WELCOME

We are glad you can join us today.

Activities for children to do during the service are provided in the foyer.

A Hearing Loop is installed in the church; please use your T switch.

An offering will be received during the service, to support the ongoing work of the church. Other ways of giving are included on the next page.

If you are visiting with us today, we encourage all who are baptised to receive communion. If you do not wish to receive communion, please still come forward for a blessing.

Please join us in the hall for refreshments after the service.

Worship & Parish events will be automatically cancelled during a code red day.

A copy of this weeks sermon will be available on the website.

What's on this week

Sun 17th	8:00am 10:00am	Eucharist
Mon 18th	8:30am 1:00pm	Morning Prayer Creating Spirit
Tue 19th	1:00pm	Embryonic Dabblers
Wed 20th	9:30 10:30	Meditation Eucharist
Thu 21st	7:30pm	Taize service
Fri 22nd	8:30am 8:00pm	Morning Prayer Boite Musical Event
Sat 23rd	8:00am 5:00pm	Meditation Evening Prayer
Sun 24th	8:00am 10:00am	Eucharist

PEW SHEET 17th September 2017 **Season of Creation 3** Wilderness/Outback

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation who are the traditional custodians of this land on which we meet, and we pay our respects to their elders past and present.



Season of Creation Wilderness/Outback

The grasslands of the wilderness overflow; the hills are clothed with gladness.

Psalm 65:12



Jesus is Baptised by John the Baptist

PARISH OFFICE

Our Parish office is inside Dendy House at the rear of the church. Office hours are 10am—2pm Monday to Friday. Please leave us a message or email us if the office is unattended.

79-81 Pitt St, Eltham, 3095. 9439 9238	parishoffice@stmargaretseltham.org.au		
vicar@stmargaretseltham.org.au	communications@stmargaretseltham.org.au		
ABN 19 171 109 073	www.stmargaretseltham.org.au		

CLERGY

VICAR

The Reverend Keren Terpstra 9439 9238 and 0438 220 878 vicar@stmargaretseltham.org.au Day off Tuesday

HONORARY ASSOCIATE CLERGY The Reverend Robert Street 9439 9238 and 0423 514 570

HONORARY ASSISTANT CURATE The Reverend Kirsten Winkett

The clergy are available for emergencies at all hours.

PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council meets once a month and these dates are published in the calendar.

Your councillors are Robin Wembridge; Mandy Stevens; Sandra Brown-Holt; David Pryor and David Tuke.

If you have anything to raise at Parish Council, either contact a councillor or fill in the feedback form in the foyer and place it in the box. If you are hoping to host an event, complete an Event Planning Sheet from the office first to speed up the process.

Parish Matters is a newsletter produced regularly, and copies are maintained on the website. Please contact Harry Watson or Sally Petty if you have a contribution to make.

GIVING

St Margaret's encourages the exercise of our discipleship by generous giving to God's work and mission here. If you don't want to contribute through the open plate, there are direct debit forms in the foyer to be able to give anonymously through the Anglican Development Fund. If you wish to make a bequest, there is information in the foyer on how to do so.

PASTORAL CARE

The pastoral care team members are available to provide a telephone call or visit people in need in their home, hospital, rehabilitation, aged or palliative care facility. These contacts seek to enable people to share their needs and concerns in order to discern appropriate channels for them to receive spiritual, emotional and/or practical support as desired.

A member of the Pastoral Care team may be contacted at any time (24/7) on **0455 610 692**.

WARDENS

Our Church Wardens are:

John Winkett 9439 1793

Shirley Nash 9432 9510

Melissa Laidlay 0427 370 431

COMMUNICATIONS

If you have any information you would like to share with the Parish, contact the office for assistance. Consider asking to use the pew sheet; the website; social media; group text messages; or advertising material.

Please submit all material for the pew sheet no later than 11am on the preceding Wednesday.

KEY PARISH CONTACTS

Do Justice Group: Jenny Disney

Faith Formation Network: Annette Street

Property & Maintenance Committee: John Winkett

Pastoral Care Team: Adrienne Watson

Discovering Spirituality: Shirley Nash

Finance Committee: John Humann

Communications Committee Mary Lynton-Moll

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday 8am: Reflective service of Holy Communion followed by morning tea.

Sunday 10am: Family service of Holy Communion with music, children's activities, morning tea

Wednesday 10:30am: Holy Communion, morning tea. Meditation prior to this service.

Saturday 5pm: Short evening prayer service to prepare for worship the next day.

Monday, Thursday, Friday 8:30am: Morning prayer

WORSHIP

SENTENCE OF THE DAY

If you O Lord, should note what we do wrong, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

Psalm 130: 3-4

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God.

You call your Church to witness

That in Christ we are reconciled to you:

Help us so to proclaim the good news of your love,

That all who hear it may turn to you;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,

Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

One God, now and for ever. Amen.

TODAY'S HYMNS

Come O God of all the earth TiS181

Touch the earth lightly TiS668

For the life that you have given TiS774

Morning has broken TiS156

For the beauty of the earth TiS137

TODAY'S PSALM

Psalm 18: 1-19

TODAY'S GOSPEL

Matthew 3: 13 - 4: 1



ABM PEW REFLECTIONS

Sunday 17th September 2017 Season of Creation 2 - Land

We continue to hear Jesus' instruction to the community, as he reminds Peter, as leader of the church, how often he should forgive by telling the Parable of the Unforgiving Servant.

10,000 denarii was the equivalent to about 200,000 years' wages! How bountiful is our heavenly Father's mercy that he might forgive us, if we only ask. The parable serves as a powerful reminder: we must remember to forgive, as we too are forgiven.

Pray that we might be witnesses of the good news of God's magnanimous forgiveness, and extend that grace to others.

Give thanks for the Anglican Communion Office, and for all the work they do on behalf of Anglicans worldwide.



NOTICES

Voices of Women - Choral Festival

Premiere of a new work composed by our very own

Revd Keren Terpstra

Saturday 23rd September at 4:30pm James Tatoulis Auditorium, MLC, 207 Barkers Road, Kew. Tickets \$28 (Concession \$23)

If you would like to attend, Robyn Riley is happy to organise tickets. Her contact number is 0407 821 025.

Lunch with MASSG

When: Friday 6 Oct 2017, 12:30pm for 1pm start.

Where: Bridges Restaurant, 1075 Heidelberg-Kinglake

Rd, Hurstbridge Victoria 3099

Our guest speaker is David Manne, Executive Director of Refugee Legal.

All proceeds go to Refugee Legal for visa assistance to asylum seekers.

Find out about Refugee Legal and the current visa crises for asylum seekers here:

https://refugeelegal.org.au/

Tickets \$30 (for a two course meal). If you wish to be seated together with friends on a table, please email your request tomassginfo@gmail.com.

Parish Financial report

October 2016 to August 2017

Expenditure

Clergy and Lay staff	\$ 109,745
Administration	\$ 34,018
Parish Assessment	\$ 34,573
Property-Church, Hall and Dendy	\$ 39,296
Donations	\$ 3,663

\$221,295

Income

Offertory 85,853 Hall and other 27,748 Investment income 9,802

123,403

Parish net operating deficit \$97,892 offset by income from Research premises

Embryonic Dabblers

Tuesday 19th September at 1:00pm

Come and try your hand at arts & crafts, or just have a cuppa and a chat.



ROSTER	17th Sept. 8:00am	17th Sept. 10:00am	24th Sept. 8:00am	24th Sept. 10:00am
Celebrant	Wendy Pullin	Wendy Pullin	Wendy Pullin	Wendy Pullin
Preacher	Wendy Pullin	Wendy Pullin	Wendy Pullin	Wendy Pullin
Sacristan Assistant	Robert Brazenor	Vacant	Vacant	Jean Ransom
Liturgical Assistant	Clive Noble	Geoff Sandy	Clive Noble	Geoff Sandy
Communion Assistants	Coralie Carew Neil Andrewartha	Tony Michaelson Jan Kerr	Catherine Pearson Graham Carew	Angela Langan David Pryor
Greeters & Sides people	John Winkett Margaret Alexander	Geoff & Elizabeth Milgate	Jo Norman Margaret Charles	Kevin Gillett Diana Warrell
First Reading	Joel 1: 8-10, 17-20 Elizabeth Ainsworth	Joel 1: 8-10, 17-20 Adrienne Watson	Genesis 8: 20-22, 9: 12-17 Peter Wiltshire	Genesis 8: 20-22, 9: 12- 17 David & Mitzi Tuke
Second Reading	Romans 8: 18-27 Graham Carew	Romans 8: 18-27 Geoff Sandy	Revelation 22: 1-5 Michael Tucker	Revelation 22: 1-5 David Pryor
Intercessor	Gwen Sharp	Shirley Nash	Michael Tucker	Robert Street
Morning Tea	Gwen Sharp & The Carews	Pat & Meryl	Michael & Val Tucker	Lyn
Banking	Jo Norman	Vacant	Chris Warrell	Kevin Gillett
Flowers	Noelene Bowers		Angela Langan	
Powerpoint	Felicity Wiltshire	John Humann	Felicity Wiltshire	Mandy Stevens

WHAT'S COMING UP			
25/09/17	1:00pm	Creating Spirit	
26/09/17	2:00pm	Ladies Fellowship meeting	
27/09/17	10:30	Piece of Peace	
	7:00pm	Parish Council Meeting	
1/10/17	12:00	Pub lunch	
3/10/17	10:00am	Anglicare morning tea & meeting	
8/10/17	10:00	Animal Blessing Service	
15/10/17	3:00pm	History Book Launch	
18/11/17	12:00pm	St Margaret's patronal festival dinner	

Wednesday Roster				
Date	Date Greeting Reading		Morning Tea	
20/9/17	Helen Costello	Joel 1: 8-10, 17-20 Robyn Riley	Barbara Alexander & Jenny Disney	
27/9/17	Margaret A & Margaret C	Genesis 8: 20-22, 9: 12-17 Betty Cooper	Jennifer Constantine & Fay Gravenall	
4/10/17	Jenny Disney	Genesis 1: 20-25 Rae Kerr	Margaret C & Margaret A	
11/10/17	Jennifer Constantine	Jonah: 4: 1-11 Gwen Sharp	Kerry Bland	
18/10/17	Helen Costello	Jeremiah 8: 22-9: 3 Robyn Riley	Barbara Alexander & Jenny Disney	

NOTICES 2



Amnesty International

North East Metro Group

Invite you to a dinner in honour of their 40th anniversary

on Tuesday the 17th October 2017

Swipers Gully Restaurant

25 Eltham-Yarra Glen Road, Kangaroo Ground

Two course dinner and entertainment will commence at 6:30pm \$30.00 per person. Tickets can be purchased from:

www.eventbrite.com.au/e/north-east-metro-40th-anniversary-tickets-35774521557

For further information phone Katrina North on 0450 991 111.



Boite Musical Event

Solguemia Flamenco

Solquemia's unique music is inspired by Latin jazz, flamenco and rumba, guitarist, Alejandro Flores has explored many genres, but Flamenco, his first love, lures him back. With dancers Laura Uhe and Fernando Mira and percussionist Sebastian Orellana.

Tickets \$22/\$16/\$10 - trybooking.com/fkpm and at the door

Date/Time Friday, September 22, 2017 - 20:00 to 22:00

Venue Boite - Eltham Performance Type Concert

Contact 03 9417 1983 / admin@boite.com.au





The Progessive Christian Network of Victoria and St Michael's Uniting Church

In collaboration with Common Dreams on the Road present

'Eating together, talking together, living in community: What the early Christian movement can teach us'

A lecture series by distinguished US theologian and writer

Professor Hal Taussig

At St Michael's Uniting Church, Cnr Collins & Russell Sts, Melbourne 7:00pm Friday 27th October & 10:00am - 4:00pm Saturday 28th October

An introductory address (Friday evening) and four lectures with a light lunch and morning and afternoon refreshments (Saturday) on the fascinating story uncovered by recent research of the early Christian movement and why that is relevant to Christianity today. Registration essential: online at https://haltassig.eventbrite.com.au

Access to the Foyer through the glass door

A few people have expressed concern about the difficulty of opening and shutting the main glass door to the foyer. We have investigated this issue and have obtained opinions from a specialist engineer. Their view is that the only alternative is to construct a set of electronically controlled sliding glass doors on the inside of the main door. They would not replace the glass door but would be used when the glass door was in the open position.

The cost of this has been estimated at \$14-15,000

Wardens and Parish Council are of the view that this is far too expensive for us to justify.

There are no easy solutions to this but we do offer the following suggestions:

- For normal services the sidespeople should be especially aware of anyone needing assistance to open the door. This would particularly include those who use walking frames.
- There is a wooden section to the main door which can be opened very easily. Whilst the width would be
 difficult for those with walkers it would be fine for others. There is a pole with a notch cut in it to the left of the
 door which can be used to shift the top door bolt.

John Winkett Church Warden

NOTICES 3



An Invitation to a book Launch

A History of Saint Margaret's Church Eltham Volume 2 – The Transition Years 1889 to 1944

Dear Parishioner

You are invited on Sunday October 15 at 3pm to the launch of the last volume of my three volume history of Saint Margaret's. The launch will be in the new worship space 79-81 Pitt street Eltham. Parking is available in the church grounds and across the road at the Eltham Hotel.

The book will be launched by Dr Andrew Lemon (Royal Historical Society) and assisted by Jim Connor, Dr Harry Watson and the Revd. Keren Terpstra.

The history book will be available for purchase at the subsidised price of \$29.95 and as author I will sign any copy purchased. Credit Card facilities will be available.

Any enquiries can come to me geoff@sandy.com.au or Tel: 94598640

The period 1889 to 1944 was an exciting and often challenging period for the faith community at Eltham. Summary histories are also provided for the faith communities of Montmorency, Panton Hill and Research.

Dr Geoffrey A Sandy, author, parish historian and parish archivist



Anglicare 20th Anniversary Morning Tea & Meeting



Tuesday 3rd October at 10:00am

The Diamond Valley Open Door Choir

Will be performing at 2 events in October:

- Grand re-opening of the Eltham Community Centre - Saturday 7th October at 12 midday
- Seniors Festival Concert Sunday 8th October at 3pm

YMCA Community Hall Diamond Creek

