

31 July 2022

Our mission is to:

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

Hope

Hope is in short supply these days. If we watch the news on TV or read the newspapers, we regularly hear about growing tensions, wars, stock exchange crashes, global warming, famines, droughts, flooding and bush fires. There was a time when we put hope in our leaders to solve the crises that confront us, but increasingly, we have lost confidence in them and their ability to fix the world's problems.

This lack of hope also invades our personal lives. Covid has taken away our sense of certainty and security in planning for the future and any hope for things to get back to 'normal' is slowly fading.

Yet, even when everything seems to be hopeless, Christians are called to be people of persistent hope. Our hope is not wishful thinking, denying the pain in our world or pretending that our lives are without struggles. In fact, Christian hope is not based on the circumstances of our lives or the condition of the world. Rather, our hope rests on God, on his character, his faithfulness and his promises. Our hope remains solid even when life disappoints us, because it's founded on the one who is utterly reliable. Our hope in Christ doesn't mean that, during our lifetime, every problem will be solved, every disease healed, every victim of oppression set free, every hungry child fed. Yet, we have confidence that God will one day complete his work of mending the world. This confidence is our hope, a hope that keeps us going, a hope we offer to a hopeless world.

Sunday 31 July 10am service at St Chad's

Services: 7 August 8am & 10am service at St Chad's

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Prayer Retreat – Saturday 3 September

We invite you to come and spend some time with God on Saturday 3/9. Rev Joy Sanderfur from All Saint's Greensborough will be leading our time together. The day will run from 10am to 3pm and will include guided devotion, prayer time, singing, opening God's word and communion.

Pop Up Covid Vaccination Clinic at Matt's Place

The Pop Up Covid Vaccination Clinic at Matt's Place last Tuesday was incredibly successful. The clinic, run by Monash Health and Central Bayside Community Health Services, set a record for the number of vaccinations given at a clinic in one day! The level of community engagement was very high with not only Matt's Place guests and volunteers being vaccinated but also staff from CCSS, members of Victoria Police and even builders from a local construction site. The day was so successful that at the end of the day the nurses were planning what other health initiatives they could bring to us.

Confirmation Service with Bishop Paul

There will be a confirmation service on November 6. Please think about if this is the next step for you or your children and let Sue know.

MoJo Concert and Afternoon Tea Winter Warmer Hampers Fundraising Event At St Aidan's on Sunday 21 August from 1:30-3:00pm

Join us at the Winter Warmers Annual Concert for a great afternoon of music, followed by a great spread, for the great cause of helping local families battle the cold. This year we welcome MoJO (Mordialloc Jazz Orchestra), performing from 1.30pm to 3pm with a 10min interval. Following the performance, a fabulous afternoon tea will be served in the hall. The ticket price includes the performance, afternoon tea and door prize entry. Early Bird ticket price \$15 (\$20 after July 31) or concession \$12 (\$17 after July 31).

You can book using the following link:

https://www.ticketebo.com.au/winter-warmers-hampers/mojoconcert-afternoon-tea

Happy Birthday... Ingrid Tredoux, Caitlyn Bailey, Rob McGreal

Next Church Market 20 August 9am – 12.30 pm

Don't forget to drop your donations into the shed and please remember that **home baked goodies** are a great seller (they must be labelled with ingredients, the date made and the name of the maker).

Playgroup Schedule

- 4 August—Winter wonderland
- **11 August**—Purple day—wear something purple
- 18 August—Dynamite Dino

Bring your favourite dinosaur

- 25 August—Violet Day—wear something violet!
- 1 September—Celebrating Spring

Wear happy clothes (that can get dirty)

- 8 September—Yellow Day—wear something yellow
- 15 September—Footy Day—wear your club colours

Bring your kids. Bring your grandkids. Invite a friend.



The latest recommendation from the bishop is that masks are worn inside. This is not a rule or a mandate but following advice from the Chief Health Officer, one of the best and easiest ways to slow the spread of Covid among vulnerable or elderly communities.

New compliance

ANYONE involved in **ANY** ministry/program in the church is required by the government and the diocese to undertake training. This can be done:

- Online at https://www.openlearning.com/courses/adom-safe-ministry-essentials/homepage/?cl=1
- Or come in person on Sunday 28 August after the 10am service The cost is \$20 and the Church is happy to pay for this. Some may be willing to sponsor a volunteer and donate the cost of the course. At the completion of the course on line, they ask if you would like a certificate. You need to download the certificate and email it to the office.

Please write your name on the list on the notice board to register your attendance.



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	11:15am	Matt's Place at St Chad's
Tues	11:15am	Lunch Church & Bible Study
Wed	9:30am—1	L:30pm Pantry 5000 at St Aidan's

Wed 1:00pm Church Prayer Meeting

Thurs 10:00am Playgroup at St Chad's—wear your Winter Woollies

Fri 10:00am Patchwork & Craft Group (5 August)

Soon in the church

31 August Holiday Program Team Meeting (after church)
21 August Mojo Fundraising Concert for WWH at St Aidan's

28 August Leadership training for the diocese

3 Sept Prayer Retreat

27/28/29 September School Holiday Program
16 Oct Chelsea Band Trivia Afternoon

6 Nov Confirmation service with Bishop Paul

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

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: Briony & Phoebe, Cheryl, Doug, Evie, Gabriel & Liz, Jennifer & Alex, Judith, Karen, Karin, Kayden & Elisabeth, Kiera, Lorraine, Mark, Maxine, Nigel & Chris, Patrick, Rachel, Robert, Robyn, Rosemary, Stephen T, Wyatt, Wayne, Will, Zara

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