



Longbeach  
Anglican Church

9 March 2025

Our mission is to:

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

# DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

*In the words of Pope Francis*

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.



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### **Prayer and Praise**

- Thank the Lord for the handy men who are fixing holes in the walls, gaps under doors, mowing lawns and painting window sills, fixing possum holes in the roof and making our grounds look great.
- Praise God for the Anglican Churches around us as we support one another. St Luke's Carrum Downs has been really generous to Matt's place as they have donated produce from their harvest festival service on Sunday. Please continue to pray for our local Churches.
- Continue to pray for the Alpha nights that the Spirit of God will continue to work in the lives of those attending and the leaders.
- Praise God for the leadership team at Pantry. Paul S (oversees Tuesdays) and Susie M (oversees Wednesday) are doing an amazing job of leading the various teams to ensure that Pantry runs smoothly. Continue to pray that this ministry will shine the love of Jesus out to all who come and are involved.

### **Spiritual Gifts**

This week we have sent out a questionnaire on the Spiritual Gifts in Ephesians 4. You might like to fill this in if you haven't already, to understand what the gifts are that God has given you. If you need a copy of them, they are on the table in the foyer.

### **Alpha 2025**

Who are you going to invite?

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO ASK!

Pick up an invitation card today & pray!

6:30pm at St Chad's Parish Centre.

Put your name on the list or call Julia on

0400 356 696 and let her know you are coming.



### **Decisions at Wardens and Parish Council**

Over the last few years, there have been incidents at Pantry 5000 and Matt's Place that have made the Parish Council reassess having children and youth at our Outreach Programs. After much discussion, we have made a policy that as a Church we will NOT have volunteers under 18 at any of our weekly outreach programs. Some of the guests who come to our programs have major struggles with life in general and do not always act in a safe manner, and youth are not necessarily equipped to handle this. If you have questions regarding this please talk with Sue.

## Fete Letterbox Drop

Letterbox drop flyers are available today in the foyer of your centre. Please pick up a handful and deliver to your local area. Mark on the map the area you are doing. Please do NOT deliver to letterboxes that are marked, "No Junk Mail" or similar.

### **Governance and Operations in our ministries**

Over the past few years, there has been some confusion as to who is responsible for making decisions regarding both governance and operations. After considerable discussion at the Wardens and Parish Council meetings and discussion with Professional Standards, it was felt that we needed to make this clearer to the Church.

#### **1. The Vicar and the Parish Council (Board) are responsible for Governance.**

The Vicar of the Parish is in charge of all ministries and the Parish Council (Board) are the ones who make sure that the ministry runs in accordance with the law and the standards of the Anglican Church.

#### **2. The Vicar and key leader or volunteers of program(s) are responsible for Day to Day Operations. The key leaders are responsible to the Vicar and the Board.**

The Vicar and Board oversee all governance related issues including: vision; mission and strategy; policies; risk; property; finance; culture; reputation; duty of care; and the approving of volunteers; etc. The Vicar and the leadership teams oversee how the ministry functions, how it is promoted and small financial matters.

Some issues affect both the Vicar and the Board (Governance), and the Leadership Team (Operations), and will be discussed collaboratively between the teams.

If you have any questions please see Sue.

**Passover Meal - 6:30pm Thursday 17 April  
at St Chad's**

**Put the date in your diary!**

**More details next week.**

**Bible Reading for March 16 — Mark 1:14-39**

**Pantry 5000 Food of the Week ... Noodles**

**Happy Birthday—Trisette**

## 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, 4th & 5th Sunday of the month

## This week in the church

Mon 11am	Pastoral Care Meeting (no meeting Labour Day)
Tues 11:30am	Matt's Place
Tues 11:30am	Lunch Church
Tues 6:30pm	Alpha
Wed 9:30am-1:30pm	Pantry 5000
Wed 1pm	Church Prayer Meeting
Thurs 7pm	Singing Group at St Chad's (Mar 6 and 20)
Fri 10am	Quilting & Craft at St Chad's (Mar 7 and 21)

## Soon in the church

15 March	Fete
23 March	Jumbunna Call to Prayer 3-6pm, at St Paul's Frankston
17 April	Passover at St Chad's
18 April	Good Friday 9am services at St Chad's and St Aidan's
18 April	10:30am Stations of the Cross at Beeson Reserve
20 April	10am Easter Services at St Chad's and St Aidan's
19 May	Wayne and Carol Musical Extravaganza at St Chad's

### Prayer Chain requests—Christine Taylor 0407 725 692

**Pastoral care**—Sue Bluett 0433 024 626

**Prayer has been requested for:** Bill, Cheryl, Chris, Di, Graham, Isla, Karen & family, Kayden & Elisabeth, Kirsty, Kirstie, Lee, Liz & Gabriel, Margot, Michael, Nigel & Chris, Nola, Paul, Phoebe, Richard T, Sue, Tina, Will

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

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**Wardens**

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