

December Readers/Readings

**ST MARGARET'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
TAYPORT**



NEWSLETTER - DECEMBER 2021



<u>Reader</u>	<u>Readings</u>
Sun 5 Dec Don Macleod Margaret Gray	Malachi 3: 1-4; Philippians 1: 3-11 Canticle: Benedictus (Luke 1: 68-79) <i>(Luke 3: 1-6)</i>
Sun 12 Dec Andy Young Margaret Gray	Zephaniah 3: 14-20; Philippians 4: 4-7 Canticle: Isaiah 12: 2-6 <i>(Luke 3: 7-18)</i>
Sun 19 Dec	READERS AS PER CAROL SERVICE BOOKLET
Fri 24 Dec Margaret Gray Mike Baxter	Isaiah 52: 7-10 Hebrews 1: 1-4 <i>(John 1: 1-14)</i>
Sun 2 Jan Christine Barker Margaret Gray	Isaiah 60: 1-6; Eph. 3: 1-12 Psalm 72: 1-7, 10-14 <i>(Matthew 2: 1-12)</i>



Please arrange to swap if unavailable for the allotted date

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Christmas
for **Christ**

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Priest's Message

Beloved in Christ

At long last Advent and Christmas will be face to face in church. We had a hiatus during the Advent season last year and it was doubtful if we could celebrate Christmas together.

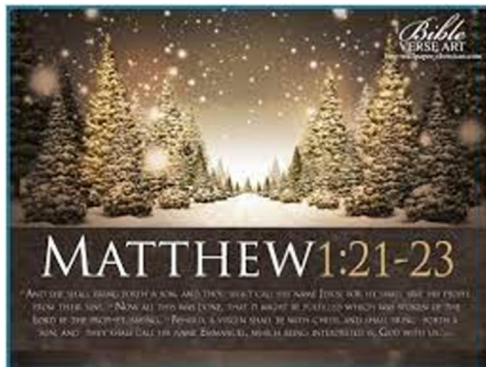
Now, having had some special times of celebration in church, we anticipate even more new faces at St Margaret's to share this sacred time with us. Midnight mass at 11pm on Christmas Eve will be another time for us to gather people at the manger of our Lord! Let us fill the church in our hearts and minds just as we light up the way for Christ to re-enter this rather strange set of circumstances in which the world finds itself!

Corona virus and climate change have almost lost their impact, they are so over used. So things are different, we are and our future together is a Tayport heartbeat. Let us join its rhythm and make new music together! The year 2021 will then be sealed, minited, archived in our memory. Let us pledge to be the best we can be! Together.

I do believe we have not only grown in numbers but in capacity, being led to open our hearts to wonderful initiatives into which our church fits. St Margaret's is a living branch of the Christian family tree and we draw our stability from our roots, which our forebears planted. Let us push those branches even further into the community we do not know and to whom Christ beckons. Let us bear that fruit in due season and allow Christ to break into our hearts, minds and spirit!

God bless you in new, bright and illumined ways!

Revd Kathy Barrable



St Margaret's Mission Statement

The mission of St Margaret's Church is to worship together, reach out, with the other churches, to those in the community and beyond, offering them welcome and hospitality wherever they are on their spiritual journey.

December Services Diary

Wed 1 Dec	10.30am	Meditations in church
Sun 5 Dec	9.30am	Advent 2. Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Wed 8 Dec	10.30am	Meditations in church
Sun 12 Dec	9.30am	Advent 3. Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Sun 19 Dec	10.30am	Advent 4. Carol service with Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Fri 24 Dec	11.00pm	Midnight Eucharist with carols
Sat 25 Dec	10.30am	Christmas Day service at St Marys
Sun 2 Jan	9.30am	Epiphany. Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall

December Rotas

Reception

Sun 5 Dec	Janette Turvey
Sun 12 Dec	Mike Baxter
Sun 19 Dec	Margaret Redpath
Fri 24 Dec	Christine Barker
Sun 2 Jan	Janette Turvey

December Events

Sat 4 Dec	10.30am	St Margaret's AGM followed by Christmas Lunch at 12.30pm at Cobbies Inn, 32 Tay Street.
Mon 13 Dec	7.00pm	Auld Kirk Carol Concert with Ferryport Fiddlers, Rose Ensemble and A Choir'd Taste

