Weekly News

Sunday 8th November 2026

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST
Welcome to worship today, especially all who are visiting.

Sunday Services

8am Eucharist
Presider & Preacher: Fr Stephen Williams

10am Choral Eucharist
Presider & Preacher: Fr Stephen Williams

6pm Choral Evensong
Officiant & Preacher: Fr Stephen Williams

Readers: 8am: Jane Smith, Megan Kurtz. **10am:** Fr Mel Nelson, Selwyn Dornan. **6pm:** Grant Killen, Janet Killen.

Remember: Whose Story Are We Part Of?

This week, as we continue our Season of Gratitude and Generosity, the readings invite us to remember the story of which we are a part. Joshua recalls God's faithfulness to the people of Israel and calls them to decide how they will live in response. Psalm 78 urges each generation to pass on what it has received, so that those who come after may put their trust in God. Paul encourages the Thessalonians to keep growing in love and to encourage one another with the hope we share in Christ. And Jesus' parable of the bridesmaids reminds us to be attentive and ready, rather than taking our faith for granted or leaving our response until another day.

We, too, have inherited a story: the generations who have worshipped, sung, served, welcomed, given and cared for others in this Cathedral and at St Peter's. We can give thanks for all that has been life-giving without imagining that the past was perfect or that our task is simply to preserve it. The question is what has been entrusted to us now, and what part of this community's story we are being called to carry forward.

Music

8am Eucharist
Hymns – 142, 212, 519, 201
Setting – Dudman
Danny Burley (organ)

10am Choral Eucharist ***- Choir Holiday***
Hymns – 142, 212, 519, 201
Setting – Dudman
Danny Burley (organ)

6pm Evensong ***- Choir Holiday***
Hymns – 637, 271, 411
Danny Burley (organ)

Community notices

Festal Eucharist & Luncheon
Our season of Gratitude & Generosity culminates in **a Festal Eucharist at the Cathedral at 10am on Sunday 22nd November, Feast of Christ the King, followed by a Festal Parish Luncheon**. The Luncheon will be catered at Saint Augustine's Merewether, a child-safe & friendly venue with good parking & disabled access. BYO. COST: Adult $50. Child $25. Here is the booking link https://www.trybooking.com/DQEMC.
Our caterer requires final numbers soon, and online bookings will close on Thursday 12th November. To purchase a ticket at the

Cathedral please **see Suzanne Evans today or phone Sue Williams** on 0412 116 532.

Parish Pantry Appeal

The Parish Pantry distributes food to people in need. Please help with groceries such as cereal, canned food, long-life milk, pasta, biscuits etc. They can be left at the basket in the Narthex or in the Pantry.

Thanks for All Souls' Requiem

Once again the All Souls' requiem was musically glorious and a moving highlight of our year. Thank you to our Choir and Servers.

Choir holiday this weekend

As usual, after all that is required for the All Souls' Requiem music, the choir is on holiday this weekend.

Donations for Flowers

Please consider donating for flowers as a memorial. Flower arrangements transform the worship space and make a lovely memorial. Think about donating special Festal flowers for Christ the King (Nov 22nd) or for Christmas. Speak to Suzane Evans.

Next Families@5 is Saturday, 5th December at 5pm

Family friendly worship for everyone.

Mainly Music Every Thursday in term-time at 10am.

Parish Electoral Roll & Contact Updates

If you haven't already done so you are asked to please complete the pink and blue forms available from the welcomers.

Camerata concert today

Due to the renovations at the Cathedral Camerata will be performing at the Conservatorium Hall, at 2:30pm **TODAY**, Sunday 8th November.
The concert is called "All That Jazz," and features conductor, vocalist and bassist Heather Price with her jazz trio, Round

Midnight, in a joyful program that mixes jazz, Bach and brand-new music by Newcastle composers including our own David Banney.
Tickets are on sale at the door and on camerata website.

ADVENT CAROLS
6pm on 3rd Sunday of Advent – 13 December

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP
Christmas Eve 24th December
5pm Christmas Family Service
7.30pm Festival of Lessons & Carols
10pm Christmas Concertos
10.30pm Midnight Mass

Services during the week

St Peter's Hamilton
Tuesday 10TH November 2026
11am: Eucharist

Christ Church Cathedral
Wednesday 11th November 2026
8am: Morning Prayer
8.30am: Eucharist

Christ Church Cathedral Office
Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9am – 1pm
Email: secretary.newcastlecathedral@newcastleanglican.org.au
Website: cathedralrestoration.newcastleanglican.org.au
Telephone enquiries: (02) 4087 9574.
Cathedral Clergy: 0412 661 585. **St Peter's Clergy:** 0401 195 635

Christ Church Cathedral Shop
Opening Hours: Friday - Sunday: 11.30am-3pm
Email: cathedralshop@newcastleanglican.org.au.