

# Prayer Chain

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### **Pew Sheet** 12th December 2021 Advent III

# WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sun 12th	8:00 & 10:00am	Ad vent III			
Mon 13th	9:30am	Morning Prayer			
Tue 14th	9:45am	Anglicare Meeting			
	11.30am	LinC Hamper Packing			
Wed 15th	9:30am	Morning Prayer & Meditation			
	10:30am	Wednesday Service			
Thu 16th	9:30am	Morning Prayer			
Sat 18th	8:00am	Meditation			
	4:00pm	Evening Prayer			
Sun 19th Dec	8:00am & 10:00am	Advent III			

### Prayer of the Week

Almighty God.

you have made us and all things to serve you: come quickly to save us, so that wars and violence shall end and your children may live in peace. honouring one another with justice and love: through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord, who lives with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God. now and for ever. Amen.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

St Margaret's Anglican Parish Eltham acknowledges the Wurundieri people of the Kulin nation as the traditional custodians of the land on which we worship. We commit to working for reconciliation and justice for First Peoples. Diversity and inclusivity are important to us at St Margaret's. Everyone is welcome here, regardless of race, gender. sexuality, or ability.

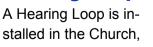
#### **ABM PEW REFLECTIONS**

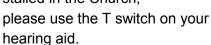
John the Baptist used harsh words of criticism and warning and it seemed to have caught the attention of those he was addressing. "Even tax collectors came to be baptised and they asked him, 'Teacher, what should we do?" They knew that their corruption had been exposed and they were now at a point of decision making, to keep being corrupt or 'repent', i.e., change direction. I wonder what there is in our lives that needs to change direction?

- Give thanks for the unconditional love and forgiveness of God who does not hold our past sins against us.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church in the Philippines.



## **Hearing Loop**





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### Worship 12/12/2021 - ADVENT III

#### **SENTENCE**

Do not fear. The Lord, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love. *Zephaniah* 3.16–17

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God,

you sent your Son into a world where the wheat must be winnowed from the chaff and evil clings even to what is good:

let the fire of your Spirit purge us of all corruption,

so that, purified, we may wait eagerly for him whose coming is certain, whose Day draws near.

your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ,

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

### FIRST READING

Zephaniah 3.14-20

#### TODAY'S PSALM

A Song of Isaiah

### **SECOND READING**

Philippians 4.4-7

#### **GOSPEL**

Luke 3.7-18

#### **TODAY'S MUSIC**

Introit: Soon and very soon AAH193
Lighting of Advent candle III: TiS289 verse 1-3

Offertory: On Jordan's bank - TiS270

Mission Hymn: Shout for joy - TiS545

#### Zoom Link - Sunday 10:00 am Service

https://zoom.us/i/732357170?pwd=UTZuR1JKK1U1WkVKdm9uZVFLZFR6dz09

### **Anglicare**

- 8 parishioners attended the Anglicare luncheon in Hawthorn last week.
- 140 little lego envelopes have been collected for Bundoora AVPG.
- Thanks to all parishioners who so generously have contributed for the Anglicare food collection for people in care.
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Christmas morning tea: please wear a memorable hat! ( and bring proof of vaccination)
- A packing chest of wools for knitting and crocheting has been donated. See Jenny if you would like to knit for Anglicare children in care.

### **Do Justice Group**

Arrangements are in place for the construction of the Yarning Circle.

### Hall

Please note two doors in the hall were left open on Sunday and tables left out.

The hall is booked by a delightful group on Monday who need the hall secure, clear and clean. Please help and if you are the last to leave the building, please ensure all doors are locked and tables away. Thankyou.

### **Anglicare Christmas Morning Tea**

The Anglicare function planned for Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> will be from 10.00am -11:30. Please wear a memorable hat! (and bring proof of vaccination)

**Please note** there is  $\underline{NO}$  overlap with the LinC people using the hall as the supplies will be delivered on Monday  $13^{th}$  after 3:00pm and the hamper packing will commence at 11:30 am after the morning tea.



### **Anglicare Food Collection**

Please bring any items you are able to donate to add to our Anglicare Food Collection. All donations are very welcome.







# **NOTICES**

### **Learning to Pray Group**

A reminder that the next sessions of Linda's prayer group focusing on the James Martin book "Learning To Pray" are held on Monday afternoon at 3pm in the church. Alternatively you can join on Zoom on Thursdays at 9 am.

Use the Ignatian Exercises

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87390647541? pwd=OWlpakkzZFNsT2hwdFExbEFSenFsZz09

Hardback copies of the book are available for \$30.00. Sessions are held weekly

### **LinC Christmas Hampers**

We are asking for non-perishable food donations for the LinC Christmas hampers. If you wish to make a money donation please put it in a sealed envelope and give it to Diana Warrell or Jo Norman. The list of suggested suitable items will be put with the donation basket in the church foyer. Toys and treats such as chocolates, perfume etc. can be donated as we will put in the basic items and top up with these things to make it more like Christmas.

Thanks. You all are all always so generous and it is really appreciated by the recipients. Diana (LinC).

# What's Coming Up

Sun 19th	8:00 & 10:00am	Ad vent III
Mon 20th	9:30am 1.00pm 2.00pm 4.00pm 7.30pm	Morning Prayer  Monday Circle  Carols at SVCS  Welcome to Eltham  Faith Issues Discussion Event
Wed 22nd	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer and Meditation Wednesday Service
Thur 23rd	9:30am	Morning Prayer
Fri 24th	5:15pm 7:30pm	Children's Service Christmas Eve Communion
Sat 25th	8:00am 9:30am	Meditation Christmas Communion
Sun 26th	9:30am	Eucharist

#### **2021 ADVENT COURSE**

Under the auspices of HeartEdge Melbourne, you are invited to pause each Sunday through Advent to reflect on beautiful art from the National Gallery London, and to consider how it connects with life and faith.

**Location:** St Margaret's Eltham

**Time:** 2.30pm

**Dates:** Sunday 12 December (Advent III: John the Baptist)

Sunday 19 December (Advent IV: Mary)

Note: Face to face attendance will require proof of vaccination for entry. Please register using the link below.

Inspired to Follow: Art and the Bible Story Tickets, Multiple Dates | Eventbrite

This will also be offered by Zoom.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89163464229?

pwd=T2JsaGNBWnZ3UUhBbFBkcGlCWXU4QT09

#### **READING GROUP**

It is not too late to join this group

A Future That's Bigger Than the Past: Towards the Renewal of the Church by Samuel Wells

What do you dream for the future of the church? Join us in reading the groundbreaking book by Sam Wells, Vicar of St Martin in the Fields, as he articulates a vision for renewal.

Remaining sessions are all offered by Zoom - 6pm-7.30pm, each session.

- Wednesday 15 December 2021 Chapter 2: Investing in the Kingdom: the Divine Economy
- Wednesday 19 January 2022 Chapter 3: Minding God's Business: Becoming a Parable
- Wednesday 2 February 2022 Chapter 4: Entertaining Angels Unawares: it is More Blessed to Receive
- Wednesday 16 February 2022 Chapter 5: Making our Hearts Sing: Let All the People Praise Thee
- Wednesday 2 March 2022 Chapter 6: Realizing God's Presence: On Earth as it is in Heaven
- Wednesday 16 March 2022 Where to next?

**Booking Link** <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/reading-group-a-future-thats-bigger-than-the-past-tickets-199576557857">https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/reading-group-a-future-thats-bigger-than-the-past-tickets-199576557857</a>

19th Dec 2021	19th Dec 2021	<b>22nd</b>
Advent IV	Advent IV	Wednesday
8:00am	10:00am	10:30am
Linda Fiske	Linda Fiske	
Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra	
Alan Coutts	Diana Warrell	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A
John Winkett	Harry Watson Roger Alcock	
Elizabeth Ainsworth Micah 5: 2-5a	David Pryor	
Coralie Carew Hebrews 10: 5-10	Lyn Clements Hebrews 10: 5-10	N/A
Song of Mary	Song of Mary	
Felicity Wiltshire	Geoff Sandy	N/A
Coralie Carew	Jan Kerr	
Lyn Clements		
	Liz Pryor Rob MacKenzie	

	12th Dec 2021	12th Dec 2021	15th Dec 2021
ROSTER	Advent III	Advent III	Wednesday
	8:00am	10:00am	10:30am
Celebrant	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra	
Preacher Gospel	Linda Fiske	Linda Fiske	
Sacristan Assistant	Sally Petty	Jan Gack	N/A
Liturgical Assistant	N/A	N/A	N/A
Communion Assistants	N/A	N/A	N/A
Greeters & Sides People		Kevin Gillett Diana Warrell	
First	Mary Lynton-Moll	Adrienne Watson	
Reading	Zephaniah 3: 14-20	Zephaniah 3: 14-20	
Second	Philippians 4.4-7	Jan Kerr	N/A
Reading	Fillippians 4.4-7	Philippians 4.4-7	
Psalm	A Song of Isaiah	A Song of Isaiah	
Intercessor	Coralie Crew	Sandra Brown-Holt	N/A
Morning Tea	Elizabeth Ainsworth	Linda McKenzie	
Banking	David Pryor		
Zoom/Ppt Cameras		John Humann Mandy Stevens	
Flowers			

### **Pew Bulletin**

If anyone knows of any parishioner who would like this bulletin posted to receive it hard copy, please email communications@stmargaretseltham.org.au

### **Battery donation**

We have received a donation of some excellent hearing aid batteries, which are in a small box in the foyer, please help yourself.

