#### Intercessions for the week beginning Christmas 2020

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

27 Dec Let us pray for stateless people

03 Jan ... Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon and Palestine

#### THE DIOCESE IN EUROPE

27 Dec ... the people, council & the clergy of the Eastern archdeaconry

03 Jan ... the interns of the diocese and those amongst them preparing for selection conferences for the ordained ministry, esp. Rosie Evans

#### **CHRIST CHURCH VIENNA**

27 Dec ... with thanksgiving for the gifts of money made through standing orders, one off donations and open collections in 2020 asking God to bless these offerings

03 Jan ... the work of the Charles Simeon Trust, USA and Robert Kinney as Director if Ministries

... those organizations working to enable dialogue between religions

#### **PRAYER CONCERNS**

27 Dec ... those separated from loved ones

... those being vaccinated at this time

03 Jan ... those stranded due to travel restrictions

... for refugees and the work of UNHCR – the UN Refugee Agency

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

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SUNDAY READINGS: 3 January, St John the Evangelist, Apostle

Ephesians 1.3-14: Psalm 147.13-end; John 1.1-18

10 January, Second Sunday after Christmas

Acts 19.1-7: Psalm 29; Mark 1.4-11



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Seeing your humility may we behold your glory. Beholding your glory may we see your humility.

Looking on the face of the Christchild with wonder we remember that he who made both earth and heaven is (be)holding us.

Patrick Curran, Christmas 2020

# Christmastide 2020/2021

Please take the wrap home with you and keep the church



The clergy and people of Christ Church wish you and your families a blessed Christmas and New Year.

### **Services at Christ Church**

Adhering to the restrictions announced by the Austrian authorities to flatten the spread of the Covid-19 virus, the churches with other religious institutions in Austria have agreed to play their part. Keeping checking the church's website for updates.

## **Services in Church for Christmas**



Christmas Eve 1600 Blessing of the Cribs
- a Christmas celebration for families with young children

Christmas Eve 2245 Midnight Mass
Christmas Day 0900 Holy Communion, BCP
Christmas Day 1030 Holy Communion, CW
Sunday 27 December 0900 Holy Communion, BCP
Sunday 27 December 1030 Holy Communion, CW

As you will know we are entering a third lockdown. People have not been sufficiently vigilant. This Sunday services as normal, as of Monday things change. The 9am service is by registration only with a maximum of ten people. The same applies to Wednesdays. The 1030am service is by invitation only so that we can stream the service as we have been doing since June.

## As of Monday 28<sup>th</sup> December, Services via Zoom

Dec 31, 1630 New Year's Eve Service, Zoom only
Tuesdays 0830 Morning Prayer
1815 Evening Prayer
Thursdays 1815 Evening Prayer
Sundays 1030 Holy Communion

To access a service via Zoom, use the following link by copying and pasting if necessary:

ccv-services.org

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Visit our website under "Christ Church @Home": <a href="www.ccvathome.org">www.ccvathome.org</a> There you will find the link required for all services and can access the Zoom video conference app, orders of service, sermons, and liturgies.

## **Dates for your diary**

## Das Leben geht weiter!

Dec 31, 1630	New Year's Eve Service, Zoom only
Jan 12, 1900	Soundings, Ezra I, Zoom only
Jan 13, 1900	Prayer Ministry, Zoom only
Jan 17, 1800	Tag des Judentums, Service @ CVV
	Zoom only
Jan 19, 1900	Soundings, Ezra II
Jan 20, 1800	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity,
	National Austrian Service, Methodist
Jan 21, 1900	Reading Group: Here I am by
	Jonathan Safran Foer
Jan 23, 0830	's Häferl - tbc
Jan 27 1830	Chaplaincy Council Meeting
Feb 17, 930 and	1900 Ash Wednesday services

#### **Shop opening hours 2021**

The shop re-opens on January 19th. January
Deo volente
Tuesday and Friday 9.30 to 16.00
Wednesday and Thursday 9.30 to 13.00
Saturday closed for the moment.

Thank you to all who kept the shop open during the year and between lockdowns. Super effort!

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This year the Austrian service to mark the **Day of Judaism** (Sunday 17 January) will be held in Christ Church with the churches of the Ecumenical Council participating. The purpose of the Day and the Service is to heighten awareness amongst Christians concerning their Jewish heritage.

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In **2021** *Soundings* resumes on 12 January at 7pm

The end of exile. The way home. Rebuilding. The Old Testament books of Ezra and Nehemiah have much to teach a people longing for the end to a seemingly endless detour from normal life. We'll begin with two sessions on the prophetic book of Ezra, in which a priest establishes a plan for rebuilding and also identifies what's important as God's people gather together once again. We'll take up Nehemiah with two more sessions later in the spring. The sessions are being led by the Revd Dr Robert Kinney. 12 and 19 January.

I want to thank everyone who contributed to a gift of money on the occasion of my twenty years as Chaplain of Christ Church. It is highly appreciated and valued. PSC