

Keeping in Touch:

HISTORY OF SAINT MARGARET'S VOLUME 3
 Volume 3 of our history of Saint Margaret's, which tells the story of the post war years 1945 to 2015, has been sent to the printer. It should be published within 2 weeks. It consists of over 450 pages with tables, charts, photos and colour plates. It will sell at the same price of \$29.95 as Volume 1 so it is a bargain. 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 Parishioners will probably feature in the book. There will be an official launch at a later date yet to be determined. All Parishioners are invited.

For distribution:

Imagine - December 2015
 Partners—Spring 2015
 Ignite—Winter 2015
 Parish Matters—Latest Edition
 TMA—February 2016

For browsing onsite:

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

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

Parish Directory

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28 February 2016
 Third Sunday in Lent
Please join us for refreshments after the services

**HEARING AID
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February/March 2016

Sun 28 Feb	Meg's Munches Film, Friends, Faith and Food
Tues 1 March	Embryonic Dabblers Meeting
Sat 5 March	Men's Breakfast
Sun 6 March	Parish Pub Lunch
Tues 8 March	Anglicare Auxiliary meeting

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.



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

Isaiah 55:1-9 C Pearson H Watson
 Psalm 63:1-9
 1 Corinthians 10.1-13 M Tucker R Alcock
 Luke 13.1-9
Intercessor M Tucker R Street



In a world so obsessed with commodity and goods, the reading from Isaiah really is refreshing, isn't it? It shows not only the 'immaterial' nature of material goods but it shows the echoes of the great gathering force of the love of God – a force that doesn't care in the slightest about the material status of the individual. This force is really summed up with Jesus's pronouncement about the children of Jerusalem, that he wishes to gather them under his wings. As we travel through Lent, let us put away our desires for worldly things and allow ourselves to be gathered.

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 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 - 6 March 2016 Fourth Sunday in Lent

1st w/end of month	8am	10am
Celebrant Preacher	Clem Taplin Geoff Sandy	Clem Taplin Geoff Sandy
Sacristan Assistant	Sue Keogh	Geoff/Elizabeth Milgate
Greeters & Sides people	Catherine Pearson Vacant	Harry Watson Roger Alcock
Liturgical Assistant	Mary Ann Winkie	Adrienne Watson
Children's Time		Annette Street
Readings: Joshua 5.2-12 Psalm 32 2 Corinthians 5.16-21 Luke 15.11-32	Sue Keogh Clive Noble	Geoff/Elizabeth Milgate Heather O'Donnell
Intercessor	Catherine Pearson	Geoff Sandy
Communion Assistants	Mandy Stevens Chris Winkett	Mark Laidlay Adrienne Watson
Refreshments	Fay Gravenall & Friends	Angela
Banking Assistant Counter	Melissa Laidlay (Vacant)	
Flowers	Lent	
PowerPoint		Chris Warrell

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.

This Week:

Back door of hall left open and unlocked last Sunday.
 The Vestry door leading from the Church was unlocked Tuesday Morning.

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.

For the Good of Our Neighbour—an opportunity to contribute food items to the meals program of the Assylum Seekers Resource Centre. Bring your Lent food gift on Refreshment Sunday, March 6. See insert for appropriate items. For more information please see Clem or Fay.

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

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

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

Taize Services—Sun 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

Dabblers Meeting : Tuesday 1 March Everyone welcome. We will be treated to a demonstration of mono printing by Ann Curry. Those who wish may have the opportunity to have a dabble.

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.