St Margaret's Anglican Church Eltham

Pew Sheet 10 November 2024
Pentecost XXV

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sat 9th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 10th	8:00am & 10:00am	Pentecost XXV
Sun 10th	11:30am	Microphone Training (after 10am service)
Mon 11th	1:00pm	Monday Circle
Wed 13th	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service
Wed 13th	2:30pm	Book Club—Dendy House
Sat 16th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 17th	10:00am	St Margaret's Day service (one service only)
Sun 17th	12:00pm	St Margaret's Day lunch
Sun 17th	4:30pm	FaithFull Women

Hearing Loop
A Hearing Loop is installed in the Church, please use the T switch on your hearing aid.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
St Margaret's Anglican Parish Eltham acknowledges the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation as the traditional custodians of the land on which we worship. We commit to working for reconciliation and justice for First Peoples. Diversity and inclusivity are important to us at St Margaret's. Everyone is welcome here, regardless of race, gender, sexuality, or ability.

ABM PEW REFLECTIONs
The words of the gospel are a challenge not only to people such as myself (who professionally do wear long robes!), but to all of us who are likely to have status in some form or other.

The poor widow gave out of her poverty. And all of us before God have nothing except what God has given us.

- May we be like the widow, giving generously from our hearts, rather than sharing a few crumbs of the abundance God has given us.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of Jerusalem and the Middle East

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Working for Love, Hope & Justice

Parish Office
The Parish office will be open next week Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10am to 2pm. (closed Wednesday)

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Worship 10 November - Pentecost XXV

Sentence

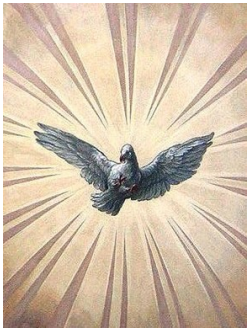
Give and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back. *Luke 6.38*

Prayer of the Day

O God,
whose blessed Son came into the world
that he might destroy the works of evil
and make us your children and heirs of eternal life:
grant that, having this hope,
we may purify ourselves as he is pure;
that, when he comes again with power and great glory,
we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom;
where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading

Ruth 3.1-5, 4.3-17



Today's Psalm

Psalm 27

Second Reading

Hebrews 9.23-28

Gospel

Mark 12. 38-44

Today's Music

Welcome Hymn: Great is thy faithfulness—TiS 154

Offertory: Guide me o thou great redeemer—TiS 569 (8.00am)

Communion Hymn: Holy, holy, holy—TiS 723

Mission Hymn: Shine, Jesus Shine—TiS 675

YouTube Link - Sunday 10:00 am Service

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCU8zWevMdRsIRq70IA6MUIg/live

Prayer of the Week

Blessed Lord,
you have caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them,
that, by patience and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

St. Margaret's Day – Sunday 17 November 2024

Bishop Brad Billings will join us for our Patronal Day and we are looking forward to the whole parish family coming together to celebrate.
Please note, there will be no 8am service.

Programme:

10.00 am	Joint Service
11.30 am	Blessing of Dendy House
12.00 pm	Luncheon in the Hall*

**** For catering purposes, please book no later than this coming Sunday, 10th November. A form to register your booking is in the foyer of the Church.***

A Special Collection for Anglicare on St. Margaret's Day
For many years, parishioners of St. Margaret's have assisted Anglicare in its mission to support families and individuals experiencing disadvantage and deprivation. In the spirit of our Patron, St. Margaret, we ask that you contribute to a collection of non-perishable grocery essentials.
Your donations of canned vegetables, fish or meat, as well as rice, pasta, breakfast cereal, long-life juice etc., can be placed in an Anglicare box in the foyer and will be much appreciated.

NOTICES

What's Coming Up

Sun 17th	10:00am	St Margaret's Day service (one service only)
Sun 17th	12:00pm	St Margaret's Day lunch
Sun 17th	4:30pm	FaithFull Women
Mon 18th	1:00pm 7:30pm	Monday Circle Faith Issues Discussion
Tue 19th	10:30am	Spiritual Direction
Wed 20th	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service
Sat 23rd	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 24th	8:00am & 10:00am	Christ the King
Sun 24th	5:30pm 6:30pm	Taize meal Taize service
Mon 25th	1:00pm 7:30pm	Monday Circle Parish Council Meeting (zoom)
Tue 26th	10:30am	Spiritual Direction
Wed 27th	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service
Sat 30th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 1st	8:00am & 10:00am	Advent I

Preventing Violence Against Women

Love does no harm.

No one should live in fear of violence

St Margarets Church is signed up to Preventing violence against women program(PVAW)

If you have any concerns related to any form of abuse or controlling behaviour exhibited towards yourself or , someone you know – in an emergency call **000**

24 hr information hotline 1800 Respect- **1800 737 732**

Orange door – our local family violence service – **1800 319 355**

You can also speak with Mandy Stevens who is our church family safety champion or Revd. Yvette Daniel

Remember – You are not alone

16 Days of Activism

25 November – 10 December

The 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence was started by activists at the inauguration of the Women's Global Leadership Insititute in 1991.

Three decades on, the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence is a widely recognised global campaign that encourages action to end gender-based violence.

During this time, organisations and individuals from around the world raise awareness that men's violence against women is a fundamental violation of human rights.

The PVAW group at St Margarets will be focussing on some of the small things we as church and Christians can do to help towards the elimination of this crime that blights many lives.

Information will be in future pew sheets.

ROSTER	10 November 2024 Pentecost XXV 8:00am	10 November 2024 Pentecost XXV 10:00am	13 November Wednesday 10:30am
Celebrant	Revd. Yvette Daniel	Revd. Yvette Daniel	Revd. Yvette Daniel
Preacher **Gospel**	Rev Yvette Daniel *Mark 12. 38-44*	Rev Yvette Daniel *Mark 12. 38-44*	Revd. Yvette Daniel *Luke 17. 11-19*
Sacristan **Assistant**	Robert Brazenor	Jan Gack	N/A
Liturgical **Assistant**	Robert Brazenor	David Pryor	N/A
Communion **Assistants**	Kathleen Toal	Sylvia Gilbert Sandra Brown-Holt	N/A
Greeters & **Sides People**	Mary Lynton-Moll	Roger Alcock Harry Watson	Jennifer Constantine
First **Reading**	Sally Petty *Ruth 3. 1-5, 4.3-17*	Adrienne Watson *Ruth 3.1-5, 4.3-17*	Michael Tucker *Titus 3. 1-7*
Second **Reading**	Mary Lynton-Moll *Hebrews 9. 23-28*	Jan Kerr *Hebrews 9. 23-28*	
Psalm	*Psalm 127*	*Psalm 127*	*Psalm 23*
Intercessor	Catherine Pearson	Sandra Brown-Holt	N/A
Morning Tea	Mary Lynton-Moll	Linda Mackenzie	Jenny Disney
Banking	David Pryor		
Music	Mary Lynton-Moll	Amelia Trinh	
Zoom/Ppt **Cameras**	Felicity Wiltshire	John Humann Val Tucker	
Flowers	Liz Pryor		

ROSTER	17 November 2024 St Margaret's Day 10:00am	20 November Wednesday 10:30am
Celebrant	Revd. Yvette Daniel	Revd. Yvette Daniel
Preacher **Gospel**	Rev Yvette Daniel *Luke 18. 1-8*	Revd. Yvette Daniel *Luke 19.11-28*
Sacristan **Assistant**		N/A
Liturgical **Assistant**		N/A
Communion **Assistants**		N/A
Greeters & **Sides People**		Jill Rogers
First **Reading**	*Revelation 9.13-end*	Lorna Howard *Revelation 4. 1-11*
Second **Reading**	*3 John 5-8*	
Psalm	*Psalm 112*	*Psalm 150*
Intercessor		N/A
Morning Tea	Anna Mott Sandra Brooks Helen Coutts	Jill Rogers
Banking	Rob Mackenzie	
Music	Jason Zeng	
Zoom/Ppt **Cameras**	Val Tucker Mandy Stevens	
Flowers	Jan Kerr	

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Microphone training.

When: Sunday 10 November after the 10am service

Who should attend: All parishioners who have occasion to make use of the Church microphones for the purpose of reading a lesson or making an announcement or people who operate the sound system.

Why: It is important that all microphone users familiarise themselves with the correct use and placement of the microphones so that congregants, both in Church and online can hear what is happening during our services.

Purpose: To ensure that services are conducted professionally and audibly for all congregants. Very often, when using the microphones, people do not speak clearly or close enough to the mics to be heard without the sound desk operator having to turn the sound channel up to the maximum which can cause unwanted interference. Special consideration should be given at all times to our members who join us online who do, on occasions, struggle to hear the proceedings. This is particularly relevant at times when notices are being given without the notice giver using a microphone.

Your support for this training will be appreciated.

Dates for your Diary

1. We have a Community Groups stall on November 9th. at the Rotary festival. We are planning to give out "Showbags" with information re.groups at St. Margaret's and others. If you have information or can help for an hour or two on the stall please let me know.

2. Christmas Hampers

We plan to pack 60 Christmas Hampers this year on Saturday December 14th. We will be starting at 9.30am. If you can help with packing or driving or can do both please let me know. I will be putting a roster sheet in the foyer closer to the date.

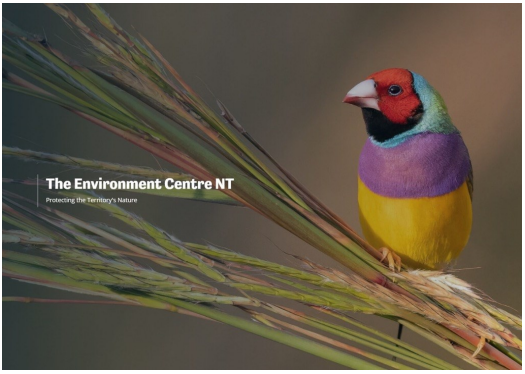
Thank you

Diana Ph.0414398565 or email: warrelldiana@gmail.com

Climate Change

There will be a Northern Territory Roadshow coming to Melbourne, composed of two events, with presenters including several Traditional Owners, speaking out against the harms to Country, climate and water from the impacts of fracking in the Beetaloo Basin. One of the events will be a Community Gathering for NT Climate Justice at the Koorie Heritage Trust, Federation Square on Sunday 24 November 9.30am-12.00noon. Further details and to register are at this link:

Community Gathering for NT Climate Justice | Southside - Environment Centre NT



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Our Bell and Bell Turret

Look up to the roof of our 1861 church from Pitt Street and you will observe our bell and turret. Henry Dendy informed the church committee on 24 August 1861 that £20 had been subscribed to purchase the bell. It could not be heavier than 138lbs otherwise the turret could not bear it.

Our bell has been rung to call the people of Eltham to their church for 163 years. We still ring it today. And, in recent times we use it as a Sanctus Bell to remind us of the Jesus has a real spiritual presence in the Eucharist. It has been rung on momentous occasions. On armistice day 1918, the anniversary of which is coming up soon, the ringing of the bell was so joyous and boisterous that the rope broke. It also broke in 1873 and probably at other times.

There have been instances over the years when Elthamites, usually not church-goers, have said to me that there is something reassuring about the sound of the bell.

Dr Geof Sandy
Parish Historian

LinC

LinC would like to make a very special thank-you to Marg Sandy whose jewelry donations raised $754.50. This money will be put towards the 60 hampers we plan to pack this year. Thanks so much again!

Memory Café dates

1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month from 1.30pm to 3.00pm

NOVEMBER 19

DECEMBER 3—Bus Trip from Café – Farm Visit - Pick up at 1.30pm

DECEMBER 17

Annual meeting 2024

What an amazing turn out on Sunday!

Thank you to all who could attend and for those who couldn't for whatever reason and forwarded their apologies.

Since Sunday I have gone through the Annual Reports again – just in awe of all the works and ministries we carry out here at St Margarets church for the sake of Gods Kingdom now and for the future.

The contents of this report is not just a paper exercise and something for which we put in the bin after the event (if you have - fish it out of the recycling bin !) – this a report worthy of celebrating . A document that shares with each other the richness and diversity we create.

Next years Annual Meeting we will spend some time going in more detail through the document – highlighting some of our achievements .

If you haven't read the annual report or skimmed through it in preparation – I urge you to take some time to familiarize yourself with it – as it will go towards underpinning the ministry, mission and work of our church going forward . If you do not have a copy, it's not too late - pick one up on Sunday or Wednesday after the services .

Thank you again to everyone who submitted the individual reports

With gratitude

Revd. Yvette

St Margaret's Church
Sunday 3rd November 2024
8am service and 10am service
Theme: Death is not the end!

As a child in Birmingham our local radio station was BRMB - **Birmingham Radio Midlands Broadcasting**.
In the 1980's virtually all my friends listened to it as we eat our breakfasts before school – usually cornflakes, with lots of milk and even more sugar.
Or thick slabs of white toasted bread, covered in margarine and if we were lucky topped with strawberry Jam.

We tuned in to listen to the best disc jockey in the world – Les Ross – he set us up for the day with banter, jokes, great music and phone in competitions where people could win signed BRMB t-shirts, mugs and pens – whoop woo.

Then one morning per usual I was chair dancing eating my breakfast listening to the tunes when during the usual frivolity and laughter – the great Les Ross made two statements that changed my life forever –

- The first was – cemeteries are full of unanswered prayer
- And the second – treat every day like its your last because one day it will be!!

And then he put the next record on the turntable and carried on the show as if nothing had happened
I remember stopping chair dancing and allowing my back to slump against the back rest …..as it hit me as a rather innocent 12 year old ….that I too would die .

Today we are combining and marking two special liturgical days – the first is the feast of All saint's day which was on Friday 1st November and the lesser festival of All soul's day which was yesterday.

I will share with you what the book Common worship (times and seasons) tells us about these two days …it says

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'No Christian is solitary.
Through baptism we become members one of another in Christ, members of a company of saints whose mutual belonging transcends death:
One family, we dwell in him,
one Church, above, beneath.
though now divided by the stream,
the narrow stream of death.
(Charles Wesley)
All Saints' Day and the Commemoration of the Faithful Departed on All Souls' Day both celebrate this mutual belonging.
All Saints' Day celebrates men and women in whose lives the Church as a whole has seen the grace of God powerfully at work.

It is an opportunity to give thanks for that grace, and for the wonderful ends to which it shapes a human life; it is a time to be encouraged by the example of the saints and to recall that sanctity may grow in the ordinary circumstances, as well as the extraordinary crises, of human living.

The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed celebrates the saints in a more local and intimate way. It allows us to remember with thanksgiving before God those whom we have known more directly: those who gave us life, or who nurtured us in faith.' 1

As we know saints come in all sizes and shapes – we have saints for varies professions, hobbies, saints for pets, life's journeys and adventures yet we can often confine and minimize the saints in this way sometimes forgetting that saints serve a higher purpose than we give credit

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1 *Common Worship. Times and Seasons. Services and Prayers for the Church of England pg. 537*

Theologian Martin Percy says

'According to one Jewish tradition, we are all in the hands of God. But it is the righteous souls who 'glow like sparks in the stubble'…Saints, rather like the embers of a fire, continue to give off light and heat, and may still illuminate life - but they are also thrown out of the fire into the world. They are on loan there , setting light to life , by illuminating us with their wisdom and holiness . Although they are dead , it is because of their deeds that they are not forgotten . But their lives – sacred, selfless and sacrificial – still speak to us today , and ask us what we think life is really worth living for ' 2

Percy goes onto say

'All Saints, like all Souls, are basically normal folk . They just give their lives over to God and watch God make the ordinary into the extraordinary.' 3

Our gospel reading this morning tells us a familiar story we know well. It shows us how deeply moved and troubled Jesus is at the death of his friend which is exacerbated by the genuine pain and human sorrow all about him – but Jesus doesn't stand on the outside as an observer , he goes to the cave – where his friend lay dead for 4 days - and asks for the stone to be removed taking no heed of what he would find or the concerns of Martha.
Jesus looking up to God (our Father)and intercedes on behalf of those gathered – Then he call out to his friend in a loud voice "Lazarus, come out!"…and we know the rest …of the story
This gospel reading is one of hope and mystery for we do not know how the raising of Lazarus occurs – but
as that BRMB listening 12-year-old child I wish I believed then – as I believe now – and what we all should remember especially today …..that ….

Death - does not have the final say

Amen

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2 The Bright Field. Meditations and reflections for Ordinary time pg. 40

3 The Bright Field. Meditations and reflections for Ordinary time pg. 40

Birthday thanks

I can't believe I am back from Darwin a week already!!

22 years previously I spent my birthday in the Top End with a group of lovely people who I worked with at NT General stores when I was backpacking first time round back in the1990's!

Relationships are important aren't they; and you never know when you meet a person or a group of people for the first time if the encounter is for a reason, season or lifetime.

Spending my birthday with them this time, was one of celebration, reminiscing, laughter and peace. We have planned to gather again in two years' time – and maybe this time after experiencing temperature of 37 degrees and above – it will be in the cooler seasons.

I would like to thank you all for my birthday wishes, plants, texts, cards, flowers, food and handmade gifts; you are truly a lovely community.

Love, peace and all good

Revd. Yvette

St Margaret's Day duties

Please note so that we can be inclusive to all our services (Wednesdays and 8am and 10am services on Sundays) we will be in touch with those people taking part in the St Margaret's Day service early next week. This includes Sacristan Assistant, LA, Communion Assistant, Greeters, Readers and Intercessors.

Rev Yvette.

Grace

Go before us, O Lord, in all our doings
with your most gracious favour,
and assist us with your continual help;
that in all works, begun, continued and ended in you,
we may glorify your holy name,
and finally by your mercy
obtain everlasting life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayer Chain

For any prayer Requests

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