St Aidan's Anglican Church 22 December 2024

Today's service comes from page 404 of the New Zealand Prayer Book, and will be available online via <u>Facebook</u> or <u>YouTube</u>

How do we participate? Part 2

<u>Readings</u>

Micah 5:2-5a Hebrews 10:5-10 Luke 1: 39-45

Sentence

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit...

Luke 1:41

Prayer

God, faithful and true, make us eager with expectation, as we look for the fulfilment of your promise in Jesus Christ our Saviour. Hear this prayer for your love's sake. Amen

Welcome to St Aidan's! Please join us for morning tea in the Gathering Area after our services. If you are new, or would like more information, please make sure to introduce yourself and fill in a Newcomer's form.

WORSHIP CARING MISSION

5 Ascot Avenue, Remuera, Auckland

What's on at St Aidan's

Today

Advent 4 - Love

8am - Holy Communion. Hymns:

P:	VVOV 222	all verses
<i>O</i> :	WOV 243	vs 1, 2 & 3
R:	WOV 109	vs 1, 3 & 4

9:30am - Family service with Holy Communion. *No Kids' Church or Youth during school holidays. Activity sheets are available in the children's corner at the back.*

10:45am *(approx.)* - Confidential prayer in the Side Chapel.

This Week

Christmas Eve Tuesday 24th Dec

4pm - Kids' Christmas Eve Service. Come dressed as an angel, shepherd, king, or animal. We will have plenty of costumes on the day.

7pm - Christmas Eve Communion. Service. *Tuesday is a busy night, so come early to secure a parking spot*.

9pm - Christmas Eve Communion Service.

Christmas Day Wednesday 25th Dec

8am - Traditional Christmas Day Communion Service.

9:30am - Christmas Day Family Communion Service.

Prayers

- Those for whom Christmas is a difficult time of year
- The aftermath from the earthquake in Vanuatu recently, and all those who are still coping with damage from natural disasters
- Medical staff and emergency workers and those who work to keep others safe over the holiday period
- Those who will gather here for worship during this week, that they will feel the presence of God



Next Week

9am - ONE SERVICE ONLY

Combined Congregations Holy Communion service. Sunday services will continue to be livestreamed on our <u>Facebook page</u>* <u>www.facebook.com/StAidansRemuera</u> every week, so you can still join us online from wherever you are.

*You don't need a Facebook account to watch

Coming Up

Summer Combined Congregations Services - 9am one service only

from 29th December and throughout all of January 2025. Please remember a special roster will be in place for these services.



Holiday Rosters

For Christmas services, and combined congregations summer services, we do not keep to the usual regular worship roster duties, so we will need some volunteers to fill these roles. If you can help out during any of these services, please add your name to the sign up sheets. This applies to EVERY SUNDAY between 29th December and 26th January. Regardless of your usual roster duty, you will need to add your name to the sign up sheet as reader, chalice, welcomers, AV team, etc.

ACM Auckland's Angels

Thank you to every 'Auckland Angel' who gave food and Christmas gifts to help families in our city who are doing it tough. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. We continue to collect weekly contributions for the Mission, with regular collections resuming in the new year.

Philippians 4:18



'The Apostle' Christmas



EAPOSTLE Christmas Edition of 'The Apostle' magazine is available now online, or printed copies in the GA.

Name Tags

Don't forget to wear your name tag over the coming weeks, not only for Sarah's sake as she gets to know everyone, but also as we join together so we can get to know everyone who usually attends a different service on regular Sundays.

If you need a new name tag please request one via the form on the table just inside the church.

Thank You to Carolers

Thank you to all those who joined our carol singing during the past week at Sibuns last Sunday evening, on the church lawn, and at Bupa and Oceania retirement



villages - it was a wonderfully joyful time for everyone involved.

Office Closed

The Parish office will close from midday tomorrow, Monday 23rd December, and will reopen at 9am on Monday 20th January. The church will only be open at specific times so please contact one of the priests on duty to find out when that will be.

Scan the QR code to find out more about giving at St Aidan's



Contacts @ St Aidan's

To contact the people below whose details are not displayed, either refer to your St Aidan's parish directory, or contact Anne in the office who will be able to assist further.

Office: Mon-Fri 9 - 3:30	Anne Godman <u>office@staidans.co.nz</u> 929 4670 ext 1	Kids' Church:	Isabelle (Izzi) Hoskyn 929 4670 ext 5 <u>children@staidans.co.nz</u>
Vicar: 929 4670 ext 6	The Rev'd Sarah Stevens-Cross M 021 921 080 sarah@staidans.co.nz	Library: mainly music:	Anne Mercer Hannah Scharf mainlymusic@staidans.co.nz
Vicar: 929 4670 ext 4	The Rev'd Louise Anderson M 027 448 4467 Louise@staidans.co.nz	Men's Ministry: Mission Shop:	Pete Macaulay Jenny Haggitt
Curate	Rev'd Christina Turner christina@staidans.co.nz	Outreach: Pastoral Care:	Barbara Weir Desré Simpson
Other Clergy	The Rev'd Anne Priestley	Pins & Needles:	Gail Hodder
Vicar's Warden:	Juli Mercer	Prayer Circle:	Karel Lee
People's Warden:	Lynne Trenwith	Privacy Officer:	Miles Brown
Afternoon Fellows	ship (AFG): Christine Kennedy		privacy@staidans.co.nz
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ASTA:	The Rev'd Anne Priestley	Young Adults:	Isobell Tregoweth
Choir: Evening Fellowsh	,	Youth:	Nic Mercer youth@staidans.co.nz
Home Groups:	Louise A 929 4670 ext 4	Find us online:	<u>www.staidans.co.nz</u> @staidansremuera

Regular Events @ St Aidan's

Sunday Services	8am Holy Communion 9:30am Family Communion with Youth and Kids' Church		
AFG	Afternoon Fellowship Group meets in the GA, first Tuesday of each month March to December, at 1:30pm. Next meeting Tuesday 4 th March 2025.		
Choir Practice	Practise on Sunday morning at 9am, Saturday practises currently on hold. Contact Antoinette.		
Contemplative Prayer	Meditation (online via Zoom meeting ID: 876 7943 0576) each Wednesday at 9:45am - contact Anne P.		
Kids' Church	All children aged 3-10 during the 9:30am service. Contact Izzi.		
mainly music	Wednesday at 9:30am in the Hall during school terms. Music and play for pre-school aged children and their families or care givers. Contact <u>Hannah</u> . Restarts Wednesday 5 th February 2025.		
Men's Ministry	Meets on the last Thursday of each month, February to December, for breakfast at 7:30am. Contact Pete.		
Mid-week Communion	Mid-week Holy Communion services, first Wednesday of the month at 11:30am.		
Mission Shop	Open Thursday, Friday & Saturday 10am to 2pm. Contact Jenny. Reopening 7th February 2025		
Pins & Needles	A knitting for charity group, second Monday of each month. Contact Gail. Next meeting 10th February 2025.		
Prayer Meeting	Thursday mornings at 9am in the GA, or join from home via Zoom - Enter the <u>Zoom online meeting ID:</u> 959 1932 0025, or phone: +64 9 884 6780 and enter Passcode 1 #.		
Small Groups	All welcome! Contact your small group (home group / house church / Bible study) leader, or speak to <u>Louise</u> for information about joining a small group.		
Vestry	Meet monthly 7:30pm in the GA on the fourth Tuesday. Next meeting 25 th February 2025.		
EF	Evening Fellowship meets monthly on the third Tuesday at 7:30pm in the GA. Next meeting 18th February 2025.		
ASTA - Advocacy at	Community-focused writing for advocacy and justice, 10am on the last Friday of each month. Next meeting		
St Aidan's	28th February 2025. Contact Rev'd Anne Priestley.		
Young Adults	Meets every second Sunday at 4pm to 6pm, plus occasional social events. Contact Isobell.		
Youth	School aged youth (age 11+), Sunday during the 9:30am service. Contact Nic.		

Bank Account for direct deposits: St Aidan's Church Remuera

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Please use your giving number as reference. Contact the office if you are unsure what it is or would like one allocated.