

# CHRIST CHURCH GEELONG

## AN ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA

ARCHBISHOP PHILIP FREIER  
AS PRESIDENT OF MASS AND PREACHER



**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**17th December, 2023**

***'A community of faith in service to others'***

## NOTICES

### The 2023 Carol Service:

A recording was made of the *Service of Nine Lessons and Carols* held on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December – so if you missed the service or would like to listen again to the carols sung by the choir and congregation, just follow the links to “What’s on Now?” or “Celebrations & Photos” on the parish web page... and if you listen closely to the final bars of the ‘*Hallelujah Chorus*’ played by Winton Barry to conclude this service, you may be able to hear the sound of Fr Lankiri singing along with the organ for the final notes – wonderful!

*Phillip Swain*


### Christmas Market:

Final proceeds are a total of **\$5,610.00**. Our best result yet for the Christmas Market. A final and grateful thanks for all contributors

*Susan Murrant*

### CHRISTMAS BOWL—ACT FOR PEACE

**Third Sunday of Advent**




### Finding Joy in resilience

Twelve long years have passed since Rima\* and her family fled their beloved home in Syria as the devastating civil war unfolded. Forced to leave everything behind, they sought refuge in Jordan, carrying with them only the essentials. With your kind gift to the Christmas Bowl, you can support Act for Peace's local partner, the Department of Service to Palestinian Refugees, continue to provide vital food packages, hygiene kits, and the long-term support that refugees need to rebuild their lives. **Please give today.**

\*Name changed for safety reasons

**CALL: 1800 025 101 VISIT: [christmasbowl.actforpeace.org.au](http://christmasbowl.actforpeace.org.au)**

The Christmas appeal of Act for Peace, the international humanitarian agency of the National Council of Churches in Australia. ABN 95 619 920 166



**Christmas Bowl**



*Please note there is a Hearing Loop installed in the Church that provides a wireless signal picked up by the hearing aid when it is set to 'T' (Telecoil).*

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### Our Contacts

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Organist	Winton Barry
Office Admin	Patricia Cowling

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### THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday, 19th      Meditation in the Chapel at 7.15pm ✕  
[ ✕ Please note this is the final meditation session for 2023 ]  
Wednesday, 20th      Holy Eucharist at 10am



### FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT/ CHRISTMAS EVE—24TH DECEMBER

Holy Eucharist at 8am & 10am (Sung);  
Children's & Family Service at 5pm  
Midnight Mass at 10.30pm

### CHRISTMAS DAY

Holy Eucharist at 8am & 10am (Sung)

### NEW YEAR'S EVE—SUNDAY, 31ST DECEMBER

#### THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Holy Eucharist at 8am & 10am (Sung)  
(Note: No 5.15pm service on Christmas Day or New Year's Eve)

### SERVICES IN THE NEW YEAR

Holy Eucharist at 8am & 10am on Sundays  
Holy Eucharist at 10am on Wednesdays  
(Note: No Meditation sessions during January)

*We acknowledge the Wadawurrung people of the Kulin Nation as the traditional custodians of the lands on which Christ Church and its building now stand.  
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