

## ROSTERS

### MONARTO:

1st May: **Wardens:** Haydn & Penne

**Reader:** Trevor H

8th May: **Wardens:** Colin & Raelene W

**Reader:** Haydn H

### HOLY CROSS

	<i>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May 8.30 AM</i>	<i>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 11AM</i>
<b>GREETERS</b>	T Gogel K Stoddart	V Zerk K Pfeiffer
<b>LS SERVERS:</b>	C Paech	W Hein
<b>LECTOR:</b>	C Paech	W Hein
<b>PA MM</b>	B Kuchel	A Gates
<b>VC:</b>	A Wegener	T Hanckel
<b>USHERS:</b>	B Gerlach K Lienert	B & J Kuchel
<b>BELL RING'R:</b>	B Gerlach	B Kuchel
<b>ALTAR GUILD:</b>	E & P Welke	D Pfeiffer
<b>MUSICIANS:</b>	J Kuchel K Ahrens	
<b>FLOWERS:</b>	A Wiencke	P Altmann
<b>MORNING TEA:</b>	H Heuppauff R Packer V Zerk	F&J Henschke Y Patterson
<b>MINISTRY TEAM</b>	L Rosenzweig	L Rosenzweig

### CHRIST CHURCH

	9:45am JDH 1-May	9:45am Church 8-May
<b>Elder Assist</b>	D Doecke J Pohl	T Koch J Traeger
<b>Wardens</b>	G Pohl	M Mueller A Hampel
<b>Greeters</b>	C Coulter I Schulte	R&M Herrmann
<b>Tea/Coffee</b>	C Beauglehall J Traeger	J Herrmann D Lienert
<b>PA</b>	G Beauglehall	T Lees
<b>Data Projector</b>	C Doecke	C Beauglehall
<b>Reader</b>	J Pohl	B Traeger
<b>Organist</b>		C Mattner
<b>Video</b>	R Jericho	R Jericho
<b>Flowers</b>		
<b>Counter</b>	G Traeger	D Schiller
<b>Grounds Roster</b>	B Zadow	B Zadow
<b>Water &amp; Care</b>	H&I Schulte	T Koch

## Murray Valley Lutheran CommUnity

*We are partners  
working together  
for God.*

1 Corinthians 3:9a (TEV)

### Christ Church

31 Swanport Rd  
Murray Bridge  
8532 6553

### Holy Cross

31 Florence St  
Murray Bridge  
8532 4577

### Zion Monarto

427 Schenscher Rd  
Monarto  
contact Christ Church

### Sunday 1st May

8:30am  
9:45am  
11am

Holy Cross – HC  
Christ Church (in hall) – HC  
Monarto – HC

### Sunday 8th May

8.30am  
9.45am  
11am

Monarto—HC  
Christ Church—HC  
Holy Cross—HC

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5 Marchand St, Murray Bridge Ph 8532 6553  
email: [christchurch.murraybridge.sa@lca.org.au](mailto:christchurch.murraybridge.sa@lca.org.au)  
Website: [www.cclutheranmb.org.au](http://www.cclutheranmb.org.au)

**Holy Cross office hours:** Tues, Wed, 9.30-1.30pm; Thurs, Fri 9-2pm  
**Closed Monday.** 31 Florence St, Murray Bridge. Ph 8532 4577.  
Email: [hcoffice@internode.on.net](mailto:hcoffice@internode.on.net)

## **PRAYERS:**

- ✠ Pray for Scarlett Herrmann and her family as she is baptised into God's family today at Christ Church
- ✠ Pray for people facing hard times - including war and drought
- ✠ Bless our Community and help us all to work together as members of one body for the benefit of all

### **Please Pray for the following people and their carers:**

Martha Aartsen, Ian & Fay Baxter, Judy Brereton, Olga Burgemeister, Lores Frahn, Lila Grocke, Maxine Gogler (Daws Road Rehab) & daughters Marie Pica & Vicki Gollasch and their families, Trevor & Kyle Hage, Bert & Nita Hyam, Audrey Jaensch, Pat Jenke, Flo Kerkham, Joan Kluge, Glen Koop, Irene Kuchel, Margaret Kuchel, Bryan Lees, Joy Leighton, Erin, Travis, Cooper, Brady & Taylor Lienert, Joy Lienert, Andy & Colleen Nicholls, Oscar, Amelia & Josh Noye, Brenda O'Reilly, Jim Poole, Joyce Pope, Erwin Rohrlach, Neil Schubert, Leo Schulz, Reg Schwartz, Vena Shinnick, Barbara Taylor, Sandra Thiele, Clarita Venn, June Walker, Rosa Waltrovitz.

**Resthaven:** Norm Bensch, Lorna Burrett, Leila Koehler, Dot Noller, Murray Piltz

**Lerwin:** Glad Hausler, Stewart Jaensch, Eric Kuss, Alice Kowald, Betty Paech

**Craigmore Resthaven:** Ivy Roennfeldt

**Golden Grove Helping Hand:** Joyleen Rosenzweig

**Meningie Hospital Aged Care:** Kurt Unger, Felicity Woods

**St Paul's Aged Care, Hahndorf:** Margaret Pfeiffer

**T/Bend Hospital:** Pat Gogel, Bevan Schulz

## **MVLC Baptismal Birthday Celebrations**

1st May	Olivia Anderson	6th	Pete Vigar
	Yvonne Lablack		Kate Frahn
2nd	Matthew Doecke		Mia Paech
	Sonia Hein	7th	Reg Biar
	Allan Nicolle		Brayden Dalitz
4th	Margaret Warnest		Quinn Hein
	Leith Franklin	8th	Dorothy Noller
			Eric Zadow

If you would like to be included in our Prayers above or have your Birthday, Anniversary or any other special occasion announced in the fortnightly Newsletter, please email or call your church office.

## **Diary Dates:**

3 <sup>rd</sup> May	4pm	Holy Cross Ministry Team
	7:30pm	Holy Cross Church Council Meeting
4 <sup>th</sup> May	9:30am	Christ Church Senior Care Team, Ed Cen
	10am	Holy Cross Musicians, meeting room
	5pm	Combined Worship Teams @ Holy Cross
5th May	9:30am	LWSA/NT Convention, Lobethal Luth Church
12th May	1:30pm	<del>Holy Communion Service</del> - Cancelled due to Pastor's Conference
12-13 <sup>th</sup> May		Pastor's Conference - Nuriootpa
14 <sup>th</sup> May		Synod @ Nuriootpa

### **Weekly:**

Mondays:	9:30am	Cards and Coffee, Ed Cen, Christ Church
	10am	Bible Study, Holy Cross Sunday School rooms
Tuesdays:	10am	Bible Study, Ed Cen, Christ Church
Wednesdays	9:30am	Crafty Capers, Holy Cross Sunday School rooms
	5:45pm	Prayer Time, Christ Church (in the church)
Fridays	10am	Time Out at 10, JD Hall
Saturdays	1pm	Cards in Concordia Hall

*All Welcome – come along and join in the fellowship of these groups*

### **Time Out at 10 (at 10am JD Hall)**

*Each Friday, starting 6th May, you are welcome to come to the JD Hall at Christ Church for tea/coffee and chat. Please bring morning tea to share.*

*No agenda's, just a time to get together.*

*Odd months at JDH Christ Church/even months Concordia Hall, Holy Cross*

### **Prayer Time**

*Each Wednesday at 5:45pm come along the Christ Church church building for a time of prayer.*



## "LIFE THROUGH THE LENS"



### SHAPED

The small boy watched the man using a hammer and chisel to shape a rock. "What are you doing mister?" With a grunt and a hammer crash came the reply, "I'm building a bridge." Looking around and in a perplexed voice, the boy asked, "Where?" The man glanced over his shoulder at the river behind him, pointed the chisel, answered, "Across there." The boy squinted at the river, turned, and studying the rock, commented, "That rock's not big enough." Pausing, the man indicated what looked like a small mountain of boulders and muttered, "When I use all of them it'll work." "But they're all different shapes and sizes. They'll never fit and stay together", came the studied reply. Standing and stretching his cramped muscles and placing a weathered hand on the boy's shoulder, he assured him, "They will when I am finished."

How often do we observe our own lives and wonder, what is it all about? Like the boy asking the stonemason, maybe we would better understand God's plan if we talk to him, listen to him, and get a better understanding from the "Master Planner".

Unlike the stonemason with hammer and chisel, God using his love and life experiences, will often quietly chip at an unhelpful attitude; slowly sandpaper away at feelings of inadequacy until confidence is revealed and you and others recognise the new and polished "you". The "Master Craftsman" might use another who cares for you, holding a magnifying glass to enable you to look closer at yourself and see the cracks made by anger, and hurt. Cracks that without the filling glue of God's love might mean you never fit into the place in life meant for you. God tells us, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (**Jeremiah 29:11**) Equally, if we are prepared to listen, he promises, "I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you". (**Psalms 32:8**)

Sadly if a rock being worked on by the man and his chisel broke, all he could do was throw it away and look for another rock. Happily, God's love is the strongest glue ever, always able to repair and put back together broken lives.

Often we are tempted to ask, "Where is God working in my life?" Why doesn't he clarify what he has in mind for me? Where does he want me to "fit"? "At such times, it is often wise to look back and ask him to help you recognise where he has already been working, remembering, "The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead, he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to live without God's love, but everyone to turn and live knowing his love". (**2 Peter 3:9**)

Praying that you enjoy a week shaped by God's love.  
Kevin.





Growing  
**FAITH**  
at home

1st May 2022

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Living in love

## Caring Conversations



SHARE

Share your highs and lows of the day, or respond to the following questions:

1

Have you ever let someone down or been let down? How did Peter let Jesus down?

2

Jesus gave Peter a new start. How has Jesus given you a new start?

3

Do you find it hard or easy to give others a new start? Why?



## Devotions



READ Daily Bible Readings

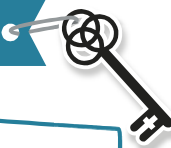
S	John 21:1-19	Jesus appears to the disciples
M	Acts 9: 1-20	Saul's conversion
T	1 John 4: 7-19	Love for God
W	1 Peter 4:12 – 5:4	Shepherds of God's flock
T	Revelation 5:1-10	The throne and the elders
F	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	Jesus appeared to his followers
S	Psalms 30	You restored my health
S	John 10:22-30	Jesus promises life to his sheep



TALK

Talk about the Bible verse. What word or phrase was important to you as you read these verses?

## Rituals and Traditions



PRAY

Risen Lord Jesus,  
come to us today.  
Help us to love  
you, serve you  
and follow you.  
Amen.



BLESS

May you  
always rely on  
God's love.

## Easter

In the season of Easter we celebrate how Jesus appeared to many after his resurrection. Jesus' resurrection has changed our lives forever. **WHITE** or **GOLD** are the colours of Easter and represent victory, resurrection and eternal life.

## Creative Response

The fish has been used as a Christian symbol from the earliest times of the church.

The Greek word for fish is 'ixthus' or 'ichthys'. In the Greek language, the five letters making up the word form an acrostic for "Jesus Christ is God's Son, the Saviour." The first letter (i) represents the name "Jesus" in Greek; the second letter (x) the title "Christ"; the next two ('thu' in English) "God's Son"; and the final letter (s) the word "Saviour".

Many early Christians were put to death for practising their faith, and so worshipped secretly in their homes. A fish was painted on the outside door of a house to let other Christians know that they would be safe and welcome inside. Make up an IXTUS symbol to display in your home as a sign of your faith in Jesus as your Saviour.



## mealtime prayer

Bless this meal, Lord, we pray, and bless us too throughout this day. Keep us safe and close to you, and kind in all we say and do. Amen.

verse for the week

And so we know  
and rely on the  
love God has for  
us. God is love.  
Whoever lives in  
love lives in God,  
and God in them.

1 JOHN 4:16

## Service



While Jesus had shown himself to be the Son of God and Lord of all by rising from the dead, he was still willing to serve his followers in humble, practical ways. In John 21 we read that he cooked breakfast for his disciples!

Follow Jesus' example this week by being "breakfast servants" to one another e.g. preparing food, setting the table, doing the dishes. Take turns in carrying out your morning acts of love and service.





# Murray Valley Lutheran Community

# CommUnity Chatter

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022

Christ Church Lutheran  
31 Swanport Rd  
Murray Bridge

Holy Cross Lutheran  
31 Florence St  
Murray Bridge

Zion Monarto  
427 Schenscher Road  
Monarto

*We want everyone in the Murray Bridge regional communities  
to know the love of Jesus and be in a saving relationship with Him.*

**WELCOME...** TO OUR FIRST FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER.

MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND LEAVE YOU STRENGTHENED FOR THE  
CHALLENGES AND JOYS OF THE COMING WEEK!

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From now onwards we will be trialling a weekly one-page bulletin with service / contacts / prayers and diary dates. We will also be putting out a fortnightly (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays) newsletter that will contain other bulletin notices. This will mean that everyone will need to get their notices to either office in advance to ensure it is included for the date you require. Any late notices will be required to be made as an announcement at services.

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**Holy Cross** Roster to the end of May is now available– Please let the office know of any dates you are unavailable for June ASAP. **Christ Church:** Roster to the end of July is now available.

**REG – Regular Electronic Giving:** Have you considered using REG for your weekly offerings? Forms are available from either church office to set up with your LLL account or use the following details:

**Christ Church:** BSB 704942 Acc # 100311504

**Holy Cross:** BSB 704942 Acc # 51176

If you are attending service at another site and still wish to place your offering in the collection please put it in an envelope and put name of site on it i.e. Holy Cross, Christ Church, Monarto. The treasurers will forward the collection to the appropriate site.

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If you are interested in being on a Steering committee for 100th Anniversary and dedication of Holy Cross Building in 2025 please contact Office /Council Members.

Please continue to bring flowers each week for the crosses inside and outside of church until Pentecost

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New stock in the bookshop.

Now available are a number of new items including a giant print bible, resources for talking to non-Christians about God, books for youth and devotions for women. I have also picked up a couple of titles by well known Christian author C.S. Lewis as well as new birthday and anniversary greeting cards.

**LWSA/NT Convention:** Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2022 9.30am Lobethal Lutheran Church – 48 Main St Lobethal. Leave from Holy Cross at 8.15am to travel to convention. More Information contact Eleanor Waldhuter

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**5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the 5<sup>th</sup> November 1972 Holy Cross Confirmation Class:**

Carolyn Altus is organising a reunion on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October at 12.30pm for those confirmed at Holy Cross on 5<sup>th</sup> November 1972. If you or someone from your family was confirmed on this date please contact Carolyn on 0408 817 847 or [carolynaltus@gmail.com](mailto:carolynaltus@gmail.com)

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**Made for More Men's Camp** 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at Yankalilla. For more information go to:  
<https://www.thegoalislife.com/product/made-for-more/>

### Afternoon Tea and Transport

If you can help set up and serve afternoon tea once a month to those attending Thursday Communion Service at Concordia Hall (4<sup>th</sup> Thursday in Month) and in the future John Dohler Hall (2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday in month commencing in June due to Pastor's Conference in May) please let either office know. 2 people per month would be sufficient. Drivers wanted to pick up members who are unable to drive but wish to attend services or Thursday Communion. If you can assist; please let the office staff know.

**Thank You** The Murray Bridge InterChurch Council, Schools Ministry Task Group would like to express our sincere thanks for your generous support for our Schools Chaplaincy Fund. You may know that we hold three fundraising functions during the year to supplement our funds for the exclusive use of supporting our pastoral care Workers in the Murraylands. At present we support seven PCWs in our region. They consist of Coomandook AS, Jervois PS, MB High School, Fraser Park PS, North PS, MB South and our latest addition at Mypolonga PS. Your Lenten Service contributions of \$1973.31 for this work is very much appreciated. Thank you once again.

### **Wanted: Salvation Army - Volunteer Doorway Emergency Relief Interviewer.**

Passionate about helping people? Come volunteer with a dynamic team assisting to deliver Emergency Relief assistance in the Murray Bridge area. We are looking for volunteers with availability on one or more of these days: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday - 8:30am -2pm. We are flexible where possible and can offer a shared volunteer role. Based in Murray Bridge, main tasks include Interviewing clients, maintaining appropriate records, including data entry, filing, answering phone calls and emails. A Covid-19 digital certificate is required for this volunteer role. Experience in administration, good computer skills, customer service preferred, good communication skills, both written and verbal. Apply to Murray Bridge Salvation Army by calling 08 85311133 or email [janet.emmins@salvationarmy.org.au](mailto:janet.emmins@salvationarmy.org.au)

**Book Launch** Heidi McLeod has recently published a book on the early years of her grandfather, Pastor W.W. Fritsch, who was interned, with Pastor John Dohler, in a prison camp during World War 1, Germany, remaining in the prison camp for 2 and a half years. Their story is dramatic and inspirational. Heidi's book is being launched today, **2pm to 4pm** Contact Heidi: [heidirmcl@gmail.com](mailto:heidirmcl@gmail.com).

Book for the Launch: at Immanuel College, Novar Gardens <https://trybooking.com/BYMWP>

Purchase a book: <https://heidirmcl.wixsite.com/books-with-heart>

### **Blood Bank John Dohler Hall**

To pre-book your spot go to [donateblood.com.au](http://donateblood.com.au), or call 13 14 95  
Mon 16<sup>th</sup> May 12pm – 6pm Tues 17<sup>th</sup> May 10am – 6:30pm  
Wed 18<sup>th</sup> May 10am – 6:30pm Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> May 8:30am – 3pm



is looking for a Bachelor of Early Childhood teacher for a full-time contract for term 3 2022 through to the end of term 1 2023.

The advertisement with Job and Person Specifications has been put up on Teachers On Net. Applications close on 26/05/2022



For more information and/or to apply for either role, check out:  
<https://smgadelaide.squarespace.com/chaplaincy-vacancies>

**Concordia Hall:** Please be aware that the Concordia Hall has been hired out by a dance group for the next two weeks (minimum, maybe longer) Monday to Friday, mainly in the afternoons.

\_\_\_\_\_ We are looking for people interested in helping put together our new web page. There will be training available. Please contact your Church Council / Leadership Team if you are willing to be involved (or Church offices).

We would love to get this up and running ASAP but need help for this to happen!





*Congratulations*

Many Best Wishes for  
**Reg & Colleen Biar**  
as they celebrated their

50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary with family on  
April 29<sup>th</sup>. What a joyous occasion.

**Thank You** A heartfelt thank you from the Palliative Care Team for the use of the candle holder for their annual service. It was very much appreciated and for other support given throughout the year.

*Look how they used the Christ Church candle holder !*



## **Services – what has been happening?**

Harvest Thanksgiving  
**Holy Cross**



Harvest Thanksgiving  
**Christ Church**



Palm Sunday  
**Holy Cross**



Easter - Lift High the Cross!  
**Christ Church**





Easter Sunday  
**Holy Cross**



**'The Blessing'**

What a great day it was!

A big thank you to everyone involved in any way to make the day happen. It was great to see the MLVC working together!

'The Blessing' 2022 Commemorative Wines are still available for purchase - (Lake Breeze 2020 Shiraz, SA Sparkling White and Willow Point Port) - @ \$15/bottle from services or Christ Church office.

**'The Blessing'**

