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 31st	8:00am	Eucharist	
	10:00am	Eucharist	
Mon 1st April	1:00pm	Monday Circle	
Tues 2nd	9:00am	Diocesan Professional Standards meeting - hall	
Wed 3rd	9:30am	Meditation	
	10:30am	Eucharist	
Thurs4th	1:00pm	Pastoral Care Team	
	7:30pm	Taize service	
Fri 5th	8:00pm	Boite - La Busca	
Sat 6th	8:30am	Men's breakfast	
Sun 7th	8:00am	Eucharist	
	10:00am	Eucharist	
	12:00pm	Pub lunch	

PEW SHEET 31st March 2019 Fourth Sunday in Lent

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.



Prayer 2019

Lord teach us to pray.
Teach us to listen to your voice and to hear your word.

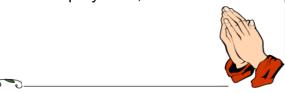
Teach us to offer our hearts to you in love and to know your love.

Teach us to forgive and be forgiven.

Teach us to give our lives in your service and to do your will.

Teach us to pray,

and pray in us, Lord Jesus. Amen.





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.

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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

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: Mandy Stevens, Sandra Brown-Holt, Betty Cooper and Harry Watson.

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:

Kathleen Toal 0439 032 977

John Humann 0438 871 357

David Tuke 0408 017 962

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 Team Sally Petty

Pastoral Care Team: Adrienne Watson

Finance Committee: Kathleen Toal

Communications Team Sandra Brown-Holt

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 4pm: Short evening prayer service to prepare for worship the next day.

WORSHIP

SENTENCE OF THE DAY

God has reconciled us to himself through Christ, and given us the ministry of reconciliation. 2 Corinthians 5: 18

PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of compassion,

you are slow to anger, and full of mercy,

welcoming sinners who return to you with penitent hearts: receive in your loving embrace all who come home to you,

and seat them at your bountiful table,

that, with all your children,

they may feast with delight on all that satisfies

the hungry heart.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

TODAY'S PSALM

Psalm 32

TODAY'S GOSPEL

Luke 15: 11-32

TODAY'S HYMNS

Opening: A new commandment - TiS699 (8:00am)

Gradual: Love will be our Lenten calling - TiS684

Offering: The king of love my shepherd is - TiS145

Communion: In our darkness - TiS725

Mission: How can I keep from singing - CH565



ABM PEW REFLECTIONS

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There are probably few stories that Jesus tells in the New Testament that are as moving and significant to all of us as that of the Prodigal Son. No tale illustrates God's love and forgiveness in such tender ways. I often try to place myself in the place of the prodigal son on his journey home and to feel what he must have felt, a spiritual exercise that can bring me to some grief, then imagining the joy not only of the welcome home but the reconciliation that came with it. This Lenten season we remember that we are walking that same road home to the father where we are welcomed and forgiven through Christ.

- Pray for reconciliation with those who
 we have wronged and who have
 wronged us; and pray that we might
 be as quick to show mercy and love
 as the father from the parable.
- Give thanks for the Provinces of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan, and Sudan. Pray for peace between and within both countries.



NOTICES

Hall Kitchen

If you have left any Tupperware containers or similar in the kitchen, can you please collect. Also, if you have left any food or drink in the fridge, please remove. Many thanks.



Palm Cross Making Saturday 13th March at 10:30am

THE WAY of the CROSS

Follow the footsteps of Jesus with us as we walk the streets of Montmorency.

Starting at St. Francis Xavier Church 86 Mayona Road, Montmorency

10:30am Good Friday 19th April 2019

This event is jointly hosted and organised by:







PUBLIC MEETING

Hear the candidates for Jagajaga discuss their parties' policies for the coming general election :

KATE THWAITES (ALP) PAUL KENNEDY (THE GREENS)
LIBERAL PARTY (TBA)

Candidates for Menzies have been invited to join the audience.

Friday 12 April 7:30pm to 9.30pm

Parish Hall of St Francis Xavier's Church, 86 Mayona Rd, Montmorency

Free entry. Tea and coffee available

Meera's Book Shop will have a stall of interesting books

TOPICS:

Asylum Seekers and Refugees, Indigenous Australians, Climate Change and Foreign Aid.

BRING YOUR QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS AND JOIN THE DISCUSSION

Supported by Oxfam, Amnesty International, MASSG, NRG, Transition Banyule, St Francis Xavier Church Montmorency, Uniting Churches of Eltham and Montmorency.

ROSTER	31st March 2019 Fourth Sunday in Lent 8:00am	31st March 2019 Fourth Sunday in Lent 10:00am	7th April 2019 Fifth Sunday in Lent 8:00am	7th April 2019 Fifth Sunday in Lent 10:00am
Celebrant	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra
Preacher	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra	Keren Terpstra
Sacristan Assistant	Sally Petty	Annette Street	Sally Petty	Geoff & Elizabeth Milgate
Liturgical Assistant	Sally Petty	Mitzi Tuke	Sally Petty	Geoff Sandy
Communion Assistants	Jean Taylor	Shirley Nash Adrienne Watson	Mandy Stevens Chris Winkett	Adrienne Watson Annette Street
Greeters & Sides People	Robin Wembridge Sally Petty	Jean Ransom	Catherine Pearson	Harry Watson Roger Alcock
First Reading	Joshua 5: 2-12 Michael Tucker	Joshua 5: 2-12 Liz Pryor	Isaiah 43: 16-21 John Winkett	Isaiah 43: 16-21 Helen Robertson
Second Reading	2 Corinthians 5: 16-21 Glenys Collis	2 Corinthians 5: 16-21 Sarah Toomey	Philippians 3: 3-14 Clive Noble	Philippians 3: 3-14 Helen Symons
Intercessor	Sally Petty	Geoff Sandy	Catherine Pearson	Geoff Sandy
Morning Tea	Jenny Disney	Elizabeth & Geoff Milgate	Fay Gravenall & Friends	Sylvia & Sheridan
Banking	David Tuke		Melissa Laidlay	
Powerpoint	Felicity Wiltshire	Mandy Stevens	Felicity Wiltshire	Liz Pryor
Flowers	N/A		N/A	

WHAT'S COMING UP				
Tue 9th	7:30pm	Book Club		
Wed 10th	2:30pm	Eucharist at SVCS		
Thurs 11th	9:30am	Property Team meeting		
	9:30am	Finance Committee meeting		
	7:30pm	Taize Service		
Sun 14th	9:30am	Palm Sunday Eucharist		
Mon 15th	11:00am	Staff meeting		
Tue 16th	10:00am	Eltham AVPG Meeting		
	1:00pm	Embryonic Dabblers		
	7:30pm	Tenebrae Service		
Thurs 18th	7:30pm	Maundy Thursday Service and Watch		
Friday 19th	9:00am	Good Friday Service		
	10:30am	Stations of the Cross at Montmorency		
Sunday	5:45am	Service of Light & Eucharist		
21st	8:00am	Combined Services Breakfast		
	10:00am	Easter Day Eucharist		

Wednesday Roster					
Date	Greeting	Reading	Morning Tea		
3rd April	Jenny Disney	Isaiah 49: 8-15 Rae Kerr Psalm 145: 8-13	Margaret Charles & Margaret Alexander		
10th April	Jennifer Constantine	Daniel 3: 14-28 Joan Bateman Psalm 126	Jenny Disney		
17th April	Helen Costello	Isaiah 50: 4-9a Robyn Riley Psalm 70	Barbara Alexander		