St Margaret's Anglican Church Eltham

Pew Sheet 25 October 2026
Pentecost XXII

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sat 24th	10:00am	Jam making workshop
Sun 25th	8:00am & 10:00am	Pentecost XXII
Sun 25th	11:30am	Formation for Baptism & Confirmation
Sun 25th	2:00pm	Folk Gospel Cafe
Sun 25th	5:30pm 6:30pm	Taize meal Taize prayers
Mon 26th	7:30pm	Parish Council meeting
Tue 27th	1:30pm	Memory Care Cafe
Wed 28th	9:30am 10:30am	Morning prayer Wednesday service
Sat 31st	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 1st November	10:00am (one service only)	All Saints Day / All Souls
Sun 1st	12:00pm	Pub lunch

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.

Prayer of the Week

Almighty and everlasting God,
give to us the increase of faith, hope and love;
and, that we may obtain what you promise,
make us to love what you command;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Hearing Loop

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

Mobile Phones during service

A gentle reminder to please remember to switchoff mobile phones beforeservices. Thankyou.

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Vicar: Revd. Yvette Daniel revdyvette@stmargaretseltham.org.au, Tel. 0439 035 741 (day off Thur)
Assistant Curate. Revd. Andrew Murray revdandrew@stmargaretseltham.org.au Tel. 0449 501 479,

Worship 25 October 2026—Pentecost XXII

Sentence

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets. *Matthew 22.37–40*

Prayer of the Day

God,
whose Son has taught us that love is the fulfilment of your law:
stir up within us the fire of your Holy Spirit,
and pour into our hearts your greatest gift of love,
so that we may love you with our whole being,
and our neighbours as ourselves;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.

First Reading
Deuteronomy 34. 1-12

Today's Psalm
Psalms 90. 1-6, 13-17

Second Reading
1 Thessalonians 2. 1-13

Gospel
Matthew 22. 34-46

Today's Music
Welcome Hymn: Be thou my vision TiS 547 (8.00am)
Offertory: Love divine, all loves excelling - TiS 217(i)
Communion Hymn: Holy, holy, holy—TiS 723
Mission Hymn: To God be the glory - TiS 147

YouTube Link - Sunday 10.00am Service
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCU8zWevMdRslRq70IA6MUlg/live

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First reading - Deuteronomy 34.1-12

[1] Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah,
which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan,
[2] all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the
Western Sea, [3] the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm
trees—as far as Zoar. [4] The Lord said to him, 'This is the land of which I swore to Abraham,
to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, "I will give it to your descendants"; I have let you see it with
your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.' [5] Then Moses, the servant of the Lord , died
there in the land of Moab, at the Lord 's command. [6] He was buried in a valley in the land
of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. [7] Moses was
one hundred and twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigour
had not abated. [8] The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab for thirty days; then
the period of mourning for Moses was ended. [9] Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of
wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing
as the Lord had commanded Moses. [10] Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel
like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. [11] He was unequalled for all the signs and
wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all
his servants and his entire land, [12] and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying
displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

Second reading - 1 Thessalonians 2.1-13

[1] You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, [2] but
though we had already suffered and been shamefully maltreated at Philippi, as you know,
we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great
opposition. [3] For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, [4]
but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the
gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts.
[5] As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a
pretext for greed; [6] nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from
others, [7] though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle
among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. [8] So deeply do we care for
you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our
own selves, because you have become very dear to us. [9] You remember our labour and
toil, brothers and sisters; we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of
you while we proclaimed to you the gospel of God. [10] You are witnesses, and God also,
how pure, upright, and blameless our conduct was towards you believers. [11] As you know,
we dealt with each one of you like a father with his children, [12] urging and encouraging
you and pleading that you should lead a life worthy of God, who calls you into his own
kingdom and glory. [13] We also constantly give thanks to God for this, that when you
received the word of God that you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word
but as what it really is, God's word, which is also at work in you believers.

Gospel reading - Matthew 22. 34-46

34 When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together,
35 and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him.
36 'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?'
37 He said to him, ' "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind."
38 This is the greatest and first commandment.
39 And a second is like it: "You shall love your neighbour as yourself."
40 On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.'
41 Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question:
42 'What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?' They said to him, 'The son of David.'
43 He said to them, 'How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,
44 "The Lord said to my Lord,
'Sit at my right hand,
until I put your enemies under your feet' "?
45 If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?'
46 No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

Rev'd Yvette Annual Leave

Rev'd Yvette will be on leave from Monday 19th October, returning 7th November.
On the Sunday 25th October, Fr Graeme Brennan will preside and Geoff Sandy will preach.
On the 1st November, when we celebrate All Saints / All Souls with a combined 10am service. Mthr Pirrial Clift will preside at this service and Rev'd Andrew to preach.
Our Wednesday services will be held at the same time as usual during this time.

Parish Office

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

Parish Financial Report - September 2026,
David Pryor, Parish Accountant

		Actual	Budget	Variance
Income				
	Offertory	$ 7,634	$ 6,666	$ 968
	Other	$ 40,134	$ 37,853	$ 2,281
	Total	$ 47,768	$ 44,519	$ 3,249
Expenditure		$ 60,045	$ 58,432	$ 1,613
Deficit		$ 12,277	$ 13,913	$ 1,636

Banking details for direct deposit
St Margarets Anglican Church
Westpac BSB 033091 Account No 870706

Annual Giving Programme

In accordance with St Margaret's annual giving programme, during the 2025/26 financial year, we have made payments to

- The Victorian Government Bush fire appeal $2,500
- The Victorian Farmers Bush fire appeal $2,500
- The Anglican Parish of Hume $5,000
- The Anglican Overseas Aid Nepal appeal $2,000
- The Trinity College Building fund$1,000
- The Bendigo Diocese Aboriginal Mission $2,000

This programme is dependent on the support of Parishioners' giving.
David Pryor, Parish Accountant

WHAT'S COMING UP

Sun 1st November	**10:00am (One service only)**	**All Saints Day / All Souls**
Sun 1st	12:00pm	Pub lunch
Mon 2nd	7:30pm	Faith Issues Discussions
Tue 3rd	10:00am	Warden's meeting
Wed 4th	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service
Wed 4th	1:00pm	Pastoral Care Team meeting
Sat 7th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 8th	8:00am & 10:00am	Pentecost XXIV
Sun 8th	11:30am	Annual Meeting
Tue 10th	1:30pm 4:00pm	Memory Care Cafe Do Justice Meeting
Wed 11th	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service
Wed 11th	2:30pm	Book Club, Dendy House
Thur 12th	10:00am	Property Committee
Sat 14th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 15th	10:00am (one service only)	St Margaret's Day

NOTICES

Weekday Morning and Evening Prayer at St Margaret's

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning Prayer	8:30am	8:30am	9:30am	8:30am	-
Evening Prayer	5:00pm	5:00pm	5:00pm	5:00pm	-

Memory Care Cafe dates

2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month 1.30 to 3pm

OCTOBER 27

NOVEMBER 10, 24

Combined services – November

During November we will be having 3 combined services at 10.00am, a time for us to come together as one.

- Sunday 1st November– All Saints Day / All Souls
- Sunday 15th November– St Margaret's Day; and
- Sunday 22nd November – Christ the King, celebrating Rev'd Andrew's first mass.

For the services on 1st November and 15th November, there will be a sign up sheet in the church foyer for worship duties on that day.

On the 1st November we are needing a Liturgical Assistant, Communion Assistant, First reader and Second reader.

Rev'd Andrew will be in contact with those participating in the service on 22nd November.

ROSTERS

ROSTER	25 October 2026 Pentecost XXII 8:00am	25 October 2026 Pentecost XXII 10:00am	28 October Wednesday 10:30am
Celebrant	Rev'd Graeme Brennan	Rev'd Graeme Brennan	Rev'd Robert Street
Preacher Gospel	Geoff Sandy *Matthew 22.34-46*	Geoff Sandy *Matthew 22.34-46*	Rev'd Andrew Murray *Luke 6. 12-16*
Sacristan Assistant	Robert Brazenor	Diana Warrell	N/A
Liturgical Assistant	Robert Brazenor	Adrienne Watson	N/A
Communion Assistant	Neil Andrewartha	Angela Langan Anna Mott	N/A
Greeters & Sides People	MaryAnn Wilkie	Kevin Gillett Diana Warrell	TBC
First reading	Catherine Pearson *Deuteronomy 34.1-12*	Harry Watson *Deuteronomy 34.1-12*	Rev'd Andrew Murray *Deuteronomy 32. 1-4*
Second reading	Barbara Speed *1 Thessalonians 2.1-13*	Liz Pryor *1 Thessalonians 2.1-13*	
Psalm	*Psalm 90. 1-6, 13-17*	*Psalm 90. 1-6, 13-17*	*Psalm 19. 1-6*
Intercessor	Barbara Speed	Rev'd Robert Street	
Morning tea	Helen Coutts	Tony Michaelson & Coralie	Jennifer Constantine
Banking	Kevin Gillett		
Music	Helen Coutts	Cecilia Spicer	
Zoom/Ppt Cameras	Alan Coutts	John Humann Val Tucker	
Flowers	Meryl Long		

ROSTERS

ROSTER	1st November 2026 All Saints Day / All Souls 10:00am	4 November Wednesday 10:30am
Celebrant	Mthr Pirrial Clift	Rev'd Robert Street
Preacher Gospel	Rev'd Andrew Murray *Matthew 5. 1-12*	Rev'd Robert Street *Luke 14. 25-33*
Sacristan Assistant	Barbara Speed and Jan Gack	N/A
Liturgical Assistant	TBC	N/A
Communion Assistant	TBC	N/A
Greeters & Sides People	Diana Warrell	Jenny Disney
First reading	TBC *Revelation 7. 9-17*	Rev'd Andrew Murray *Philippians 2. 12-18*
Second reading	TBC *1 John 3.1-13*	
Psalm	*Psalm 90. 1-6, 13-17*	*Psalm 27. 11-14*
Intercessor	Liz Pryor and David Pryor	
Morning tea	Sheila Cheary	TBC
Banking	John Humann	
Music	Priscilla Lin	
Zoom/Ppt Cameras	Sandra Brown-Holt Val Tucker	
Flowers	Barbara Speed	

St Margaret's Parish Annual Meeting (AM)
Sunday 8th November 2026 at 11:30am

Electoral Roll: The opportunity to add your name to the Electoral Roll for 2026 has now passed. We currently have 96 Parishioners on our Electoral Roll. The updated Electoral Roll will be displayed for 14 days prior to the Annual meeting.

Annual Meeting Reports: Reports are now being compiled by the Parish Office, and will be circulated to Parishioners on Sunday 1st November.

Nominations for Vestry (Parish Council), Wardens, and Incumbency Committee are now invited and must be received by the Vicar by 2:00pm on Wednesday 28th October. For current Parish Councillors and Wardens who would like to continue for 2026, a new Nomination form must be completed each year. Forms available in the foyer.

Notice of Annual Meeting: The Notice of Annual Meeting is displayed in the church foyer.

Fr Graeme Brennan

After 15 early years of parish, hospital and school ministry in Melbourne, Fr Graeme was attracted by the prospect of a tree-change. Surviving the physical rigours of Timbertop for the next 5 years as Chaplain and Maths teacher convinced him that he must have become the fittest Anglican priest in Victoria. Finally, he decided that if he ever felt the urge to hike, ski, run, paddle and ride again, he would lay down until the urge went away. To that end, he went on to become the Senior Chaplain to Brighton Grammar School, the Head of R.E., again a Maths teacher and a senior school tennis coach for the next 13 years.

Apart from his High Country conditioning, Fr Graeme brought an unusual CV to chaplaincy: he

- had been an industrial chemist prior to becoming a priest,
- was a visiting chaplain to the Collingwood Football Club,
- had actor Anthony Hopkins to lunch,
- is (still) a staunch monarchist, and
- was the inaugural chaplain to the Melbourne Metropolitan Fire Bri-gade.

Moving on from teaching, the variety in his working life has continued: he has been

- an associate priest in the busy city parish of St Peter's, Eastern Hill,
- active as a relief locum tenens in a number of parishes,
- recording talking books and broadcasting as a newsreader for radio 3RPH,
- acting as umpire escort for the Fitzroy Football Club.

Saints and All Souls Day

All Saints and All Souls Day will be celebrated at a combined service at 10.00am on Sunday 1st November when the names of those we wish to have remembered will be read during the intercessional prayers.

This is a very special and personal celebration and we wish to uphold all who are significant to you.

Pub lunch update

The Eltham Pub is closing for renovations. The Sports Bar is closed now and renovations have begun. Depending on the time success of the Sports Bar competition, the Bistro renovations will commence.

We will not know until the Friday the 30th of October if the Pub will be open on Sunday the 1st of November,2026.

Church Family will be notified on Sunday the 1st of November 2026 at the church services if the Pub Bistro is open . If this is a confirmed yes-- Pub lunch will be available.

If not.Our next Pub Lunch will be on Sunday the 6th of December.

St. Margaret's Market Stall at the Eltham Rotary festival

We would love plants to put on our stall (in November) .so we are asking parishioners to donate seedlings etc that we can sell on our market stall. For more information: Contact Diana 0414398565 or warrelldiana@gmail.com

Formation for Baptism and Confirmation

With several candidates now preparing for Baptism and Confirmation at Easter next year, we will be running a monthly Christian formation series meeting at **11:30am** after the 10am Eucharist **on the following dates**:

- **25 October**
- **29 November**
- **13 December**

The eight sessions in the series will engage with topics including: human person, the Sacraments, Prayer, Holy Scripture, the Creeds, the Church, and living a life of faith.

If you know someone who is interested in being Baptised, Confirmed or Received into the Anglican Church, please let Rev'ds Yvette or Andrew know—we would be happy to accompany them on their journey.

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age. Matthew 28:19–20

Please hold these sessions and the candidates in your prayers over this period.

folk gospel café

2-4pm Sunday 25th October 2026

St.Margaret's Gospel Band

featuring original songs by Christina Green

St.Margaret's Hall 79-81 Pitt Street Eltham

refreshments to follow

TICKETS $10.00

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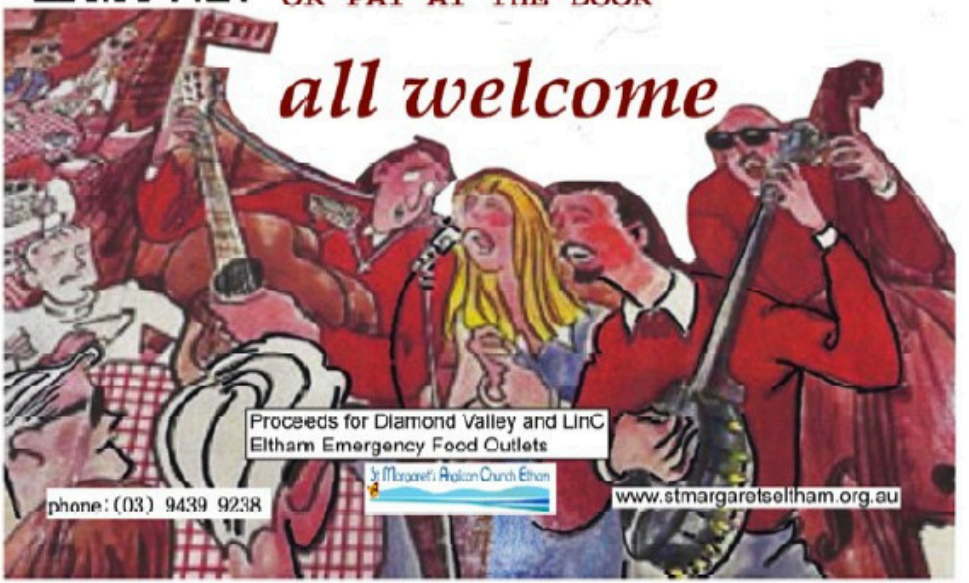

Photographs Needed for St Margaret's Day

I can't believe we are heading towards our Patronal Festival so soon!

This year, in light of our recent reflective review process, I would love to include photographs of members of each of our committees, groups and ministries in a PowerPoint presentation for the day.

I am therefore asking all convenors, chairs and coordinators to please take photographs of your respective groups and email them to Harry Watson by end of October. Email:

harry.watson.44@gmail.com

Thank you for helping us celebrate the wonderful people and ministries that make up our church family

With gratitude,

Revd Yvette

St Margaret's Anglican Church Eltham

St. Margaret's Day Parish Luncheon Sunday 15th November, 2026

St. Margaret of Scotland

Lunch will be served at 12.00pm

We have so much to celebrate:

- **This is our annual St. Margaret's Patronal Day when the whole of the Parish Family comes together as one**
- **We welcome our new Bishop Megan who will be preaching and presiding alongside us**
- **We will congratulate the Wardens and Members of the Parish Council who have been elected at the 2026 Annual Meeting**

Entertainmentwillbe brought tous bythe St.Margaret'sChurch band – bring your singing voice!

It's time to wear a touch of tartan

RSVP: Sunday 8 November 2026

To Book: please enter your name on the list in the church foyer and note any special dietary requirements. You are welcome to book for family and friends to celebrate with us Also, let us know if you need assistance with transport.

Cost: $25pp includes a full buffet meal and soft drinks. *BYOalcohol.Nochargefor children under 18.*

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Methods of payment:

- **Cash or cheque** inanenvelope marked with your name and placed in the openplate,orhandedtoaWarden
- **Online Payment into the** Parish bank account: BSB:033-091, Account 870706 *(please include your surname as reference)*
- By **credit or debit card** into the EFTpos machine which is situated in the church foyer *(please note wecanonlyidentify thesepaymentsifyouwritethe lastfourdigitsofyour card withyournameon thebookinglist).*

THE NARROW BRIDGE

The Narrow Bridge

Free film screening and discussion

A story of loss, courage and human connection

"The Narrow Bridge" follows four individuals whose lives have been shattered by conflict in the Middle East – yet who respond not with a desire for revenge, but with courage and compassion.

Rami, Bassan, Bushra and Maytal have each lost a child or parent. In the face of unimaginable grief, they choose to transform their pain into a bridge towards understanding and peace.

- How do we live after a devastating loss?
- How do we resist being defined by hatred?
- How do we hold onto our humanity in the face of violence?

Join us for a facilitated conversation exploring themes of reconciliation, shared humanity and connection across faiths.

Afternoon tea is included. Details about the film can be found at: www.thenarrowbridge.com

When:

Sunday6December, 2026
4pm–6pm

Location:

Eltham Montmorency Uniting Church, 810 Main Road, Eltham

Cost:

$10 or free if you are unable to pay at this time.

Register at:

events.humanitix.com/the-narrow-bridge-screening-dec

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For the harvest

Archbishop Ric Thorpe has set out our Diocesan Strategy

Renewal is God's work. *For the harvest* is the Diocese's vision and working strategy for 2027–2036.

It gives us a shared direction as we seek to become a healthier, more prayerful and more outward-looking Church: confident in Christ, attentive to the Holy Spirit and ready to join in what God is already doing.

Together, we are pursuing **a renewed Church proclaiming Christ across Melbourne and Geelong, so that every person may encounter the love of God**.

Three connected priorities

Forming missional disciples

Helping people of every age follow Jesus, grow in faith and share his love in everyday life. This happens through Scripture, prayer, worship and sacrament,

and through relationships, service and conversations about faith.

Raising and releasing leaders

Recognising people's gifts and helping them explore God's call, grow in character and gain experience. This includes lay and ordained ministry, and leadership in workplaces and communities. Existing leaders also need encouragement, support and opportunities to grow.

Renewing and planting healthy churches

Strengthening existing churches, supporting those needing renewal and establishing new Christian communities. Each place will need a response shaped by its people, gifts and circumstances, with support from the wider Diocese.

Watch the Archbishop's Charge to Synod 2026 / Anglican Diocese of Melbourne https://www.melbourneanglican.org.au/watch-the-archbishops-charge-to-synod-2026/ - info accessed 15/10/26 @8pm

At St Margarets Church – we will endeavour to support and be part of our Diocesan Strategy the best way we can

Please make sure you take a prayer card away with you after the service

St Margaret's Anglican Church Eltham

KEEP IN TOUCH

We send out this pewsheet weekly with updates on services, events, and our life together in our parish community.

To keep in touch with us, please complete this slip with your name and email address, tear off this page, and place it in the collection plate or hand to the clergy or greeter.

We look forward to seeing you again soon!

NAME:……

EMAIL:……

We will only use this information to add your email address to our parish mailing list. Please let us know at any time if you no longer to wish to receive parish emails.

FOYER SCREEN

If you, or any committee wish to publicise an event or news on our Foyer TV, please Contact Linda at lindadawn50@gmail.com

Pictures in PDF format please

Preventing Violence Against Women

Love does no harm.

No one should live in fear of violence

St Margaret's 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

Prayer Chain

For any prayer Requests

Mary Lynton-Moll

prayerchain@stmargaretseltham.org.au

or 0412 512 416

Mission Priorities for St Margarets Church

4 areas offocus forthenext5years

- *To grow the Church Younger*
- *To be a spiritual place for the lost, seeking and found*
- *To live as disciples of Jesus Christ*
- *To take the Church outdoors and take the church to the People*

What we carry out will be shaped by the 5 marks of Mission

The Five Marks of Mission are an important statement on mission. They express the Anglican Communion's common commitment to, and understanding of, God's holistic and integral mission. The mission of the Church is the mission of Christ.

The Five Marks of Mission:

The mission of the Church is the mission of Christ

1. To proclaim the Good News of the Kingdom
2. To teach, baptise and nurture new believers
3. To respond to human need by loving service
4. To transform unjust structures of society, to challenge violence of every kind and pursue peace and reconciliation
5. To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth