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**January/February 2016**


Tues 26 Jan	Australia Day
Sun 31 Jan	Baptism Service 8am
Wed 3 Feb	Pastoral Care Meeting
Sat 6 Feb	Men's Breakfast
Sun 7 Feb	Parish Pub Lunch
Tues 9 Feb	Anglicare Auxiliary Meeting
Fri 12 Feb	Parish Council Planning Day
Sun 14 Feb	9:30am Back to School Sunday
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.**

**Keeping in Touch:**

Libby and Stephen have been looking for a house halfway between their respective mothers and have found a place in North Balwyn, off Bulleen Road. This is closer to the city for Stephen and near Campion Retreat Centre for Libby where she has enrolled in a Masters in Spiritual Direction. They move house on Thursday 21 January.



**HEARING AID  
INDUCTION LOOP AREA  
USE 'T' SWITCH**

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

**Parish Directory**

**Locum Vicar:** Revd. Dr Ruwan Palapathwala  
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**Honorary Associate Priest:**  
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All Clergy are available for emergencies all hours

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24 January 2016  
Third Sunday after Epiphany  
*Please join us for refreshments after the service*



**Prayer of the day**

Life-giving God,  
who sent your Son Jesus to proclaim your kingdom  
and to teach with authority:  
anoint us with your Spirit,  
that we too may bring good news to the poor,  
bind up the broken-hearted,  
and proclaim liberty to the captive;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Epray

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

Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10 P Wiltshire P Ballard

Psalms 19

1 Corinthians 12:12-31 G Carew D Pryor

Luke 4:14-21

**Intercessor** F Wiltshire R Street



Sometimes the truth that God tells us through his word can be difficult for us to bear. Jesus told a difficult truth to the Jews in the Synagogue in his hometown. Deep within his message was the truth that God's love is for everyone and not just for the Jews – demonstrated by his acts of healing and mercy to gentiles in difficult times. Today we can rest assured that, as surely as God formed us in the womb and knew us, he has a love for us that breaks down all barriers.

Pray that God might break down the barriers of prejudice in our lives that we might show his love to all we meet.

Give thanks for the Church of North India, remembering especially today their ministry in a predominantly non-Christian context.

Text: The Rev Will Johnston, Assistant Curate, St Peter's, East Maitland, Diocese of Newcastle © Anglican Board of Mission, 2016

**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 - 31 January 2016 Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

5th w/end of month	8am	10am
<b>Celebrant Preacher</b>	Clem Taplin Clem Taplin	Clem Taplin Ruwan Palapathwala
<b>Sacristan Assistant</b>	Jean Taylor	Adrienne Watson
<b>Greeters &amp; Sides people</b>	Robyn Wembridge Sally Petty	Debbie Gill Jean Ransom
<b>Liturgical Assistant</b>	Clive Noble	Melissa Laidlay
<b>Children's Time</b>		Clem & Bianca
<b>Readings:</b> Jeremiah 1.4-10 Psalm 71.1-6 1 Corinthians 13.1-13 Luke 4.21-30	Baker's Replacement  Glenys Collis	Liz Pryor  Sarah Toomey
<b>Intercessor</b>	Sally Petty	Geoff Sandy
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Jean Taylor Kathy Toal	Josephine Ball Shirley Nash
<b>Refreshments</b>	Jenny Disney	Jean & Margaret
<b>Banking Assistant Counter</b>	Graham Carew	
<b>Flowers</b>	Sandra Brown-Holt	
<b>PowerPoint</b>		Liz Pryor

### 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:** On Tuesday morning the lights were found left on in the foyer, hall, passage way and toilets.

### 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

**Baptism** - Leo DeBetta (grandson of Mary and Chris Lynton-Moll) along with his family, on 31 January at 8am. All most welcome to come.

**Reading Roster**—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 Quintarelli on 0425 794 247 or [agemel1@bigpond.com](mailto:agemel1@bigpond.com).

**Photos**—If any parishioners have photos they have taken over the years, at various St Margaret's events, can they please send or give them to Mary at [communications@stmargaretsethams.org.au](mailto:communications@stmargaretsethams.org.au)

**The new parish directory** will be available in the New Year. In the meantime can you please check that your entry details are all correct by checking the large print outs in the foyer and initialling if correct.

**Readers and CA's** - If you are substituting for a rostered person please advise the LA at church before the service.

### What's On

**Men's Breakfast**—Saturday 6 February. For more details, please see Harry.

**Parish Pub Lunch**—Sunday 7 February. For more details please see Robyn Riley.

**Back to School Sunday**—14 February, 9:30am for all in Educational work—voluntary or paid. Please note change of time. 8am service will be as usual.

**MID-WEEK HOME EUCHARIST AND LENTEN STUDIES** -This year, during the five Wednesdays in Lent, we will meet in homes from 5:00pm to 7:00 pm for a Bible Study and a family Eucharist. The foci of the study will be the Gospel of Luke (the Gospel for 2016) and the political and theological contexts that resulted in the choosing of the four Canonical Gospels at the exclusion of several dozens of other Gospels. We need five persons/families to host the studies and the Eucharists. Please talk to Ruwan.

- 17 Feb Controversies over the Gospels (Part 1)
- 24 Feb Controversies over the Gospels (Part 2)
- 2 March Non-canonical gospels and their discovery.
- 9 March St. Luke, the Turkish physician and Gospel writer
- 16 March The Gospel of Luke

On popular demand the same studies will be offered in a shortened form in the place of the sermon at the Wednesday 10:30 Eucharist.

**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.

### Hall Hire

Would all parishioners please remember that when the hall is hired out, we cannot use it or access the kitchen. We are very careful with bookings so that they do not overlap. There will be time to set up between hall bookings.

### 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.