

## ***Welcome***

Welcome to any visitors this morning,  
please join us for morning tea after the 9.30am service.  
If you want to find out more about us or if you have a pastoral matter that  
you would like to discuss, please have a chat with one of our team.

### **Third Sunday of Advent**

**15 December 2019**

#### **8am - Communion**

**Presiding Priest & Preacher: The Rev'd Matt Griffiths**

#### **9.30am - Family Communion**

**Presiding Priest & Preacher: The Rev'd Matt Griffiths**

**Liturgist: Madeline Gunn**

**Prayers of the People: Stuart Weightman**

**Server: Robin Plessius**

#### **Readings:**

Isaiah 35: 1 - 10	The desert blooms (p. 649)
James 5: 7 - 10	Patience until the Lord's coming (p. 1104)
Matthew 11: 2 - 11	The forerunner of Christ (p. 889)

*Sermons can be found on our website - [www.stphilips.org.nz](http://www.stphilips.org.nz)*

### **Readings Through the Week**

*The readings for Monday to Wednesday are reflections on today's readings*

<b>Monday</b>	Isaiah 29: 17 - 24	Acts 5: 12 - 16
<b>Tuesday</b>	Ezekiel 47: 1 - 12	Jude 17 - 25
<b>Wednesday</b>	Zechariah 8: 1 - 17	Matthew 8: 14 - 17, 28 - 34

*The readings for Thursday to Saturday are preparation for next Sunday*

<b>Thursday</b>	2 Samuel 7: 1 - 17	Galatians 3: 23 - 29
<b>Friday</b>	2 Samuel 7: 18 - 22	Galatians 4: 1 - 7
<b>Saturday</b>	2 Samuel 7: 23 - 29	John 3: 31 - 36

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***Gluten free wafers are available on request.***

*St Philip's Church is fitted with a hearing loop.  
To access, please switch your hearing aid to T-coil.*



### **St Philip's Carol Service**

**Tonight 7.30pm**

Join us as we celebrate with traditional carols,  
led by our volunteers' choir, and Christmas readings  
Mulled wine and mince pies will be available after the service.

All are very welcome.

### **Auckland City Mission Appeal**

'Auckland Angels' is the City Mission's annual Christmas appeal to collect  
non-perishable foods and **new** presents for those in need.

Please place any donated items in the collection baskets.

### **St Philips Women's Meeting**

**Wednesday 18 December, Holy Communion at 10.00**

**followed by a Celebratory Christmas morning tea.**

All women of the Parish are very welcome.

### **Christmas Lunch**

**Wednesday 25 December, from 11.30am**

**26 Tuhimata Street, St Heliers**

If you don't feel like eating at home this Christmas, you are invited to join  
Matt and Terrena for a light lunch at the Vicarage on Christmas Day.

Please RSVP to Matt 021 181 6378

### **Bible 2020**

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*Many of our congregation chose to give by automatic payment rather than through the  
offertory each Sunday. If you would like to give in this manner our bank account details are  
ANZ Newmarket 01 0262 0010639 00 Please reference any giving as 'Offertory'.*

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**Office hours 9am - Noon Tuesday - Friday**