



Hospitality Committee St Mary's Anglican Church North Melbourne

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Greetings to all St Mary's parishioners from the Hospitality Committee.

The Committee met with great rejoicing for the first time since last January, on 15 December, to discuss possibilities for social activity in the coming months now that restrictions have been somewhat relaxed.

We have decided to proceed cautiously at first and to review the situation frequently as events unfold. We do not want anyone to feel unsafe. With reluctance we have decided that we cannot serve our usual mince pies and bubbly this year after the Christmas Eve and Day services.

Morning Tea

Starting Sunday 31 January, **Morning tea and coffee** will be served on trays in recyclable disposable cups after the 10 am service. We will see if we can source and provide individually wrapped biscuits. We will need people to volunteer to be on the roster as in the past, but the job will be much simpler – just bring milk, make the tea and coffee, serve in the disposable cups to people queuing 1.5 metres apart, (preferably outside or in the large hall), and then gather up the cups and dispose of them in the recycle bin.

Pancake Picnic

Pancake Picnic after Church 14 February Sunday before Ash Wednesday. It will be BYO food, drink, and rug – pancakes will be brought around. We will have it on the lawn but if it is too hot or wet, we will repair to the large hall.

Parish Fair will not be held this year – situation is still too uncertain and there is not enough time to start planning.

We will discuss other possible fundraising events (*e.g.* a Silent Auction) and also monthly lunches at our next meeting on 9 March and will let you know about any other plans or changes.

We hope you have a very happy Christmas and that in 2021 we may all once again be able to gather and celebrate with the usual St Mary's generosity and style.

Susan Gribben
Convenor