



**PEW SHEET**  
**15th December 2019**  
**Advent III**

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation who are the traditional custodians of this land on which we meet, and we pay our respects to their elders past, present and emerging.

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sun 15 <sup>th</sup>	8:00am	Eucharist
	10:00am	Eucharist
	4:30pm	Giving Thanks - hall/ outside
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup>	12:00pm	LinC Hamper setup and packing
Tue 17 <sup>th</sup>	8:00am	LinC Hamper packing
Wed 18 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am	Meditation
	10:30am	Eucharist
Thu 19 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am	Finance Committee
	7:30pm	Taize
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup>	7:00pm	Liminality Concert
Sat 21 <sup>st</sup>	8:15am	Meditation
	10:30am	Carols @ Eltham Town Square
Sun 22 <sup>nd</sup>	8:00am	Eucharist
	10:00am	Eucharist

### Dear All,

I am away 29th December. This is the time I seem to be rostered on for welcoming, reading, LA, sacristan and intercessions. Can any one help please? Many thanks, Sally 0407 543 532.

## ABM PEW REFLECTIONS

Jesus says of John the Baptist that he is the one who has been sent to prepare the way for Jesus himself. The Greek Church calls John the Baptist the Πρόδρομος – *Prodromos* – *the Forerunner*. This week, pray that like John the Baptist you can prepare the way for Jesus himself in whatever circumstance you find yourself.

- Pray this week for the chance to prepare the way for Jesus to enter the world.
- Give thanks for the Church of the Province of Central Africa, remembering especially the work of the Zambia Anglican Council.



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## Nativity Scene in the Town Square

The Nativity Scene will be available for photos from 10:30am-12noon on Saturday 14th

December. Come along on Saturday morning, we'd love to see you there, and bring your children / grandchildren to have their photo taken!



<b>ROSTER</b>	<b>15th December 2019 Advent III 8:00am</b>	<b>15th December 2019 Advent III 10:00am</b>
<b>Celebrant</b>	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra
<b>Preacher</b>	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra
<b>Sacristan Assistant</b>	Alan Coutts	Diana Warrell
<b>Liturgical Assistant</b>	Chris Winkett	Annette Street
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Coralie Carew Neil Andrewartha	Tony Michaelson Jan Kerr
<b>Greeters &amp; Sides People</b>	John Winkett Margaret Alexander	Geoff & Elizabeth Milgate
<b>First Reading</b>	Isaiah 35: 1-10 Sally Petty	Isaiah 35: 1-10 David Pryor
<b>Second Reading</b>	James 5: 7-10 Coralie Carew	James 5: 7-10 Lyn Clements
<b>Psalm</b>	Song of Mary	Song of Mary
<b>Intercessor</b>	Felicity Wiltshire	Geoff Sandy
<b>Morning Tea</b>	Brenda Taylor Coralie Carew	Angela Langan
<b>Banking</b>	Lyn Clements	
<b>Powerpoint</b>	Felicity Wiltshire	John Humann
<b>Flowers</b>	N/A	

<b>18th December 2019</b> <b>Wednesday</b> <b>10:30am</b>	<b>22nd December 2019</b> <b>Advent IV</b> <b>8:00am</b>	<b>22nd December 2019</b> <b>Advent IV</b> <b>10:00am</b>
Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra
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	Robert Brazenor	Jean Ransom
	Robert Brazenor	Annette Street
	Catherine Pearson	Angela Langan David Pryor
Helen Costello	Jo Norman Margaret Charles	Kevin Gillett Diana Warrell
Jeremiah 23: 5-8 Robyn Riley	Isaiah 7: 10-16 Catherine Pearson	Isaiah 7: 10-16 Harry Watson
	Romans 1: 1-7 Michael Tucker	Romans 1: 1-7 Roger Alcock
Psalm 72: 15-21	Psalm 80: 1-7, 17-19	Psalm 80: 1-7, 17-19
	Michael Tucker	Robert Street
	Michael & Val Tucker	Elizabeth & Geoff Milgate
	Kevin Gillett	
	Felicity Wiltshire	Mandy Stevens
	N/A	

# NOTICES



## LinC Hampers

This Sunday is your last opportunity to donate items for the LinC

hampers as they will be packed and distributed this Monday and Tuesday. We ask you to donate non-perishable food, and items that would bring joy to people at Christmas - toys, chocolates, fancy toiletries etc. If you wish to donate money please put it in a sealed envelope and put your name and the amount on the outside and give to Diana Warrell or Jo Norman. We will need drivers to deliver the hampers too. Please consider helping.

## Important!

Could the last person out of the hall each Sunday please put the tables and chairs back where they need to be for the week. If you are unable to do so, please contact Mary at [communications@stmargaretseltham.org.au](mailto:communications@stmargaretseltham.org.au) or phone 0412 512 416 and she will organise to have it done. Thank you.

## Reader Vacancy

A spot has become available on the bible reading roster at the 10 am service (1st Sunday of the month). Please consider if this might be something you would be willing to take on. It involves reading about 6 times a year. It is a lovely way to contribute to the worship at St.Margaret's. For more details please contact Melissa on [0425 794 247](tel:0425794247) or [agemel1@bigpond.com](mailto:agemel1@bigpond.com).

## What's Coming Up

Sat 21st	10:30am	Carols @ Eltham Town Square
Tue 24th	5:00pm 10:30pm 11:00pm	Children's Service Carols Midnight Mass
Wed 25th	9:30am	Christmas Day Service
Sat 4th January	8:30am	Men's Breakfast
Wed 8th Jan	2:30pm	Eucharist at SVCS
Mon 20th Jan	1:00pm	Monday Circle
Sat 1st February	8:30am 9:00am	Men's Breakfast Pathways workshop
Sun 2nd	12:00pm	Pub Lunch
Thurs 6th	1:00pm	Pastoral Care Team
Sat 8th	10:30am	Ordination of Deacons at Cathedral
Tue 11th	9:30am	Communications Meeting

## Prayer Chain

For urgent prayer requests

Rae Kerr

**0432 688 571**

# WORSHIP

## SENTENCE OF THE DAY

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, 'Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God.'

*Isaiah 35: 3-4*

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sustain us, O God, with the power of your love on our journey to meet the One who is coming: strengthen our weak hands, make firm our feeble knees, and open blind eyes to the dawning of your kingdom, so that our hearts may rejoice as we behold the majesty of our God. We ask this through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## TODAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 35: 1-10

James 5: 7-10

## TODAY'S PSALM

Song of Mary

## GOSPEL READING

Matthew 11: 2-11

### Prayer 2019



Lord teach us to pray.  
Teach us to listen to your voice  
and to hear your word.  
Teach us to offer our hearts to you in love  
and to know your love.  
Teach us to forgive  
and be forgiven.  
Teach us to give our lives in your service  
and to do your will.  
Teach us to pray,  
and pray in us, Lord Jesus. **Amen.**

## TODAY'S HYMNS

<b>Opening:</b>	Prepare ye the way of the Lord
<b>Lighting of Advent Candle:</b>	Advent Candles tell their story
<b>Gradual:</b>	Be still and know that I am God - CH755
<b>Offering:</b>	Comfort, comfort all my people - TiS647
<b>Mission:</b>	On Jordan's bank - TiS270 (8:00am)

# Carols @ Eltham Town Square

Saturday 14th & 21st December



The Combined Churches Choir will be performing on the above dates from 10:30am to 11:30am.

On Saturday the 14th a nativity scene will also be available for photos.

Come along and support the carolers!



## *A Celtic Christmas Liminality*

*Friday 20th December  
at 7:00pm*

*Special Guests: The Diamond Creekers*

*Tickets \$25.00 - [www.trybooking.com](http://www.trybooking.com)*

*Refreshments Available. Enquiries: 0429 650 571*

*Proceeds to St Margaret's Music Programme*