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Keeping in Touch:


Book-Keeper Wanted – With increasing workload we need to engage a book-keeper. Are you or do you know anyone interested in this position. Please talk to Wardens. Thank you.

Mary & Chris Lynton-Moll would like to thank everyone who came to Leo's baptism on 31st. and helped to make it such a joyous occasion. Special thanks to Clem and to those who helped with the morning tea.



Locum Vicar: The Revd. Dr. Ruwan Palapathwala
 Assistant Priest: The Revd. Clemence Taplin
 Honorary Associate Priest: The Revd. Robert Street

21 February 2016
 Second Sunday in Lent
Please join us for refreshments after the services
Welcome as our preacher Chris Winkett



**HEARING AID
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February/March 2016	
Tues 23 Feb	Parish Ladies Fellowship
Wed 24 Feb	Piece of Peace Day
Sun 28 Feb	Meg's Munches Film, Friends, Faith and Food
Sat 5 March	Men's Breakfast
Sun 6 March	Parish Pub Lunch
11-14 March	Anglican Family Camp and Conference at Philip Island

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 the office or visit on a Friday afternoon, please do so before 1pm as it is normally unattended from 1pm to finalize setting up the church for the weekend.

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

Parish Directory

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Prayer of the day

God of grace and goodness,
 you know that by reason of our frailty we cannot but fail;
 keep us always under your protection
 and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.
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

Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18 F Gravenall D Pryor
 Psalm 27
 Philippians 3.17 - 4.1 C Carew L Clements
 Luke 13.1-9

Intercessor G Sharp G Sandy



As we journey through Lent we might find ourselves with the keen awareness that our God is a God of journeys. In our readings from today we see two journeys – one of Abraham from Ur to Canaan, and the other of Jesus and a handful of his disciples going up Mount Tabor. In both cases God is bringing his servants away from what is familiar and taking them to unfamiliar places, and often it can be scary for them. We know that ultimately they were strengthened by the experience in their faith. When God calls us out of our familiar surroundings we should take heart knowing that he is with us and we will ultimately be strengthened by our journey.

Pray for all those who God has called to difficult ministries, callings and occupations.

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 - 28 February 2016 Third Sunday in Lent

4th w/end of month	8am	10am
Celebrant Preacher	Clem Taplin Ruwan Palapathwala	Clem Taplin Ruwan Palapathwala
Sacristan Assistant	Marie Payling	Jean Ransom
Greeters & Sides people	Jo Norman Margaret Charles	Kevin Gillett Diana Warrell
Liturgical Assistant	John Winkett	Roger Alcock
Children's Time		Kathryn
Readings: Isaiah 55.1-9 Psalm 63.1-9 1 Corinthians 10.1-13 Luke 13.31-35	Catherine Pearson Michael Tucker	Harry Watson Roger Alcock
Intercessor	Michael Tucker	Robert Street
Communion Assistants	Catherine Pearson Graham Carew	Angela Langan David Pryor
Refreshments	Michael & Val Tucker	Pat & Merryl
Banking Assistant Counter	Chris Warrell	Graham Carew
Flowers	Lent	
PowerPoint		Sandra Brown-Holt

Text: The Rev Will Johnston,
 Assistant Curate
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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.

This Week:

All 6 tables and chairs were left out after Sundays service. Please pack these away, except for the small one in front of the kitchen.

Outside porch light was left on in Dendy House Tuesday night.

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.

Palm crosses -Shall we make our own Palm Crosses this year. They aren't hard to make. Maybe on a Wednesday. Please let the office know if you, know where we can get palms fronds, know how to make, willing to help. Sally

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

What's On

Lenten Studies have begun—Wednesday 17 February. See flier for more details.

Parish Ladies Fellowship—Tuesday 23 February at 2pm. Meeting at Barbara Talbots home, 11 Nokes Court Montmorency.

Piece of Peace Day—Wednesday 24 February. 9:30am—2:30pm. Special gathering. All Welcome. Contact Fay Gravenall (0438 377 242) and Jenny Constantine (0417 524 228)

Megs Munchers will resume for 2016 Sunday 28th February @ noon. We understand this is short notice. For catering , could you please ring me, Barbara, 9435 0418 by next Thursday 25th Feb if are able to attend.

Taize Services—Sunday 28 February at Eltham Uniting Church. 6:45pm Quiet Reflection: 7pm Service. Cnr John Street & Main Road, Eltham

Film, Friends, Faith and Food This month we will see 'Brooklyn' at the Nova Carlton. The film shows Sunday 28 February at 4.50pm. We will meet and travel together. All welcome. Shirley Nash 0403 601 713

ENJOYING YOUR LIFE OR SIMPLY

SURVIVING ? -The Revd Dr Sarah Bachelard, Anglican priest and writer, will explore the place of Joy in a world of pain in the Christian tradition. She will speak at St John's Anglican church, Camberwell. March 3, 7.30pm Details: See flier / Shirley Nash, Fay Gravenall for carpooling Supported by Discovering Spirituality at St Margaret's.

Men's Breakfast— Saturday 5 March. Please see Harry for more details.

Parish Pub Lunch—As Refreshment Sunday falls on the same day as the Pub Lunch, March will be cancelled and the next Pub Lunch will be on Sunday 3rd April.

Labour Day Long Weekend Anglican Camp and Conference 2016— Labour Day Weekend – Friday 11 March – Monday 14 March 2016. For people of all ages from Anglican parishes across Melbourne. More than just a few days out of town... it promises exciting activities, inspiring worship, and great opportunities for learning and discovery – or you can simply relax with friends. More details visit this web site <http://www.thelongweekend.org.au/> . Brochures are in the foyer. Parish Council will provide subsidies upon application. Talk to Clem or Kathleen.

Summer Fire Protocols

Should there be a code red day declared then worship services and any parish functions will be automatically cancelled, so personal fire plans can be activated. If there are any queries, please contact one of the wardens.

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. Thank you
Please ensure that the board holding the name tags is not left in front of the Fire Reel Door.