Intercessions for the week2 beginning 24 and 31 December 2023 The Fourth Sunday of Advent and The First Sunday of Christmas

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

24 December - Japan, North Korea and South Korea31 December – Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon and Palestine

#### **CHRIST CHURCH CHARITIES**

24 December: Hemayat – offering psychological help to refugees from war-torn areas

31 December – The Diocesan Common Fund contribution from Christ Church

#### PRAYER CONCERNS

The people of Israel, Gaza and the West Bank The people of Russia and Ukraine

#### **CHRIST CHURCH**

Victors to Christ Church at Christmas Safe travels for Christ Church members during the holidays Those who find Christmas a difficult time of year

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

NAME Dave McCormack Vladimir Nyanenkov Martin Billcliff Victor Schilowsky Fr John Goode Sandy DEPARTED Ferdinand Oberessl Mark Davie Gertrude Mayer John Fernando REQUESTED BY Kerry McCormack Elena Nyanenkova Miranda Kopetzky Victoria Schilowsky The Curran Family Vinette Huber

Karin Ifeagwu Grace Davie Christina Stevens Salika Fernando, Ashiya, Taniya

#### Sunday Readings for Christmas 1 31 December 2023

 Isaiah 61.10-62.3
 Psalm 148
 Galatians 4.4-7
 Luke 2.15-21

 Epiphany 1, Baptism of Christ
 7 January 2024

 Gen 1.15
 Ps 29
 Acts 19.1-7
 Mark 1 4.11



The Revd Canon Patrick Curran, Chaplain The Revd Dr Robert Kinney, Honorary Assistant Chaplain





"Let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. And when they had seen it, they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child." Luke 2. KJV

## The Fourth Sunday of Advent The First Sunday of Christmas 24/31 December 2023

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

## The Fourth Sunday of Advent Christmas 1 24 & 31 December 2023

## Services at Christ Church

#### Services in the Church:

Sundays08.30Holy Communion, 1662 BCP10.30Sung Eucharist18.00Returning 14 January 2024Tuesdays08.30Morning PrayerWednesdays09.30Holy Communion

## Services via Zoom:

Tuesdays18.15Evening PrayerThursdays18.15Evening Prayer

To access a service or an event via Zoom: ID: 808 226 2476 or visit <u>www.ccv-services.org</u>

Visit our website under *ChristChurch@Home* (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 until 5 January 2024 Wednesdays: 10.30 - 12.00 Thursdays: 9-12, 14.30 -17.30

**Contact Us:** Telephone (church office): 01 714 8900 Postal address: Jaurèsgasse 12, 1030 Wien Email: <u>office@christchurchvienna.org</u>

## Social Media:

Facebook: facebook.com/christchurchvienna/ Instagram: instagram.com/christ.church.vienna/ Vimeo: vimeo.com/christchurchvienna/

## We welcome all visitors and newcomers

Christmas Eve24 December 202316.00Crib Service for young families22.45Midnight Mass – First Eucharist of Christmas

Christmas Day25 December 20238.30Holy Communion10.30Sung Eucharist with Carols

Feast of Saint Stephen26 December 20238.30Morning Prayer (Zoom)

Feast of St John the Evangelist27 December 20239.30Holy Communion

Feast of the Holy Innocents28 December 202318.15Evening Prayer (Zoom)

Christmas 1 (New Year's Eve)31 December 20238.30Holy Communion10.30Sung Eucharist

The Feast of the Epiphany6 January 202410.30Solemn Sung Eucharist

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Last Chance Carol Sing-along with potluck supper on 5 January 2024 at 18.00. Sign up list in the church porch. Speak to Christina Stevens.

Christ Church Shop: Salesianergasse 20 Closed until Tuesday 9 January 2024 at 9.30. Email: <u>bazaar@christchurchvienna.org</u> Instagram: 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.

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.

#### 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

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.

## **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.