



# WELCOME

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**2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**5<sup>th</sup> December 2021**

## ST GEORGE'S HYMNS

Introit	88 (vv. 1, 2, 3)
Gradual	856
Offertory	929
Communion	123
Recessional	406 (omit v. 4)



## COLLECT

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God.

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**FOR OUR PRAYERS:** Margaret, Betty, Penny, Brian & family, Mary

**IN REMEMBRANCE:** Eileen Hodgson

## TOTZONE RESTART

We are hoping to restart TotZone on Wednesday mornings. We need a few more people to help with our weekly term-time group for pre-school children. Please have a word with Richard or Pat Alliston, if you can help.



## HOME TO RENT WANTED

A member of the congregation is looking for a self-contained, one-bedroom flat to rent for around £200 per week. If you have or know of a place, please can you contact Richard or Luiza.



## TOY SERVICE

This is **today at 10:00**. There will therefore be **no separate 11:30 service**. Please bring in new, unwrapped gifts, preferably not soft toys. Games and construction toys especially welcome.



## PRAYER BOARD

The prayer board is now open for use—please attach your requests with the date and we will include them in the Welcome Sheet for 2 weeks. After that time you're welcome to pin another request to the board for further time, or have a word with us.

## EVENTS THIS WEEK

### **Monday 6 December**

Church: 18:45 - Meditation group

Studio: 19:00 - 20:30 - Guides

### **Tuesday 7 December**

Church: 09:30- Morning prayer

Church: 10:30 - Eucharist

Hall: 18:00 - 19:30 - Brownies

Studio: 19:30-20:30 - Yoga class

**Church: 20:00 - Advent Group**

### **Wednesday 8 December**

Hall: 18:00 - Cubs, 20:00 - Scouts

Studio: 19:30-20:30 - Yoga class

Church: 19:00-21:00 New Life

### **Thursday 9 December**

Chapel 18:30 - Eucharist service

### **Friday 10 December**

Church: 19:00-21:00 New Life

### **Saturday 11 December**

Church and Zoom: 09:30 - Morning Prayer

### **Sunday 12 December**

Church: 10:00 - Eucharist

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Tuesday 14 December**

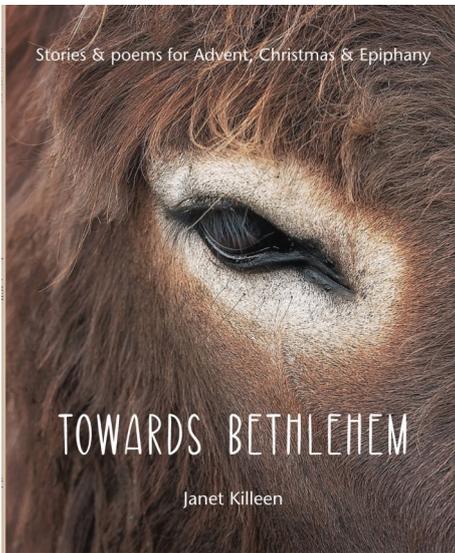
**Church: 20:00 - Advent Group**

### **Tuesday 21 December**

**Church: 20:00 - Advent Group**

### **Tuesday 28 December**

Church: - **Services as usual**



## ADVENT 2021

'Towards Bethlehem: 'Stories, Poems and Reflections for Advent, Christmas and Epiphany. Ways of taking a fresh and sometimes challenging look at the familiar stories of the season. Available from Amazon or Wild Goose Publications. (Proceeds to the Iona Community).

We will be using Janet's book for our Advent group on **30 November, 7, 14, and 21 December**. Books cost £6. Please sign the list in the lobby if you'd like one!



## CHRISTMAS SERVICES!

Carol Service

Sunday 9 December | 6:00

Crib Service

Friday 24 December | 6:00

Midnight Mass

Friday 24 December 23:30

Christmas Family Communion

Saturday 25 December | 10:00

Parish Eucharist

Sunday 26 December | 10:00

# CHRISTMAS

OT: Malachi 3: 1 - 4

See, I am sending my messenger to prepare the way before me, and the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple. The messenger of the covenant in whom you delight—indeed, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts.<sup>2</sup> But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?

For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap;<sup>3</sup> he will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the descendants of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, until they present offerings to the LORD in righteousness.<sup>4</sup> Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD as in the days of old and as in former years.



GOSPEL: Luke 3: 1—6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene,<sup>2</sup> during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness.<sup>3</sup> He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins,<sup>4</sup> as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah,

‘The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

“Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.

<sup>5</sup> Every valley shall be filled,

and every mountain and hill shall be made low,

and the crooked shall be made straight,

and the rough ways made smooth;

<sup>6</sup> and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.”