

**Intercessions for the week beginning 17 December 2023**

**The Third Sunday of Advent**

**ECUMENICAL CYCLE OF PRAYER FOR THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD**

Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan, and the Mainland of China

**CHRIST CHURCH CHARITIES**

Vinzirast - providing food and shelter for the homeless and help with reintegration

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

The people of Israel, Gaza and the West Bank

The people of Russia and Ukraine

For all shepherds and those who work with animals

**CHRIST CHURCH**

Giving thanks for those who helped with the Advent bazaar

Praying for all those travelling to Vienna who will visit Christ Church at Christmas

Praying for safe travels for Christ Church members during the holidays

**FOR THOSE WHO IN THIS TRANSITORY LIFE ARE IN TROUBLE, SORROW, NEED, SICKNESS OR ANY OTHER ADVERSITY**

**NAME**

Dave McCormack

Vladimir Nyanenkov

Martin Billcliff

Christopher

Victor Schilowsky

Alexander Schilowsky

Fr John Goode

Sandy

**DEPARTED**

Ferdinand Oberessl

Friedrich Ehrendorfer

Cynthia de Jager

**REQUESTED BY**

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Miranda Kopetzky

Vinette Huber

Victoria Schilowsky

The Curran Family

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Vinette Huber

Karin Ifeagwu

Rose Samuel

Elaine and Siegie Schweiger

**Sunday Readings for Advent 4 24 December 2023**

**2 Samuel 7.1-11.16 Psalm 89.1-8 Romans 16.25-end Luke 1.26-38**



# CHRIST CHURCH

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH IN VIENNA

The Revd Canon Patrick Curran, Chaplain

The Revd Dr Robert Kinney, Honorary Assistant Chaplain

**Day 17 – Song of Solomon**

Yes, he will haste like  
a gazelle. Nothing is more  
impatient than love.

**Day 18 – Ruth**

Tough old Naomi  
bounces a child on her knee –  
her wild hope come home.

**Day 19 – Lamentations**

Jerusalem hurls  
her desperate hopes against  
God's forgetfulness.

**Day 20 – Ecclesiastes**

Whatever God does  
and whoever else may be  
who knows? The wise wait.

From Haiku for an Advent Calendar,

*Richard Bauckham, b. 1946*

**The Third Sunday of Advent**

17 December 2023

*Please take the wrap home with you  
and keep the church and its ministry in your prayers.*

## The Third Sunday of Advent 17 December 2023

### Services at Christ Church

#### Services in the Church:

Sundays	08.30	Holy Communion, 1662 BCP
	10.30	Sung Eucharist
	<b>18.00</b>	<b>Returning 14 January 2024</b>
Tuesdays	08.30	Morning Prayer
Wednesdays	09.30	Holy Communion

#### Services via Zoom:

Tuesdays	18.15	Evening Prayer
Thursdays	18.15	Evening Prayer

To access a service or an event via Zoom:

ID: 808 226 2476 or visit [www.ccv-services.org](http://www.ccv-services.org)

Visit our website under *ChristChurch@Home* ([www.ccvathome.org](http://www.ccvathome.org)). There you will find the link required for online services/meetings and can access the Zoom video conference app.

**Office Hours:** Salesianergasse 24

**Closed 22 December 2023 until 5 January 2024**

Wednesdays: 10.30 - 12.00

Thursdays: 9-12, 14.30 - 17.30

#### Contact Us:

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*We welcome all visitors and newcomers*

### Tonight at 18.00 Nine Lessons and Carols

#### Dates for your diary

December 24	16.00	Crib Service for Families
	22.45	Midnight Mass – The First Eucharist of Christmas
December 25	8.30	Holy Communion
	10.30	Sung Eucharist
January 5	18.00	Last chance carol sing-along social with a potluck supper
January 6	10.30	The Feast of the Epiphany Solemn Sung Eucharist

**Last Chance Carol Sing-along** on 5 January 2024. Sign up list in the church porch. Speak to Christina Stevens.

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**Christ Church Shop:** Salesianergasse 20

**Closed until Tuesday 9 January 2024 at 9.30.**

Email: [bazaar@christchurchvienna.org](mailto:bazaar@christchurchvienna.org)

Instagram: [ccshopvienna](https://www.instagram.com/ccshopvienna)

The **Coffee Rota** sign-up sheet for the 10.30 service is located on the church centre noticeboard.

**Confirmation/Reception** into the Church of England classes will begin after Christmas. Contact the Chaplain. Date of the service to be confirmed in the new year.

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As you may know a group from CCV are planning to go to Italy on a **Pilgrimage in the Footsteps of Paul, the Apostle**. See Acts 28. This includes Montecasino, Pompeii, views of Vesuvius, Napoli etc. and places associated with Paul in Rome. Something a bit different. The dates are 13-20 April 2024. Register by 5 January. Speak to the Chaplain if you would like to know more.

Looking to 2024 –

**Service for The Day of Judaism** at the Methodist Church January 17 at 1800

**Ecumenical Service in the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** at the Coptic Church January 25 at 1800

**Reading Group:** The Shadow Lines (1988), Amitav Ghosh via Zoom January 30 at 1900

**Lent Study Day.** Speaker: Dr Robert Kinney March 23

**Lange Nacht der Kirchen** June 7

**Annual Christ Church Retreat Göttweig** June 28-30

The chaplain will be away from 25 December 2023 until 5 January 2024. During this time the church office will be closed and the Assistant Chaplain will be overseeing the chaplaincy. In an emergency phone the church office telephone 01/ 714 8900 or email [curate@christchurchvienna.org](mailto:curate@christchurchvienna.org).

### Concerning Receiving Holy Communion

The Church of England invites all baptized persons who are communicant members of churches subscribing to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity to receive Holy Communion. Those who do not wish to receive Communion are invited to come forward for a blessing. **The practice of intinction (dipping the bread into the wine) is not permitted for hygiene reasons as directed by our Bishops.** If you are uncertain about drinking from the common cup, receiving the bread only is acceptable.

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For now we feel the world spin round  
On some momentous journey bound –  
Journey to what? To whom? To where?  
The Advent bells call out 'Prepare,  
Your world is journeying to the birth  
Of God made Man for us on earth.'

*Advent 1955 – John Betjeman*