



Sunday 8 December 2019

2nd Sunday of Advent

Colour Violet

**Jesus is as passionate
about the unity
of his family
as he is about worship,
justice for the poor,
and the fulfilment of
his Great Commission.**

Quoted in "Dirty Glory: Where your Best Prayers take you."

Naumai, Haere mai! Welcome!

Scripture Verse: The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent,
and believe in the good news. *Mark 1:15*

Collect:

**Almighty God, you sent your servant John the Baptist to prepare the way for
the coming of your Son; grant that those who proclaim your word
may so guide our feet into the way of peace, that we may stand with confidence
before him when he comes in his glorious kingdom; through Jesus Christ our
Judge and our Redeemer. *Amen.***

First Reading: Isaiah 11 : 1 - 10 A Peaceful Kingdom
Gospel: Matthew 3 : 1 - 12 The Proclamation of John the Baptist

Presiding - Rev'd John Hughes

General News:

Wellesley College: 9 December, Monday 9.15am Chapel Service at Wellesley College.

Knitwits Christmas Celebration: Tuesday 10 December , At Tartines French Cafe, Village
Corner in Eastbourne, 2-3.30pm for Christmas Cheer and a chat for all those
who have joined the group at any time this year.. No knitting or wallets
required. RSVP to Joy for catering.

Alpha: Tuesday 10 December 6.30pm. for shared meal.
Numbers to Jen by Monday Venue Jen and Myles home, 6 Ferry Road.

Thursday Eucharist: 12 December, at 10am, at St Ronans Church, 234 Muritai Road
Followed by "Take a Break".

Mission Table: We will focus our efforts on the weekly grocery basket and our Barnabas
boxes until next autumn.

Christmas and January Services: Wellesley Hall In December

Tuesday	24 December	5.00 pm	Christingle
Tuesday	24 December	10.00 pm	Christmas Eve Service
Wednesday	25 December	9.30 am	Christmas Day Service (family friendly)
Sunday	29 December	10.00 am	Wellesley Hall

Helpers needed for delivery of the flyer with the 3 Christmas Services.

Maps/street details and bundles on the back table. Thank you.

Flyers and/or clipboards on the back table for coming events.

St Alban's Eastbourne Mission Statement

Providing the living Presence of God's Kingdom in Eastbourne and the Bays.

Rhythms of Worship

Sunday	10 am Eucharist at Wellesley College Hall.
Thursday Eucharist	Each week at 10am. Next one - 12 December , St Ronan's Church
"UP"	On hold until further notice. Gifts of the Spirit.
Giving	Supporting our faith community and mission is a normal part of our Christian Worship. If you would like to do this systematically or regularly here are the
Parish banking details	BNZ 02 0500 0821577 000 Anglican Parish of Eastbourne.

Children

Kids' Club	Every Sunday <u>in term time</u> during the 10am Service.
Pop in and Play	Friday <u>in term time</u> at St Ronan's Church, Muritai Road from 9 -11.30am.
Wellesley College	Monday <u>during term time</u> . Libby Bloomfield at Wellesley College. 9.15am Chapel - Service at Wellesley College.
Chaplaincy	The Parish provides Chaplaincy services to Wellesley College.
Games Evening	Monthly during term time. Venue and time as advised prior to evening.

Rhythms of Prayers

Intercessory Prayer	Thursday at 8.15am. Venue to be confirmed on the day by txt.
Retreat Days:	At the Vicarage. Wednesdays : 9 - 4pm for all or part of the day. 9.30am Devotions, 12pm Contemplative Prayer, 4pm Evening Devotion.
Contemplative Prayer	Saturday at 8.30am in St Alban's Hall Foyer.

Discipleship

Alpha	Tuesday 10 December 6.30pm. Venue Jen and Myles's home, 6 Ferry Road.
Huddle group	Meetings are two a month, led jointly by Libby Bloomfield and Jennie Lovell-Smith. Joint shared meal at the Pavilion for the groups as advised.
Knitwits	Monthly, venue as advised prior to day.
Men's Group	Usually first Wednesday of month in the Sports and Services Club Tuatoru Street from 6pm. Resuming in February.
Take a Break (Seniors)	Second Thursday of the month (11am) at St Ronan's Church. 12 December
Women's Coffee Group	Third Monday of the month at Hive, Rimu Street at 10am.
Mission Table	On hold until next Autumn.

Gospel Readings for the week

Monday	Luke	5	:	17 - 26	Tuesday	Matthew	18	:	12 - 14
Wednesday	Matthew	11	:	28 to end	Thursday	Matthew	11	:	11 - 15,
Friday	Matthew	11	:	16 - 19	Saturday	Matthew	17	:	10 - 13

Diocesan Mission Statement

We are family; we are disciples; we care for the last, the lost and the least.

**This week
8/12****10 am Eucharist
Wellesley Hall**

Presider	Reverend John Hughes
Preacher	Reverend John Hughes
Set-up / pack-up	John Nippert, Chris Burt
Welcomers	John Nippert, Keith Levy
Liturgical Asst	Penny Grigg
2nd chalice	Fran Baldock
Readers	First reading - Tony Martin Gospel - Pauline Steele
Intercessions	Penny Grigg
Musician	Jenni and Paul, Helen Mosely
Sound / tech	Philip Plimmer
Kids' Club	Rose and Rebecca Odlin.
Morning tea	Val Meyer, MaryAnne Isdale

**Next week
15/12****10 am Eucharist
Wellesley Hall**

Presiders	Reverend Canon Peter Stuart
Preacher	Reverend John Hughes
Set-up / pack-up	TBA
Welcomers	John Nippert
Liturgical Asst	Philip Plimmer
2nd chalice	Elaine Parr
Readers	First Reading - Pauline Steele Gospel - Joy Baird
Intercessions	Philip Plimmer
Musician	Libby and the team
Sound / tech	Chris Burt
Kids' Club	Heather's team.
Morning tea	Stefi Plimmer, Sheryl Selwyn

We welcome you!

We'd love to welcome you to our contact list - to be in touch every so often about what's coming up at St Alban's, and/or to receive our weekly families email. Forms available at the entry.

Office hours:

Wed and Thurs 9am - 3pm.



Upon meeting Jesus,
John said:
"I have need to be baptized of
thee, and comest thou to me?"
However,
Jesus convinces John
to baptize him nonetheless.

Matthew 3:14

St Alban's Anglican Church, Eastbourne

Vicar	Rev'd John Hughes	5626076
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Vestry	Joy Baird, Libby Bloomfield, Patsy Jorgensen, Jeremy Lovell-Smith, Denis Packer and Mike Synnott	
Pastoral Care	Jennie Lovell-Smith	562 0242
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Priest (Hon)	Reverend Canon Peter Stuart.	

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