



Pew Sheet 17 December 2023 Advent III

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sat 16th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 17th	8:00 & 10:00am	Advent III
Sun 17th	11.20am	Rehearsal—'A Star Lit Christmas' Service
Mon 18th	1:00pm	Monday Circle
Tue 19th	1:30—3.00pm	Memory Care Café
Wed 20th	9:00am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service
Sat 23rd	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 24th	10:00am 5:00pm 10:30pm 11:00pm	Advent IV service Children's Service Carols Midnight Mass

Parish Office

The Parish office will be open next week Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday between 10.00am to 2.00pm (closed Wednesday)

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

The Gospel of John gives us an alternative view of John the Baptist: a man of God and a witness testifying to the light. Some are confused about who he really is, so they ask him and he gives many answers of who he is not. John the Baptist again affirms that he is preparing by making the path straight for the coming of the Lord.

- God, may I be bold to affirm who I am and testify to the light of Jesus Christ.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of NATSIAC, the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Anglican Council



Hearing Loop

A Hearing Loop is installed in the Church, please use the T switch on your hearing aid.



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WORSHIP 17/12/2023—ADVENT III

SENTENCE

Bind up the broken-hearted, proclaim liberty to the captives and release to the prisoners, proclaim the year of the Lord's favour, the day of vengeance of our God.

Isaiah 61: 1-2

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Eternal God,
you sent John the Baptist
to prepare the way for the coming of your Son:
grant us wisdom to see your purpose
and openness to hear your will,
that we too may prepare the way for Christ
who is coming in power and glory
to establish his rule of peace and justice;
through Jesus Christ our Judge and our Redeemer,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 61. 1-4, 8-11

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 5.12-28

TODAY'S PSALM

Psalms 126

GOSPEL

John 1. 6-8, 19-28

TODAY'S MUSIC

Introit: Christ is the world's light—TiS 246 (8.00am)

Offering: Let all Mortal Flesh Keep Silence TiS 497

Communion Hymn: In the Lord I'll be ever thankful—CH 772

Mission Hymn: Soon and Very Soon—TiS 547



YouTube Link - Sunday 10:00 am Service

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCU8zWevMdRsIRq70IA6MUlg/live>

NOTICES

What's Coming Up

Sun 24th	10:00am	Advent IV service
	5:00pm	Children's Service
	10:30pm	Carols
	11:00pm	Midnight Mass
Mon 25th	9:30am	Christmas Day Service
Wed 27th	9:00am	Morning Prayer
	10:30am	Wednesday Service
Sun 31st	8:00 & 10:00am	Epiphany
Wed 3rd January	9:00am	Morning Prayer
	10:30am	Wednesday Service
Sat 6th	8:30am	Men's Breakfast
Sun 7th	8:00 & 10:00am	Baptism of our Lord
Wed 10th	9:00am	Morning Prayer
	10:30am	Wednesday Service
Sun 14th	8:00 & 10:00am	Epiphany II
Tue 16th	1:30— 3.00pm	Memory Care Café
Wed 17th	9:00am	Morning Prayer
	10:30am	Wednesday Service
Sun 21st	8:00 & 10:00am	Epiphany III
Wed 24th	9:00am	Morning Prayer
	10:30am	Wednesday Service
Sun 28th	8:00 & 10:00am	Epiphany IV
Sun 28th	5:30pm	Taize Meal
	6:30pm	Taize Service

Advent Collect

Advent marks the beginning of the Church's year, and is a season of reflection, as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ on Christmas Day. For the next 3 weeks the Advent Collect for the week will be printed in our pew sheets for us to pray in our own time.

The Third Sunday in Advent

O LORD Jesu Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee: Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready thy way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at thy second coming to judge the world we may be found an acceptable people in thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Peace and all good, Revd. Yvette

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.**





Memory Care Café – ELTHAM

Presenting :
Diamond Creakers Ukulele & Guitar Band

Eltham:

*St Margaret's Anglican Church Hall
79-81 Pitt St, Eltham
Tuesday 19th December
1:30pm
Cost \$5 (includes refreshments)*

*Please RSVP to
SSG Manager: Michael Plowright
ph: 9430 9125 or SSG@healthability.org.au*

OPEN TO EVERYONE



ROSTER	17 December 2023 Advent III 8:00am	17 December 2023 Advent III 10:00am	20 December 23 Wednesday 10:30am
Celebrant	Rev. Yvette Daniel	Rev. Yvette Daniel	Rev. Yvette Daniel
Preacher Gospel	Rev. Yvette Daniel John 1.6-8, 19-28	Rev. Yvette Daniel John 1.6-8, 19-28	Rev. Yvette Daniel Luke 1.26-38
Sacristan Assistant	Robert Brazenor	Jan Gack	N/A
Liturgical Assistant	Robert Brazenor	Geoff Sandy	N/A
Communion Assistants	Coralie Carew Neil Andrewartha	Tony Michaelson Jan Kerr	N/A
Greeters & Sides People	John Winkett	Roger Alcock	Jill Rogers
First Reading	David Greenfield Isaiah 61.1-4, 8-11	David Pryor Isaiah 61.1-4, 8-11	TBA Isaiah 7.10-14
Second Reading	Coralie Carew 1 Thessalonians 5.12-28	Geoff Sandy 1 Thessalonians 5.12-28	N/A
Psalm	<i>Psalm 126</i>	<i>Psalm 126</i>	<i>Psalm 24.1-6</i>
Intercessor	Felicity Wiltshire	Linda Mackenzie	N/A
Morning Tea	Sally Warner	Jan Kerr	Jill Rogers
Banking	Rob Mackenzie		
Zoom/Ppt Cameras		Mandy Stevens Liz Pryor	
Flowers	Advent		

ROSTER	24 December 2023 Advent IV 10:00am	24 December 2023 Midnight Mass 11:00pm	25 December 23 Christmas Day 9:30am
Celebrant	Rev. Yvette Daniel	Rev. Yvette Daniel	Rev. Yvette Daniel
Preacher Gospel	Rev. Robert Street Luke 1.26-38	Rev. Yvette Daniel Luke 2.1-14	Rev. Yvette Daniel Luke 2.8-20
Sacristan Assistant	Diana Warrell		Sally Petty
Liturgical Assistant	Julia Urwin		Sally Petty
Communion Assistants	Angela Langan David Pryor	Tony Michaelson	Catherine Pearson
Greeters & Sides People	Kevin Gillett Diana Warrell	Harry Watson Roger Alcock	
First Reading	Harry Watson 2 Samuel 7.1-11, 16	Adrienne Watson Isaiah 9.2-7	Catherine Pearson Isaiah 62.6-12
Second Reading	Roger Alcock Romans 16.25-27	Mary Lynton-Moll Titus 2.11-14	Barbara Speed Titus 3.4-8a
Psalm	<i>Psalm 89.1-4, 19-27</i>	<i>Psalm 96</i>	<i>Psalm 97</i>
Intercessor	Robert Street		Barbara Speed
Morning Tea	Jan Kerr	N/A	Helen Coutts
Banking	Kevin Gillett		Kevin Gillett
Zoom/Ppt Cameras	Rob Mackenzie Val Tucker	Liz Pryor	John Humann Sandra Brown-Holt
Flowers	Advent		Angela Langan

come and celebrate

Christmas



2023 with us

Be In our play
"STARLIT
CHRISTMAS"

stars of all ages welcome

SUNDAY 24TH DECEMBER Christmas Eve

10.00am: Holy Eucharist

5.00pm: Children's Service and Play

10.30pm: Carols

11.00pm: Midnight Mass

MONDAY 25TH DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS DAY: 9.30am Family Eucharist

A service for everyone. A lovely way to begin your
Christmas celebrations.

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phone:9439 9238

Children's Service Place

Rehearsal for 'A Star Lit Christmas' the Children's service play is on Sunday 17th 11.20 am in the church.

Revd. Yvette's Contact Details

Email: revdyvette@stmargaretseltham.org.au

Mobile: **0439 035 741**

Please note the vicar email address previously used will no longer apply.

Please also note Revd. Yvette's normal day off will be on a Thursday.

Memory Care Café Dates

1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month from 1.30pm to 3.00pm

DECEMBER (19)

JANUARY (16)

FEBRUARY (6 & 20)



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Vale Ruth Harrison

When Yvette, Adrienne and Harry attended the Volunteers BBQ at St Vincent's Aged Care, we were told that Ruth Harrison had passed away the previous week.

Many will recall her as a long time member of our church. She was in 'The Cottages' at SVACS for over a decade and regularly attended the communion services and later, the prayer services in the Chapel.

She was most always smartly dressed in blue and sometimes could be found at Pub lunch with her visiting family. She was regularly visited by the clergy and the PCTeam up until COVID. Afterwards she seemed not to be so aware of us. She went downhill quite quickly at the end. She was a dignified lady who will be missed.

Thanks, Harry

Advent family activity!

School holidays are fast approaching. What activities can we do with our children and grandchildren whilst we all wait expectantly for Christmas day. How about making some advent cookies together?? I haven't tried this recipe so I will wait for you to share with me how delicious they are! If we are honest we don't need the presence of children to make these cookies do we ...we can make them for ourselves and share them with neighbours and friends. Enjoy!!

Revd Yvette

Ingredients

- 150g butter, softened.
- 1/2 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup caster sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 3/4 cups plain flour
- 1/2 cup milk chocolate bits, plus 1 tbsp extra
- 1/2 cup dark chocolate bits, plus 1 tbsp extra

Method

- Preheat oven to 180C or 160C fan.
- Line 2 baking trays with baking paper.
- Using an electric mixer or whisking by hand, beat butter and sugars, for 1-2 minutes or until smooth and well combined.
- Beat in egg and vanilla until combined.
- Stir in flour. Stir in dark and milk choc bits.
- Roll 2 level tablespoonfuls of mixture into balls and place on prepared trays, 3cm apart. Press down slightly.
- Decorate with extra choc bits.
- Bake for 15-18 minutes or until light golden and cooked. Transfer to a wire rack to cool. Store in an airtight container for up to 1 week

Midnight Mass Service

If you are able to help with the Midnight Mass Service with the following roles please let Revd. Yvette or the Parish Office know

- Sacristan Assistant
- Liturgical Assistant
- Intercessor

Christmas Day Service

If you are able to help with the 9.30am Christmas Day service with the following please let Revd. Yvette or the Parish Office know

- Greeter & Sides



Grace

Go before us, O Lord, in all our doings
with your most gracious favour,
and assist us with your continual help;
that in all works, begun, continued and ended in
you,
we may glorify your holy name,
and finally by your mercy
obtain everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.



Prayer Chain

For any prayer
Requests



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