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SERVICES

Sunday 10th December

9am Holy Cross HC *morning tea and Trading table after service*
10.30am Christ Church (Hall) ~ *morning tea & Trading Table from 10am*
10.30am Monarto LR

Sunday 17th December

9am Monarto
9am Christ Church (Church)
10.30am Christ Church (Hall)
10.30am Holy Cross

Sunday 24th December

9am Holy Cross
6.30pm "The Steeple" Unity College, Family Service
7pm Monarto (6pm meal)

REG:

Murray Valley Lutheran Community
BSB 704942
ACC# 101026587

MUSIC MINISTRY

MVLC Mission & Outreach
BSB 704942
ACC#101028369
Reference: Music Ministry

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



Murray Valley Lutheran Community

Friday 8th December 2023

Christ Church

31 Swanport Rd
Murray Bridge

Holy Cross

31 Florence St
Murray Bridge

Zion Monarto

427 Schenscher Rd
Monarto

Annette on leave until 15th December.
Holy Cross office open Tues, Wed and Fri.
(Office closed Thursdays)

**Welcome to all worshipping with us on the
2nd Sunday in Advent**

It's interesting that almost always the first words which precede Jesus' presence are words like, "fear not", "peace be with you", and "comfort, comfort".

I'm guessing the people of old were scared. They were fully expecting God to become incarnate, human on earth, with the sole purpose of judging them, living or dead. Is it human nature to hear the worst in what is good news?

We overlook that God also promises the Holy Spirit will work faith in us through the Word. He creates a saving faith which doesn't hear fear, but joy. In faith we hear that Jesus has died for us making us right for eternity with him. The people of old were told to "fear not" we are told "be ready for peace and joy".

PRAYER:

God Bless all the volunteers within our Community from the flower arrangers to the tractor drivers. Your love for Jesus and His Church is most appreciated. Pastors David and Paul
(Acts 20:35 "I have shown you in every way, by labouring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, "it is more blessed to give than to receive.")

All Welcome – come along to events organised by the MVLC and form a close relationship with fellow members.

Cut off for notices sent to either Office is Wednesday 10am for the Newsletter and midday on Thursdays for the Bulletin.

10th December Readings

Christ Church, Monarto & Holy Cross: Isaiah 40:1-8;
2 Peter 3:8-15a; Mark 1:1-8; Luke 9:46-48

Thank You

John, Charmaine, Lyndon and family would like to sincerely thank Pastor Paul, Pastor David, everyone at Holy Cross and the Lutheran Homes for all their work, help and kind messages on the passing of Dulcie Pfeiffer. The support has certainly been appreciated.



Honey Biscuit Icing -MVLC Community Helpers Needed Please

At the John Dohler Hall from 1pm on
Thurs 14th Dec 2023
For handout at Christmas Eve services.
Contact Cheryl Doecke 0427 804 663

Please note if you are attending the Murray Bridge Carols on Sunday night they will now be held in Stadium 3 at the Murray Bridge Showgrounds and not at Sturt Reserve as advertised due to the weather. Tell your family and friends and come together as a Community.



Diary Dates:

December

- Fri 8th 9.30am - Concordia Kindergarten Presentation for Church members and pen pals
- Sun 10th 6pm Murray Bridge Christmas Carols @ Murray Bridge Showgrounds
- Mon 11th 1-3pm Kindy Graduation service @ Holy Cross
- Tues 12th 1-3pm Kindy Graduation service @ Holy Cross
- Thurs 14th 1.30pm Romani HC Service
- Fri 15th 6pm Youth in 'The Cave'
- Wed 20th 7pm Church Council
- Thurs 21st 1.30pm Monthly Communion service @ Holy Cross

Holy Cross Monday Bible Study closed for the school holidays

Tuesday Bible Study @ Ed Centre in recess from 19th Dec to 30th Jan
– resumes 6th Feb 2024

Baptismal Birthday Celebrations

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| 10th | Simone Mann | 16th | Sandra Gates |
| | Trevor Paech | | Alex Hein |
| 11th | Alice Kowald | | Shirley Lutze |
| | Annette Pearce | 17th | Bill Dunthorne |
| 12th | Charlotte Pahl | | Cooper Hampel |
| | Ashley Roocke | | Shirley Kramer |
| 13th | Stephen Jaensch | | Mila Schilling |
| | Martin Lees | | James Waltrovitz |
| 15th | Lores Frahn | | |
| | Adele Watt | | |

Pray for Delton Schiller after his recent operation. We pray for his quick and speedy recovery.

Pray for all MVLC members in hospital at this time. We pray for your continued healing and be with all the Staff who are caring for them.