

### 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

Sat 4 Feb	Men's Breakfast Labyrinth Walk and Working Bee
Sun 5 Feb	Parish Pub Lunch
Sat. 11th & 25th Feb	Pastoral Care Training
Sat. 18th Feb	Asylum Seeker Forum
Tues 14 Feb	Anglicare Meeting
Wed 22 Feb	Piece of Peace Parish Council Meeting
Tues 28 Feb	Parish Ladies Fellowship
Tues 28th Feb	An Inner Journey— Exhibition opening
Feb 28th— April 9th	An Inner Journey—Anne Green- wood 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 and 9:30am-12:30pm Mon and Thurs.**

**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  
Sower, Bible Society—Spring 2016  
Pioneer—Autumn 2016  
SU Victoria Outreach—November 2016  
The Link—Winter 2016  
Ship to Shore—Winter 2016



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### Parish Directory

#### Vicar:

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#### Honorary Associate Clergy:

Rev. Robert Street: Mob: 0423 514 570  
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All Clergy are available for emergencies all hours

#### Wardens

John Winkett 9439 1793  
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#### Prayer Chain

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Vicar: The Revd Keren Terpstra

Honorary Associate Clergy: The Revd. Robert Street

29 January 2017

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

*Please join us for refreshments after the service*



### Prayer of the day

Living God,  
in Christ you make all things new:  
transform the poverty of our nature  
by the riches of your grace,  
and in the renewal of our lives  
make known your glory;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Today's Service Details

### Readings for this week

Reading	8am	10am
Micah 6:1-8	Vacant	L Pryor
Psalms 15		
1 Corinthians 1:18-31	G Collis	N/N
Matthew 5:1-12		

**Intercessor :** S Petty G Sandy

### Wednesday

Hebrews 12 4-7, 11-15  
 Psalm 103 15-18  
 Mark 6 -1-6



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,  
 Anglican Church of Kenya  
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### BEQUEST

Have you considered supporting the Parish in your will? See brochure about [how to make a bequest.](#)

### 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.

### PRAYER TAPERS

You are invited to light candles for prayer

### Next Week's Rosters— 5 February 2017 Presentation of Christ

1st w/end of month	8am	10am
<b>Celebrant</b>	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra
<b>Preacher</b>	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra
<b>Sacristan Assistant</b>	Sue Keogh	Milgate's
<b>Greeters &amp; Sides people</b>	Catherine Pearson Vacant	Harry Watson Roger Alcock
<b>Liturgical Assistant</b>	J Winkett	M Laidley
<b>Readings:</b>		
Malachi 3:1-4	C Winkett	H Robertson
Psalms 24		
Hebrews 2:14-18	Clive Noble	N/N
Luke 2:22-40		
<b>Intercessor</b>	Catherine Pearson	Geoff Sandy
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Mandy Stevens Barbara Talbot	Emmanuel Babalola
<b>Refreshments</b>	F Gravenall	Milgate's
<b>Banking Assistant Counter</b>	Melissa Laidlay	
<b>Flowers</b>	Jan Kerr	
<b>PowerPoint</b>		J Humann

### 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.

### 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.

#### What's On

#### St. Margaret's Helping Asylum Seekers

On Saturday February 18th from 9:30am—12 we are meeting to bring together parishioners who are concerned with helping the Syrian refugees who are coming to Eltham. We will hear what has already been done & brainstorm what we can do & how we can work with other parishes in the diocese.

#### 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](mailto:geoff@sandy.com.au)

**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.

### Confirmation Information

Anyone wishing to seek Confirmation in our Parish can you please contact Keren at [vicar@stmargaretseltham.org.au](mailto:vicar@stmargaretseltham.org.au) or via the office?

### 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.

### Christmas Bowl

An exert from the letter of thanks for the Christmas Bowl donations. Please read the full letter on the Notice Board and watch the video .

"Words cannot convey how much your generosity and support means to the families we work with. **For everything you do - thank you.** And please don't forget to share this video with your community if you can."

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QNMGM13jsok&feature=youtu.be&utm\\_source=Emailer&utm\\_campaign=CB16&utm\\_medium=](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QNMGM13jsok&feature=youtu.be&utm_source=Emailer&utm_campaign=CB16&utm_medium=)

### Morning Prayer

Monday, Thursday & Friday at 8:30am

### Evening Prayer

Saturday at 5pm.

All welcome

