



Longbeach
Anglican Church

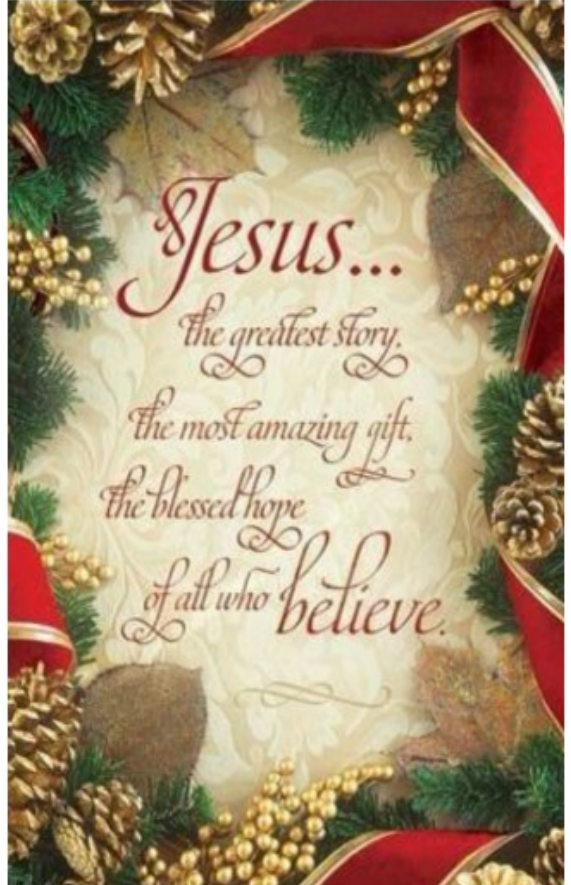
18 December 2022

Our mission is to:

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

. Merry Christmas to you all from the Staff Team.

Christmas brings so many images and symbols to our minds as we celebrate the birth our Lord Jesus Christ. We give each other gifts because we are reminded of the greatest gift of all time – God gave us his own Son Jesus Christ, who brings hope, peace, joy and love into our lives if we receive Christ and become his child. (John 1:12) The purpose of Christmas is to share this gift and what a great opportunity we have. Christmas is a holiday that focuses on the Saviour of the world. There could be no better reason to celebrate Christmas. May you all have a blessed Christmas.



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Christmas Services 2022

Sunday 18 December—10am Seven Lessons and Carols at St Chad's (including pageant rehearsal for the children)

Saturday 24 December

**7pm Family service at St Chad's
(With the pageant and puppets)**

11pm Holy Communion at St Chad's

11pm Holy Communion at St Aidan's

Sunday 25 December

9:30am Holy Communion at St Chad's



Can you deliver Christmas Flyers?

Christmas is such an important celebration of Christ's birth. Letting people in our community know the good news is vital. We have flyers that need to be delivered that advertise our services. A map will be at St Chad's for you to highlight the area that you can deliver to.

Many many thanks to all those involved in the Interchurch Council Carols

Sunday night was a wonderful time as people from a variety of Churches and our local community came together to remember the birth of Christ. Thank you to all of those involved in the service, especially those who filled in at the last minute because of people getting Covid.

Christmas presents for children & teenagers...

...can be left unwrapped under the tree at St Chad's. They will be distributed to needy families by Chelsea Community Support Services.

Next Market—December 17

We need Christmas Themed Donations

Home baked Christmas goodies are also excellent sellers.

Market Raffle

Great prizes and tickets are just \$2 each or 3 for \$5

Funeral of Ruth Cunningham...

...will be on Monday 19 December at 2pm at St Chad's.

Happy Birthday... Christine Taylor

Green Collar Brigade

On Saturday 10 and Wednesday 14 December, we had a team from the Green Collar Reintegration Program (people who have served time in prison) came to our St Chad's centre. They are a hand picked and well supervised team. They did some great work on our property especially with the garden. They are planning to come again next year at different times and we are very appreciative of all they have done.

Opening and closing times for our outreach programs

Matt's Place

Christmas Lunch on Tuesday 20 December (last day for 2022) and reopening on Tuesday 17 January 2023

Pantry 5000

Wednesday 21 December 9:30am-1:00pm

Wednesday 28 December 10:00am-12:00pm (reduced opening hours)

Wednesday 4 January 10:00am-12:00pm (reduced opening hours)

Wednesday 11 January 9:30am-1:00pm

Staff holidays in December 2022/January 2023

Bec will be on leave from December 26—January 8 inclusive

Sue will be on leave from January 9—January 15 inclusive

After Christmas, Jaqueline will only be in the office on Thursday morning for the first two weeks in January, that is, 5/1, 12/1.

Services in January

January 1 & 8—10am at St Chad's

January 15—8am & 10am at St Chad's

January 22—10am at St Chad's & 11am at St Aidan's

January 29—10am at St Chad's

Lunching with the Vicar

Sue would like to invite you to the Vicarage for Sunday lunch on January 22 or 29, if you are around. If you would like to come, then please put your name down on the sign in sheets on the notice boards or up the back of Church.

Do you like to sing? We are starting a singing group...

...for anyone who is interested from our local community. We will sing a variety of Christian and secular music. It will be held at St Chad's on the second and fourth Thursday of the month from 7pm—8.30pm. Please let Wayne or Jacky R know if you would like to be part of the group.

This week in the church

Mon	9:30am	Pastoral Care Meeting
Tues	10:45am	Matt's Place at St Chad's
Tues	11:15am	Lunch Church & Bible Study
Wed	9:30am—1:30pm	Pantry 5000 at St Aidan's
Wed		Church Prayer Meeting have a break until February
Thurs		Playgroup having a break over Christmas

Soon in the church

16 December	10am Patchwork and Craft break up at Hendreys'
17 January	Matt's Place and Lunch Church recommence
21 January	9am-12:30pm Market
22 & 29 January	Lunch with the Vicar
5 February	Church Picnic at Bicentennial Park
21 February	Pancake Night in your homes—invite your friends
25 February	Prayer Retreat
28 February	Alpha Starts
30 February	Singing Group starts
18 March	Fete
19-21 April	Holiday Program

Pantry 5000 Food of the Week

Spreads suitable for school lunches

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: Carol, Carolyn, Cheryl, Chris B, Doug, Evie, Glenis, Helen, Baby Hudson & Jennifer, Kayden & Elisabeth, Kim, Leonie, Lorraine, Michelle, Nigel & Chris, Phoebe, Rex, Robert, Roberta, Rosemary, Sharon, Stephen T, Sue, Viv, Wyatt, Will

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