

6 March 2022 Our mission is to:

Shine with the love of Jesus, grow mature disciples and declare the Good News.

Lent

For centuries, Christians have observed the season of Lent by fasting from food and observing other self-denying acts. Lent is the period of forty days which comes before Easter (excluding Sundays) and is one of the oldest observations in the Christian calendar.

Like all Christian holy days and holidays, it has changed over the years, but its purpose has always been the same: self-examination and penitence (showing remorse), demonstrated by self-denial, in preparation for Easter. Whereas Easter celebrates the resurrection of Jesus after His death on the cross, Lent recalls the events leading up to and including the death of Christ on the cross.

Over the years, people have taken things out of their life or diet as their act of self denial (chocolate, coffee, meat, sugar etc.) and when they have a craving for these things, they remember all that Christ has done for them. I am encouraging each of us to add something into our lives as part of our commitment to becoming more Christ like. Some suggestions of things you can add are:

More silence (less TV, radio etc)

More time with God

Space to your house by donating an item a day to our Market

A random act of kindness into your daily schedule

Positivity to your thinking and language

8am & 10am services at St Chad's Sunday 6 March

Services: 13 March 10am service at St Chad's & 11am at St Aidan's

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Vision Statement

A vibrant Growing Church, Christlike in every way, Embracing and proclaiming God's word, (mission) and love

Bishop Paul's Lenten Talks

Bishop Paul will preach three Lenten sermons at two different venues:

- Sundays 6pm, venue in East TBC: March 27, April 3, 10
- Wednesdays 7.30pm at St Paul's Frankston, March 30, April 6, 13.

The series will be: Jesus' Three Predictions of His Death.

- 1. The Cross and True Life (Mark 8:27-38)
- 2. The Cross and True Greatness (Mark 9:30-37)
- 3. The Cross and True Glory (Mark 10:32-45)

Prayer Retreat: Saturday 5 March — It's not too late to RSVP

Let a staff member know if you are coming.

Attention Winter Warmer Hamper Knitters

WWH welcome donations of any NEW knitwear items including scarves, hats, knee rugs etc to come in by the end of March if possible. They can be left at either church for collection. Many, many thanks to all the knitters for their dedication and time spent knitting - it is much appreciated. If you have any questions please call Dale on 0428396281.

Gladys Timson

It is with sadness that we tell you that Gladys Timson died on 2/2/22. Details of her memorial service are yet to be announced. Gladys was a much loved member of the Chelsea community and a long time volunteer with the Op Shop team.

World Day of Prayer...

... will be held at 1:30pm on Friday 4 March at Uniting by the Bay Church 2 Sherwood Avenue, Chelsea

Ron Peterson Surgery

Ron will be having hip replacement surgery on 10 March and will be away and recovering for 4 weeks. Please pray for a successful surgery and rapid and uneventful healing.

Updated Covid information

- If you have any symptoms of Covid or have recently tested positive to Covid, PLEASE do not enter any of our buildings.
- Masks are no longer mandatory unless you wish to wear one

Next Church Market – 19 March 9.00 am – 12.30 pm

Our next market is on Saturday 19 March. Please note the following...

- Donations can be dropped off in the shed most days. Could you please let family and friends know.
- Shortbread, cakes, slices, jams and relishes (labelled with the ingredients) are very popular and can be dropped into the church.
- If you could volunteer on Friday to set up and/or on Saturday to set up (8am-9am), pack up (12.15pm-1.15pm) or look after a stall, that would be great
- We still need plastic containers with lids to store items

A Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,

we pray for the people of Ukraine today.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.

We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,

that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.

We pray for those with power over war or peace,

for wisdom, discernment and compassion

to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Amen

Archbishop Justin Welby Archbishop Stephen Cottrell



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

Happy Birthday... Trissette Fernando

Congratulations... Lyn & Frank Field for being married 55 years

Services in the church

10am at St Chad's every Sunday 8am at St Chad's 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month 11am at St Aidan's 2nd Sunday of the month

This week in the church

Mon 9:30am Pastoral Care Meeting

Tues 10:00am Matt's Place at St Chad's TAKEAWAY MEALS ONLY

Tues 11:00am Lunch Church & Bible Study

Wed 9:30am—1:30pm Pantry 5000 at St Aidan's Wed 1:00pm Church Prayer Meeting

Thurs 10:00am Playgroup

Soon in the church

5 March 10am Prayer retreat

19 March9am-12:30pm Market at St Chad's14 AprilMaundy Thursday service at St Chad's

15 April 9am Good Friday services at St Chad's and St Aidan's

17 April Easter Sunday 8am &10am at St Chad's & 11am at St Aidan'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, Alan & family, Bradley & Sharon, Brenda, Briony & Phoebe, Cathy, David, Dawn, Doug, Evie, Frank, Gabriel & Liz, Gary A, Geoff, Helen, Isla, Jackie, Jennifer & Alex, Jenny & family, Karen, Kayden & Elisabeth, Ken & Jan, Lorraine, Matty, Nigel & Chris, Rachel, Rita, Robert, Robyn, Rosie, Russell & Mary, Sandra, Shaz, Sienna, Steph, Stephen T, Tania, Tommy, Will, Winnie

Thanksgiving prayer: For the life of Patjohn (Mary Tyrell's brother)

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