

CHRIST CHURCH—GEELONG
AN ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AUSTRALIA
DIOCESE OF MELBOURNE



SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
HOLY EUCHARIST SERVICE
16 FEBRUARY 2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

DARWIN DEFENDERS: We will commemorate the Darwin Defenders Events by holding a special Service. This will take place next Sunday on 23 February during the 10am Service. Please come in numbers to commemorate this great event in the history of our country to appreciate the sacrifices made by men and women of Darwin Defenders.

AFTER SIX DINNER: Thanks to all those who supported the January dinner. Dinners are held on the third Thursday of each month (barring proximity to Easter and Christmas when the dates may move - this will be advised in parish pew sheet). **Venue is El Toro, 245 Moorabool Street, Geelong.**
Date - 20.2.25 at 6.30 pm.
All most welcome.

FR BARRY'S 60th ANNIVERSARY: Friday 21st February marks the 60th anniversary of Fr Barry Smith's Priesting and Sunday 23rd February the 61st Anniversary of my Deaconing. Fr Barry will preach today in thanksgiving to God for this milestone. We are grateful to God for granting you this opportunity to minister to God's people so faithfully and diligently for this long. Congratulations Fr Barry. May you be given the strength to continue to serve God in many special ways.

PASTORAL CARE MEETING: The Pastoral Care Group will meet on Thursday 20 February in the School Room at 10am. If you would like to join this group, please talk to Judy Munro or the Vicar.

PARISH COUNCIL: The Parish Council will hold their monthly meeting on Wednesday 19 February from 7:30pm in the

School Room. If you ever have any matter that you feel should be brought to the attention of the Parish Council, kindly speak to the Vicar or Wardens.

THE CHRONICLE: The next edition of the Chronicle due in March 2025 is in preparation NOW – so it's time to send in any notices, articles,



reminders, announcements or anything that you think parishioners might like to know about, especially for the coming months. Send them to spswain@westnet.com.au.

For this edition we are trialling a new printing process, and to allow time for collation and printing your contributions need to be sent for inclusion by no later than Monday 17th February.

HOPE25 LENTEN SESSIONS: The Anglican Church of Australia has launched what is known as **Hope25**. Hope25 seeks to empower Australian Anglican parishes and communities in an intentional season of sharing hope in Jesus from Easter to Pentecost in 2025. Please visit <https://www.hope25.com.au/> for more details.

This year our studies are focused on bringing hope to God's people in the hopeless situations, broken relationships, broken trust, broken hearts. The Vicar would like to introduce the new slot for the Midweek Group led by Fr Lankiri. **The new time slot is now going to be 6pm** on Wednesdays. Light dinner will be served at the beginning of each session. There is a sign up sheet at the Crossing Table for everyone who does not belong to any group as yet to consider joining this Group. Speak to Fr Lankiri if you need more information.

LENT FELLOWSHIP GROUPS: The Anglican Church of Australia has launched what is known as Hope 25, seeking to empower Anglican parishes and communities to share Hope in Jesus from Easter to Pentecost 2025. To prepare us for this we have chosen a group of studies, Faithful Witnesses, a practical guide for renewal of individuals and congregations, by Margaret Chittleborough, and have permission from the Diocese of Adelaide to make copies available within the parish for the cost of copying.

Some people choose to buy a book and do it alone, but it is much more fun to join a fellowship group and discuss it with others. Lent starts on Ash Wednesday with services at 10am and night.

Groups meet in Lent on Monday afternoons and nights, Wednesday evenings at 6pm with a light meal, and Friday nights. Do make time join a group as part of your Lenten commitment, it is interesting and fulfilling.

Sign-up sheets are available in the church, and books are available for \$2.00

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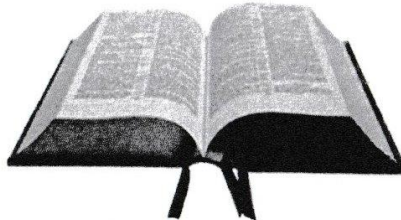
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Services

Tuesdays—Meditation at 7:15pm at the Chapel
Wednesdays at 10am Eucharist
Sundays at 8.00am; 10am (Sung)
and 5.15pm

Readings

Ecclesiasticus 44:1-15, Psalm 46, John 15:9-17



“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.”