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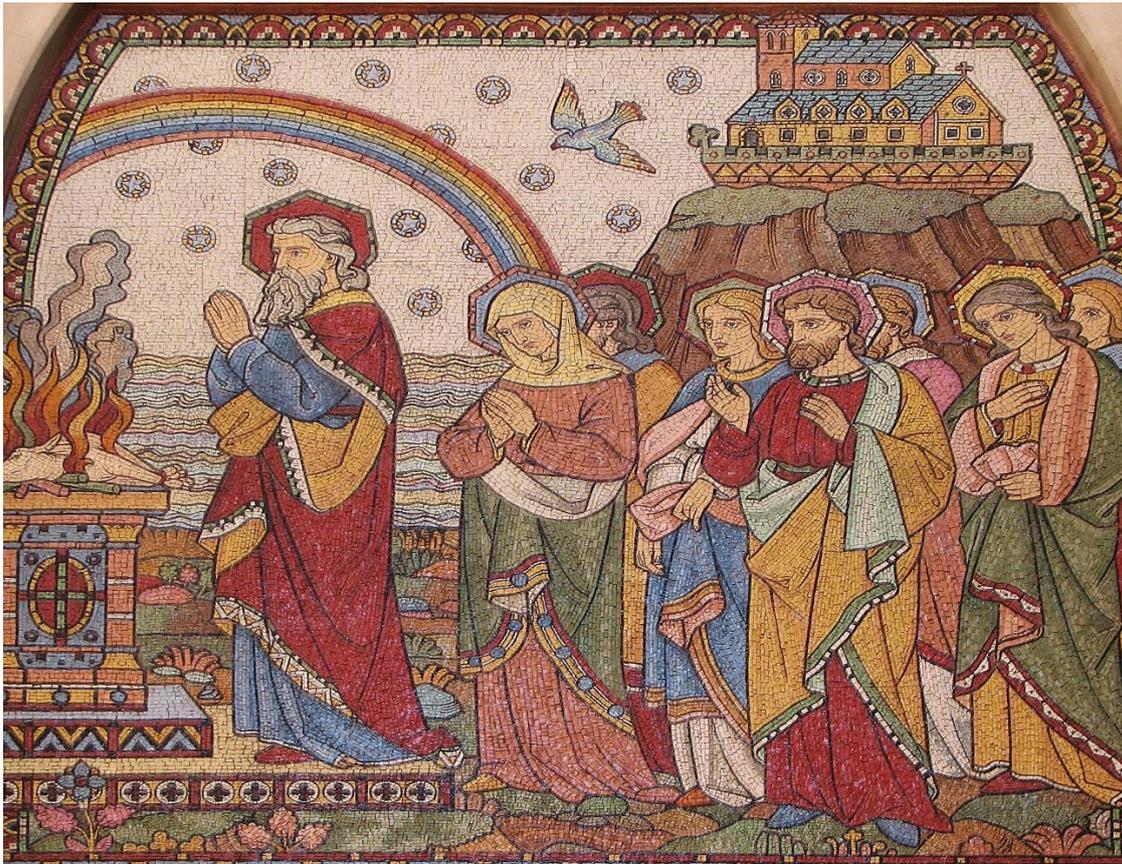
148 Denison Street, Hamilton



Welcome to worship today, especially all who are visiting

Weekly News Sunday 18 February 2024

Lent I



Executed by Alexander Gibbs, this is one of a series of mosaics on the walls of Butterfield's Keble College chapel in Oxford.
Photo credit: Lawrence OP

Services Today

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Dear Parish Family

This week we have learnt the sad news of the death Of Anita Berghout, who worshipped faithfully at the Cathedral with her husband Bob, until ill health prevented her attendance. Anita's funeral is at the Willows Uniting Church at Warners Bay at 10.00am on Saturday 17th February. We have also learnt of the death of Russ Cooper, a faithful parishioner at East Maitland, and father of the Reverend Mark Cooper, Rector of Mayfield-Islington, and a good friend of the Cathedral.

Rest eternal grant to them, O lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.

We had a beautiful and fabulous evening in the Cathedral for Shrove Tuesday. Huge thanks to Suzanne Evans and her team, who not only set up, but then spent the next day washing up! You can read a longer report from Suzanne in the pewslip.

Our Ash Wednesday services were deeply profound, and well attended – despite the weather on Wednesday evening.

In the pewslip, and with the email bundle, you'll find resources for Lent, including Catherine Banney's Lenten Study *PRAY*. Printed copies are available at the cathedral and St Peter's Hamilton.

I was talking with a visitor on Thursday, who remarked at the steady number of people who come through the Cathedral doors. This is a special gift that we offer as a Cathedral, and I am thankful to the volunteers – especially our assistant vergers and shop volunteers – who make a welcoming space. Being a place of prayer is part of our commitment as a Parish Community 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!

CATHEDRAL DAILY EUCHARISTS continue, and it has been lovely to be joined by visitors to the Cathedral over these days. Why not join us one morning too? Monday-Friday, 8.30am, except on Public Holidays.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMME: The Anglican Parish of Gresford-Paterson recently took up a collection in memory of Margie Plain, my sister who died in March last year. Margie was a much-loved member of the parish, who, in the words of the parishioners, “showed us that though we are small, we can make a big difference”.

Margie encouraged the parish to support programmes such as our Parish Pantry, Community Lunch, and Mission to Seafarers. In the pewslip, you'll see some photos of their generous gift of love.

COVID AND ATTENDING WORSHIP: COVID is on the rise again! 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.

LENTEN RESOURCES: Please check the pewslip for the many resources available this Lent, *especially*, the resources available through our **Cathedral Shop**.

LIVESTREAM: The easiest way to connect to the livestream (when it is working! 😊) 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 by Jan Richardson. I have been talking with a colleague about finding light in the midst of darkness, and the challenges of this with all that is happening in our lives and in the world. Jan Richardson's poem was a gift to me this Ash Wednesday. I pray it may likewise be gift for you.

THE WAY THAT ASHES KNOW A Blessing for Ash Wednesday

So let the ashes come
as beginning
and not as end;
the first sign
but not the final.
Let them rest upon you
as invocation and invitation,
and then let them take you
the way that ashes know
to go.

May they mark you
with the memory of fire
and of the life
that came before the burning:
the life that rises and returns
and finds its way again.

See what shimmers
amid their darkness,
what endures
within their dust.

See how they draw us
toward the mystery
that will consume
but not destroy,
that will blossom
from the blazing,
that will scorch us
with its joy.

Jan Richardson 1967-

**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.*



Music this Sunday

8am Eucharist

Hymns: 194, 250, 527, 591

10am Eucharist

Introit: Miserere (Purcell)

Setting: Mass for 4 voices (Byrd): Kyrie, Sanctus, Agnus Dei (plainsong Benedictus)

Psalm 25: 1-10 (Goss)

Anthem: Ave verum (Byrd)

Hymns: 194, 250, 527, 591

Organist: Gerard Nicholls

6pm Evensong - Turning to Christ

Canticles: The Lord's Servant (Matthias), Magnificat (Morley)

Psalm 26 (Elvey)

Anthem: Remember not (Purcell)

Hymns: 591, 624, 463

Organist: Gerard Nicholls

Music notes

One of the most common questions in Christian circles this week will be 'What are you giving up for Lent?' Each of us will have our own answers and reasons – in our music we observe the season in part by 'giving up' the rich, comforting sounds of the organ, at least in its role as accompanist for the choir (the organ will still play an important role in the hymns and other parts of the service). Instead, our music will feature unaccompanied music for the choir, from plainsong through the music of the 1500s, right up to brand new music composed here in Newcastle. This week's music includes the glorious music of the sixteenth-century English composer William Byrd, written at a time when the world seemed at least as unsettled as it does today. Torn between monarchs who supported Rome and those who favoured reform, even using Latin instead of English, or vice versa, could have been enough to be tried and executed for treason.

This music is more than simply beautiful – there is a toughness that no doubt reflects the troubled times in which it was composed. Byrd’s career took place at a time when English music and liturgy was establishing itself in the forms that we know and love today, and two other greats of that tradition feature in our Evensong – Thomas Morley, who was a contemporary of Byrd, and Henry Purcell, who lived a century later, and was the last great English composer before the ‘dark ages’ of English music, revived in the 1800s by composers such as Wesley, Parry and Elgar.

For the diary

Lenten Concerts – tickets on sale online soon, or at the door

March 3, 12 noon – Cathedral Brass – beautiful music for brass based in Lenten themes.

March 17, 12 noon – Christ Church Camerata Trio (David Banney, Sandra Fitzgerald and Gavin Clark) with Erin Sweetman (piano) in music of Bach, Fauré, Satie, Clara Schumann and David Banney

Have you heard of the Cathedral Prayer Chain?

This chain consists of a group of Cathedral parishioners, who prayer for those who want us to prayer for them or someone near to them. All names put forward remain completely confidential with in the group. This is different from the Cathedral prayer list. We meet monthly on the first Friday following the Eucharist. If you feel you would like to join this group please contact

Virginia Wheeler on 4926 1979.

Shrove Tuesday.....

An enormous thank you to all who went the extra mile to ensure our Shrove Tuesday Party was a delightful occasion for our guests. We especially thank Dean Katherine for allowing us the use of the Cathedral and for the promotion, Matthew Watson, David Banney and Rosie Murree-Allen, who despite many problems, was with us working away in true Rosie style. We also extend our gratitude to the Newcastle Grammar School, David Frazer, Ross Peverill and the wonderful men of the Property Team, Nicolette Thomas, who spent one Saturday wrapping the breakable items ready for the move over to the Cathedral, Elizabeth Epstein, who kindly washed dishes yesterday, our donors of batter, the chefs, those who served the Pancakes and of course our guests, who arrived ready to “party”. It has been estimated that there were around 90 in attendance.

All proceeds from the evening will go towards our Outreach Programme so we may continue to care for those in need. When we have a figure, I shall pass the news onto you all.

Once again “thank you” team for a job well done

Suzanne and Andrew



Dear Friends

Bula Vinaka from Fiji!

I have returned this week to continue in my role as Senior Lecturer in Theology and Ethics at the Pacific Theological College in Suva. What a delight it is to be with friends and colleagues again as we await the arrival of students, continuing and new, from all around Oceania. I'm excited to be teaching Pasifika Theology and Ethics first up.

Today I joined again the community of the Holy Trinity Cathedral of Suva and received a warm welcome from old friends (and the choir). I greeted them on behalf of Bishop Peter, Dean Katherine, and the Christ Church community, and sent special greetings from the former Dean, Fr Melbourne Nelson. There were many tears of joy to hear these greetings, so I wanted to let you know that the connection between our two cathedrals is still strong and hearty.



Just before I left Australia I was involved in the XIV International Bonhoeffer Congress, held for the first time on our shores. It was a really wonderful event, steering our scholarly community in a decolonizing, decentering direction. I'll share more about that soon.

For now, on this very hot and humid afternoon under the palm trees and by the lagoon, I send my warm wishes and blessings from Fiji.

Di Rayson, Lay Canon



**As we have had some very hot days.
please think about bringing water with you
to church as it can get quite warm inside.**

ERIN SWEETMAN IN CONCERT

CHOPIN Nocturnes
BRAHMS Intermezzo
RACHMANINOFF Prelude
music of Ravel

One of Newcastle's favourite musicians, Erin Sweetman returns to the Cathedral after a triumphant performance of Rhapsody in Blue in last year's Newcastle Music Festival.



12noon, Feb 18
Christ Church Cathedral

Tickets
\$15 (Adults), \$10 (Concession)
\$40 (Family)



Available at the door or online - follow the QR code

www.newcastlecathedral.org.au

Lent: A Season of Reflection and Repentance

Resources for the Journey

LENTEN STUDIES:

+ From Tuesday 20th February, there will be a study group meeting in the St Christopher Chapel to use the ABM Lenten Study book. Hard copies are \$12, or please contact Dean Katherine for the link to purchase and download a soft copy.

+ Catherine Banney has prepared a study for individuals to use, *PRAY*, and this is available at the Cathedral, St Peter's, and electronically.

+ Information about online Lenten Studies is in the pewslip.

THE LENTEN CONCERT SERIES:

+ The Lenten Concert Series starts on Sunday 18th February at 12.00pm. Details are in the pewslip.

LENTEN EVENSONG:

+ Throughout Lent, our sermons at Evensong will be looking at our baptismal promises, and what it is to live as a disciple of Christ. Sundays, 6pm, at the Cathedral.

Wednesday 28th February 2024 at 8 pm

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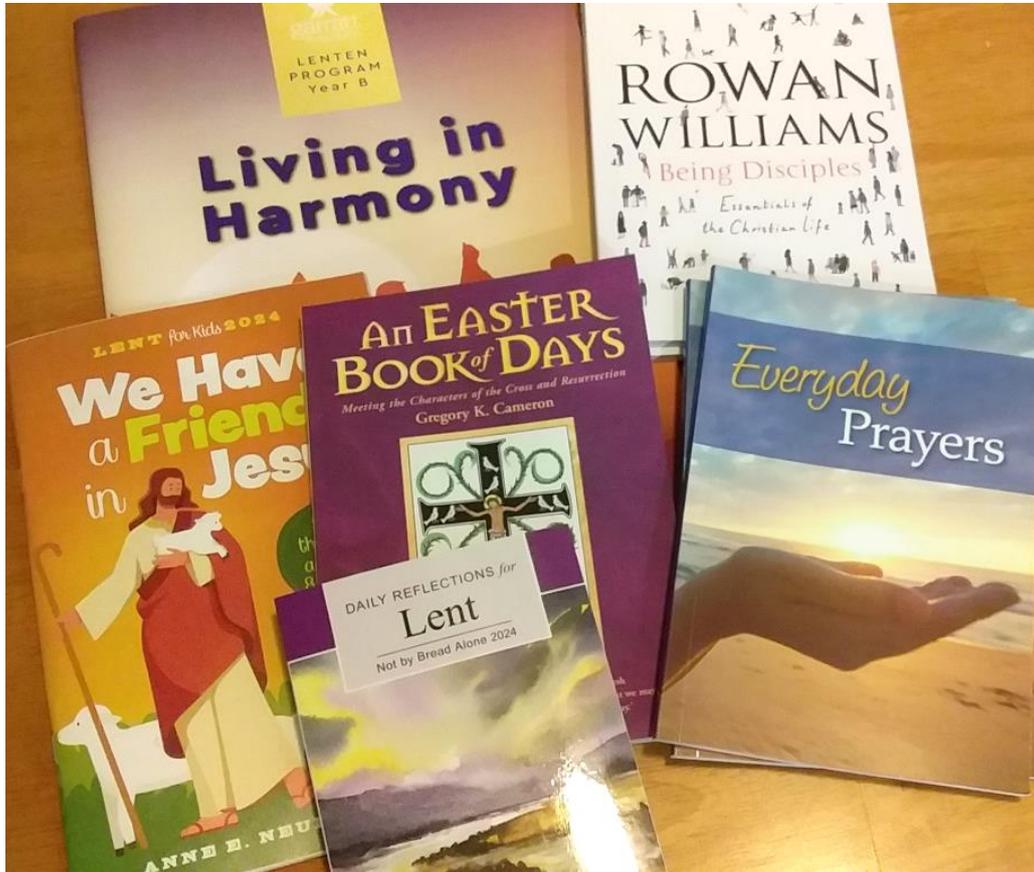
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Cathedral Shop

New books for personal Lenten studies or devotions



Titles now available:

Living in Harmony – reflections for the Sundays of Lent with various authors including Joan Chittister \$9.00

Easter Book of Days – daily reflections by Gregory K Cameron, bishop of St Asaph, Wales \$33.00

Not by Bread Alone – daily reflections for Lent by Catherine Upchurch \$9.00

Everyday Prayers - not specifically for Lent, 30 days of morning and evening prayers by Allan Schreiber (Australian) \$8.00

Being Disciples – Rowan Williams \$30.00

And for the children

We Have a Friend in Jesus- daily thoughts, activities and prayers \$6.00

Easter cards and bookmarks are also now available.



Once again we are delighted to present a series of Lent talks by four Australian biblical scholars from Yarra Theological Union, a College of the University of Divinity. Each week this group of accomplished guides will work together to explore the readings for the week.

Speaking to us from their own area of expertise will be:

Prof Mary Coloe PBVM

Dr Mary Reaburn NDS

Dr Chris Monaghan CP

Dr Janina Hiebel

This is a perfect opportunity to enrich your Lenten journey.

EVENT DETAILS

When: Mondays – February 12, 19, 26 and March 4, 11, 18

Time: 7.00pm – 8.00pm AEDT*

Where: Via Zoom meeting

Cost: Free

Registration: <https://garratt1.wufoo.com/forms/wh7c35c0qssb9w/>

Online registration is essential. Zoom meeting details will be forwarded after registration.

Accreditation is to be confirmed.

The presentations will be recorded and made available after the session. We will send an email with details on how to access the video once it is available.

SOUND THE TRUMPET!

"...played with flawless precision and impeccable taste... the new standard for baroque trumpet performance."

2.30pm, Sunday, March 24
Christ Church Cathedral

John Foster (trumpet)
Christ Church Camerata
David Banney (conductor)

HAYDN Trumpet Concerto in E flat
MOZART Symphony No 38 ('Prague')
HAYDN Serenade (From String Quartet in F)
JOHN FOSTER Concertino (World Premiere)
RAMEAU Overture from Naïs

TICKETS (Available at the Box Office or online* via the website or QR code)

\$45 (Adult) \$35 (Concession)
\$100 (Family) \$15 (School Student)

*Prices inclusive of online booking fees.

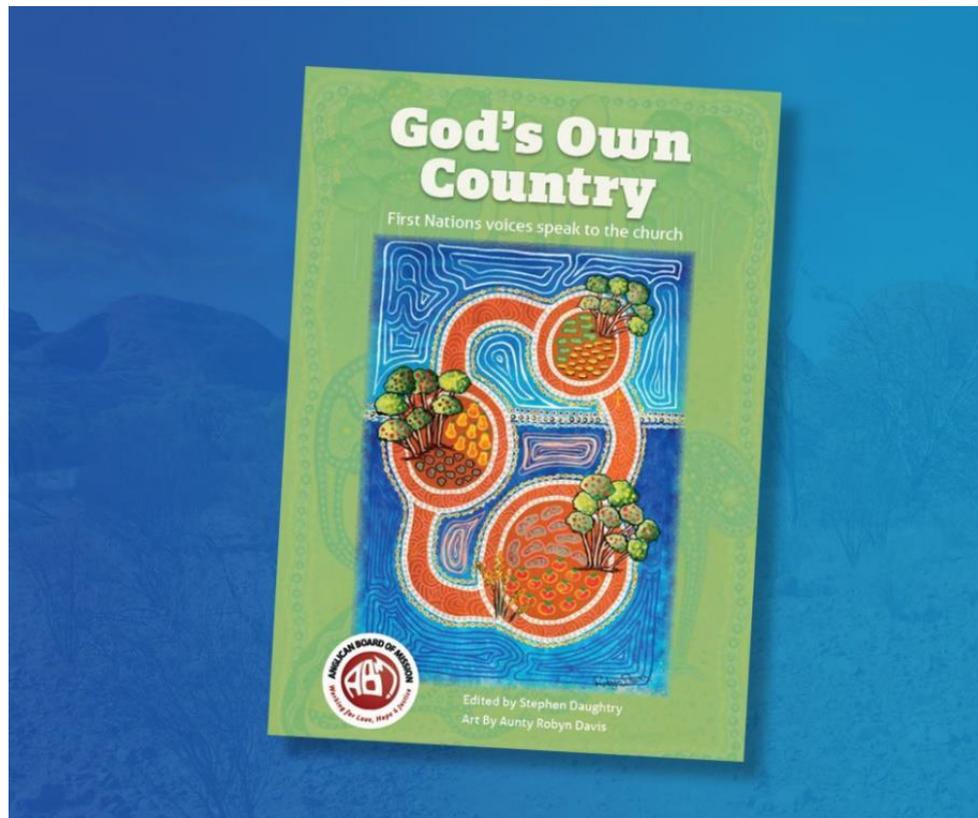
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God's Own Country - ABM's Lenten Study

Tuesdays: 5pm Christ Church Cathedral



The Study group will meet on Tuesdays at 5.00pm in the Christopher Chapel, commencing Tuesday 20th February. Books are available for \$12. An e-book option is also be available – please contact Dean Katherine for details.

First Nations leaders and clergy from the Anglican Church, generously offer theological insights and personal reflections that help us to hear the VOICE of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people of faith.

Based on the Seven Days of Creation and with stunningly beautiful paintings by the Rev'd Aunty Robyn Davis, 'God's Own Country' is an essential, life-giving and challenging study.

In our struggle to become an authentically Australian church, what better resource could we turn to than the voices of leaders who draw on vibrant Christian faith and a 60,000 year old understanding of God's relationship with the land and people of the country we call Australia.

Dig your fingers in to the soil of '**God's Own Country**', and discover more about the God we love and serve.

ARRCC community organising skills workshop

People of faith and spirituality want to pass on to our children an environment which is still beautiful, safe and liveable. Would you like to be part of a team of people committed to bringing together people of faith in the Hunter/Newcastle area to work locally on action for a safe climate?

Hunter ARRCC invites you to an afternoon workshop with Thea Ormerod, a trained community organiser, retired social worker and ARRCC president. There will be lots of opportunity to practice skills, ask questions, share in groups, and to mingle informally.

When: Sunday, 25th February 1 pm to 5 pm – everyone is welcome for lunch at **12 noon** in the Church Café before the workshop

Where: Hamilton Wesley Uniting Church Hall,
150 – 152 Beaumont St, Hamilton. 2303.

Content: • Faith traditions and civic participation

- The glue of community organising: relational conversations
- Helpful tools in community organising; various roles in civic action, examples from active faith-based communities
- Basic tips in use of Facebook/Meta

Entry by optional donation of \$5 - \$15

RSVP:

https://www.arrcc.org.au/hunter_arrcc_community_organising_skills_workshop



In the interests of creating a safe space for people from any faith tradition or spirituality, be assured that we will not be discussing the crisis in Gaza and the Middle East. The issues around this are hugely important but our focus at this workshop will be exclusively on action for a safe climate.



Lenten Sermon
Series 2024

What was I made for?
Baptism, Promises, and
Me.

Sundays 6.00pm
Christ Church Cathedral
Newcastle

SUNDAY 18 FEBRUARY

TURNING TO CHRIST

SUNDAY 25TH FEBRUARY

REPENTING OF SIN

SUNDAY 3 MARCH

*REJECTING GREED,
FALSEHOOD AND
INJUSTICE*

SUNDAY 10 MARCH

*RENOUNCING SATAN
AND ALL EVIL*

SUNDAY 17 MARCH

*LIVING AS A
DISCIPLE*

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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 EASTER DAY, April 7,14 ,21 and 28.

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 will be Sunday 25 February 2024.

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

Sunday - 8.00am and 10.00am

Monday – Friday 8.30am

ST PETER'S

11.00am Tuesday and Thursday

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.

RECOMMENCING TERM 1, 2024



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 19 February	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist	The Reverend Gary Atherton
Tuesday 20 February	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist	The Reverend Dr Julia Perry
Wednesday 21 February	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist	The Bishop
Thursday 22 February	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist	The Dean
Friday 23 February	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist	The Dean

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 25th February 2024 AT THE CATHEDRAL

Lent 2

8.00am: Eucharist

President: *The Reverend Gary Atherton*

Preacher: *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*

10.00am: Sung Eucharist

President: *The Reverend Gary Atherton*

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ONLINE SERVICES THIS WEEK

The Weekly and mid-week Eucharists and the Morning office 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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Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/christchurchcathedralnewcastle/>

Monday 19 February	6.00am	The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer
Tuesday 20 February <i>William Grant Broughton</i>	6.00am	The reverend Nicole Baldwin
Wednesday 21 February	6.00am	Archdeacon Arthur Copeman
Thursday 22 February	6.00am	The Reverend Canon Garry Dodd
Friday 23 February <i>Polycarp</i>	6.00am	The Reverend Janet Killen
Saturday 24 February <i>MATTHIAS</i>	6.00am	The Reverend Angela Peverell

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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