



# 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 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025*

## Epiphany 7



Owen Jones from "The History of Joseph and His Brethren" (Day & Son, 1869).

### **Services Today**

#### **8.00am Eucharist**

**Presider:** The Reverend Gary Atherton

**Preacher:** The Reverend Stephen Williams, Dean Emeritus

#### **10.00am Sung Eucharist**

**Presider:** The Reverend Stephen Williams, Dean Emeritus

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#### **6.00pm: Sung Evensong**

**Officiant:** The Reverend Stephen Williams, Dean Emeritus

**Preacher:** The Reverend Christopher Waterhouse,  
Rector St James, King St

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## ***Dear Parish Family,***

This week, I am deeply thankful for the generosity of so many, who support the ministry and outreach of the parish. The congregation of the Belmont Baptist Church sent a carload of groceries for the Community Lunch and Parish Pantry, and the Anglican Parish of Gresford-Paterson also delivered a boot load this week of pantry groceries, and beautiful dignity packs for our Community Lunch Guests. It is a powerful reminder of the ways in which the Body of Christ supports each other.

**URGENT COMMUNITY LUNCH NEED:** In that same realm of generosity, I am very thankful for the Community Lunch Team, who generously give of their time and resources, and for all who support this ministry. Unfortunately, we discovered this week, that the power to the chest freezer in the Horbury Hunt Hall, had been accidentally turned off. Consequently, the Community Lunch has lost an entire freezer of food, intended for lunches for our guests. Suzanne Evans, assisted by some Newcastle Grammar staff, have spent many days this week emptying and cleaning the freezer, and discarding the food.

**CAN YOU HELP?** If you are able to assist with financial donations to replace the food, please give your donation to Suzanne Evans.

**WE WELCOME MARKO SEVER** to the Cathedral on Sunday. Marko Sever is the Organist and Assistant Director of Music at St James King Street Sydney. Marko will be playing at all services on Sunday, and giving a Recital on Sunday afternoon. Details of the Recital are in the pewslip – it's an event not to be missed! Please invite your friends and share widely.

### **WE WELCOME FR CHRISTOPHER WATERHOUSE AND THE ST JAMES SINGERS:**

Fr Christopher Waterhouse, the Rector of St James King Street. Fr Christopher is our preacher at Evensong, and the St James Singers are joining the Cathedral Choir to sing Evensong. Please join us for Evensong, and stay for supper afterwards!

**COMMUNITY EVENSONG SUNDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> MARCH:** On Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, our Choir will be joined by people from throughout the region, for our first "Community Evensong". Enormous thanks to Dr David Banney for this wonderful initiative. It's going to be a great evening – please come along, and there will be supper afterwards.

**ANNUAL LEAVE:** I am taking a quick break this week, and will be away from Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February and back for Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March. Please contact Fr Gary Atherton for pastoral emergencies.

**PRAYER BEFORE READING THE NEWS:** I saw this prayer this week., and, though it was written in 2016, it is powerfully relevant today. I prayer you find it useful too.

There is a lot of rhetoric in the wider world, at the moment, which is anti-inclusion and anti-diversity. This is not in accord with our values as Christians. 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!

**SHROVE TUESDAY** Lent starts on 5<sup>th</sup> March with Ash Wednesday, so there's plenty of time to get into training for our fabulous Pancake Evening on Tuesday March 4<sup>th</sup>. See the pewslip for more information! Tickets are available at all services, and through the office.

**NO FRIDAY EUCHARIST THIS WEEK:** As I am on leave, there will be no Morning Prayer or Eucharist in the cathedral this Friday.

**SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE:** The Ukrainian Catholic Church has extended an invitation to us to attend the service at the Ukrainian Catholic Church in Adamstown on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> of February, 6pm to join in prayers for peace on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of War in Ukraine. Please see the flyer in the pewslip, and if you are able to attend, please wear your name tag, and tell them you are from the Cathedral or St Peter's.

**COVID AND ATTENDING WORSHIP:** 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:** Until the problems with the internet are resolved in the cathedral, we are sadly unable to 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 by William Stafford, was read at the Clergy Education Day this week, by Bishop Stephen Pickard. When Bishop Stephen read it to us, I was both intrigued, and found the poem hard to enter. Bear with it, for it is worth it. The image of the frozen river, with the current moving imperceptibly below the ice, reminds me of the Prayer of Preparation at the start of the Eucharist:

Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden...

Our hearts can often appear fixed, yet underneath strong currents flow just below the surface. To God, nothing is hid.

### **Ask Me**

Some time when the river is ice ask me  
mistakes I have made. Ask me whether  
what I have done is my life. Others  
have come in their slow way into  
my thought, and some have tried to help  
or to hurt: ask me what difference  
their strongest love or hate has made.  
I will listen to what you say.  
You and I can turn and look  
at the silent river and wait. We know  
the current is there, hidden; and there  
are comings and goings from miles away  
that hold the stillness exactly before us.  
What the river says, that is what I say.

*William Stafford 1914- 1993*

**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](mailto:cathedral@newcastlecathedral.org.au) to be placed on the email or mail out list.*

# Music this Week

## Sunday, February 23 - Seventh Sunday of Epiphany

### 8am Eucharist

Hymns - 132, 464, 567, 571

Marko Sever (organ)

### 10am Choral Eucharist *sung by the Cathedral Choir*

Introit: Ubi caritas (Gjeilo)

Communion Service in B flat and F (Stanford)

Anthem - Ave verum corpus (Byrd)

Psalm 37:1-11, 40-41 (Goss)

Hymns - 132, 464, 567, 571

Marko Sever (organ)

### 2.30pm Organ Recital - Marco Sever

### 6pm Evensong *sung by the Cathedral Choir with St James' Singers*

Canticles - Magnificat and Nunc dimittis in C (Stanford)

Anthem - Evening Hymn (Gardiner)

Preces and Responses - Banney

Psalm 37:23-35 (Langdon)

Hymns - 560(i), 598, 585

Marko Sever (organ)

## Music Notes

It is an enormous pleasure to welcome organist Marko Sever as visiting organist this week, as well as the St James' Singers who will join our Cathedral Choir for Evensong. In addition, Marko will give a brilliant recital at 2.30 on Sunday – a concert not to be missed.

Marko has recently returned to his home country of Australia, having spent six years working and studying in London, gaining experience at the highest level of the English Cathedral tradition. His time in the UK concluded with two years at Westminster Cathedral, where he regularly accompanied and directed the famed Cathedral Choir. While at the Cathedral, he recorded his debut CD, *Symphonie-Passion*, on the Cathedral's world-famous Grand Organ, receiving a 5-star review in *Choir & Organ* magazine, as well as being featured on BBC Radio 3.

Before this, Marko spent two years at St Albans Cathedral, where, in addition to playing regularly for the choral liturgies he assisted in the training of the Cathedral's choristers, and appeared on the Cathedral Girls Choir's recording of works by Michael Haydn. During his years in London, he also held positions at All Saints Margaret Street, and The London Oratory, after gaining valuable experience of the choral tradition at St James' King Street, in Sydney, where he is currently the Organist.

A graduate of the Royal Academy of Music in London, Marko gained his master's degree in Organ Performance studying the organ with David Titterington and Gerard Brooks, as well as choral conducting with Patrick Russill. He has received further tuition from Colin Walsh, Martin Baker, and David Cassan.

Marko received his formative training from Philip Swanton at both Canberra Grammar School and the Sydney Conservatorium of Music. Marko's passion for exploring new areas of the organ literature has led him to commission composers to contribute new works to the repertoire, notably Francis Pott's Surrexit Hodie. A prizewinning Fellow of the Royal College of Organists, Marko's repertoire spans five centuries of the finest music written for the organ.

# RESTOCK THE FREEZER

Help us  
restock the  
freezer for  
**Community  
Lunch**



Please give  
financial  
donations  
to  
**Suzanne  
Evans**

**COMMUNITY LUNCH:  
BY THE COMMUNITY, FOR THE COMMUNITY**

ORGAN RECITAL

# MARKO SEVER

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL, NEWCASTLE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23  
2.30PM

Tickets: \$15 (Adults) - \$10 (Concession) - \$40 (Family 2/2)  
Available via the QR code or at the door

*Australian organist, Marko Sever, has emerged as a powerful presence in the organ world.*

*Equally at home in the concert hall and in the liturgy, his virtuosic performances have taken him to some of the most prestigious venues across Europe and Australasia.*

*This brilliant recital includes music of Messiaen, Ligeti, Leighton and Harris.*



## The Idea of North

An institution, for over a decade ARIA award winning vocal outfit The Idea of North have presented this special concert right around Australia - beautiful music sung in stunning acoustics, surrounded by the intimate glow of candlelight. After the unforgettable atmosphere of their last Ballads by Candlelight in March 2020, The Idea of North are thrilled to return to the Christ Church Cathedral in Newcastle with this iconic show once more. The group's personality and musical expression makes your experience of what these five singers can do with only the human voice even more incredible. With no two shows the same, join Australia's best-loved vocal group for an emotional musical experience you will not quickly forget.

★★★★★ "Stunningly precise, angelic and mesmerising woven melodies with beautiful arrangements" RIP IT UP

7pm Saturday March 8, 2025

90 minute show, no interval

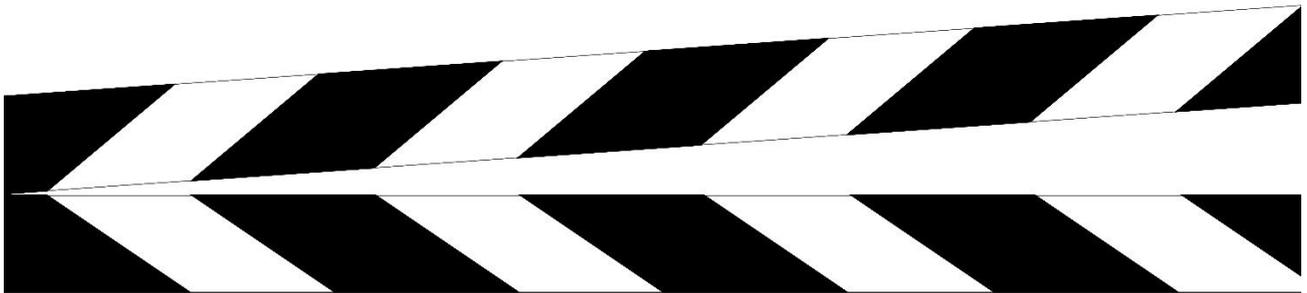
Tickets available

now: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1331971>

# SCREEN TIME

Great music from film, TV and games

Pirates Of The Caribbean ::: Cinema Paradiso  
Schindler's List ::: Minecraft ::: The Lord Of The Rings  
Harry Potter ::: A Country Practice ::: The Pink Panther  
Howl's Moving Castle and more



Christ Church Camerata  
Sue Carson (compere and vocalist)  
David Banney (conductor)

2.30pm, Sunday, April 6  
Christ Church Cathedral

#### TICKETS

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

Subscribe and  
save!

Available at the Box Office or online via the website or QR code

[www.cccamerata.com.au](http://www.cccamerata.com.au)



CHRISTCHURCH CAMERATA  
NEWCASTLE



An invitation from the  
Choir of Christ Church Cathedral, Newcastle

# Come and sing with us for Evensong!

Sunday, March 2, 2025

Rehearsal: 4.15-5.30pm

Service: 6pm (finishes about 7pm)

Enjoy the thrill of beautiful music in the brilliant acoustic of Christ Church Cathedral

There is no charge for participation, but registration is essential  
to allow us to prepare copies of music.

All are welcome - there is no audition, but music reading skills will be helpful.

**To register, email [music@newcastlecathedral.org.au](mailto:music@newcastlecathedral.org.au)**

Registrations close 5pm, Wednesday, February 26  
In the email please tell us your name, phone number  
and voice type (ie soprano/alto/tenor/bass).



[www.newcastlecathedral.org.au](http://www.newcastlecathedral.org.au)

# ANNIVERSARY OF WAR IN UKRAINE



Join us to pray for peace  
in Ukraine and in the World.

Let us come together, to remember  
those who have died for their  
freedom, on the third anniversary of  
the invasion of Ukraine.



24th February 2025



Starts at 6pm



Ukrainian Catholic Church,  
105 Gosford Road Adamstown NSW

FREEDOM FOR UKRAINE

# CHORAL SCHOLARSHIPS

at

## Christ Church Cathedral

Newcastle's Christ Church Cathedral seeks fine young singers, 17-23 years old, for our Choral Scholarship program. Successful applicants receive a stipend for singing in the choir, enjoying great music and great company in a wonderful building.

Being a Choral Scholar is a great way to develop fine skills in sight singing and musicianship, and many of our scholars have gone on to enjoy successful careers in music.

For further information, please email the Director of Music:  
[music@newcastlecathedral.org.au](mailto:music@newcastlecathedral.org.au).



The Dean, and Members of the  
Cathedral Outreach Program,  
Invite you to attend:

**A SHROVE TUESDAY EVENING  
“ENJOY DESSERT WITH US”**

*DATE:* March 4th 2025 7pm – 9pm

*Adults:* \$20.00 *Children:* \$10.00

*VENUE:* CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL  
52 Church Street Newcastle

- \*An Extravaganza of Pancakes with all the trimmings
- \*Bring your own wine (glasses will be supplied)
- \*There will be Tea, Coffee and Fruit Juice
- \*Magnificent Music
- \*Wheelchair access
- \*Lucky Door Prize

\*Tickets available  
via the  
Cathedral Office  
or at the door

\*All proceeds will go towards:  
“The Christ Church Cathedral Outreach Program”



## 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.



**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.***

## 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...**



**No matter the weather, imagine not having a warm, dry 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.**

**PLEASE SUPPORT THE  
CATHEDRAL PANTRY  
WHEN YOU ARE ABLE  
MANY THANKS**

## 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 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025.**

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**



**For more information about ARRCC please email**

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**SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY 2 March 2025**  
**AT THE CATHEDRAL**  
**Transfiguration**

**8.00am Eucharist**

**President:** *The Reverend Gary Atherton*  
**Preacher:** *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*

**10.00am Sung Eucharist**

**President:** *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*  
**Preacher:** *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*

**6.00pm: Sung Evensong**

**Officiant:** *The Very Reverend Katherine Bowyer*  
**Preacher:** *Dr David Banney, Director of Music*

***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](mailto:dps@newcastleanglican.org.au) or [survivorsupport@newcastleanglican.org.au](mailto:survivorsupport@newcastleanglican.org.au)***



Over the past few weeks we have had more calls than usual from people in need of food. Mostly our pantry is empty. If at any time you can spare a little extra non perishables you are welcome to leave them with the Verger or bring them to the office.

*With many thanks*

**SERVICES DURING THE WEEK**  
**AT THE CATHEDRAL AND ST PETER'S HAMILTON**

Monday 24 February	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am – Eucharist	Christ Church Cathedral	Fr Gary Atherton
Tuesday 25 February	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am – Eucharist 11.00am Eucharist	Christ Church Cathedral  St Peter's Hamilton	The Rev'd Dr Julia Perry  Fr Gary Atherton
Wednesday 26 February	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist	Christ Church Cathedral	The Bishop
Thursday 27 February	11.00am - Eucharist	St Peter's Hamilton	Fr Gary Atherton
Friday 28 February	8.00am - Morning Prayer 8.30am - Eucharist	Christ Church Cathedral	The Dean <b>CANCELLED THIS WEEK</b>

## CLERGY

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## WARDENS

**Dean's:** Peter Smith  
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