

## Pew Sheet 19th December 2021 Advent IV - Love

### WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sun 19th	8:00 & 10:00am	Ad vent IV
Mon 20th	9:30am 1:00pm 2:00pm 7:30pm	Morning Prayer Monday Circle Carols at SVCS Parish Council Meeting
Wed 22nd	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer & Med- itation Wednesday Service
Thu 23rd	9:30am	Morning Prayer
Fri 24th	5:00pm 7:30pm 10:30pm 11:00pm	Children's Service Christmas Eve Carols Midnight Mass
Sun 25th Dec	9:30am	Christmas Communion
Sun 26th Dec	9:30am	Eucharist

### Prayer of the Week

Gracious God,  
you have visited your people and redeemed us in  
your Son: as we prepare to celebrate his birth,  
make our hearts leap for joy at the sound of your  
word, and move us by your Spirit to bless your  
wonderful works. We ask this through him whose  
coming is certain, whose Day draws near, your  
Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

St Margaret's Anglican Parish Eltham acknowledges the Wurundjeri 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

Today's readings highlight what for me is the essence of Christianity: That Jesus came to save us, particularly the lowly, downtrodden and insignificant – that is, you and me. Sometimes I think we (and the powers that be in all aspects of life) place too much emphasis on who we are, where we fit in society and how important someone (us included) might be. Jesus and Mary both epitomise the humblest of origins, insignificant in the wider world. We should remember this – we have been chosen by God to represent his values on this earth and live our lives to be an example of his love.

- Pray that we may always act to reflect God's love, and work to empower those who have little power or position to lift themselves up.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.



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# WORSHIP 19/12/2021 - ADVENT IV

## SENTENCE

Blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord. *Luke 1.45*

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

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you have visited your people and redeemed us in your Son:  
as we prepare to celebrate his birth,  
make our hearts leap for joy at the sound of your word,  
and move us by your Spirit to bless your wonderful works.  
We ask this through 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

Micah 5. 2-5a

## TODAY'S PSALM

*Song of Mary*

## SECOND READING

Hewbrews 10. 5-10

## GOSPEL

Luke 1: 39-45



## TODAY'S MUSIC

**Introit:** The Angel Gabriel from heaven came - TiS302

**Lighting of Advent candle IV: TiS289 verse 1-4**

**Offertory:** Let all mortal flesh keep silence - TiS497

**Mission Hymn:** Forth in thy name O Lord I go - TiS 571

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

<https://zoom.us/j/732357170?pwd=UTZuR1JkK1U1WkVkdM9uZVFLZFR6dz09>

# 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=OWlpakgzZFNsT2hwdFExbEFSenFsZz09>

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

## LinC Christmas Hampers

Thank you to all who donated and helped with the packing and delivery of the Christmas Hampers

Diana (LinC).

## Wednesday Services

Please note the last Wednesday Service for the year will be Wednesday 22 December, and will recommence on Wednesday 19th January 2022.

## What's Coming Up

Sun 26th Dec	9:30am	Christmas I
Sunday 2nd January 2022	8:00am 10:00am	Epiphany
Sat 8th January	8:30am	Men's Breakfast, Hall
Sun 9th Jan	8:00am 10:00am	The Baptism of our Lord
Wed 19th Jan	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer & Meditation Wednesday Service

## 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 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=T2JsaGNBWnZ3UUhBbFBkcGICWXU4QT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89163464229?pwd=T2JsaGNBWnZ3UUhBbFBkcGICWXU4QT09)

passcode: **458044**

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

## 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](mailto: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.

## The Parish Matters

Parish Matters December edition is now available (attached). This celebrates parish life and reports important items from the most recent Parish Council meeting. Hard copies available in the Church foyer.



ROSTER	19th Dec 2021	19th Dec 2021	22nd Dec 2021
	Advent IV	Advent IV	Wednesday
	8:00am	10:00am	10:30am
Celebrant	Linda Fiske	Linda Fiske	
Preacher Gospel	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra	
Sacristan Assistant	Jean Taylor	TBA	
Liturgical Assistant	N/A	N/A	N/A
Communion Assistants	N/A	N/A	N/A
Greeters & Sides People	John Winkett	Harry Watson Roger Alcock	
First Reading	Elizabeth Ainsworth Micah 5: 2-5a	David Pryor Micah 5: 2-5a	
Second Reading	Coralie Carew Hebrews 10: 5-10	Lyn Clements Hebrews 10: 5-10	N/A
Psalm	<i>Song of Mary</i>	<i>Song of Mary</i>	
Intercessor	Felicity Wiltshire	Geoff Sandy	N/A
Morning Tea	Coralie Carew	Jan Kerr	
Banking	Lyn Clements		
Zoom/Ppt Cameras		Liz Pryor Rob MacKenzie	
Flowers			

24th Dec 2021 Holy Communion 7.30pm	24th Dec 2021 Midnight Mass 11.00pm	25th Dec 2021 Christmas Day 9:30am
Linda Fiske	Kate Prowd	Keren Terpstra
Keren Terpstra	Kate Prowd	Keren Terpstra
N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A
	Harry Watson	
Barbara Speed	Adrienne Watson	David Pryor
John Winkett	David Pryor	Peter Wiltshire
N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	
Liz Pryor Rob MacKenzie	Sandra Brown-Holt John Humann	Felicity Wiltshire Rob MacKenzie
		Angela Langan

<b>ROSTER</b>	<b>26th Dec Christmas I 9:30am</b>	<b>2nd Jan 2022 Epiphany 8:00am</b>	<b>2nd Jan 2022 Epiphany 10:00am</b>
<b>Celebrant</b>	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra
<b>Preacher Gospel</b>	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra
<b>Sacristan Assistant</b>	Mary Lynton-Moll	Robert Brazenor	Annette Street
<b>Liturgical Assistant</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A
<b>Greeters &amp; Sides People</b>		Catherine Pearson	Harry Watson Roger Alcock
<b>First Reading</b>	Peter Wiltshire	Jenny Disney	Geoff & Elizabeth Milgate
<b>Second Reading</b>	Adrienne Watson	Coralie Carew	Josephine Ball
<b>Psalm</b>			
<b>Intercessor</b>	Felicity Wiltshire		Liz Pryor
<b>Morning Tea</b>		Avis Perrett	Lyn Clements
<b>Banking</b>		John Humann	John Humann
<b>Zoom/Ppt Cameras</b>	John Humann Sandra Brown-Holt		Mandy Stevens Rob Mackenzie
<b>Flowers</b>	Angela Langan		



9th Jan 2022 The Baptism of our Lord 8:00am	9th Jan 2022 The Baptism of our Lord 10:00am
Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra
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Sally Petty	Jan Gack
N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A
Michael Tucker	Diana Warrell Kevin Gillett
Sally Petty Helen Coutts	Helen Symons
Barbara Speed	Melissa Quintarelli
Coralie Carew	Sandra Brown-Holt
Elizabeth Ainsworth	Linda MacKenzie
David Pryor	David Pryor
	Liz Pryor John Humann

## Nativity Scene - Eltham Town Square

St Margaret's will be setting up the Nativity Scene next to the **Eltham Town Square from 1 - 3pm this Saturday 18th**

**December.**

Come along to show your support, bring your grandchildren, nieces, nephews friends to join the fun! The Carols will begin at 2.30pm and will feature dress ups and a live donkey!

## Anglicare Food Collection

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



## Repair Café

Greensborough Christian Book Centre is looking into setting up a Repair Café on the All Saints ground in Greensborough, with access via the book centre. This would be an ecumenical initiative about caring for the earth, creating connections into the community to reach out. Please see attached for information about what a Repair Café is.

If this is something that interests you please contact Christine Kollaris, ph 9435 5762.

# Christmas

at StMargaret's Eltham 79-81 Pitt St.

Phone 9439 9238 [www.stmargaretseltham.org.au](http://www.stmargaretseltham.org.au)

**Christmas Eve: December 24**

**5pm Children's Christmas Service**

**7.30pm Christmas Eve Communion**

**10.30pm Carols**

**11pm Midnight Mass**

**Christmas Day December 25**

**9.30 Christmas Communion**



## Rosters - help needed

Included in this pew sheet are the upcoming rosters to include our Christmas services. We are looking for **greeters for our 7:30pm Christmas Eve and 9:30am Christmas Day**. If you can assist please contact Harry Watson or Keren.

Also, a hard copy of the roster with blank spots to be filled is available in the church foyer. Please add your name where you are able.



## Prayer 2021 - Following Jesus

**O God,  
out of your great love for us  
you sent your Son Jesus into this world  
to bring us back to you:  
give us grace to follow him,  
to take his yoke upon us and learn from him,  
and so to find both rest for our souls  
and the courage to do justice, love kindness,  
and walk humbly,  
so that others may be brought to your light;  
we ask this in his name. Amen.**



## **Prayer Chain**

**For any prayer  
requests**

**Mary Lynton-Moll**

**0412 512 416**

**Or**

**[prayerchain@stmargaretseltham.org.au](mailto:prayerchain@stmargaretseltham.org.au)**