



Welcome to
Christ Church Cathedral
 Weekly News Sunday 18 December 2016
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Services Today

7.00am Eucharist

Presider and Preacher: The Dean

8.00am Eucharist

Presider: The Dean

Preacher: Canon David Cole

9.30am Sung Eucharist

Presider & Preacher: Canon David Cole

11.30am Holy Baptism The Dean

6.00pm Sung Evensong

Officiant: The Dean *Preacher:* Bishop Peter

Readers:

8.00am R Southerden & S Jackson

9.00am A Taylor and R Murree-Allen

6.00pm C Close [*Ruth 4.9-21*]

P Goodshaw [*Matthew 1.1-6, 17*]

Welcome to worship at the Cathedral today, especially all who are visiting.

Sunday School - Children should meet in the **St Nicholas Chapel** just before the sermon.

At **11.30am today**, we welcome brothers, **Lachlan John Gordon Gillett** and **Oliver James Maxwell Gillett** into the church family through **Holy Baptism**. Welcome also to parents, godparents and others joining us.

Welcome to Bishop Peter Stuart, preaching tonight at Evensong and **Reception of Louise Crosley** into the Anglican Communion. Welcome Louise, into this part of God's family.

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Monday 19 December

7.00am Morning Prayer

7.30am Eucharist

Tuesday 20 December

7.00am Morning Prayer

7.30am Eucharist

10.30am Eucharist

5.30pm Evening Prayer

Wednesday 21 December *Thomas, apostle & martyr*

7.00am Morning Prayer

7.30am Eucharist

5.30pm Evening Prayer

** Please note that times for Evening Prayer can be unreliable*

Thursday 22 December

7.00am Morning Prayer

7.30am Eucharist

5.30pm Evening Prayer

Friday 23 December

7.00am Morning Prayer

7.30am Eucharist

5.00pm Evening Prayer

Saturday 24 December CHRISTMASS EVE

5.00pm Family Eucharist with Carols

7.30pm Nine Lessons and Carols

11.00pm Midnight Mass with procession and blessing of the crib

THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD: *Christmass Eve*



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Officiant & Preacher: Fr Paul

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Presider: Bishop Peter Preacher: The Dean

CHRISTMASS DAY

7.00am Eucharist *Presider & Preacher: Fr Paul*

8.30am Orchestral Mass with Procession

Presider: The Dean Preacher: Bishop Peter Stuart

10.30am Family Eucharist *Presider & Preacher: Fr Paul*

[No Evening Service]

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.

Today's flowers have been kindly donated by:

 **Graham and Anne Vimpani** in loving memory of their mothers, *Phyl Vimpani and Betty Strachan*

 **David and Kath Chapman** in loving memory of Kath's mother, *Leila Mitchell*

 **Pauline Chambers** in loving memory of her brother and sister-in-law, *Stanley and Shirley Grainger*

An archival recording of some repertoire from the **Choir's UK Tour** is available for **\$10**. They are available today after the 8am and 9:30am Eucharists and Evensong. The disc includes works by David Drury, Keith Noake and Philip Matthias... In addition to Peter and Jenny's "interesting" arrangement of Waltzing Matilda!

Kids Christmass Activities Fun Programme: 2pm - 4pm THIS Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. If you have any children or grandchildren who may like to come to any or all of the days please collect a flyer from the rear of the cathedral. Contact Rosie Murree-Allen on 4926 4663 or 0400 264 658 or email kmurreea@bigpond.net.au to book or for more details. *Come and join the fun!!*

Prayer Group – The Prayer Group Eucharist and Meeting will next meet on **Wednesday 1 February 2017** commencing at **7.30pm**.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

"Giving and living are for mission and money is for mission. We give ourselves, our lives and our money to advance God's mission in the world."

(Prepared by Audrey Clark)

Message from the Samaritans – A big thank you for all your very generous donations throughout the year and especially at this Christmas time.

We wish you all a very happy and joyous Christmas and a safe and healthy 2017.

Community Lunches will resume on **Sunday 22 January 2017**. The **annual cleaning day** for the hall will take place on **Saturday 21 January**, commencing at 8.30am – please include your name on the sign-up sheet at the back of the church.

Shop news - Don't forget your Christmass Puddings which remain at the same price as last year! Also, check out the beautiful panoramic Newcastle Calendars –
All available at the shop now!

Donations for Flowers are invited for **1, 8, 15 & 22 January**. If you would like to donate flowers in memory of a loved one or as a thank-offering please advise Suzanne Evans, phone 4955 9170 and place your donation in an envelope, listing the date for display together with a message and place in the wall safe.

POSITIONS VACANT (rewarding ministries and no experience necessary!)

- **Assistance with morning tea following the 8am Eucharist.**
A once a month commitment. The Sundays vacant are 1st and 4th Sundays and involves doing the setup prior to the service and serving coffee/tea afterwards. If you would consider doing one of these Sundays please contact Wendy Carroll on 40480213.
- **Sidespersons** to join our wonderful team, especially for the many Christmass Services to welcome regular worshippers and visitors to our magnificent cathedral. Please include your name on the sign-up sheet at the rear of the church or for further information, contact Gay Bath: rgbath@bigpond.com or call 0404 516 564.
- **Shop** volunteers required to assist with greeting visitors to the Cathedral and shop sales.. morning or afternoon shifts available in this fun and friendly environment! Please contact Rosie Murree-Allen on 4926 4663 or 0400 264 658 or enquire at the shop.

For your prayers...

"Let us approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need." (Hebrews 4:6).

Let us pray... For our outreach to visitors, giving thanks for all volunteers who enable the broad ministry of our Cathedral.



Missions: Our Project for December

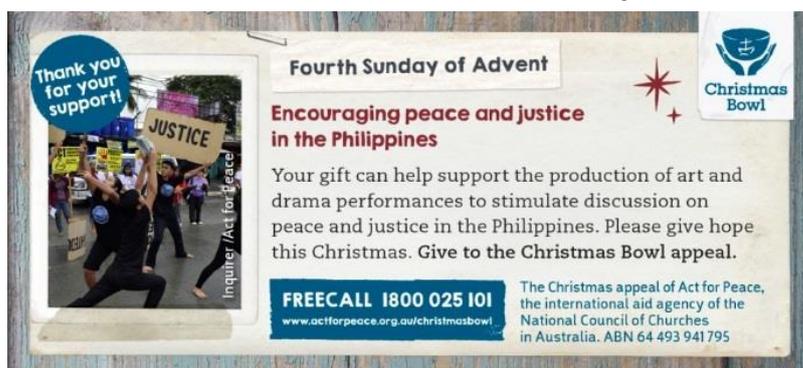
Envelopes are available at the back of the cathedral or visit the website Act for Peace for further information. Money can be deposited at

the local ANZ branch – Name: NCCA BSB: 012006, Account Number: 1352251

<https://www.actforpeace.org.au/Christmas-Bowl>

Over 65 years of the Christmas Bowl

It began on Christmas Day 1949, when a minister named Rev Frank Byatt in Victoria placed a simple empty bowl on the table before him. He humbly asked his friends and family to contribute what they felt the cost of the meal had been. This invitation to Australian Christians to stand by men, women and children living through conflict and displacement is, sadly, more important than ever. For the first time in history, there are nearly **60 million displaced people in the world who need our help**. The Christmas Bowl appeal is our way of forging a loving connection between our Christian community here in Australia and people around the world who are experiencing dreadful hardship and suffering.



Stamps for ABM - Please continue to deposit used stamps in the container at the back of the cathedral. Between 2010 and 2015, ABM reported that a total sum of \$38,500 had been raised as a direct result of stamps! Any envelopes for ABM projects this year can still be given in. Thank you for your wonderful support of our missions projects this year.



The Dean, Canon Residential and Cathedral Staff wish you and your loved ones all the blessings of the Holy Season.

Please note that the Cathedral office will be closed from 1pm, Friday 23 December and will reopen on Thursday 5 January.

For urgent or pastoral assistance, please contact the Dean, Fr Stephen Williams 0412 661 585

Music Today

8am	Eucharist	6pm	Evensong
Hymns	288, 497, 283	Rite	APBA
Organist	Callum Close	Responses	Ferial
9.30am	Choral Eucharist	Canticles	Short Service (Gibbons)
Introit	Maranatha/Advent Wreath Prayers	Anthem	Creator of the stars of night (arr. Archer)
Setting	Short Service in the Phrygian Mode (Wood)	Psalm	80: 7-19 (Chant: Stanford)
Anthem	Bogoroditsye Dyevo (Rachmaninoff)	Postlude	Nun komm, der heiden heiland (Bach)
Psalm	80: 1-7, 17-19 (Chant: Stanford)	Hymns	272, 288, 281
Postlude	Toccatina on <i>Veni Emmanuel</i> (Carter)	Organist	Keith Muree-Allen
Hymns	288, 497, 283		
Organist	Peter Guy		
Organist and Master of the Choristers: Mr Peter Guy Assistant Organist: Dr Keith Murree-Allen Organ Scholar: Callum Close			

- The hearing loop covers the front six pews on the South side of the Cathedral. Please switch your hearing aid to the 'T' setting to benefit.
- An access ramp is situated on the harbour side of the Cathedral.
- Toilets are on the South side of the Cathedral, through the doors under the organ loft
- You may sit with your children in the St Christopher Chapel on the right-hand aisle if you wish. There is also a children's activity sheet available from the sidespersons.
- Please do **not** leave handbags and other valuables unattended in the pews at any time, their security cannot be guaranteed.
- Parishioners and visitors are welcome to park in the Cathedral car park. On Sunday, extra parking available at the rear of the Newcastle Club, please enter from Newcomen Street.
- *The steps and areas in front of the doorways to the Cathedral must be left clear at all times.*

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Please send any notices for inclusion in the pew sheet to

cathedral@newcastlecathedral.org.au by 9am on Tuesday



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