

Confession Advent is a good time to make your confession in preparation for Christmas. To proceed with this helpful spiritual practice please contact the Vicar to arrange a time.

Deputy Vicar General The Bishop announced in this week's News Update that the Vicar has been appointed Deputy Vicar General. The post is one that gives the diocese back up capacity in the event of the Bishop and Vicar General being indisposed or unable to continue in office.

Christian World Service Appeal The Christian World Service Christmas appeal is commended to you for your generous support. An inset sheet about a CWS project is in your Pebble, and appeal gift envelopes can be found on the display table at the back of the Church set aside for this purpose.

The Rock The December edition of the Rock is available at the back of the Church, and in the Link.

Nine Lessons and Carols Readers A gentle reminder to readers at tonight's Nine Lessons and Carols readers to please bring your Scripture text with you.

Christmas Eve at St Barnabas Our first Mass of Christmas begins at St Barnabas at 6 pm, accompanied by Carol singing. This Service may suit some parishioners who cannot attend the other Christmas Services.

Christmas at St Peter's.

This evening, 7 pm.

The Service of Nine Lessons and Carols.

Wednesday December 24, Christmas Eve,

11 pm: Carols, Midnight Mass of the Nativity and blessing of the Crib by Candlelight.

Thursday December 25, Christmas Day:

8 am Holy Eucharist (1662)

10.30 am Sung Solemn Eucharist and Carols.

Pray for the Sick and Infirm Claire Johnson, Hannah Scott, Cherry Gordon, Juen Miyagi, Shirley Menzies, George and Nonie Connor and Denise Walker.

Pray for those whose memorial occurs at this time David, John and Richard Tourelle, Noel McQuarrie, Francis Hore, William Littler, Doreen Fraser, and Lena Holmes.

Anglican Family Centre Episcopal statement A statement from Bishop Kelvin regarding the recent industrial action and negative publicity affecting the Anglican Family Centre can be found on the CWS table at the back of the Church. St Peters devotes a major share of its giving to mission and social service agencies to Anglican Family Care.

New Year's Eve Watchnight Service poster advertising our Christmas Services has gone up on the Hillside Rd public noticeboard. You will see listed there the Watchnight Service on New Year's Eve starting at 10.30 pm, and timed to conclude close to the Midnight seeing in of the New Year. The Service consists of a Vigil of Readings and accompanying prayers, together with suitable hymns. It concludes with a celebration of the Eucharist according to the Liturgy of St Basil, which we use on special occasions. This is a wonderful and most appropriate way to see out the old year and see in the new.

Vigil lesson readers requested If you are attending the New Years Eve Watchnight Service, and would like to read a lesson, please contact the Vicar.

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