



## St Martin's News



28th December 2025

Matt 2: 13-23



### Church Roster

**Sunday 28th December 2025**

**Worship Leader: Charmaine Slade**

**Bible Reader: Nely:** Is 63: 7-9, Ps 148,  
Heb 2: 10-18, Mat 2: 13-23 **Morning Tea: Nely**

**Sunday 4th January 2026 9am**

**Worship Leader: George Olney**

**Bible Reader: Robert:** Jer 31:7-14, Ps 147:12-20,  
Eph 1:3-14, Jn 1:10-18 **Morning Tea: Elwyn**

The St Martin's Foothills  
Website:

<https://foothills.ucwa.au/>

The 10am Service on Sunday  
at KUC will be on Zoom:

[Sunday Service Link](#)

Please do not hesitate to contact **Rev John Steed** or **Rev Janelle Macgregor**, who are available for Pastoral Care.

### Change of Worship Time

This Sunday will be the last Sunday when our  
worship time is 8am. Starting next week services will  
commence at **9am**

### Dates for the Diary

**Op Shop Cleaning Busy Bee**  
**Monday 5th January 9am**

**Time to dust the shelves, clean the aircon vents  
and a general clean.**

**Summer Spirit 2026 21st & 22nd February**  
**Walking Together, Covenanting Together**

Join us as we listen to stories of this land, the journey  
of the Uniting Aboriginal and Islander Congress, and  
the Covenant that calls us to walk together.

Created in consultation with local Congress leaders,  
Summer Spirit 2026 will be an opportunity to grow  
in understanding and take steps towards  
reconciliation – together.

- Friday 20th Feb (evening) - Lake Gwelup
- Saturday 21st Feb (day) - All Saints Floreat UC

**Early Bird Registration pricing available until  
30 December 2025.**

Whether you're a church leader, a lay preacher, or a  
Christian seeking deeper engagement with your faith,  
this event is for you!

[Find Out More](#)

**The Challenge of the New Year** This week's Gospel  
reading tells a story of disturbance, peril and divine  
redirection. Joseph is awakened by an angel with an  
urgent command to flee to Egypt. In the still of the night,  
he obeys unwaveringly, trusting that God will guide his  
family even though the way ahead is uncertain. This  
event reveals that God's purposes often unfold through  
detours we never would have chosen; we are reminded  
that in the unexpected is a God who knows everything  
and has plans for everything. In the strangest of  
circumstances, the darkest events and the fearful  
unknown, God finds a way where there seems to be no  
way. Like Joseph and Mary, we too experience sudden  
change, doors closing and conflict pressing in. In those  
moments, God's guidance may come as a whisper or a  
clarion, as a wise voice, or an inner conviction, and like  
Joseph, we are invited to rise, trust, and take the next  
faithful step. May you know in your deepest parts that  
no matter what 2026 holds for you, God's divine gaze is  
upon you, your strength and your shield.

**Blessings Susan Blackburn**



### Containers for Change

With the special Christmas get-togethers  
over, don't forget to recycle your cans  
and bottles. Just bring them along to  
Church and all money raised will go to  
Uniting WA. They are not huge amounts but along  
with doing good by the environment you are helping  
Uniting WA. Total so far this financial year is \$138  
which is \$26 more than same time last year.

### Act for Peace Christmas Bowl

On Christmas day the focus of the Christmas Bowl  
was on the rebuilding of Gaza. Over the past  
week's we have heard how AFP is supporting peo-  
ple all over the world who need help. **Thank you to  
all who have supported Act for Peace this year.**

So far **\$4,100**  
has been raised.  
A great effort.  
There is still time  
to contribute .  
The final total will  
be in next week's  
Newsletter.

If you would like  
a receipt for your  
EFT donation,  
please advise  
Doug, if you  
haven't already  
submitted a  
donation slip in  
the bowl.

**ACT  
FOR  
PEACE**



**Seeds**

A newsletter from the Uniting Centre for Education and Formation (UCEF)  
Uniting Church Western Australia



Uniting Church in Australia  
Uniting Centre for Education & Formation

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