



Christ Church Cathedral

52 Church Street, Newcastle

and St Peter's Hamilton

148 Denison Street, Hamilton



Welcome to worship today, especially all who are visiting
Weekly News Sunday 24 March 2024

Palm Sunday



Entering Jerusalem with glory (Serbian icon).

Services Today

8.00am: Eucharist

Presider: The Reverend Gary Atherton

Preacher: The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer

10.00am: Sung Eucharist

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7.00pm: Tenebrae

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Dear Parish Family

And all of a sudden, it's Holy Week. Our Lenten journey seems to have gathered pace this year, especially with an early start to Lent on February 14. Last Sunday evening I was looking at the half-moon, and said to David "Two weeks to go!", for Easter is the first Sunday after the full Moon that occurs on or after the equinox.

This coming week we walk the events that are central to our faith. I encourage you to attend the services across this week as you are able. In the pewslip you'll find information about worship at St Peter's and the Cathedral for Holy Week and Easter. Please share this information widely. If you're on social media (Facebook and Instagram), please share our posts.

I was reminded that we make the journey of this week as part of a great, universal family of faith. Dr Di Rayson, one of our cathedral Lay Canons, shared this photo of students weaving palms at Pacific Theological College, in Suva, Fiji. Please pray for Di, and the students at PTC.



THE OFFICE will be closed 1st – 3rd April inclusive. Emails and messages will be checked daily during that time.

Recently we were visited by a 'Mystery Worshipper' (you can read the whole review here: <https://shipoffools.com/mystery-worshipper/christ-church-cathedral-newcastle-australia/>) In addition to saying some very beautiful words about our excellent choir and musicians, one of the stock questions that the reviewers are asked is: **Did anyone welcome you personally?** This was their response: **" We received a greeting from a woman at the gift shop by the entrance and a warm greeting from a person passing out hymnals."**

FIVE GOLD STARS TO OUR WELCOMERS!

I cannot stress the vital importance of a warm personal welcome to visitors – or people you don't know. Our welcomers are amazing heroes, ***but this is all our responsibility, not solely the people at the door.*** **CAN YOU HELP WELCOME DURING OUR HOLY WEEK SERVICES?**

Please contact me or the office.

Our welcome is part of our ongoing work as a Parish Community 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 continue 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: The impact of ongoing COVID is evident in our parish family. 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.

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.

EASTER RESOURCES: Looking for an alternative to chocolatey goodness this Easter? The Cathedral shop has lots of beautiful Easter cards and gifts.

CONCERTS: In addition to the glorious music at worship, the Camerata has the first concert in its subscription series this Sunday. Details are in the pewslip. Please come and support our local musicians.

LIVESTREAM: Did you know? You can catch up on past sermons and services on the Cathedral YouTube channel, as well joining the livestream. The easiest way to connect to the livestream is through the cathedral YouTube channel:

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

Finally, this week's poem is another by R S Thomas. I am reading much of Thomas' poetry this Lent: the stark beauty of his words feeds my soul. Whilst this poem might seem more appropriate for Eastertide, I have chosen it this week for the reference to the Eucharist, the institution of which we will mark on Thursday evening. There is something powerful about mysteries ever ancient, ever new, and a reminder of our humility in the face of God.

Not the empty tomb

Not the empty tomb
but the uninhabited
cross. Look long enough
and you will see the arms
put on leaves. Not a crown
of thorns, but a crown of flowers
haloing it, with a bird singing
as though perched on paradise's threshold.

We have over-furnished
our faith. Our churches
are as limousines in the procession
towards heaven. But the verities
remain: a de-nuclearised
cross, uncontaminated
by our coinage; the chalice's
ichor; and one crumb of bread
on the tongue for the bird-like
intelligence to be made tame by.

R S Thomas 1913-2000

**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 - 333, 341, 339, 348

David Drury (organ)

10am - Choral Eucharist

Introit - Hosanna to the Son of David (Banney)

Setting - Communion Service in a minor (Darke)

Psalm 119:9-16 (Garrett)

Anthem – Christus factus est (Anerio)

Hymns - 333, 341, 339, 348

David Drury (organ)

John Foster and Graeme Reynolds (trumpets)

7pm - Tenebrae

A service of readings, prayers and meditation on the Passion of Jesus.

Music will include Tenebrae Responses (Guy), O bone Jesu (Ingegneri), Christus factus est (Anerio), Were you there (Chilcott), Drop, drop slow tears (Gibbons)

David Drury (organ)

Music notes

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week, and the journey to Easter Day, via Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. Our Eucharist begins by recalling the events of Palm Sunday, with trumpet fanfares and the choir singing outside the Cathedral. Reflecting the excitement of the Palm Sunday story, we break from our 'organ fast', with the organ accompanying the choir in the beautiful Communion Service in a minor by Harold Darke. As the service progresses, the focus changes towards the events of Good Friday. In the evening we experience the depth of the Tenebrae liturgy – a service of readings focused on the Passion of Jesus, featuring a rich musical setting of the Tenebrae Responses by Peter Guy.

we need you!

WORKING BEE

9am - 12pm
 Saturday 30th March 2024
 Christ Church Cathedral

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 Nais

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.

www.cccamerata.com.au

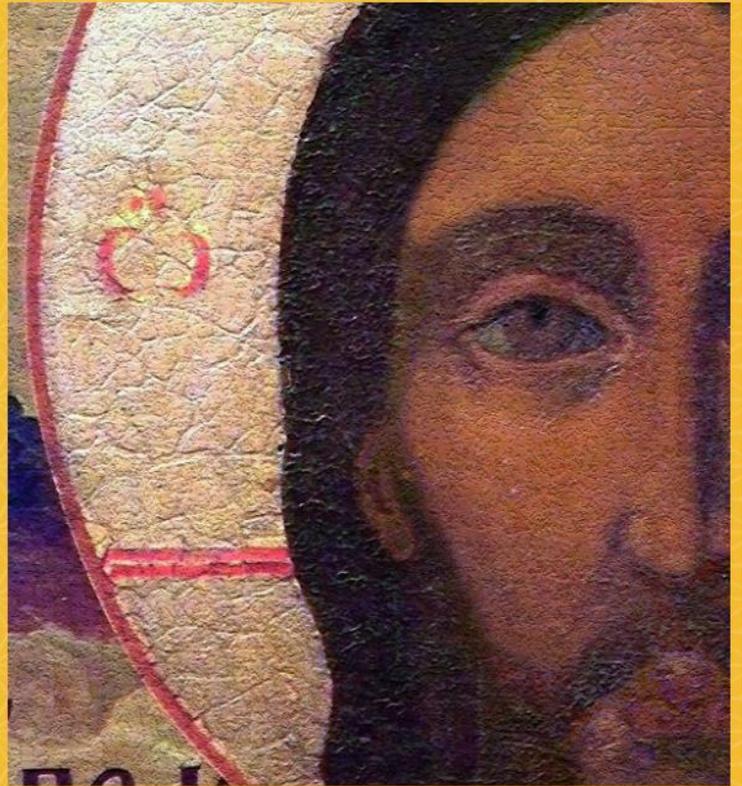
Good Friday and Easter

St Peter's Anglican Church
148 Denison Street
Hamilton

Good Friday: 9.00am

Easter Day: 9:00am

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HOLY WEEK & EASTER

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

MAUNDY THURSDAY:

7.30PM EUCHARIST OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

GOOD FRIDAY:

8.00AM MORNING PRAYER AND LITANY

10.00AM FAMILY SERVICE

12.00PM SOLEMN LITURGY

6.00PM TAIZE

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EASTER EVE:

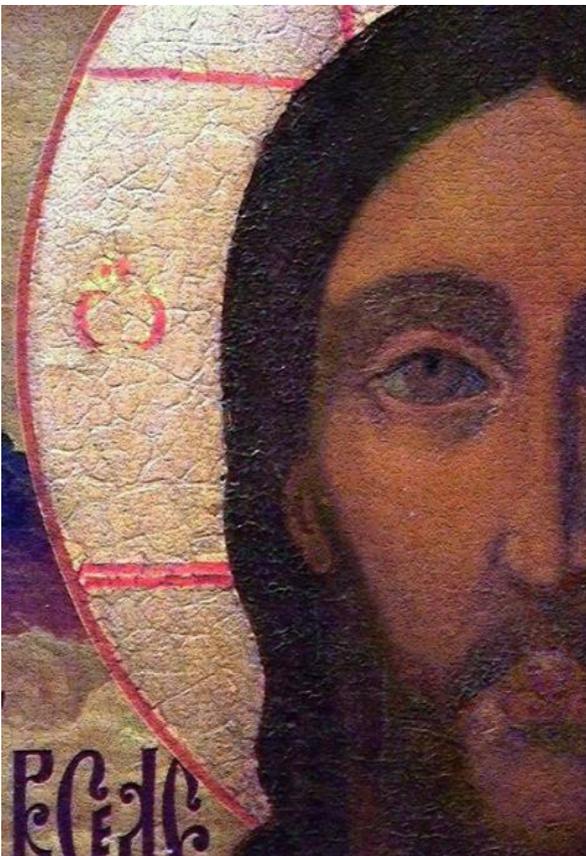
7.00PM THE GREAT VIGIL

EASTER DAY:

8.00AM SUNG EUCHARIST

10.00AM CHORAL EUCHARIST

6.00PM FESTAL EVENSONG



This Easter, we welcome you to contribute to the vital work of the Anglican Board of Mission's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Mission Grants.

Mission Grants are overseen by the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Commission (NATSIAC).

These are small grants, usually less than \$20,000, which support the ministry and mission of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Recent grants have supported ministries as varied as a women's bible camp in the Northern Territory, school chaplaincy in a Western Australian Aboriginal Community College, teenage pregnancy support in central New South Wales, and help with transport for Aboriginal ministry in the Diocese of Willochra.



The Reverend Canon Auntie Di Langham shared with us the impact that one such Mission Grant has had on her community at Toronto, NSW. Auntie Di is a Buandik woman, the chairperson of the Nikinpa Elders and the Director of Reconciliation at the Newcastle Anglican Diocese.

"I've been the recipient of Mission Grants, and for me, it's probably the only way that we can get funding to do Indigenous ministries. It just means a lot; it takes a worry out of your space when you're trying to organise to have different ministries in your community."

The last grant I got has to do with Indigenous ministries working alongside Toronto Anglican Church. We've been doing what we call campfire ministry, where we hold a service that we call Yinbillikin, which is a local word for 'light the fire'. There are a lot of struggles in our community, so we thought this would be a good word for our ministries.

We start at five o'clock on a Sunday night, and we usually have a meal... a lot of our people here are dependent upon food banks and different charities for food at the moment... we share a meal on the Sunday night so that the kids and the families are fed for the beginning of the week.

We then have a service around a campfire. Yinbillikin has an Indigenous flavour to it, with Indigenous prayers and songs.

We hold Yinbillikin once a month and have between 30 and 40 people come along."

For those who minister, like Auntie Di, the grants are imperative to bring communities together through these unique and culturally inclusive initiatives.

"Without the Mission Grants, we wouldn't be able to run it at all. The grants from ABM have been a seeding of a ministry that can then extend.

ABM has always been really supportive of Aboriginal ministries or ministries for people who are on the fringes of the church."

Your gift to this appeal will support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglicans as they witness to the Good News of Jesus.



Photo of Auntie Di. © Brad Chapman, ABM.

Photo of artwork painted by Auntie Di's daughter Belinda Roberts specifically for NATSIAC gathering 2023. © Belinda Roberts, 2023. Used with permission.

EASTER GIFT 2024

PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ,
your love for us stretches from heaven to earth,
from beyond the grave to us here in this life,
from celestial eternity to our time-bound existence.

Help us, your servants, to share that love
– as you have commanded us to do
– in practical ways.

During Easter, may we share that love by encouraging our
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander sisters and brothers
through our giving towards the mission grants which
support them to take their rightful place in the Church.

Send your Spirit to urge us to pray for partners,
and to stand with them in effective and down-to-earth
ways, for it is in truly loving them that we show our
genuine love for you.

Hear this prayer for your love's sake.

Amen.



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 and 21,

May 5, 12, 19 and 26.

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 this Sunday 24 March 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

NO SERVICE THURSDAY 28th March

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 25 March	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist	The Reverend Gary Atherton
Tuesday 26 March	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist	The Reverend Dr Julia Perry
Wednesday 27 March	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist	The Bishop
Thursday 28 March	8.00am - Morning Prayer and Litany	The Dean
Friday 29 March	8.00am - Liturgy	The Bishop

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 31 March 2024 AT THE CATHEDRAL

Easter Day

8.00am: Eucharist

Presider: *The Right Reverend Dr Peter Stuart*

Preacher: *The Right Reverend Dr Peter Stuart*

10.00am: Orchestral Eucharist

Presider: *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*

Preacher: *The Right Reverend Dr Peter Stuart*

6.00pm: Festal Evensong

Officiant: *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*

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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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Monday 25 March <i>Monday in Holy Week</i>	6.00am	The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer
Tuesday 26 March <i>Tuesday in Holy Week</i>	6.00am	The Reverend Janet Killen
Wednesday 27 March <i>Wednesday in Holy Week</i>	6.00am	The Reverend Canon Andrew Eaton
Thursday 28 March <i>Maundy Thursday</i>	6.00am	The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer
Friday 29 March <i>Good Friday</i>	6.00am	Good Friday Liturgy online at 8.00am
Saturday 30 March <i>Easter Eve</i>	6.00am	The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer

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

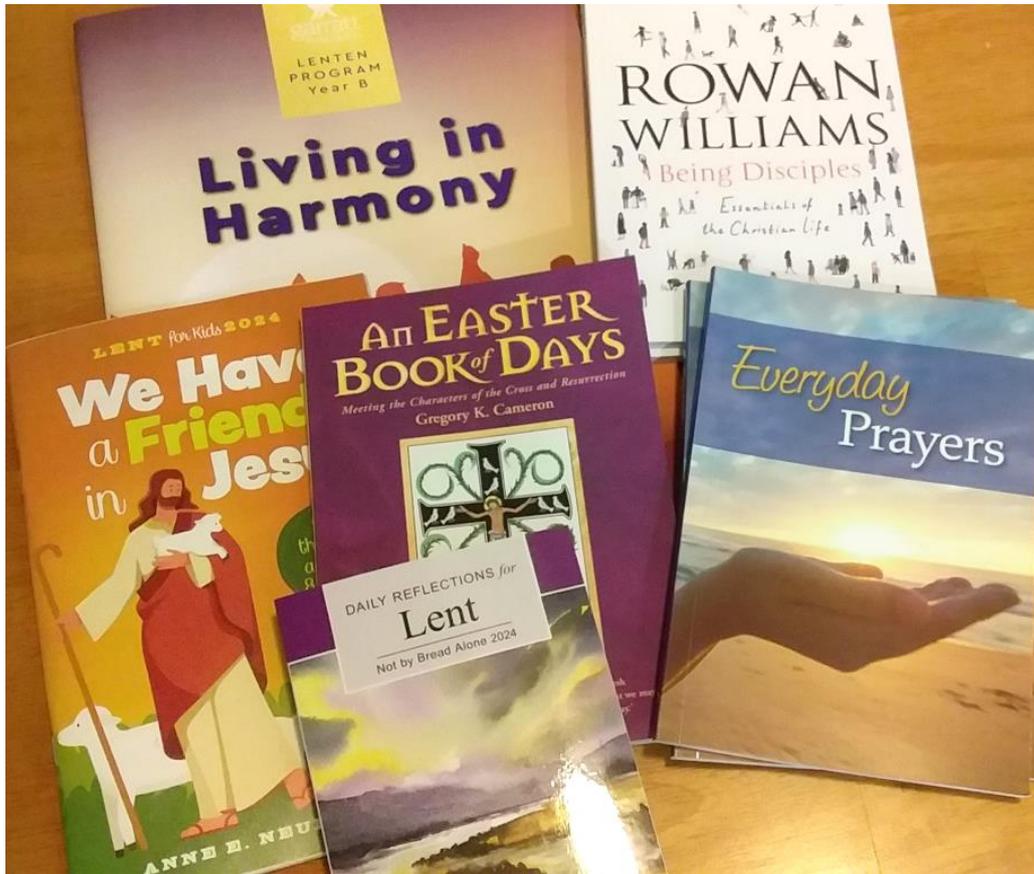
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Cathedral Shop

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.

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