



Longbeach  
Anglican Church

24 December 2023

Our mission is to:

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

This  
Christmas  
end a quarrel.  
Seek out a forgotten  
friend. Dismiss suspicion  
and replace it with trust.  
Write a love letter. Share some  
treasure. Give a soft answer. Keep  
a promise. Find the time. Forgo a grudge.  
Forgive an enemy. Listen. Apologise if you  
were wrong. Try to understand. Examine your  
demands on others. Think first of someone else.  
Be kind; be gentle. Appreciate. Laugh a little. Laugh a  
little more. Express your gratitude. Gladden the heart of a  
child. Welcome a stranger. Take pleasure in the beauty and the  
wonder of Earth.  
Speak your love.  
Speak it again.  
Speak it yet  
once again.

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## **Christmas Services at the Longbeach Church**

**Sunday 24 December**

10am Family service at St Chad's (With the pageant and puppets)

11am Nine Lessons & Carols at St Aidan's (no communion)

11pm Holy Communion at St Chad's

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**Monday 25 December**

9.30 am Holy Communion at St Chad's

### **Building Works at St Chad's and St Aidan's**

It is with joy that I announce that over the last few weeks a few very generous people have given money so that we have been able to reach our target. Thank you to everyone who has given so faithfully and generously. In total, we have raised \$57860. God has been at work again and provided for us. During January, the hall floor will be resurfaced ready for the new year's ministry events. Next year, we will be planning to put the shelter over the hall side door at St Aidan's. If you have any ideas for this, please talk to Sue or the Wardens.

### **Land Tax**

The state government has put in a new land tax law and Churches are now required to pay if they earn over a certain amount through hiring out their property including vicarages. At the moment, it is a significant amount we will need to pay. The Wardens and Parish Council are looking into ways of lowering this amount. Could you please pray for wisdom as they work out the way forward.

### **Garage Sale to Raise money for the McGreal Family**

Di McGreal is still in hospital in Canberra and there has not been a lot of change. Please keep praying for the family as Di will still be over there during Christmas and New Year. The Lions club have asked us to join them in raising some money for the family by holding a garage sale at our Church on Saturday 20 January. If you would be willing to help with this by either donating goods, helping set up or serving on the day, please let Sue know.

### **Lunching with the Vicar**

Sue would like to invite you to the Vicarage lunch on either January 14 or 21. If you would like to come, please put your name on the sign in sheets on the notice boards or at the back of the church. If you haven't taken the opportunity to visit the vicarage, please come to lunch.

## Church Market

At the last market we had a wonderful day and many from the community came to buy plants, jams and pickles, scones, clothes, bric a brac and so much more. We raised over \$2200 which will go into our Op Shop account as we plan towards having another one possibly on site. In January, we are taking a well earned break from the market and our next one will be held on Saturday 20 February. I would like to thank the team for all their hard work in ensuring the success of our markets.

## Lauren Raiter—CMS Missionary

### Commissioning Service Sunday 4 February 2024

1.30pm @ Scots Church Melbourne, followed by refreshments.

## Opening and closing times for our outreach programs

### Matt's Place & Lunch Church

Christmas lunch at 11:30am on Tuesday 19 December (last day for 2023)  
and reopening on Tuesday 23 January 2024

### Pantry 5000

Wednesday 20 December 9:30am-1:30pm

Wednesday 27 December PANTRY CLOSED

Wednesday 3 January 10:00am-12:00pm

Wednesday 10 January 9:30am-1:30pm

Wednesday 17 January 9:30am-1:30pm

### No market in January

## Services in the parish over the New Year

On the Sundays following Christmas we will have combined services on the following dates, times and churches.

December 31—10:00am Combined Service at St Chad's

January 7, 14 & 21—10:00am Combined Service at St Chad's

January 28—10am at St Chad's & 11am St Aidan's



## Services in the church (except in January)

10am at St Chad's every Sunday  
8am at St Chad's 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month  
11am at St Aidan's 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month

## This week in the church

Mon	Pastoral Care Meeting having a break until February
Tues	Matt's Place having a break until January 23
Tues	Lunch Church having a break until January 23
Wed	Pantry 5000 having a break until January 3
Wed	1pm Church Prayer Meeting
Thurs	Singing group having a break until February

## Soon in the church

14 & 21 January	Lunch with the Vicar
20 January	Garage Sale at St Chad's
4 February	Commissioning of Lauren Raiter, Scots Church, Melbourne
17 February	9am-12:30pm Market
16 March	Fete

**Pantry 5000 Food of the Week ... Cereal and instant noodles**

### 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:** Di, Don, Doug, Gisela, Helen, Hunter & Stefanie, Jaqueline, Jasmine, Julie, Kayden & Elisabeth, Kirsty, Lorraine, Margot, Massy, Mia, Nick, Nigel & Chris, Pauline, Phoebe, Rex, Richard, Ruth, Sandra, Stephen T, Sue, Will

**Offering Via Direct Debit—Our bank details are:**

**Account Name: Anglican Parish of Longbeach**

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