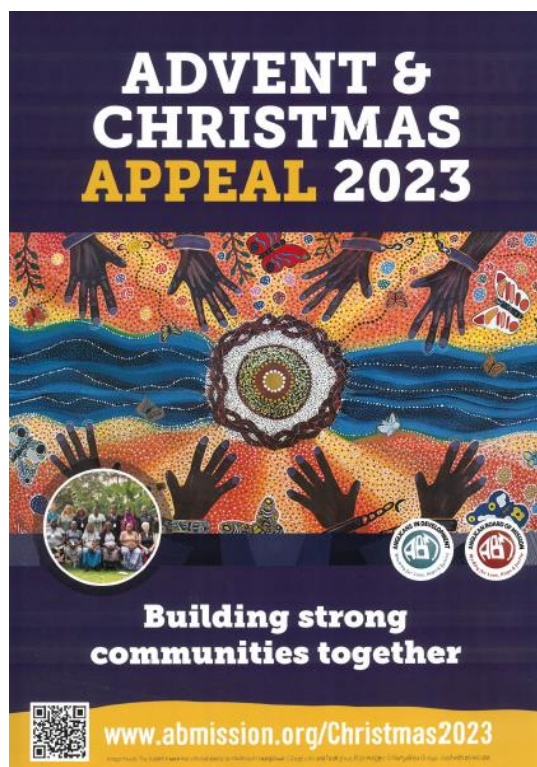
Prizes Include:

Valued at \$20-150

- ❖ Movie vouchers
- ❖ Food/wine hampers
- ❖ Café and restaurant vouchers
- ❖ Many more assorted prizes

Raffle drawn 9th December at trivia

Tickets will be sold this weekend after church services.



ONE EUCHARIST SUNDAYS AT THE CATHEDRAL ALL AT 9.00AM

**NOVEMBER
26**

**Christ the King - Patronal Festival
Celebrate together at 9.00am.
Morning Tea afterwards.**

**DECEMBER
24**

**Sunday Morning - Advent 4
Eucharist at 9.00am.
Christmas Services in the afternoon.**

**DECEMBER
31**

**New Year's Eve - Sunday 9.00am.
Come and give thanks for all that has
been, and pray for the New Year.**



Cathedral things to remember...

Although the weather is warmer, it can be cold and damp for the homeless, please donate new socks if you can.



We are still collecting suitable material for the wonderful team who make beautiful blankets to comfort the homeless. Please leave material if you have any.

Donate to the Cathedral's restoration, buy and lay a paver for your furry friend.


Contact the office for details.



Anytime you can spare a little food for the CCC pantry and Samaritans it would be hugely appreciated.

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 December 10, CHRISTMAS and 31. Also January 7, 14 and 21.



CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY LUNCHESES

The Cathedral Community Lunches Program continues to offer a hot meal **every second Sunday at 12.30pm** from the Horbury Hunt Hall.

Thankyou to the dedicated volunteers who are ensuring this important outreach program continues to operate.

The next Community Lunch will be this Sunday 3 December.

Electronic Giving

If you are one of the very generous people who donate electronically to the Cathedral, sometimes this needs to be “reset” with your financial institute. Several people have dropped off not knowing there was an issue with their bank.

**EUCCHARISTS at CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
and ST PETER'S HAMILTON**

CATHEDRAL

8.00am and 10.00am

Monday – Friday 8.30am

ST PETER'S

Tuesday and Thursday 11.00am

Newcastle Cathedral mainly music is a fun group for children aged 0 to 5 years and their parents or carers. Each session incorporates action songs and games that help to develop gross and fine motor skills, language and creativity.

**The cost is \$5 per family –
your first session is free!**

**10:00am to 11:30 every Thursday during school
terms in 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.

SERVICES DURING THE WEEK IN THE CATHEDRAL

All services in the St Christopher Chapel. Please enter through the transept doors.

Monday 4 December	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am – Eucharist	The Rev'd Gary Atherton
Tuesday 5 December	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist	The Rev'd Dr Julia Perry
Wednesday 6 December	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist	The Bishop
Thursday 7 December	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist	The Rev'd Mel Nelson
Friday 8 December	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am – Eucharist	The Dean

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 10 December 2023 AT THE CATHEDRAL Advent 2

8.00am: Eucharist

Presider: *The Reverend Gary Atherton*

Preacher: *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*

10.00am: Choral Eucharist

Presider: *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*

Preacher: *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*

7.00pm: Advent Carols

Officiant: *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*

Preacher: *The Reverend Nicholas Edwards*

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**

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

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Monday 4 December <i>Nicholas Ferrar</i>	6.00am	The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer
Tuesday 5 December	6.00am	The Reverend Canon Garry Dodd
Wednesday 6 December <i>Nicholas of Myra</i>	6.00am	Archdeacon Arthur Copeman
Thursday 7 December <i>Ambrose of Milan</i>	6.00am	The Reverend Angela Peverell
Friday 8 December <i>Conception BVM</i>	6.00am	The Reverend Canon Andrew Eaton
Saturday 9 December	6.00am	The Reverend Amanda Brockwell

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**



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