

**First Song:** Freedom is coming led by Cathy Wardle

During the season of advent we don't sing the gloria. We will say the 'Lord have mercy' immediately after the confession and before the absolution.

Minister says: Lord have mercy

**All: Lord have mercy**

Minister says: Christ have mercy

**All: Christ have mercy**

Minister says: Lord have mercy

**All: Lord have mercy**

### **The Collect**

*(focusing prayer for today's Eucharist)*

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**Amen**

### **The Gospel Reading: Luke 21. 25-36 NRSV**

Reader: Jocelyn Stoddard

Alleluia, Alleluia.

Speak Lord for your servant is listening.

You have the words of eternal life.

**All: Alleluia.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke

**All: Glory to Christ our Saviour**

“There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on the earth distress among nations confused by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will faint from fear and foreboding of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. <sup>27</sup>Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in a cloud’ with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, stand up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

Then he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day does not catch you unexpectedly, like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. Be alert at all times, praying that you

may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

*After the Gospel:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**All: Praise to Christ our Lord**

**Sermon:** Rev'd Canon Tim Goode

**Intercessions:** Trevor Dimmick

We pray for:

Our Diocese: Christopher our Diocesan Bishop; Bishop Karowei the Bishop of Woolwich; Pray for those who fight intolerance, ignorance and neglect in all shapes and forms.

World Church: Pray for the Bishops, priests & people of the Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil

Our Community: for those in our community that are suffering from loneliness. Help us to come together as a community in order to prevent loneliness wherever possible.

The Sick: Adrian Falconer; Lindsey & Mike Pannell; Ernesta Sylvesta Dimmick; Chris Jeal; Joan Burkitt-Gray, Andrew Murdock; Margaret Theobald and Doreen Brooker.

### **Offertory Hymn: 58**

*All are warmly invited to the dais to receive communion (in one kind). If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please bow your head as a signal to the priest.*

**Communion Music:** A short piece of music shall be played by Cathy and Aidan Wardle.

### **Post Communion Prayer**

O Lord our God, make us watchful and keep us faithful as we await the coming of your Son our Lord; that, when he shall appear, he may not find us sleeping in sin but active in his service and joyful in his praise; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### **The Notices are read**

#### **Blessing**

#### **Conclusion Hymn: 32 verses 1,3 and 5**

**Voluntary Music:** A piece of music will be played at the end of the service.

Following this Service, everyone is welcome to the crypt for coffee.

#### **NOTICES**

- 1) **The Advent Carol Service is on tonight at 6pm:** all are welcome to attend this wonderful event.
- 2) **We are looking for people to open up & close the halls for party bookings on Saturday afternoons for a small fee:** if you are interested please contact the office.

- 3) **Flower arrangers needed for Sat 18 Dec-** Absolutely no experience is needed for this, just a willingness to get involved. Donations of greenery (especially holly with red berries) are very welcome. Please contact Fiona Morrison [morrison.fiona123@gmail.com](mailto:morrison.fiona123@gmail.com)
- 4) **We need volunteers for the coffee rota: please email the office:** [office@stmargaretslee.org.uk](mailto:office@stmargaretslee.org.uk)
- 5) **Open Church on Tues & Thurs will not be happening whilst the building works are taking place.**
- 6) **Tea for Free every Monday 10 am - 12pm** in the crypt.
- 7) **Darby & Joan Club has reopened:** on Tuesdays 11.45am-2pm at Kingswood Halls, £2 per session.
- 8) **Volunteers Needed: Sign up sheet at back of church.** We're looking for people to assist with the coffee rota, the open house weekends, stewarding, flower arranging, tea for free, children's church, readers & intercessors & our outreach work with Mamma Kind.
- 9) **We are taking food bank donations for the LewCAS charity in a basket at the back of church.**
- 10) **There is now a contactless giving machine at the back of the church:** we are thankful for donations.
- 11) **Donations can be given using the following QR code:**




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**Please contact the office if you would like to add anyone to the prayers list for the sick or departed.**

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**Useful contacts:**

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**St Margaret's School: Church Places**

If you are thinking of applying for a church place at St Margaret's Lee school you will need to:

- Make contact with the Parish Administrator
- Read the school Admissions Policy which can be found at [www.stmargaretslee.lewisham.sch.uk](http://www.stmargaretslee.lewisham.sch.uk)
- Complete 2 years of church attendance, fortnightly. From September we will be reverting to our system of monitoring church attendance via a register at the back of church.

# St Margaret, Lee

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent**

28 November 2021

8.00am Holy Eucharist

10.30am All Age Eucharist

6.00pm Advent Carol Service

**8.00 am HOLY EUCHARIST**

**Celebrant:** Rev'd Daniel Walker

The service begins on page 237.

**The Collect**

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**Amen**

**First Reading: I Thessalonians 3. 9-end**

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

**Gospel Reading: Luke 21. 25-36**

(see 10.30 service reading)

**10.30 am ALL AGE PARISH EUCHARIST**

**Celebrant:** Rev'd Daniel Walker

If you have a young child who needs a break, we have some activity sheets downstairs in the crypt (go through the doors at the bottom of the stairs); feel free to come and go during the service.

*Today's music for the service will be performed by Cathy, and Aidan Wardle, with Jenny Standage on the piano.*