

Christmas Day

SINCE 1949

Merry Christmas!

Mugisha*, along with her sister and two young children are just some of the millions of families living as refugees around the world. Mugisha fled to Kenya after conflict broke out in her home country of Congo. Since arriving, she has faced many challenges to meet the basic needs for her family. Through the Christmas Bowl, our local partners around the world can continue to share God's love with refugees like Mugisha by providing food, care and lifesaving support. **Please give today.**

*Mugisha's name has been changed for safety reasons.

CALL: 1800 025 101 VISIT: actforpeace.org.au/christmasbowl

The Christmas appeal of Act for Peace, the international humanitarian agency of the National Council of Churches in Australia. ABN 86 619 970 188





PREACHING PLAN:

Sat Dec 24th 7 pm – Rev. J McWhinney

Sun Dec 25th – Rev. J McWhinney

Sun Jan 1st – Rev. J McWhinney **HC**

Sun Jan 8th – Rev. J McWhinney *

Sun Jan 15th – Rev. J McWhinney

** Indicates morning tea after service*

PEOPLE:

The Rev'd Janice is very grateful to the congregation for making her and Hunter welcome and allowing them time to settle in. She would like the congregation to know that she is available at any time for people to call her. Her mobile number is 0416 106 518.

Envelopes for contributions to the Christmas Bowl appeal are available in the Foyer.

BIRTHDAYS:

Maxine Davies	23/12
Lesley Mableson	27/12*
Rachel Warren	30/12
Beth Duke	31/12
Eric Secomb	02/01
Ian McCallum	02/01
Jenny Fletcher	03/01
Ann Basham	06/01

(* indicates big 'O' birthday)

PLEASE NOTE:

The church office will not be open between Christmas and New Year. We are taking some time off!!



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES:

Mark & Thelma Zma
22/12/1962

Paul & Marlene Hutton
22/12/1979

Dennis & Trish Williams
23/12/1969

Jim & Ruth Williamson
30/12/1978

Wally & Bernice Humphrys
03/01/1976

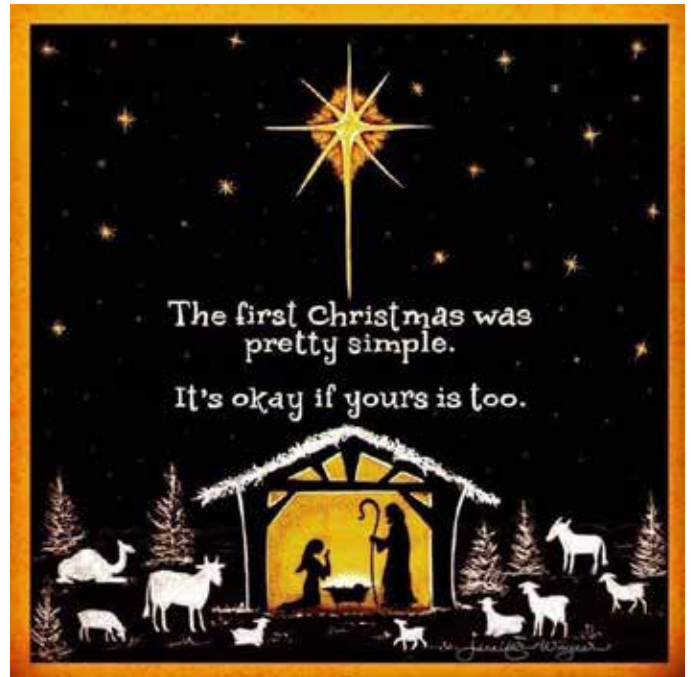
Barry & Margaret Irrgang
08/01/1966

Graeme & Meredith Koch
08/01/1972

PLANT SALE:

A notice from Gloria Griffin:

Put this in the diary: Gloria will be having a Plant Sale on 28th January 2023, at 3 Wheaton Court, Victor Harbor. Proceeds to Adare Uniting Church.



VICTOR HARBOR MEN'S SHED:

The Men's shed is in recess, returning on Tuesday 10th January 2023.

Why sermons?

An anonymous letter-writer sent his/her letter to the local newspaper editor complaining that church attendance made no sense. 'I've gone for thirty years,' they wrote, 'and have heard something like three thousand sermons. But for the life of me, I can't remember a single one of them. So I think I'm wasting my time, as are the preachers for even bothering to deliver a sermon at all.'

This letter started a real controversy on the op-ed page. It went on for weeks until someone wrote this clincher:

'I've been married for thirty years. In that time my wife has cooked some thirty-two thousand meals, but for the life of me, I can recall the menu of few if any of those meals. I do know, though, they all nourished me and gave me the strength I needed to do my work. If my wife had not given me those meals, I'd be dead today.'

No more comments about sermon contents appeared on the op-ed page!

PLEASE NOTE:

This is the last Update for 2022.

Update 1, for 2023 will be sent out on 6 January 2023.