

Keeping in Touch:

Lynette will be on Annual Leave from Friday 13 January and returning Tuesday 7 February.

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

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

**Dates to keep
January/February 2017**

Sun 22 Jan	Film, Friends, Food and Faith
Wed 25 Jan	Piece of Peace
Sun 29 jan	Meg's Munchers
Sun 29 Jan	Back to School Sunday
Sat 4 Feb	Men's Breakfast Labyrinth Walk and Working Bee
Sun 5 Feb	Parish Pub Lunch
Tues 14 Feb	Anglicare Meeting
Wed 22 Feb	Piece of Peace Parish Council Meeting
Tues 28 Feb	Parish Ladies Fellowship
Feb 28th	Opening—An Inner Journey - Anne Greenwood exhibition.

Parish Office

79-81 Pitt St, ELTHAM, 3095.
Tel: (03) 9439 9238 Located in Dendy House (rear of Church).

Hours Open 10am-2pm Tues, Wed, Fri

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 - September 2016
Partners—Spring 2016
Parish Matters—Latest Edition
TMA—December 2016
Brotherhood of St Laurence—Dec 2016

For browsing onsite:

Trinity Today—November 2016
Sower—Summer 2016/2017
Benetas—Winter 2016
Ignite—Winter 2016
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Pioneer—Autumn 2016
SU Victoria Outreach—November 2016
The Link—Winter 2016
Ship to Shore—Winter 2016



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INDUCTION LOOP AREA
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Parish Directory

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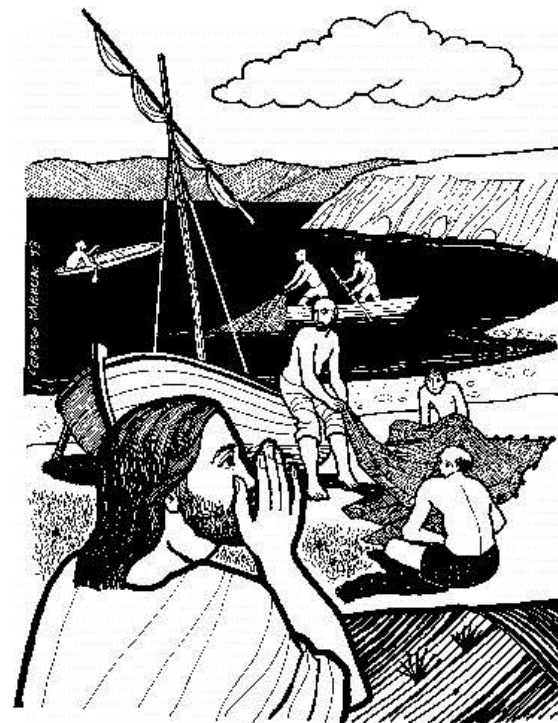
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22 January 2017
Third Sunday after Epiphany
Please join us for refreshments after the service



Prayer of the day

Loving God,
the light of the minds that know you,
the life of the souls that love you,
and the strength of the hearts that serve you:
help us so to know you that we may truly love you,
and so to love you that we may faithfully serve you,
whose service is perfect freedom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Today's Service Details

Readings for this week

Reading	8am	10am
Isaiah 9:1-4	P Wiltshire	D/M Tuke
Psalms 27:1-10		
1 Corinthians 1:10-18	M Tucker	N/N
Matthew 4:12-25		
Intercessor :	M Tucker	R Street



In the Gospel reading we get to appreciate the fact that Jesus takes the early warning so seriously that when he heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. His ministry focus was changed to fit the context he was operating from and his focus now was on repentance. From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the Kingdom of heaven has come near' (v. 17). Without changing the gospel message, we need to be sensitive to the context from which we operate as we present the gospel. He started recruiting his disciples for he was preparing for succession and continuity. What is happening around us? What message do we need to present for this generation?

Pray that the message will address the challenge of climate change/global warming, poverty/economic instability, terrorism, and politically instigated violence, resource-based conflicts in the world.

Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church in the Philippines.

*Text: The Rt Rev Paul Korir
Bishop of Kapsabet,
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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— 29 January 2017 Fourth Sunday After Epiphany

5th w/end of month	8am	10am
Celebrant Preacher	Keren Terpstra Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra Keren Terpstra
Sacristan Assistant	Jean Taylor	Adrienne Watson
Greeters & Sides people	Robyn Wembridge Sally Petty	Jean Ransom Vacant
Liturgical Assistant	Clive Noble	Melissa Laidlay
Readings: Micah 6:1-8 Psalm 15 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 Matthew 5:1-12	Vacant Glenys Collis	Liz Pryor N/N
Intercessor	Sally Petty	Geoff Sandy
Communion Assistants	Jean Taylor Kathy Toal	Shirley Nash
Refreshments	Jenny Disney	Jean & Margaret
Banking Assistant Counter	Graham Carew	
Flowers	Sandra Brown-Holt	
PowerPoint		Mandy Stevens

Kitchen Back Door

Please ensure that the door from the Kitchen to the outside bin area is locked and close properly. See note on the Door.

Readers for 10am service

We're making some changes to the 10am service in the coming months, in order to make it more all - age friendly. This means we won't always be doing two readings. Please check the pew sheet to see whether you're required, and which reading has been chosen.

What's On

Faith Issues Discussion Group -

The purpose of this group is to explore and develop our Christian faith in a respectful and non-threatening environment. All sessions are stand-alone so you can come at any time. The group meets fortnightly 7.30 to 9.30pm including a light supper. The meeting is at the Watsons 36 Viewhill Crescent Eltham .

Howard Ainsworth will take the second session on 30 Jan, on Exotic Definition of "Faith". All are welcome. Contact Geoff Sandy 94598640, Email: geoff@sandy.com.au

Film, Friends, Food and Faith -Today !

TODAY we plan to see 'Lion' (25 years after a 5 year old is lost on the streets of Calcutta, then adopted by Australians, he tries to find his lost family). Today's film is on at Greensborough at 4.20. We suggest you arrive half an hour early to get a ticket- if we ask for row F we should be able to sit together
All welcome. Shirley Nash 0403 601 713

Piece of Peace—Wednesday 25 January.

9:30am—2:30pm. Special gathering. All Welcome. Contact Fay and Jenny.

Megs Munchers—Will resume on Sunday 29 January. Come and join us. For catering, could you please ring Barbara Talbot 9435 0418 by Wednesday 25 January.

Men's Breakfast - Saturday 4 February.

Please see Harry Watson for more details.

Labyrinth Walk and Working Bee—Saturday 4 February at 6pm. Come for as little or as long as you can to help. Subject to weather.

Parish Pub Lunch—Sunday 5 February.

Please see Mitzi Tuke for more details.

Worship Workshop

We would like to convene a group to oversee worship in our parish. There is a sign up sheet in the foyer, please add your name, email address or contact details to this and the best times of availability. Be involved and have your say in this vital part of our parish life.

Liturgical Assistant & Communion Assistant Meeting

There will be a follow up meeting for LA's & CA's on February 19th at midday after the 10am service. We encourage all to attend, especially those who were not able to be at the October meeting.

Labyrinth Walks

In conjunction with Saturday prayer, the Labyrinth will be open from 4.15pm on the 1st and 3rd Sat of each month. Come and join us for a guided walk using a passage from the readings or Gospel. The next walk will be on Saturday 4 February 2017 at 6pm, and will include a working bee. Meet on the labyrinth ready to start.

All welcome.
Contact Melissa Laidlay
0427 37 0431

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.

Morning Prayer

Monday, Thursday & Friday at 8:30am

Evening Prayer
Saturday at 5pm.

All welcome

