



Longbeach
Anglican Church

7 December 2025

Our mission is to:

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

**The reality of Advent isn't that we are waiting for
the birth of the Christ Child.**

**The Christ Child is here and is waiting for us to
come.**

He is crying out to us from the border.

He is calling to us from the voices of the poor.

He is shouting out to us from prison.

He is waiting for us to live out our faith.

He is waiting for us to seek justice.

He is waiting for us to pursue peace.

Let us go, for He is waiting.

Susan Henry-Crowe

Bible Reading December 14 Mark 8:27-38

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Please pray...

- For John, Natasa and Sam as they prepare for confirmation. Pray that as they declare their faith in Christ, they will be strengthened by the Holy Spirit for continuing discipleship.
- For those affected by the 1 in 300 year floods in Asia. For comfort for those who have lost family and friends. For governments and councils to act swiftly to accommodate those made homeless.
- For the new Parish Council as they meet for the first time on Monday night. Provide guidance and wisdom in their decision making.
- For all those involved in preparing services for Christmas. Help them discern the best way to spread the message of Jesus to all who come through our doors.
- For the leaders of small groups that they will be refreshed over the summer break. Guide them in their planning for 2026 and lead them to helpful material to use that will open the eyes and hearts of their members so they can better know Christ.

Archbishop Ric Thorpe

On Sunday, the 30th of November, the Rt Revd Ric Thorpe was installed as the 14th Archbishop of Melbourne and Metropolitan of Victoria, in the Anglican Church of Australia. In his homily, the new Archbishop stated, 'I will proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, crucified and risen, as long as God gives my breath'. He said that his priorities for the diocese are:

- Prayer
- Mission
- Church planting
- Developing leaders
- Schools

Read the full story on [anglicannews.org](https://bit.ly/48vMFaU): <https://bit.ly/48vMFaU>



Thank you Thank you Thank you

Thank you to Jaqueline and Bernard Hendrey for opening their home on Sunday for the Children and Families Christmas party. There was a quest to complete that included toasting marshmallows, making a bonbon, creating Christmas bunting and much more. We sang Christmas songs and told the Christmas story. It was a wonderful event and was attended by over 30 people.

Pantry 5000 Food of the Week—Pasta

What's on at the Longbeach Church for Christmas 2025

Sunday 14 December at the Chelsea Town Hall

4:00pm Inter-church Council Christmas Carols

(Featuring choirs, Wayne and our Puppets)

Sunday 21 December at St Chad's

10am Seven Lessons and Carols at St Chad's (with communion)
(including pageant rehearsal for the children)

Wednesday 24 December

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

11pm Holy Communion at St Aidan's

Thursday 25 December

9:30am Holy Communion at St Chad's



Opening and closing times for our outreach programs

Matt's Place & Lunch Church

Christmas lunch at 11:30am on Tuesday 16 December (last day for 2025)
and reopening on Tuesday 20 January 2026

Pantry 5000

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

Wednesday 24 December & December 31 PANTRY CLOSED

Wednesday 7 January 9:30am-1pm

Wednesday 14 January 9:30am-1pm

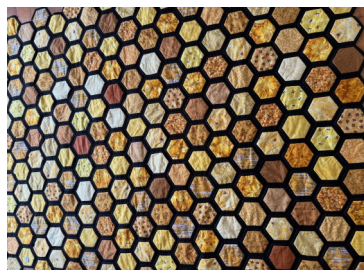
Services in the parish over the New Year

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

December 28—10am Combined Service at St Chad's

January 4, 11, & 18 —10am Combined Service at St Chad's

25 January—10am Service at St Chad's and 11am at St Aidan's



FETE - 14 March 2026

Our fete will be held on the 14th of March next year. Quilt raffle tickets for our beautiful BEE quilt (see picture) will be available from today. Please take a booklet or two to sell to family and friends.

Donations for Jaqueline and Julia

If you would like to put some money towards a gift for Jaqueline or Julia, please place this in an envelope with their name on it and give to the office or place in the offering bowl.

Worship Services

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

Pastoral Care Meeting—having a break until Feb 2026
Mon 7pm Meeting of the Parish Council
Tues 11:30am Matt's Place
Tues 11:30am Lunch Church
Wed 9:30am-1pm Pantry 5000 at St Aidan's
Church Prayer Meeting—having a break until Feb 2026
Thurs 7pm Singing group at St Chad's (December 11)
Fri 10am Quilting & Craft at St Chad's (December 12)

Upcoming Events

8 December Alpha continues at St Chad's
14 December Bishop Paul Confirmation Service
14 December Inter Church Council Carols
21 December Nine Lessons and Carols
January 2026 Sunday 10am Combined services at St Chad's
19 February 1pm Coffee and Chat at St Chad's

Prayer Chain requests—Christine Taylor 0407 725 692

Prayer has been requested for: Barb, Christine S, Colin & Kate H, Di, Jessica, Joanne, Karen, Kirstie, Micheal, Michelle, Nigel & Chris, Nola, Oakley, Paul, Phoebe, Ray, Robert, Ross & Irene, Sue T, Tina, Whalen family, Yolanta & Peter

Offering Via Direct Debit—Our bank details are:

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