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**Keeping in Touch:**

**Past parishioner** of St. Faith's Montmorency, Bill Lemin, has died after a severe stroke. His funeral was held at Seymour Baptist Church and Clem took the service at Faulkner Crematorium. Our love and prayers go to his wife Dorothy, and their children Annette (Sims) Marion and William.




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

7 February 2016  
Last Sunday after Epiphany—Transfiguration  
*Please join us for refreshments after the service*

**February 2016**

Sun 7 Feb	Parish Pub Lunch
Tues 9 Feb	Anglicare Auxiliary Meeting
Wed 10 Feb	Ash Wednesday
Thurs 11 Feb	Wardens meeting
Fri 12 Feb	Parish Council Planning Day
Sun 14 Feb	9:30am Back to School Sunday
Wed 17 Feb	Lenten Studies Begin
Wed 24 Feb	Piece of Peace Day
11-14 March	Anglican Family Camp and Conference at Philip Island



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

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

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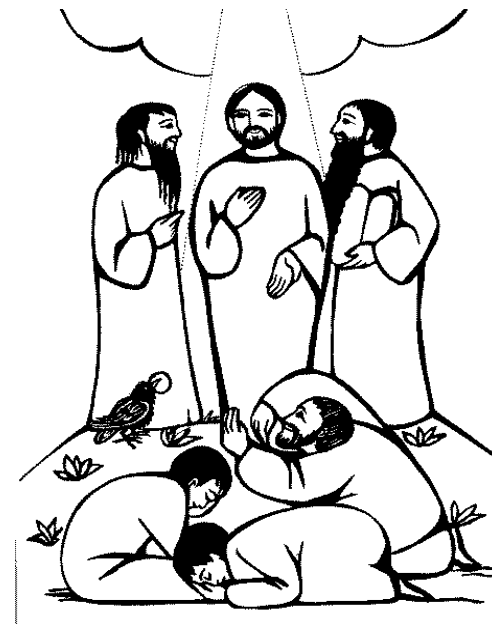
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**Parish Office**

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.**

**Remembering those who died in the Black Saturday fires**



**Prayer of the day**

O God, glorious and faithful, you reveal the beauty of your face to those who seek you with a sincere heart: strengthen us in faith to embrace the mystery of the cross, and open our hearts to its transforming power, so that, clinging in love to your will for us, we may walk as followers of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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

Exodus 34:29-35      C Winkett   H Robertson  
 Psalm 99  
 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2   C Noble      H Symons  
 Luke 9:28-36

**Intercessor**                      C Pearson   G Sandy



This Sunday is the last Sunday of Epiphany, which is a season that celebrates and rejoices in the fact that our God is a God not just for a specific people but for everyone, and that we are called to bring that God into the world. It's fitting that, while we all ponder what we are going to give up during Lent that we hear that great exhortation from Paul in 2 Corinthians to act with great boldness because we have such a hope in Jesus! Strengthened by what we have learned in this season of Epiphany, we continue on our mission in the world having seen the glory of God and showing it to everyone, not veiling our faces or our hearts.

Pray that we might unveil our hearts to God further and allow him to move and change us more deeply.

Give thanks for the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea, remembering especially today Archbishop Clyde Igara and his staff, clergy and people.

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### Next Week's Rosters - 14 February 2016 First Sunday of Lent

2nd w/end of month	8am	9:30am
<b>Celebrant Preacher</b>	Ruwan Palapathwala Ruwan Palapathwala	Clem Taplin Ruwan Palapathwala
<b>Sacristan Assistant</b>	Robert Brazenor	Jan Kerr
<b>Greeters &amp; Sides people</b>	Catherine Pearson Vacant	Harry Watson Roger Alcock
<b>Liturgical Assistant</b>	John Winkett	Roger Alcock
<b>Children's Time</b>		N/A
<b>Readings:</b> Deuteronomy 26:1-11 Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 Romans 10:4-13 Luke 11:29-32	Glenys Collis  Michael Tucker	N/A  Hayley Langan
<b>Intercessor</b>	Graham & Coralie Carew	Sandra Brown-Holt
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Jo Norman Stand in for Michael	Sylvia Gilbert Sandra Brown-Holt
<b>Refreshments</b>	Elizabeth Ainsworth & Mary Lynton-Moll	Elizabeth & Geoff
<b>Banking Assistant Counter</b>	David Pryor	Vacant
<b>Flowers</b>	Lent	
<b>PowerPoint</b>		Sandra Brown-Holt

### Ash Wednesday Services

10:30am & 8:00pm  
 Bishop Philip Huggins will be the president and preacher at the 8:00pm service.

### 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.

**Bush Fires**—This week we especially remember those who have died in bush fires in our region in Ash Wednesday - 1983, Black Saturday—2009, the fires of 2013 and the more recent fires at Wye River Victoria, Yarloop WA, and the North West region of Tasmania. We gave thanks for countless acts of heroism, kindness and community compassion at those times.



**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](mailto:agemel1@bigpond.com),

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

**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@stmargaretseltham.org.au](mailto:communications@stmargaretseltham.org.au)

**The new parish directory** will be available shortly. 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.

### What's On

**Parish Pub Lunch**—Sunday 7 February. All welcome. Please see Robyn Riley.

**Back to School Sunday**—14 February, 9:30am for all in Educational Life—student, 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. Parish Council will provide subsidies upon application. Talk to Clem or Kathleen.

### 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.

### 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.**