St Margaret's Anglican Church Eltham

Pew Sheet 26 January 2025
Third Sunday after Epiphany

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sun 26th	8:00am & 10:00am	Epiphany III
Sun 26th	5:30pm 6:30pm	Taize meal Taize service
Mon 27th	2:00pm	PVAW
Wed 29th	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service
Fri 31st	4:30pm	Parish Council `gathering
Sat 1st	8:00am 8:30am	Meditation Men's Breakfast
Sun 2nd	8:00a.m. & 10.00am	Epiphany IV
Sun 2nd	12:00pm	Pub lunch

Parish Office

Carolyn has returned from leave and will be in the office next week Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10am to 2pm (Public holiday on Monday, and closed Wednesday).

A huge thankyou to Mary for covering during Christmas and January.

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

Jesus comes to preach in his hometown, not always the easiest of tasks! His message is simple and profound. He quotes from Isaiah's prophecy of freedom and liberation. And simply states that this prophecy is now fulfilled. The core of the teaching of Jesus is simply the Good News that oppression and captivity are ended and are not part of God's will.

- May all people know the Good News that God brings freedom and release from captivity.
- Give thanks for the work and mission of Episcopal Relief and Development, based in the USA.

ANGLICAN BOARD OF MISSION
Working for Love, Hope & Justice

Hearing Loop

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

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Worship 26 January - Epiphany III

Sentence

Jesus read from the prophet Isaiah: 'The Spirit of the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives.' *Luke 4.18*

The Collect

Life-giving God,
who sent your Son Jesus to proclaim your kingdom
and to teach with authority:
anoint us with your Spirit,
that we too may bring good news to the poor,
bind up the broken-hearted,
and proclaim liberty to the captive;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

First Reading

Nehemiah 8.1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Today's Psalm

Psalm 19

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12.12-31

Gospel

Luke 4.14-21

Today's Music

Welcome Hymn: What a friend we have in Jesus—TiS 590

Offertory: Brother, Sister let me serve you - TiS 650 (8.00am)

Communion Hymn: Ubi Caritas—Taize 15

Mission Hymn: Kneels at the feet of his hands—TiS 640

YouTube Link - Sunday 10:00 am Service

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

Prayer of the Week

Bounteous God,
we give thanks for this ancient and beautiful land,
a land of despair and hope,
a land of wealth and abundant harvests,
a land of fire, drought and flood.
We pray that your Spirit may continue to move in this land
and bring forgiveness, reconciliation,
and an end to all injustice;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

Taize Service

The next Taize monthly service will be on Sunday 26 January. A simple meal will be provided at 5:30pm followed by Taizé prayer at 6:30pm.

NOTICES

What's Coming Up

Sun 2nd February	8:00a.m. & 10.00am	Epiphany IV
Sun 2nd	12:00pm	Pub lunch
Mon 3rd	1:00pm 7:30pm	Monday Circle Faith Issues Discussion
Tue 4th	1:30pm—3.00pm	Memory Care Café
Wed 5th	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service
Wed 5th	1:00pm	Pastoral Care Team meeting
Sat 8th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 9th	8:00a.m. & 10.00am	Epiphany V
Sun 9th	4:30pm—6:00pm	Women of Spirit—Soul Friends on our Journey
Mon 10th	1:00pm	Monday Circle
Tue 11th	4:00pm	Do Justice
Wed 12th	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service
Wed 12th	2:30pm	Book Club, Dendy House
Sat 15th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 16th	8:00a.m. & 10.00am	Epiphany VI

Faith Issues Discussion 2025

Welcome to Faith Issues 2025.The discussion group is an active parish group which meets on the first and third Mondays of every month. Participants discuss a very wide range of issues which impact their faith. Encouragement is provided for all to participate in the discussions within a non-threatening environment. By sharing our faith experience, our beliefs, and attitudes with each other it provides opportunities for strengthening of individual faith. This can arise from new insights, confirmation, and challenges. During 2024 we met in the church and had an average attendance of 15 persons. Different members lead discussions with also an occasional visitor. It is optional to lead a discussion not compulsory., no pressure exerted. A couple of issues were discussed over two sessions, but usually they are stand-alone.

All parishioners and friends are invited to the first discussion of 2025 on Monday 3 February at 7.30pm in the Church. Refreshments will follow the discussion.

It will be led by myself, and the topic is ***Worship***. It covers what is worship, what is its purpose, and why do people worship in different ways. Some notes to assist your thoughts on the discussion will be issued soon, together with a number of Reflective Questions. Those on the distribution list will receive them through email. If you have not been before, please think about coming and contact me to have your name placed on the distribution list. All are welcome.

Geoff Sandy

Co-ordinator

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Memory Café dates

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

FEBRUARY 4 and 18

MARCH 4 and 18

ROSTER	26 January 2025 Epiphany III 8:00am	26 January 2025 Epiphany III 10:00am	29 January Wednesday 10:30am
Celebrant	Rev Yvette Daniel	Rev Yvette Daniel	Rev Robert Street
Preacher **Gospel**	Rev Yvette Daniel *Luke 4.14-21*	Rev Yvette Daniel *Luke 4.14-21*	Rev Robert Street *Mark 4.1-20*
Sacristan **Assistant**	Sally Petty	Diana Warrell	N/A
Liturgical **Assistant**	Sally Petty	Adrienne Watson	N/A
Communion **Assistants**	Catherine Pearson	Tony Michaelson Anna Mott	N/A
Greeters & **Sides People**	Jo Norman	Kevin Gillett Diana Warrell	Jennifer Constantine
First **Reading**	Catherine Pearson *Nehemiah 8.1-3, 5-6, 8 -10*	David Tuke, Mitzi Tuke *Nehemiah 8.1-3, 5-6, 8-10*	Michael Tucker *Hebrews 10.11-18*
Second **Reading**	Barbara Speed *1 Corinthians 12.12-31*	David Pryor *1 Corinthians 12.12-31*	
Psalm	*Psalm 19*	*Psalm 19*	*Psalm 110.1-4*
Intercessor	Barbara Speed	Robert Street	
Morning Tea	Helen Coutts	Mitzi Tuke David Tuke	Jennifer Constantine
Banking	Kevin Gillett		
Music	Helen Coutts	Jason Zeng	
Zoom/Ppt **Cameras**	Felicity Wiltshire	Sandra Brown-Holt Liz Pryor	
Flowers	Pot Plants		

ROSTER	2 February 2025 The Presentation of Christ in the Temple 8:00am	2 February 2025 The Presentation of Christ in the Temple 10:00am	5 February Wednesday 10:30am
Celebrant	Rev Yvette Daniel	Rev Yvette Daniel	Rev Yvette Daniel
Preacher **Gospel**	Christine Winkett *Luke 2.22-40*	Christine Winkett *Luke 2.22-40*	Rev Yvette Daniel *Mark 6.1-6*
Sacristan **Assistant**	Barbara Speed	Geoff & Elizabeth Milgate	N/A
Liturgical Assistant	Christine Winkett	Mitzi Tuke	N/A
Communion Assistants	Dave Greenfield	Adrienne Watson Mabs Jones	N/A
Greeters & Sides People	Catherine Pearson	Geoff & Elizabeth Milgate	Jenny Disney
First Reading	John Winkett *Malachi 3.1-4*	Mabs Jones *Malachi 3.1-4*	Barbara Alexander *Hebrews 12.4-7, 11 -15*
Second Reading	Clive Noble *Hebrews 2.14-18*	David Tuke *Hebrews 2.14-18*	
Psalm	*Psalm 84*	*Psalm 84*	*Psalm 103.15-18*
Intercessor	Clive Noble	Geoff Sandy	
Morning Tea	Coralie Carew	Jan Kerr Sheila Cheary	Margaret Charles
Banking	John Humann		
Music	Helen Coutts	Cecilia Spicer	
Zoom/Ppt Cameras	Felicity Wiltshire	John Humann Mandy Stevens	
Flowers	Pot plants		

Hope 25 & PVAW

Imagine every Anglican Church, in every town and city, in every suburb and community, all working in the same season to proclaim hope in our uncertain world.

Dear Church community!

Firstly, I would like to thank everyone who has volunteered to be part of the Hope 25 working group!

Hope25 is a mission project which seeks to empower Australian Anglican parishes and communities in an intentional season of sharing hope in Jesus from Easter to Pentecost in 2025 -

with the goal of every single parish and community in the Anglican Church of Australia committed to doing one thing to share the hope we have in Jesus from Easter to Pentecost 2025.

Our PVAW group have discerned a possible idea for St Margarets Church that we could run/host in 2025!! Before bringing it to the wider church, conversations are being had with varies people to ascertain if the idea is possible

I believe the concept is excellent ….so watch this space and we will update you very soon and al look forward to hearing your thoughts!

Every blessing

PVAW committee & Revd. Yvette

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WOMEN OF SPIRIT PROGRAM 2025
Companions on the Way

9TH FEBRUARY 4.30—6pm

SOUL FRIENDS ON OUR JOURNEY

In Celtic Christianity, *Anam Cara* or Soul Friend(s) are very important companion(s) on a person's life journey.
Come and learn more about *Anam Cara* and then walk the Labyrinth with other women companions.

Led by: Judy Scott in the Labyrinth at St. Margaret's Church

Bible Reader—Second Sunday 10am service

We have a vacancy in our bible reading roster for the second Sunday of the month at our 10am service on the odd months of the year (ie March, May, July, September, November).

If you would be interested please contact Carolyn from the Parish office. Safe Ministry Training level 1 is needed prior to being on the roster. (many parishioners already have this).

Volunteers needed

Asset Register.

During the month of February, we would like to thoroughly examine and update the Asset Register which lists all our possessions in detail. This has not been actioned for some time. The wardens and Revd. Yvette need your help.

We will divide areas into church, sacristy, vestry, kitchen, archives and Dendy House.

Work can be done singly or in groups at a convenient time. There is a volunteer signup sheet in the church foyer, or you contact Sally Petty (by Monday 3rd February please)

Thank you!

Aboriginal Sunday 19th January 2025

Defiant Hope

At St. Margaret's Church in Eltham, we were delighted to embrace and celebrate Aboriginal Sunday on 19 January 2025.

The theme for this year, "Defiant Hope", was shared with us from those who work throughout Australia with Common Grace.

Aboriginal Sunday is celebrated annually in churches on the Sunday before January 26, as an opportunity for individual congregations and faith communities to reclaim William Cooper's Aboriginal Sunday, which is a call to the Australian Church to stand in solidarity and pray for justice and the flourishing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Aboriginal Sunday was conceived of by William Cooper in 1938, 150 years after European colonisation of Australia, and the first Aboriginal Sunday service is thought to have been held in 1941. Aboriginal Sunday is an important opportunity to go deeper in listening, learning, and being led by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Christian Leaders. A set of resources is

prepared annually by Common Grace, which are available on application in December, (see the Common Grace website) and churches are free to adapt them according to their needs.

A team of St. Margaret's parishioners led by the Do Justice Committee, prepared a Service based on the resources from Common Grace that honoured Aboriginal Sunday in song, prayer and reflection of the past and the future walking alongside each other with Hope of Reconciliation. We were joined by local Councillors and other visitors in an uplifting service that had all present touched and reminded of what as God's children we are here to work towards.

We set up displays in the church hall of artifacts and books for people to view over morning tea afterwards. Thanks are extended to Mitzi for the beautiful morning tea enjoyed by all who were present. Many people engaged with the displays, commenting and asking questions, and also taking photos of book titles.

Some of the congregation at St Margaret's

Photo: Diana Warrell

The organising committee and Nillumbik Mayor, John Dumaresq (third from left) and Nillumbik Councillor, Kim Cope (fourth from left). Vicar, Rev Yvette Daniel, is third from right

Photo: Tim Beattie

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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