

Parish of St Christopher's City Beach

PEW SHEET



A very warm welcome to St Christopher's. You are invited to stay for morning tea after the 9am & 9.30am services.

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Cheques for the parish to be made payable to: **'ACF: Parish of City Beach'**

Fourth Sunday of Advent

18 December 2022



Sentence

A virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel: God with us. *Matthew 1.23*

Collect

Gracious God, you chose the virgin Mary, by your grace, to be the mother of our Lord and Saviour: so fill us with your grace, that with her we may rejoice in your salvation, and in all things embrace your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**



SERVICE TIMES AT ST CHRISTOPHER'S FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2023 ONLY



COMBINED HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE: **SUNDAY** 08.30am

MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE: Wednesday 10.00am
(Resumes Wednesday 11 January 2023)

Please visit our website: stchristophersanglicanchurchcitybeach.weebly.com for sermons, liturgical & prayer resources & other links

Ngala kaaditj Nyoongar moort keyen kaadak nidja boodja.

We acknowledge the Nyoongar people as the original custodians of this land.



Reflection – Fourth Sunday of Advent Matthew 1.18-25

“Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife!”
How often in our lives, do our logical and practical minds tell us one message, and yet we know deep down, there is something more. Something unexplained, something offering us a deeper truth?

Joseph trusted God and believed in the message of the angel. Even though he was afraid, he was open to the prompting of the Holy Spirit in his life, which ultimately led to the birth of Jesus, Emmanuel, God is with us. Let us pray for a deeper openness to the spirit in our lives this Advent and be open when God invites us to risk.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Our parish community: The Parish Council, Lay Pastoral Ministers, Liturgical Assistants, readers, and Revd. Pat.

The Anglican Church: Abp Canterbury Justin Welby; Primate Abp Geoffrey Smith, Abp Kay Goldsworthy AO, Assistant Bishops Jeremy, and Kate.

All who are in need, sick or grieving: Revd. Joyce, Colin, Karyn, James, Shirl-Ann, David, Chum, Michaela, Colin & Family, Judith & Family

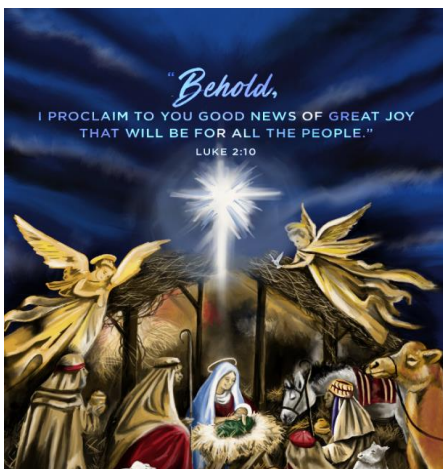
An end to all hostilities among nations and peace in our world.

All for whom this Christmas will be their first without a loved one.

Please inform Revd. Pat or Joy Campbell if you would like a name added or removed from the list.



Anointing and prayer for healing is available immediately after Holy Communion. Please sit in the chair next to the votive candle. Alternatively, please speak to Revd. Pat



Christmas Day Reflection

Authentic joy comes in a form we would never expect: a newborn baby, who arrived 2,000 years ago and who still comes into our lives during Christmas and every day of the year.

The lights we decorate with at Christmas are just a tiny glimpse of the real light the birth of Jesus brought into the world.

This Christmas, let us open our hearts to receive this gift and become a reflection of the light to a world in need of the hope and joy of Christ.

PLEASE NOTE THERE IS ONLY ONE SUNDAY HOLY COMMUNION

SERVICE DURING THE MONTH OF JANUARY AT 8.30AM.

Normal service times will resume on Sunday 5 February 2023

CHRISTMAS SERVICES
St Christopher's City Beach

Carol Service: Sunday 18 December 6.30PM

Family Nativity Service: 24 December 5PM

Christmas Day Eucharist: 25 December 8.30AM

New Year's Day: 1 January 8.30AM (A service of Praise, Prayer and Proclamation)



PLEASE COME AND JOIN US

DIARY DATES

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| OCEAN GARDENS CHRISTMAS EUCHARIST | TUE 20 DEC –10AM |
| MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION | WED 21 DEC–10AM |
| PARISH COUNCIL MEETING | WED 21 DEC – 4PM |
| FESTIVAL OF LESSONS & CAROLS ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL | SUN 18, FRI 23, SAT 24 DEC – 7.30PM |
| FAREWELL SERVICE FOR BISHOP JEREMY JAMES ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL | SUN 15 JAN–5PM |
| EVENING SONGS OF PRAISE SERVICE | SUN 28 FEB –6PM |



You are warmly invited to the
DIOCESAN FAREWELL SERVICE

for

The Right Reverend Jeremy James tssf

Sunday 15 January 2023

St George's Cathedral Perth 5pm

followed by light refreshments

RSVP by Monday 9 January 2023

To reception@perth.anglican.org or 9425 7200

HEALTH WORK & SAFETY

Health Work & Safety in the parish is the responsibility of all, and we encourage everyone to promptly report all unsafe matters you see within the church building or grounds to Bob Laurensen (9341 5914) or David Munt (9385 9323).

ROTTNEST DUTY CHAPLAIN

Revd. Pat will be covering as Rottnest Duty Chaplain from Thursday 29 December 2022 to Wednesday 4 January 2023. For urgent pastoral issues please contact Revd. Pat as usual on 0497445520 as she is not technically on leave. In Revd. Pat's absence the Sunday Holy Communion Service on January 1 will be replaced by A Service of Praise, Prayer and Proclamation led by Joy Campbell LPM.

CHRISTMAS/THANK YOU CARD

Please pick up your card from Revd. Pat and the Parish Council on the table in the foyer!



We are not taking up a collection during the service. You will find the offertory plate at the back of the church at the entry to the worship area. Direct debit forms are also available in the foyer and on our website. Thank you for your contribution to the mission of the church which is gratefully received.

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The Year Ahead



May God make your year a happy one!
Not by shielding us from all sorrows and pain,
But by strengthening us to bear it, as it comes;
Not by making our path easy,
But by making us sturdy to travel any path;
Not by taking hardships from us,
But by taking fear from our heart;
Not by granting us unbroken sunshine,
But by keeping our face bright, even in the shadows;
Not by making our life always pleasant,
But by showing us when people and their causes need us most,
and by making us anxious to be there to help.
God's love, peace, hope and joy to us for the year ahead.

- Author Unknown; Adapted by Debra Mooney

Christmas Greetings



As the whole universe waits for this holy day to honour Christ our saviour's birth; may love, joy, peace and hope surround you and all whom you love.

With love and blessings
Reverends Pat, Dave & family



Congratulations and blessings to all who celebrate a birthday or anniversary in the coming weeks

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