

19 December 2021

Our Mission Statement:

Giving thanks to God, we SHINE as a light with the love of Jesus & bring glory to God by declaring it to all the world.

Matthew 5: 14-16

Answered Prayer

Over 2 years ago, Bec our assistant minister, had a heart transplant. In July of this year her body rejected her heart and we prayed constantly for this to change. Over the following months, she lived with a -1 rejection which impacted her health considerably and we continued to pray that God would heal her. God answered our prayers. Bec is back to zero rejection, and we are reminded again that God is faithful and answers our prayers.

Two natures, One person

Another term that is helpful to understand at Christmas is 'hypostatic union'. In Greek, the word 'hupstasis', which this term is derived from was used by the early church as a theological understanding of the distinction within the Trinity – to refer to something like the English word 'person'. The hypostatic union is the personal union of Jesus' deity and humanity, the one person union of his two natures. Jesus has two whole and complete natures – one fully divine and the other fully human. Therefore the doctrine of hypostatic union teaches us that these two natures are united in one person in the God-man. Jesus is not two persons, he is one, joining the human to the divine in the one person of Jesus Christ.

December 19—10am at St Chad's Seven Lessons & Carols



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Covid Check-In for Christmas Services

Following the Premier's announcement, vaccination status checks for services are no longer required however QR code check-in remains compulsory. All services are open for all people. There is no limit on attendance. Masks are not mandatory. This also applies for church-related religious activity and groups in church facilities. We recognise some people may be anxious about being in services with people of unknown vaccination status. However, the health officials indicate the risk of open services is acceptable and we want to urge the unity of God's people in all services. Masks lessen risk and we strongly encourage you to wear a mask a mask in our buildings.

The unvaccinated services that were being held at St Chad's on the first and third Sunday of the month and the 5:30pm service on Christmas eve have been cancelled as there is now no need for division.

Next Church Market – Saturday 18 December and 15 January 9.00 am – 12.30 pm

Thank you to all who have been involved with the market by praying, sorting, selling, baking setting up and packing down. It is great to have people from the community feeling comfortable to come to our church. At the last market we made \$2280 which was a fantastic result.

- Donations can be dropped off in the shed most days (Thursday to Monday). If you could let people in your family or friends know that would be most appreciated.
- We invite people to bake cakes and slices, make jams & relishes & bring these to the church either on the day or when convenient.
- We still need jewellery stands, money belts and big plastic containers with lids
- We would prefer not to have bigger items donated as they will be hard to dispose of if they don't sell.
- Please let your family and friends know about the market.

Happy Birthday... Metche Lee

Congratulations... Chris and Nigel upon being married 47 years and we celebrate with Jan Riseley as she was confirmed 70 years ago

Christmas Services

Sunday 19 December 10am Seven lessons and Carols at St Chad's

Friday 24 December

7pm Family service at St Chad's

11pm Holy Communion at St Chad's

11pm Holy Communion at St Aidan's

Saturday 25 December

9:30am Holy Communion at St Chad's

Sunday 26 December

10am Holy Communion at St Chad's



Jaqueline's email working!

You may have noticed that I have not been appearing in your inbox over the last few week's. The transfer of our webpage to GoDaddy did not go as smoothly as we hoped but many thanks to Bec for solving these issues for us. At present the parishadmin and finance emails are up and running. If you have sent emails to the office or to the treasurer over the last month could you please resend them? The compliance, crimcheck and maintenance emails will be fixed after Christmas. Emails that would normally sent to these addresses can be sent to parishadmin and Jaqueline will forward them to the relevant people.

Road to Bethlehem

Each year 'Road to Bethlehem' has given people the chance to experience the story of Christmas by physically walking through the story. This year, they have gone virtual on www.roadtobethlehem.org and are inviting us to journey through the Advent story with them each day through December.

CMS SUTS (Summer Under the Sun)

Each year, CMS puts on an excellent conference that some of our church have attended and would highly recommend. They always have great speakers including missionaries in the field. This year it is at Syndal Baptist from 13-15 January. You can participate online or on demand. You can book your place on their website at www.cms.org.au

Pantry 5000 Food of the Week... 500g Breakfast Cereal or Cans of Fruit

Services in the church

10am at St Chad's every Sunday 11am at St Aidan's 2nd Sunday of the month 8am at St Chad's 4th Sunday of the month

This week in the church

Mon		Pastoral Care Meeting having a break until Feb 2022
Tues	10:00am	Matt's Place at St Chad's TAKEAWAY MEALS ONLY

Last Matt's Place 21/12/21

Matt's Place resumes 18/12/21

Tues 11:00am Lunch Church Bible Study Wed 9:30am Pantry 5000 at St Aidan's

Pantry 5000 will be open between 10am and 12pm on December 29 and January 5. They will return to

opening at 9:30am on January 12

Wed Church Prayer Meeting having a break until Feb 2022

Thurs Playgroup having a break until Feb 2022

Soon in the church

Sat 18 Dec 9:00am Church Market at St Chad's Sat 15 Jan 9:00am Church Market at St Chad's

Prayer Chain requests—Christine Taylor 0407 725 692

Ongoing prayer—email requests to Jaqueline or Sue

Pastoral care—Sue Bluett 0433 024 626

Prayer has been requested for: Amy, Bradley & Sharon, Briony & Phoebe, Carolyn, Charlie & Deb, Chris, Dorothy, Doug, Fox family, Frank, Heather, Isla, Jackie, Janine, Karen, Kayden & Elisabeth, Ken & Jan, Nigel & Chris, Nonie, Pauline, Rachel, Rita, Rosie, Steph, Stephen H, Stephen T, Tania, Tommy, Vicki & Jeff, Wendy, Will, Winnie

Offering Via Direct Debit—Our bank details are:
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Compliance Officer Zilpha Barker