



Anglican Parish of Warracknabeal

Warracknabeal, Areegra, Minyip, Hopetoun, Brim

Christmas
December 2022

On behalf of the clergy and Parish Council of the Anglican Parish of Warracknabeal we wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a fulfilling and fruitful 2023.

May the graciousness of God, and the gentleness of the Holy Spirit be born in your hearts and homes this Christmas Season as we welcome the divinity and humanity of Jesus in our lives once more.



Just as God extended an invitation to the people least expected to receive the first gift of Christmas in a personal and profound experience of God's love and radical action in our world just over two thousand years ago - God's same Spirit invites you deeper into a relationship with the source of light, life and love in our world.

Much of what stops us in delving deeper into the 'divine' is quite simple - fear: fear that I will lose control, fear that others will judge me, fear that I will have to do something I really don't want to do, fear that I don't actually know myself or trust myself ... facing our fears - is considered one of the most important human endeavours.

Another important human endeavour - is gratitude!

I believe it is one of the simplest paths towards deep peace - a peace that surpasses all understanding! Let's give thanks for all that we have, for all that has passed (if possible) and for all that lies before us. May the Peace of God dwell in you - and those you love this Christmas season.

Merry Christmas everyone!

Rev James



Prayer in the Parish

In the Parish & Beyond:

- +Garry;
- Family, friends and invited guests at our tables, in our homes and our hearts;
- For the un-invited surprises that remind us of the generosity of God;
- For all who are away from family;
- the people of Haiti; Philippines; Nepal;
- For the 82.4 million displaced people in the world; for the 26.4 million refugees in our world; for all asylum seekers;
- For those in hospital;
- For those grieving loved ones;
- Horsham Emergency Food Centre; for all those less fortunate in our region;
- Our neighbours; those we find difficult;
- For those in pain – emotional, physical and spiritual – for a ‘return to wholeness’;
- For those who are thankful;

Community:

- For our agricultural industries and those who support them;
- For all safe travel; for visitors to our town; for those lost; for those away from home and security;
- For all those feeling overwhelmed; under pressure; lonely; isolated;
- For all those feeling excited; peaceful; content; satisfied;

Years Mind: Thomas White, Myrtle Russell, Clive Castleman, Bessie Smith, Nancy Lewis, Keith Skelton

“Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetual shine upon them.”

Service Times Christmas

Christmas Eve – 24 Dec

8.30pm Refreshments & fellowship
10.00pm – Lessons & Carols & HC

Christmas Day – 25 Dec

9.30am – Christmas Celebration & HC

Naming Of Jesus – 01 January 2023

10.30am – Carols & HC

Epiphany – 08 Jan 2023

9.30am – HC Warracknabeal

January

Baptism of Our Lord – 15 Jan 2023

9.30am – HC Warracknabeal

Epiphany 3 – 22 Jan 2023

9.30am Warracknabeal

Epiphany 4 - 29 Jan 2023

10.30am Café Church Warracknabeal

Remember, Christmas isn't about how big the tree is, or what's under it.

It is about who is around it.



It saddens me to inform you that our brother in Christ

George Armstrong

passed peacefully into God's

Presence on Wednesday morning.

Our heartfelt sympathy is extended to all of George's Family and all his friends!

Let us seek God's guidance and blessings as we prepare to say farewell.

CHRISTMAS TO-DO-LIST

- ^{BE} buy presents
- wrap gifts ^{SOMEONE} IN A HUG
- Send gifts ^{PEACE}
- ^{DONATE} ~~shop~~ for food

And the Lord said
unto John, "Come
forth and you shall
inherit eternal life."

But John came
fifth and won a
toaster!



Want to give a grain of wheat - to produce a harvest
opportunity within our parish? Donations of grain - of any
quantity can be made using the
Church's NGR number:

NGR 12439740



"Don't you just love a grape juice at Christmas?"

MEGA CHRISTMAS

WORD-SEARCH



C	a	M	b	W	R	A	P	P	I	N	G
A	H	A	G	C	D	E	R	F	G	H	I
R	J	R	N	K	L	M	E	N	O	C	P
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C	N	O	P	S	A	V	I	O	U	R	Q
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C	H	I	L	D	C	P	Q	R	B	S	G
N	L	T	R	E	Y	A	R	P	A	U	S
A	I	V	W	H	X	Y	N	Z	T	A	K
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F	G	E	F	D	O	R	E	H	L	G	A
H	I	J	K	L	J	O	Y	M	N	E	H
B	E	T	H	L	E	H	E	M	O	P	T

Christmas	Jesus	Saviour	Shepherds	Inn
Mary	Joseph	Bethlehem	Nazareth	Donkey
Census	Wisemen	Gold	Francinsence	Myrrh
Carols	Mother	Child	Swathling	Sheep
Straw	Star	Herod	Peace	Love
David	King	Stable	Angels	Joy
Present	Wrapping	Prayer	Candle	Thanksgiving