



# Newsletter

Ocean Grove,  
Uniting Church in Australia

Sunday December 1st 2024

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## SOCIAL JUSTICE DATES

December 1st  
World AIDS Day

December 2nd  
International Day for the Abolition of Slavery

## Let's do lunch

**Friday December 13th 12noon  
Ocean Grove Bowling Club.**

**For bookings please write your name on the list on the  
table in the foyer.**

**This is a great chance to participate in good food, good  
fellowship, and the possibility of meeting new friends.**

**Please have your name down by  
Tuesday December 10th**

## ITEMS DISCUSSED AT THE CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY NOVEMBER THE 14TH

**Key Register Update:** If you have keys for anything on the church premises would you please contact Robert Quarrell ASAP and let him know. It is important that we have a register of all key holders for all locks.

**Name Badges:** New members of the Congregation and those who require a name badge replacement please speak to Robert Quarrell to place an order.

**Sunday rosters:** when calling for volunteers to fill the monthly roster please note that we need **2 people** to be listed for the Offering and Counting and 2 people for morning tea.

**Monthly giving envelopes:** If you would like to continue with this practice or maybe join in then please speak to Dianne Sapwell, who will be arranging a new sets of envelopes for 2025 before the end of this year.

**Church Directory and records update:** Please take the time over the next few weeks to update your particulars on the prepared sheets located on the table near the sink in the church foyer. New people attending please add your details to the black sheet so that we can include you in an upcoming new directory. It is also important to have our church records current.

**Bell Ringers needed:** Would you like to let the community know that church is happening on a Sunday. Then see Doug Gorwell for lessons in simple bell ringing.

**Church Council meets on the second Thursday of the month so if you would like something discussed then please contact Secretary Judy Greer**

## CAN AND BOTTLE COLLECTION

Thanks to everyone who has contributed to this appeal so far.  
Please keep up the good work.

The collection bag is located under the switchboard  
in the hall foyer.

## LECTIONARY READINGS FOR DECEMBER

### December 1st Advent 1

Jeremiah 33: 14-16, Psalm 25: 1-10,  
1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13, Luke 21: 25-36

### December 8th Advent 2

Malachi 3: 1-4, Luke 1: 68-79,  
Philemon 1: 3-11, Luke 3: 1-46

### December 15th Advent 3

Zephaniah 3: 14-20, Isaiah 12: 2-6,  
Philemon 4: 4-7, Luke 3: 7-18

### December 22nd Advent 4

Micah 5: 2-5a, Luke 1: 46b-55 or Psalm 80: 1-7,  
Hebrews 10: 5-10, Luke 1: 39-45 (46-55)

### December 29th Christmas 1

1 Samuel 2: 18-20, 26, Psalm 148,  
Colossians 3: 12-17, Luke 2: 41-52

### Key Verse

**“Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never  
pass away.”  
Luke 21: 33**

### SAMMY STAMP

Remember to save all your unwanted used stamps and place them in the marked box on the shelf under the clock in the church foyer. However there are a few instructions which will assist the Sammy Stamp volunteers in Melbourne with their sorting.

- ❖ Check that stamps are **not heavily franked**.
- ❖ If trimming stamps from envelopes they need to have a 3mm border around the **whole stamp**.
- ❖ If unsure about trimming leave on the envelope!
- ❖ If appropriate leave stamps on postcards.

## **ROSTERS FOR DECEMBER 2024**

### **December 1st**

Communion Preparation: Dianne Sapwell

Communion Steward: Dianne Sapwell

Welcome and Notices: Rod Greer

Bible Reader: Rod Greer

Bell Ringer: ????

Sound: ????

Prayers for the People: Dianne Sapwell

Offering and Counting: ????

Morning Tea: Dianne Sapwell

If you are unable to do your rostered task please endeavour to make your own swap before contacting Dianne Sapwell.  
If you do make a swap it would be appreciated if you let Dianne and the Ministers know.

**Decembers' roster is now on the table in the foyer ready for you to add your name to help with Sunday Worship.**

**Please note that there are still lots of spaces to fill!!!!**

## **FREE LUNCH TIME ORGAN RECITALS FOR ADVENT**

12.30pm – 1.15pm on Mondays

Basilica of St Mary of the Angels Geelong

2nd December Terry Norman

9th December Rhys Roak

16th December Rhys Arvidson

23rd December Frank De Rosso

## **CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

Windfire Choir and Vox Angelica Chamber Choir

5.00pm Sunday 15th December

[Www.Trybooking.com/CQYBA](http://www.Trybooking.com/CQYBA)