

Keeping in Touch:

HISTORY OF SAINT MARGARET'S VOLUME 3 tells the story of the post war years 1945 to 2015. It consists of over 450 pages with tables, charts, photos and colour plates. It will sell at the price of \$29.95. Some people prefer to purchase over 3 instalments. I am ready to take the first instalment of \$10 now. Please contact me. Anyone who wishes to order a copy (copies) now can do so by contacting me. Anyone who is a long term Parishioner will probably feature in the book. There will be an official launch at a later date yet to be determined. All Parishioners are invited. Contact Geoff Sandy, Telephone 94598640 or Email: geoff@sandy.com.au



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March/April 2016

11-14 Mar	Anglican Camp and Conference
Tues 15 Mar	Parish Council Meeting
Sun 20 Mar	Palm Sunday 9:30am
Tues 22 Mar	Parish Ladies Fellowship
Thurs 24 Mar	Maundy Thursday 7:30pm
Fri 25 Mar	Good Friday 2:00pm
Sat 26 Mar	Easter Labyrinth Walk 2:30pm
Sun 27 Mar	Easter Sunday 6:30am & 10am

Parish Office

79-81 Pitt St, ELTHAM, 3095.
Tel: (03) 9439 9238 Located in Dendy House (rear of Church). **Open 10am-2pm Tues, Wed, Fri and 9:30am-12:30pm Mon and Thurs.**
Phone messages can be left when the office is unattended.

Please submit ALL materials for the weekly bulletin or for printing to the Parish Office, NO LATER THAN 11AM WEDNESDAY (items for the bulletin will only go in if there is space available). If you need to contact or visit the office on a Friday afternoon, please do so before 1pm as it is normally unattended from 1pm to finalise setting up the church for the weekend.

For distribution:

Imagine - December 2015
Partners—Spring 2015
Parish Matters—Latest Edition
TMA—March 2016

For browsing onsite:

Sower—Summer 2016
Anglican Overseas Aid—Winter 2015
Benetas—Summer 2016
Spark Lit.org Prayer Diary—2015
Sower, Bible Society—Autumn 2016

Meditation Group— every Saturday, 8am and every Wednesday, 9:30am. All Welcome.

Parish Directory

Locum Vicar: Revd. Dr Ruwan Palapathwala
9439 9238 (not Monday) Mob 0458 113 099
Email: vicar@stmargaretsethham.org.au

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Email: assistprst@stmargaretsethham.org.au

Honorary Associate Priests:
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Archdeacon Alan Nichols
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13 March 2016

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Please join us for refreshments after the services



Prayer of the day

Jesus,
receive our love and worship.
Show us how to give you what we have,
for nothing is too big or too small
for us to offer, or for you to use;
for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever.
Amen.

We gather every Sunday at 8:00am and 10:00am and Wednesdays at 10:30am for worship

Today's Service Details

Readings for this week

Isaiah 43:16-21 S Petty/H Coutts S Archer

Psalms 126

Philippians 3:3-14 F Gravenall M Quintarelli

John 12:1-8

Intercessor G/C Carew S Brown-Holt



Mary, the sister of Martha, has a very rough deal in today's gospel. She tries her hardest to do a beautiful

passionate thing out of her love for Jesus and gets howled down for it. Often when we try our best we can end up disheartened and upset when others react negatively, misunderstanding our good intentions or the place where we fit in. We should take some heart from this story, because it shows that the beautiful things we do out of love for God are not forgotten, they have the highest and most important place. If Mary got to anoint the Lord for his burial, the works of love we offer are just as important.

Text: The Rev Will Johnston,
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St Peter's, East Maitland,
Diocese of Newcastle
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PRAYER TAPERS

You are invited to light candles for prayer **before & after** the service & **during the peace**

BEQUEST

Have you considered supporting the Parish in your will? See brochure about how to make a bequest.

Next Week's Rosters - 20 March 2016 Palm Sunday—9:30am only

3rd w/end of month	9:30am
Celebrant Preacher	Clem Taplin Children's Ministry
Sacristan Assistant	Jean Taylor
Greeters & Sides people	John Winkett Margaret Alexander Geoff & Elizabeth Milgate
Liturgical Assistant	Adrienne Watson
Children's Time	Family Focus

Walk through Holy Week With the Children

Intercessor	Children's Ministry
Communion Assistants	Neil Andrewartha Tony Michaelson
Refreshments	Lyn & Kathy
Banking Assistant Counter	Jo Norman
Flowers	Lent
PowerPoint	Chris Warrell

Honorary Associate Priest -Alan and Dennis have been with us for sometime and have now made St. Margaret's their spiritual home. We acknowledge Alan as an honorary associate priest of the parish. Alan is an Archdeacon Emeritus in the Diocese of Melbourne.

Garage & Goodies Sale

Saturday 9 April
9.00am-2.00pm
Please start collecting and spreading the word Can you help?

Singers Wanted

Singers wanted for the choir to prepare for Holy Week and the Easter Services. Practice will be at 8pm on Thursdays. Contact Helen Symons on 9435 4711

Please Remember:

If you are the last one out of the hall or church please remember to turn off all heaters, lights and lock the doors. Please do not alter any of the controls on the audio visual system.

This also includes the office. If you need to use the office please turn off all lights, the printer, computers, heaters and close the blinds when you leave.

Palm Sunday Service

There will be a combined Family service on Sunday 20 March, starting at 9:30am. Please bring a branch to wave.

Farewell to Clem

We will be farewelling Clem at a combined service on Sunday 10 April at 9:30am. Following the service will be a special morning tea. All Welcome. Marked envelopes are in the foyer for anyone who would like to contribute to a gift for Clem.

Asylum Seeker Resource Centre

Well done to all who contributed food to our special appeal. For those who would like to make further contributions to the work of the Centre, it is an approved Charitable Organisation for tax purposes. Donations of \$2 and over are tax deductible. These may be made to **1/214 Nicholson Street Footscray 3011** or on-line via www.asrc.org.au.

Thank you drivers—Last Thursday 17 St Margaret's folk enjoyed an evening with Sarah Bachelard. Thanks to those who provided the car sharing rides.

Parish Directory—an updated Parish Directory is now available in the foyer.

Communion Assistants are needed for four Easter services. Thurs eve, Friday 2 pm, Easter dawn and 10am. Please help with call or text to Harry 0418322347

Sides Duty helpers are needed for the four Easter services. Please offer help with call or text to Harry 0418322347

Eltham Montmorency United Church, Taize Worship—After five and a half years of Taize worship, and with Rev. Tina moving on to a different placement, we have decided to stop and reflect. This has not been an easy decision, and we are sorry that there will be one less meditative service available in the church calendar. I am hoping to organise a mid-winter service at Eltham which will draw on Taize and other creative and prayerful traditions, so stay tuned.

Tea/Coffee Trolley—we now have a small trolley with tea and coffee making facilities in the meeting room that can be moved to the vestry or church if the hall is not accessible.

Can parishioners please leave it ready to use for the next people?

Intercessors Roster -We need more Intercessors. Please consider offering your ministry which is so important to our worship. Information and assistance provided.

Please contact Geoff Sandy 94598640 or geoff@sandy.com.au

Reading Roster 10am—A spot has become available on the bible reading roster. Please consider if this might be something you would be willing to take on. It involves reading about 6 times a year. It is a lovely way to contribute to the worship at St. Margaret's. For more details please contact Melissa on 0425 794 247 or agemel1@bigpond.com,

What's On

Parish Ladies Fellowship— Tues 22 March meeting at Nola Gray's, 17 Astley Street Montmorency, at 2pm.

For your Diary—Parish Ladies Fellowship will have their Australia's Biggest Morning Tea for Cancer on Tuesday 26th April in the home of Meryl Long, 26 Astley Street Montmorency.

Holy Week Services—Please see flyer for information about Holy Week.

Thank you

Thank you for all the congregational enthusiasm and involvement at our Family Focus, Back to School Service. It seemed really appreciated by all there.

ABM Chakoa Lent 2016

Sunday 22 Feb \$ 71.60
Sunday 29 Feb \$114.90

Sunday 6 Mar
Cumulative Total \$186.50

A big thank you to parishioners for your support.



OHS Issue

We have been asked by the CFA not to put any items in front of the Fire Reel Door, in the foyer of the Church. This includes boxes, chairs, baskets and vases of flowers. If there is a fire, the fire reel needs to be easily accessible. Please ensure that we abide by this request as fines can be applicable.