St Margaret's Anglican Church Eltham

Pew Sheet 16 March 2025

The Second Sunday in Lent

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sun 16th	8:00a.m. & 10.00am	Lent II
Sun 16th	9.15am 11.30am	Sunday gathering—Lent Sunday gathering—Lent
Mon 17th	10.30am 1:00pm 7:30pm	Communications & Marketing meeting Monday Circle Faith Issues
Tue 18th	10:30am 1:30pm	Spiritual Direction Memory Care Café
Wed 19th	9:30am 10:30am 11:20am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service Wednesday gathering—Lent
Sat 22nd	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 23rd	8:00a.m. & 10.00am	Lent III
Sun 23rd	9.15am 11.30am	Sunday gathering—Lent Sunday gathering—Lent

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

In Luke's account, Jesus foretells his own death when warned about Herod by some Pharisees. He also tells them that despite being the 'holy city' Jerusalem is the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! Their city is a void. He prophesises that they will say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord' when he returns to Jerusalem.

- May we recognise who Jesus is and welcome him into our hearts with cries of acclamation.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

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Hearing Loop

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

Address: 79-81 Pitt Street Eltham Vic 3095
Email: parishoffice@stmargaretseltham.org.au, Tel: 9439 9238
Vicar: Revd. Yvette Daniel revdyvette@stmargaretseltham.org.au, Tel. 0439 035 741 (day off Thur)

Worship 16 March—Lent II

Sentence
Our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 3.20*

The Collect
God of our ancestors,
whose chosen servant Abraham
was given faith to obey your call
and go out into the unknown:
endow your Church with such faith
that we may follow you with courage;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading
Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18

Today's Psalm
Psalm 27

Second Reading
Philippians 3.17-4.1

Image : Charlie Mackesy

Gospel
Luke 13.31-35

Today's Music
Welcome Hymn: At the name of Jesus—TiS 231

Offertory: Make me a channel of your peace—TiS 607 (8.00am)

Communion Hymn: Kyrie eleison – TiS 736

Mission Hymn: Will you come and follow me—CH 533

YouTube Link - Sunday 10:00 am Service

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

Prayer of the Week

Remember, O Lord,
what you have wrought in us
and not what we deserve,
and, as you have called us to your service,
make us worthy of our calling;
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

Parish Office

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

NOTICES

What's Coming Up

Sun 23rd	8:00a.m. & 10.00am	Lent III
Sun 23rd	9.15am	Sunday gathering—Lent
	11.30am	Sunday gathering—Lent
Mon 24th	1:00pm	Monday Circle
	2:00pm	PVAW
	7:30pm	Parish Council meeting
Wed 26th	9:30am	Morning Prayer
	10:30am	Wednesday Service
	11:20am	Wednesday gathering—Lent
Sat 29th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 30th	8:00a.m. & 10.00am	Lent IV
Sun 30th	9.15am	Sunday gathering—Lent
	11.30am	Sunday gathering—Lent
Sun 30th	3:00-7.30pm	Taize retreat
Mon 31st	1:00pm	Monday Circle
Tue 1st April	1:30pm	Memory Care Café
Wed 2nd	9:30am	Morning Prayer
	10:30am	Wednesday Service
	11:20am	Wednesday gathering—Lent
Wed 2nd	1:00pm	Pastoral Care Team meeting
Sat 5th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 6th	8:00a.m. & 10.00am	Lent V
Sun 6th	9.15am	Sunday gathering—Lent
	11.30am	Sunday gathering—Lent

Hall Hire

For all hall hire enquiries please email
communications@stmargaretseltham.org.au
Or information can be found on the St Margaret's website.
www.stmargaretseltham.org.au

FAITH ISSUES DISCUSSION

All parishioners and friends are invited to Faith Issues Discussion on **Monday 17 March** in the church at 7.30pm. Saint Patricks's day. The discussion is titled **Conservative and Progressive Mindsets: Religious and Political Domains**.

Have you ever wondered why persons, including those who identify as Christian, have different beliefs and values. some diametrically opposed? I wish to share with you some of the scientific research findings which explains why this is the case.

Please come and explore this important topic.
Refreshments will follow the discussion about 9pm.

Geoff Sandy, MOB: 0434422768

An additional Finance Committee member needed could this be you??

To find out more please speak with Kathleen Toal

ROSTER	16 March 2025 Lent II 8:00am	16 March 2025 Lent II 10:00am	19 March Wednesday 10:30am
Celebrant	Rev Yvette Daniel	Rev Yvette Daniel	Rev Yvette Daniel
Preacher **Gospel**	Rev Yvette Daniel *Luke 13.31-35*	Rev Yvette Daniel *Luke 13.31-35*	Rev Yvette Daniel *Matthew 1.18-25*
Sacristan **Assistant**	Robert Brazenor	Jan Gack	N/A
Liturgical **Assistant**	Robert Brazenor	Geoff Sandy	N/A
Communion **Assistants**	Neil Andrewartha	TBA Jan Kerr	N/A
Greeters & **Sides People**	John Winkett	Roger Alcock	Jill Rogers
First **Reading**	Robert Brazenor *Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18*	Adrienne Watson *Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18*	Lorna Howard *2 Samuel 7.4-16*
Second **Reading**	Coralie Carew *Philippians 3.17-4.1*	Geoff Sandy *Philippians 3.17-4.1*	
Psalm	*Psalm 27*	*Psalm 27*	*Psalm 89.19-30*
Intercessor	Felicity Wiltshire	Linda Mackenzie	
Morning Tea	Coralie Carew	Anna Mott Sandra Brooks	Jill Rogers
Banking	Rob Mackenzie		
Music	Barbara Speed	Robert Street	
Zoom/Ppt **Cameras**	Felicity Wiltshire	Sandra Brown-Holt Val Tucker	
Flowers	Lent		

ROSTER	23 March 2025 Lent III 8:00am	23 March 2025 Lent III 10:00am	26 March Wednesday 10:30am
Celebrant	Rev Yvette Daniel	Rev Yvette Daniel	Rev Yvette Daniel
Preacher **Gospel**	Rev Yvette Daniel *Luke 13.1-9*	Rev Yvette Daniel *Luke 13.1-9*	Rev Yvette Daniel *Matthew 5.17-19*
Sacristan **Assistant**	Sally Petty	Diana Warrell	N/A
Liturgical **Assistant**	Sally Petty	Adrienne Watson	N/A
Communion **Assistants**	Catherine Pearson	Angela Langan Anna Mott	N/A
Greeters & **Sides People**	Jo Norman	Kevin Gillett Diana Warrell	Margaret Charles
First **Reading**	Catherine Pearson *Isaiah 55.1-9*	David Tuke & Mitzi Tuke *Isaiah 55.1-9*	Barbara Alexander *Deuteronomy 4.1, 4-9*
Second **Reading**	Barbara Speed *1 Corinthians 10.1-13*	David Pryor *1 Corinthians 10.1-13*	
Psalm	*Psalm 63.1-9*	*Psalm 63.1-9*	*Psalm 147.12-20*
Intercessor	Barbara Speed	Robert Street	
Morning Tea	Helen Coutts	Mitzi Tuke David Tuke	Jennifer Constantine
Banking	Kevin Gillett		
Music	Helen Coutts	Cecilia Spicer	
Zoom/Ppt **Cameras**	Felicity Wiltshire	Rob Mackenzie Liz Pryor	
Flowers	Lent		

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www.abmission.org/Lent2025

We'd love you to join us for an afternoon

Taizé retreat

at **St Margaret's Anglican Church**, 79–81 Pitt Street, **Eltham** with **Brother Merric** from the Taizé community in France on:

Sunday, 30 March: 3pm-7.30pm

On the day:

- Learn more about the Taizé community
- Hear from Brother Merric
- Learn new song parts
- Walk the labyrinth
- Taizé evening prayer.

A simple meal for dinner is included.

Can't make the full day? Join us for Taizé evening prayer at 6.30pm.

St Margaret's Anglican Church Eltham

Email: **parishoffice@stmargaretseltham.org.au**

79–81 Pitt Street, Eltham.

Places for the retreat are limited.

Please register online:

Join the **Taize in Melbourne, Australia Facebook group** or **What'sApp Channel** to find out more.

READING THE BIBLE TOGETHER THIS LENT

GOSPEL OF LUKE

READING PLAN

WEEK 1: 1-6 COMPLETE BY SUNDAY 16TH MARCH

WEEK 2: 7-11COMPLETE BY SUNDAY 23RD MARCH

WEEK 3: 12-16COMPLETE BY SUNDAY 30TH MARCH

WEEK 4: 17-20COMPLETE BY SUNDAY 6TH APRIL

WEEK 5: 21-24COMPLETE BY SUNDAY 13TH APRIL

WEEK 6: TAKE TIME TO REFLECT

ACCOUNTABILITY GATHERINGS

Some of us may have struggled reading the Gospels let alone the entire bible. How wonderful will this be to read it 'together'; in the knowledge that we are not alone.

Whether you are a seasoned bible reader or not or just need a little
reminder: this can only but help our discipleship journey.

Once a week during the season of Lent; Michael Tucker, David Greenfield and I will 'host' a group.

This will not be a bible study more of a space for us to share what we noticed during that week's reading, how it impacted on our spirituality, questions from that week reading and also the challenges. The gatherings will be no longer than 30minutes – very much led by those gathered. To gather is not compulsory

Wednesday Gathering

In the church @ 11.20 (after morning tea) hosted by Michael Tucker

19th March, 26th March, 2nd April, 9th April ,16th April.

Sunday Gathering

In the church@09.15 (after morning tea) hosted by David Greenfield

16th March, 23rd March ,30th March,6th April ,13th April

Sunday Gathering

In the church @11.30 (after morning tea) hosted by Revd. Yvette

16th March, 23rd March ,30th March ,6th April, 13th April

Helpful Prompts

Observations

Write down all your observations from the day's passage. Take the time to record what you read before feeling pressured to figure out why it was written. You'll be amazed at how much meaning sur faces when you pause to observe the passage's details. In addition to gaining confidence by

noticing the details, also think through how Jesus presents through what you read

SUMMARY

If you'd like, attempt to summarize the passage in a single sentence. This exercise aids retention and helps sharpen your focus on how the passage may speak to your every-day life. What did you learn from the parables

APPLICATION

Reflect on how the passage might relate to your day. Was it encouraging in a current situation? Write down how it up-lifted you. Did you find a passage troubling - then pray about that. There are very few things that help prayer more than spending some time in reading scripture.

Go well this Lent
Peace and all good
Revd. Yvette

Ps….don't forget to pick up your free Lukes Gospel (NIV) translation this week – gifted to us by Melbourne Diocese !

Prayer at the time of choosing a bishop

Eternal God, shepherd, and guide,

In your mercy give your church in this diocese a shepherd after your own heart

Who will walk in your ways,

And in loving care watch over your people,

Give us a leader of vision and a teacher of truth.

So may your church be built up and your name glorified;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

As we prepare to elect a new archbishop, please continue to be praying for the nomination board in bringing names of candidates to the electoral synod.

St Margarets needs you!

First Aid Volunteers

Would you be willing to train to be a first aider for our church?

What is first aid?

First aid covers the steps taken to help a person in the first minutes of an illness or injury.

Accidents or illness can happen to anyone at any time.

First aid may:

- ease someone's pain or discomfort
- help them recover more quickly
- save a life

Being a first aider may seem daunting to you; however, if you wish to find out more please speak with Coralie or Revd. Yvette

HOPE 25

Prevention of Violence Against Women and Girls (PVAW) & HOPE25

Hope25 is an opportunity for us to share the hope that we have in Jesus. It is an intentional season of sharing hope in Jesus for every parish and community in the Anglican Church of Australia. The dates will be Easter Day (April 20) to Pentecost Sunday (June 8) 2025.
Each parish is invited to prayerfully commit to doing (at least) one new activity to share the hope that we have in Jesus during this season.

At St Margarets our contribution will focus on domestic Violence and abuse. More info to follow shortly on how we all can be involved

The Mission and Ministry Commission have written the following Collect for Hope25, to be used in parish intercessions and meetings

God of Hope
you call on us to be your witnesses in this uncertain world;
by your Spirit awaken in us
a true vision of your kingdom,
a greater certainty of our salvation, and
a deeper dedication to your service;
that through our words and actions the same Spirit may
bring many who are lost to be found,
and for them to celebrate the hope
that we can only have in Jesus Christ,
in whose name we pray.
Amen

Thought for the week.

During the next few weeks, a member of our church community is sharing with us some thoughts for us to mull over during the week. Let us ponder together!!

If you have something to share with us, please be in contact with Revd Yvette

The Jesus Way

Matt 5: 9 "Blessed are the peacemakers ..... "

Have I made peace with God, with that irritating neighbour?

It starts with asking for forgiveness for what I have done, and forgiving the other.

Confession and forgiveness produces reconciliation. Can I be part of that process in my community, small or wide?

With God's help, and through the working of His Holy Spirit, I can.

Making peace with God is central to the process. 1 John 1: 9

" ..... for they shall be called the children of God."

Memory Café dates

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

MARCH 18

ROOM FOR RENT

(Complete with own ensuite and walk in robe)

One of the members of our church community has a room to rent in their beautiful 4-year-old home. Situated on a quiet street in Eltham and in walking distance to amenities.

To find out more information please contact Revd. Yvette

Share your world

Become a foster carer

It's the little things that matter most – like having a safe place to call home, someone you can smile with and the right support.

You can make an extraordinary difference in the life of a young person by sharing those ordinary, everyday moments.

We are looking for compassionate individuals, couples and families to become foster carers to provide a safe and supportive home for vulnerable children and young people. We'll support you 24/7 and provide all the training you need.

Share your world. Become a foster carer.

1300 592 227
lwb.org.au/foster-care

Scan to find out more.

LIFE WITHOUT BARRIERS

Abridged Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, Monday 24 02 2025

1. **Revd Yvette opened the meeting with prayer**
2. **Attendance**: Apologies: Tony Michaelson; all other members present
3. **Minutes** of the previous meeting accepted
4. **Finance**
   a) Revd Yvette drew the member's attention to the responsibilities of the members to the church's finances
   b) Financial statements and abridged statements approved for November 2024, December 2024, and January 2025.
   There were questions and matters arising from the treasurer's report which need to be looked into, and on which the treasurer will report back at the next meeting.
5. **Compliance and Procedures**
   a) Council policy documents
      i. The LinC (updated policy), Faith Issues Discussion (policies and procedures) and Pastoral Care Team (procedures) were discussed.
      ii. The wardens will discuss their representation on the finance committee.
      iii. They will also bring attention to the need for another member of the congregation to be on the finance committee.
6. **Safe Ministry**
   a) One employee needs to complete level 1 for working with children
   b) All Council members need to undergo a renewal process. To be set up for later in the year.
   c) The contents of the first aid box to be updated.
   d) The probable need for some members of the congregation to have at least basic first aid training? This would need to be updated every 6 months.
   e) There needs to be a policy for first aid incidents.
7. **Correspondence**
   a) Certificate of renewal of registration of food premises obtained
   b) ADOM bulletin – to be circulated to councillors
   c) Ad Clerum Still waiting for a response re land tax
   d) Nillumbik 4 Palestine Request for another meeting. Need to check if there is a policy for this type of meeting on church property. We need appropriate guidelines before making a permanent decision.
8. **Vicar's report**
   Her report on the past months and plans for the next 3 months accepted enthusiastically
9. **Event approval**
   a) World Labyrinth Day May 3rd
   b) PVAW – Hope 25 Bookings to be finalised
   c) Taizé event Approval delegated to the wardens
10. **Subcommittee reports**
    a) Pastoral Care Team (Harry Watson) Minutes submitted
    b) Property (Sally Petty) Minutes submitted. Brazier needs to be kept for the labyrinth.
    Letter of thanks to be sent to:
    Tony Michaelson for fitting out the new archive room
    Brian Thompson for updating the Vicar board
    Sally Petty for managing the roof problems
    d) **Marketing and Communications** (Linda Mackenzie) Report submitted The Parish Matters is ready for distribution
    e) **Do Justice** (Kathleen Toal) May 22nd Reconciliation Sunday – excursion to Gawa?
    f) **Music Scholarship Committee** (Diana Warrell) No scholarship at present, will contact the universities.
    g) **PVAW** Revd Yvette spoke on the presentation of Hope in Jesus.
    h) **Taizé service** Last one attended by 21 people, 14 at dinner.
    Christina played the music. Letter of thanks to be sent.
11. **Other matters**
    a) TV Screen in the foyer needs resuscitation
    b) Need for round table discussion for those involved in IT
12. **Next meeting**: 24 03 2025
13. **The meeting was concluded with the Grace**

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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