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 3 November 2024

Pentecost XXIV

Ruth and Naomi, Kelly Latimore Icons

Today's Services

8.00am Eucharist

Presider: *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*

Preacher: *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*

10.00am: Choral Eucharist

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6.00pm: Choral Evensong

Officiant: *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*

Preacher: *Reflection*

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Dear Parish Family

As I said in my sermon last week, I love the triduum (three days) we celebrate around All Hallow's Eve (Halloween), All Saints (All Hallows), and All Souls. These days, like the Great Three Days, turn our minds to things eternal. At Easter, our minds are turned to Christ and the hope found in the resurrection; in this season, it is to our humanity and the promise of life eternal.

So begins a short season between All Saints and Christ the King, traditionally called 'Kingdom Season', where, having turned our focus to life eternal, we shift our attention to the coming of the Kingdom of God. Our readings over these next weeks take a particularly apocalyptic tone – which sometimes earn these passages the (incorrect) moniker of 'hard gospel sayings'.

Rather than viewing (or hearing) them as hard, I suggest it's much more productive for us to hear the challenge that these passages bring, and reflect on why we find it confronting or 'hard'. Difficult though this may be, self reflection is one of the ways in which we grow spiritually.

ALL SOULS: Please come and remember on Saturday at 11am. The service will be livestreamed for those unable to be present.

FAMILIES@FIVE: Our St Nicholas Choir is joining us for Families@Five on Saturday at 5pm in the Cathedral. This month we're wondering about Kings, what they look like, and following Christ our King. Craft, Music, Fun, and dinner afterwards!

As a Parish Community, we strive to be a safe, welcoming, inclusive, and affirming place for all. We all have a part to play in this ongoing work. We are committed to the work of Makarrata – Reconciliation. 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. If you have concerns or would like to discuss this further, please contact me.

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!

PET BLESSING: Please share widely the information about our annual Blessing of the Animals at 6.00pm on Sunday 10th November!

CAN YOU HELP? There are also a whole raft of 'handyperson' tasks, ranging from small painting jobs to pressure cleaning stairs***. Could you – or someone you know – help with volunteering for one or some of these tasks please?*** Please contact the office for more information.

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.
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 Marge Piercy, a US poet, writer and advocate. As well as hearing complicated gospel passages over the next few weeks, we also hear from the book of Ruth this week and next. Recently I read that the Book of Ruth, or more particularly the story of Naomi, was a female 'Job'.
Certainly Naomi's cry of:

"Call me no longer Naomi;
call me Mara,
for the Almighty has dealt bitterly with me.
[21] *I went away full,*
but the Lord has brought me back empty;
why call me Naomi
when the Lord has dealt harshly with me
and the Almighty has brought calamity upon me?" (Ruth 1. 20-21)
speaks of Naomi's great anguish.
Rabbi Rachel Barenblat's blog, The Velveteen Rabbi, is a rich resource, and she has a connection of poems about Ruth and Naomi here
https://velveteenrabbi.blogs.com/blog/2012/05/poems-of-ruth-for-shavuot.html of which this is one. In this season of challenge, this poem, from the outset, challenges our mis-memories of the story, and reminds us that though the road is hard, those who journey with us are stronger.

The Book of Ruth and Naomi

When you pick up the Tanakh and read
the Book of Ruth, it is a shock
how little it resembles memory.
It's concerned with inheritance, lands, men's names, how women
must wiggle and wobble to live.

Yet women have kept it dear
for the beloved elder who
cherished Ruth, more friend than
daughter. Daughters leave. Ruth
brought even the baby she made
with Boaz home as a gift.
Where you go, I will go too,
your people shall be my people,
I will be a Jew for you,
for what is yours I will love
as I love you, oh Naomi
my mother, my sister, my heart.

Show me a woman who does not dream
a double, heart's twin, a sister
of the mind in whose ear she can whisper,
whose hair she can braid as her life
twists its pleasure and pain and shame.
Show me a woman who does not hide
in the locket of bone that deep
eye beam of fiercely gentle love
she had once from mother, daughter,
sister; once like a warm moon
that radiance aligned the tides
of her blood into potent order.

At the season of first fruits, we recall
two travellers, co-conspirators, scavengers
making do with leftovers and mill ends,
whose friendship was stronger than fear,
stronger than hunger, who walked together,
the road of shards, hands joined.

Marge Piercy 1936-

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 Week

November 2 - All Souls
11am Eucharist sung by the Cathedral Choir and the Festival Chamber Choir
Introit from Missa pro Defunctis (Victoria)
Requiem (Fauré)
Anthem - O for the wings of a dove (Mendelssohn)
Psalm 29 (Marlow, after Mozart)
Members of the Christ Church Camerata
David Drury (organ)

5pm Families @ 5 sung by the St Nicholas Choir
St Nicholas Mass (Banney)
Little Lamb (Banney)

November 3 - Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost
8am Eucharist
Hymns - 111, 454, 618, 133
David Drury (organ)

10am Choral Eucharist sung by the Cathedral Choir
Communion Service in F and D (Sumsion)
Anthem - In Paradisum from Requiem (Fauré)
Psalm - 146 (Goss)
Hymns - 111, 454, 618, 133
David Drury (organ)

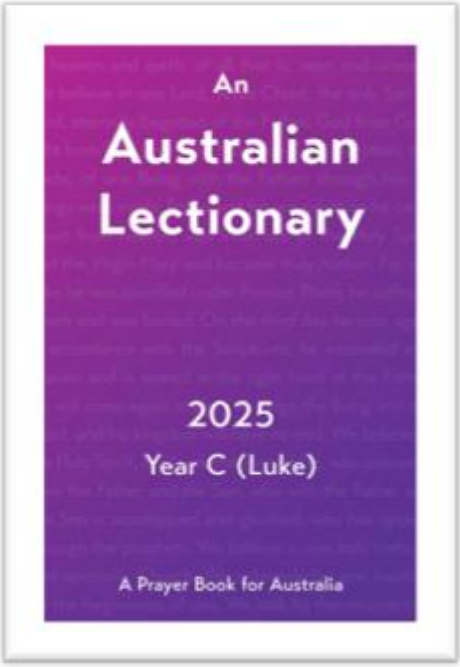
6pm Evensong sung by the Cathedral Choir
Canticles - Walmisley in d minor
Anthem - O for the wings of a dove (Mendelssohn)
Preces and Responses - Banney
Psalm 119: 1-8 (How)
Hymns - 99, 572, 458
David Drury (organ)

Music notes

We mark All Souls Day with the beautiful music of Gabriel Fauré. Many composers have set the music of the Requiem – the Mass for the Dead – including Mozart, Verdi, Britten, Victoria and Duruflé. If some of those works draw our attention to the theme of judgment, Fauré's Requiem evokes hope. At only one moment in the work – the 'Day of wrath' (Dies irae) does Fauré really turn up the temperature, but still falls far short of Verdi's operatic approach in which damnation seems more likely than not! Fauré's Requiem was composed in stages, with the orchestration changing each time. In our service we will hear the accompaniment in a version for violin, cello and organ.

The service begins with one of the marvels of the musical world – the very opening of Victoria's Requiem, a miraculous unfolding of harmony that seems to briefly make time stand still.

2025 Lectionary $16.50



Available now from the Cathedral shop

Christ Church Cathedral Shop Notice

Cathedral shop will be unavailable to fill parish orders for candles, altar bread and other parish needs

From Thursday 5th December 2024

To Monday 6th January 2025

We apologise for any inconvenience and look forward to serving your needs again in the New Year.

Every blessing for the Christmas season

ALL SOULS' DAY
11.00AM NOVEMBER 2ND
CHRIST CHURCH
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NEWCASTLE
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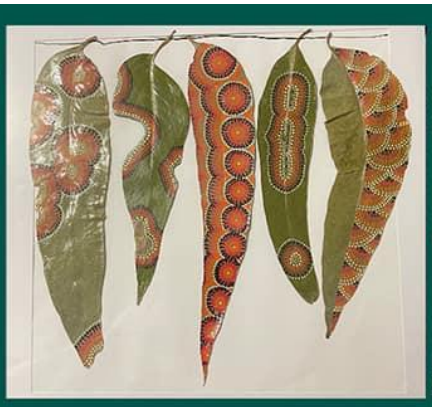
Families @Five

SATURDAY 2ND NOVEMBER @5PM

What does a King look like?



Di Langham and Belinda Roberts

3 November
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mark 12:28-34

AUSTRALIAN WOMEN PREACH

https://australianwomenpreach.com.au/

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PET BLESSING

Bring your pets to
Christ Church Cathedral Newcastle
for a special service to give thanks
for all that they are to you!

Sunday 10 November 2024
6.00pm
Christ Church Cathedral
Newcastle

This month St Peters Anglican Church Hamilton celebrates 160 years of worship on "Camerons Hill ," at the time, as a small mining settlement of 3 localities - Pittown, Borehole, and Happy Flat. In 1864 services began in a small timber slab hut near the Australian Agricultural Company's D Pit -The Borehole.

Dating from discovery of coal Circa 1849 near todays Cameron Hill Denison St. Hamilton was named after Edward T Hamilton (AA Company Governor Board of Directors) of which the AA Co owned most of the land and operated the mines. The area rapidly grew and in 1885 the current church was built at a cost of 1900 Pounds and dedicated 29th October 1885 It was designed by John Horbury Canadian-born ecclesiastical architect who also designed our Christ Church Cathedral Newcastle in Gothic style.

Hamilton was proclaimed a Muncipality in 1871 and remained so till 1938 when all the local councils were amalgamated forming the City Of Greater Newcastle. Gregson Park at the time was swamp land till 1889 and has today become a focal point of activity, Train Station built 1872. Mechanics institute 1885, Bowling Greens1896, Masonic Hall 1907.

The rapid growth in Community infra structure -Shops, Parks, Train, Tram, Bus, services & Amenities, Housing ,saw Hamilton's population by 1928 in excess of 15,000.

Today 2024, Hamilton together with Beaumont St, sees a completely different cosmopolitan lifestyle to the past as we share with those in our current environment.

Submitted by Kevin Moon

Roses in the Ocean
stemming the tide of suicide

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TouchPoints is a four-hour interactive workshop designed to give LGBTQ+ community members an insight into suicide through the lens of people who have personally experienced it and equip us with knowledge and practical tools to be with others' emotional pain or distress.
For LGBTQ+ people, and friends, family (chosen or of origin), and carers of LGBTQ+ people (18 years or older).
Tuesday 12 November 2024, 9:30am to 2pm, The Hamilton Community Hive, 150 Beaumont St., Hamilton NSW.
Registration link below or via email: suicideprevention@acon.org.au for further information.
Registration link ➡️**here.org.au/workshop/touchpoints-newcastle/**

THE VERY REVEREND KATHERINE BOWYER, DEAN OF NEWCASTLE

And CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL OUTREACH PROGRAM

Invite you to attend

THE CELEBRATION and THANKSGIVING for the FEAST OF TITLE, CHRIST THE KING and

THE 40th ANNIVERSARY OF THE COMMUNITY LUNCH

A service will be held in the Cathedral on NOVEMBER 24th 2024 at 9 am.
This will be followed by morning tea in the Cathedral.

We look forward to you joining us on this special occasion.

The Reverend Dr John Deane, Executive Director of ABM and AID writes:
Tuesday 29 October starts a year-long countdown to our 175th Anniversary. Special days like birthdays and anniversaries allow us to look both forward and backwards, giving thanks to God for all that has already been achieved and to set the stage so that ABM and Anglicans in Development (AID) are able to stride into the future with confidence and with faith.

Celebratory events

It is my pleasure to announce the following events so you can "save the date".

- **Sunday 26 October 2025** – services of thanksgiving in cathedrals around Australia
- **Tuesday 28 -Wednesday 29 October 2025** – An interactive ABM Experience in Sydney for ABM supporters
- **Wednesday 29 October 2025** – 175th Anniversary Eucharist and dinner in Sydney
- **April 2026** – Pilgrimage to the Solomon Islands

More details on all of these will be shared in our monthly e-news, On a Mission, and on the 175th anniversary webpage: www.abmission.org/175.

The Cathedral pantry(fridge) has been running pretty low of late, any food donations would be much appreciated.

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.

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.

SUPPORTING THE MINISTRY OF THE PARISH

Thank you for your ongoing faithful financial support of the parish. Your regular offering enables and supports our ministries, as well as the essential work of maintenance. New packs of offertory envelopes are available at St Peter's and the Cathedral for those who would like to use them. Electronic offering (details in the pewslip) ensures that your support continues, even if you are away. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like more information, 49292052.

Cathedral things to remember…

The nights are not really getting any warmer! Imagine not having a warm pair of socks! Please donate new socks for the homeless. Find the tub at the back of the Cathedral. Many thanks.

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, (non-shiny) in the container at the back of the Cathedral. Thank you.

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

Contact the office for details.

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 November 10 and 17, December 1, 8, 15 and Christmas Day.

CATHEDRAL COMMUNITY LUNCHES

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 November 2024.

EUCHARISTS 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.
Please contact Siobhan for details on 0434 257 635

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Australian Religious Response to Climate Change

SERVICES DURING THE WEEK IN THE CATHEDRAL **All services in the St Christopher Chapel. Please enter through the transept doors.**		
Monday 4 November	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am – Eucharist	No Eucharist
Tuesday 5 November	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am – Eucharist	The Rev'd Dr Julia Perry
Wednesday 6 November	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist	The Bishop
Thursday 7 November	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist	No Eucharist
Friday 8 November	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist	NO EUCHARIST THIS WEEK

ONLINE SERVICES

Online Morning Prayer Services are currently not available, and may resume later in the year.

Please download and use the E-Pray Daily App from the App Store on your device – it's free!

Thank you to all who have supported this online ministry since March 2020.

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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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NEWCASTLE MUSIC FESTIVAL CHAMBER CHOIR

ERIN SWEETMAN, PIANO

SERENADE

SUNDAY
10th November
2.30PM

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

NMF Chamber Choir together with pianist Erin Sweetman presents music old and new including Schubert's glorious Serenade (Ständchen) for Mezzo Solo and Male Chorus. Hear beautiful music by Felix Mendelssohn, John Rutter, Eric Whitacre, Paul Jarman, Ola Gjeilo, Iain Grandage and Dan Walker.

Tickets $15, $10 (Conc), $40 (Family) available at the door.