St Margaret's Anglican Church Eltham

Pew Sheet 4 October 2026
Pentecost XIX, Pet Blessing

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Sat 3rd October	8:00am	Meditation
	8:30am	Men's Breakfast
Sun 4th	8:00am	Pentecost XIX
	10.00am	Pet Blessing Service
Sun 4th	12:00pm	Pub lunch
Mon 5th	2:00pm	PVAW
	7:30pm	Faith Issues
Tue 6th	10:00am	Wardens meeting
Wed 7th	9:30am	Morning Prayer
	10:30am	Wednesday Service
Wed 7th	1:00pm	Pastoral Care team meeting
Thur 8th	10:00am	Property Committee
Sat 10th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 11th	8:00am & 10:00am	Pentecost XX
Sun 11th	4:30pm	Women of Spirit

Parish Office

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

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

Generous God,
whose hand is open to fill all things living with plenteousness:
make us ever thankful for your goodness,
and grant that we,
remembering the account that we must one day give,
may be faithful stewards of your bounty;
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 switch off mobile phones before services. Thankyou.

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Email: parishoffice@stmargaretseltham.org.au, Tel: 9439 9238
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 4 October 2026—Pentecost XIX 8am

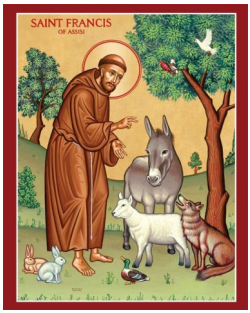
Pet blessing 10am

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God,
your Son Jesus was the stone rejected by the builders,
and, by your doing,
he has been made the chief cornerstone:
grant that, by the power of his Spirit working in us,
we may become living stones
built up into your dwelling place,
a temple holy and acceptable to you;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Exodus 20.1-4, 7-9, 12-20



Today's Psalm

Psalms 19

Second Reading

Philippians 3.4b—14

Gospel

Matthew 21. 33-46

Today's Music

Hymn: TiS 135 All things bright and beautiful v1,3-5

Hymn: If I were a butterfly (The Butterfly song)

Mission Hymn: TiS607 Make me a channel of your peace (8.00am)

Hymn: All God's Creatures

YouTube Link - Sunday 10:00 am Service
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCU8zWevMdRsIRq70IA6MUIg/live

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

First Reading – Exodus 20.1-4, 7-9, 12-20

1 Then God spoke all these words: 2 I am the Lord your God, who brought you out
of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; 3 you shall have no other gods
before me. 4 You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water
under the earth. 7 You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your
God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

8 Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. 9 For six days you shall labour and
do all your work.

12 Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land
that the Lord your God is giving you.

13 You shall not murder.

14 You shall not commit adultery.

15 You shall not steal.

16 You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

17 You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's
wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your
neighbour.

18 When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraid and trembled and stood at a distance, 19 and said to Moses, 'You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God
speak to us, or we will die.'

20 Moses said to the people, 'Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you
and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin.'

Second Reading: Philippians 3.4b—14

4 even though I, too, have reason for confidence in the flesh. If anyone else has
reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: 5 circumcised on the eighth day, a
member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; 6 as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. 7 Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come
to regard as loss because of Christ. 8 More than that, I regard everything as loss
because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I
have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I

may gain Christ [9] and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith.

[10] I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, [11] if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. [12] Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own.

[13] Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, [14] I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 21. 33-46

[33] 'Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watch-tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. [34] When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. [35] But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. [36] Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. [37] Finally he sent his son to them, saying, "They will respect my son." [38] But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, "This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance." [39] So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him.

[40] Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?'
[41] They said to him, 'He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time.'
[42] Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:
"The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
this was the Lord's doing,
and it is amazing in our eyes"?
[43] Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom.
[44] The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.'
[45] When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them.
[46] They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

The Memorial Service of Jean Taylor

Dear Church Family**,**

I would like to let you know that a Eucharist Memorial Service to honour the life of our beloved

Jean Taylor

will take place on **Friday, 2 October, at 1.00 pm**, with the interment of her ashes to follow.

Light refreshments will be served in our church hall afterwards.

I know that many of you will hold precious memories of Jean and may also remember the various ministries in which she was involved at St Margaret's.

As I prepare my homily, I would love to hear your memories and reflections. If you would like to share something about Jean's life, faith or contribution to our church community, please feel free to email me your words by Friday, 25 September.

And together we will celebrate Jean's life.

Peace be with you

Rev'd Yvette

"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. My Father's house has many dwelling-places… I am going there to prepare a place for you." ***John 14:1-3***

NOTICES

What's Coming Up

Sun 11th	8:00am & 10:00am	Pentecost XX
Sun 11th	4:30pm	Women of Spirit
Tue 13th	1:30pm 4:00pm	Memory Care Café Do Justice meeting
Wed 14th	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service
Wed 14th	2:30pm	Book Club
Sat 17th	8:00am	Meditation
Sun 18th	8:00am & 10:00am	Pentecost XXI
Sun 18th	11:30am	Pastoral Care session
Mon 19th	10:30am 7:30pm	Communications & Marketing Faith Issues Discussions
Tue 20th	10:30am	Spiritual Direction
Wed 21st	9:30am 10:30am	Morning Prayer Wednesday Service
Wed 21st	1:30pm	Finance Committee
Sat 24th	10:00am	Jam making workshop
Sun 25th	8:00am & 10:00am	Pentecost XXII
Sun 25th	2:00pm	Folk Gospel Café
Sun 25th	5:30pm 6:30pm	Taize meal Taize prayers

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	-

Season of Creation

From Sunday 6 September to Sunday 4 October, our parish community will be keeping the 'Season of Creation,' as we give thanks for the natural world and pray for our common life together, and for the care of creation. We will be preaching on themes related to Creation and its care, and our intercessions should also reflect our care for creation during this time.

WOMEN OF SPIRIT

11TH OCTOBER 4.30—6.00pm

EMBODYING THE FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT

What are the fruits of the Spirit? Meditate or contemplate on the fruits. How do we embody them in our daily lives? Opportunities to reflect through sharing, meditation, art, writing or silent contemplation.

Led by: Judy Scott

FAITH ISSUES DISCUSSION

All parishioners and friends are invited to Faith Issues Discussion on Monday 5 October 2026 at 7.30pm in the church. Refreshments will follow.

Lyn Beattie will lead a discussion on ***The Church as Salt.***

This promises to be an interesting and insightful discussion, so make every effort to attend.

Geoff Sandy MOB: 0434422768

ROSTER	4 October 2026 Pentecost XIX 8:00am	4 October 2026 Pet Blessing 10:00am	7 October Wednesday 10:30am
Celebrant	Rev'd Yvette Daniel	Rev'd Yvette Daniel	Lay Led
Preacher **Gospel**	Rev'd Andrew Murray *Matthew 21. 33-46*	Rev'd Andrew Murray *Matthew 6. 25-34*	Lay Led *Luke 11.1-4*
Sacristan **Assistant**	Barbara Speed	Jan Gack	N/A
Liturgical **Assistant**	Rev'd Andrew Murray	Rev'd Andrew Murray	N/A
Communion **Assistants**	Dave Greenfield	Adrienne Watson Mabs Jones	N/A
Greeters & **Sides People**	Catherine Pearson	Carol & Len Northmore	Jenny Disney
First **Reading**	Dawn Greenfield *Exodus 20. 1-4, 7-9, 12 -20*	Eltham Montmorency UC Reader *Genesis 1.24-31*	Lorna Howard *Galatians 2.1-2, 7-14*
Second **Reading**	Clive Noble *Philippians 3.4b-14*	Eltham Montmorency UC Reader *Saint Francis preaches to the birds*	
Psalm	*Psalm 19*		*Psalm 117*
Intercessor	Clive Noble	Rev'd Yvette Daniel Set intercessions	
Morning Tea	Helen Coutts	Sheila Cheary	TBC
Banking	John Humann		
Music	Helen Coutts	Worship Band	
Zoom/Ppt **Cameras**	Alan Coutts	Rob Mackenzie Sandra Brown-Holt	
Flowers	Mandy Stevens		

ROSTER	11 October 2026 Pentecost XX 8:00am	11 October 2026 Pentecost XX 10:00am	14 October Wednesday 10:30am
Celebrant	Rev'd Yvette Daniel	Rev'd Yvette Daniel	Rev'd Yvette Daniel
Preacher **Gospel**	Rev'd Andrew Murray *Matthew 22.1-14*	Rev'd Andrew Murray *Matthew 22.1-14*	Rev'd Yvette Daniel *Luke 11.42-46*
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**	Mary Lynton-Moll *Exodus 32. 1-14*	Adrienne Watson *Exodus 32.1-14*	Michael Tucker *Galatians 5.18-25*
Second **Reading**	Barbara Speed *Philippians 4.1-9*	Harry Watson *Philippians 4.1-9*	
Psalm	*Psalm 106.1-6, 20-24*	*Psalm 106.1-6, 20-24*	*Psalm 1*
Intercessor	Catherine Pearson	Sandra Brown-Holt	
Morning Tea	Mary Lynton-Moll	Anna Mott Carol Northmore	Jenny Disney
Banking	David Pryor		
Music	Helen Coutts	Amelia Trinh	
Zoom/Ppt **Cameras**	Sally Warner	John Humann Mandy Stevens	
Flowers	Sally Petty		

Come and join us for a thanksgiving service for our beloved animals & pets.

Sunday October 4th, 10:00 am

St. Margaret's Church Hall
79 Pitt Street, Eltham

Parish Financial Report—August 2026

		Actual	Budget	Variance
Income				
	Offertory	$ 7,494	$ 6,666	$ 828
	Other	$ 29,073	$ 27,553	$ 1,520
	Total	$ 36,567	$ 34,219	$ 2,348
Expenditure		$ 36,796	$ 36,251	$ 545
Deficit		-$ 229	-$ 2,032	$ 1,803

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

David Pryor, Parish Accountant.

Memory Café dates

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

OCTOBER 13, 27

NOVEMBER 10, 24

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

BOOK USING THE QR CODE

https://www.trybooking.com/DPRDP

OR PAY AT THE DOOR

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 Friday, 9 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 Parish Annual Meeting (AM)

Sunday 8th November 2026 at 11:30am

Updating of Electoral Roll: Please check your name is on the electoral roll, in order to vote at the AM. If you wish your name to be added to or removed from the roll, please complete the application form and give to Rev Yvette, one of the wardens, (Sally P, Harry W, Dave G) or Carolyn in the office, no later than Sunday 18th October. Forms are available in the foyer.

Annual Meeting Reports: Reports from committees and working groups, to be included in the annual report for the AM should be submitted to the parish office no later than Sunday 11th October.

Nominations for Vestry, Wardens, and Incumbency Committee are now invited and must be received by the Vicar by 2:00pm on Wednesday 28th October. Forms available in the foyer.

Jam for the St Margaret's Market Stall

This year, the parish will have a stall at the Eltham Rotary Festival on Saturday, 13 November. Along with taking the Church to the people through the stall, we are in need of jams, marmalades and preserves to sell.

To help with this, on **Saturday, 24 October** at 10am there will be a jam making workshop in the Hall Kitchen, which will be lead by Rev'd Andrew's mother - who is an experienced jam maker. There will only be space for **three or four** interested parishioners, who are encouraged to bring:

- A large pot.
- Fruit (such as fresh or frozen berries) to make into jam.
- White sugar.
- A sugar thermometer.

Some parishioners have begun to collect jam jars and lids, so please bring those in so we can assess what we have! We will also need attractive labels, both for the sides and the lids of the jars. Please speak with Rev'd Andrew for further details.

Electoral Roll - What is it and should I join?

What is the Electoral Roll?

It is your parish church's register of electors.

Being on the Electoral Roll does NOT make you a "member" of the Church; simply regarding St Margaret's as your spiritual home does that.

Do I have to join?

You can, of course, be a full and active member of St Margaret's Church without joining the Roll.

Being on the Electoral Roll does not entail signing up to any additional commitments, however, it does help the Church show its strength.

Representation on the governing bodies of the church depends on the number on the Electoral Roll.

Joining the Roll is compulsory if you wish to:

- Stand for election to the Parish Council or other synodical council such as Diocesan or General Synod) [1]
- Attend the Annual General Meeting and participate in votes.

The Eelctoral Roll form shows the criteria (copies in Church Foyer or from the Parish Office.

Please feel free to contact Revd. Yvette for a further conversation

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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.

Mthr Pirrial Clift

It's hard to fit my connection to St Margaret's into 100 words! Our family arrived in Eltham in 1975. Those born after '75 were baptised - and two were married – here. My Mum and sister's ashes lie in the Garden, where I plan to join them. I served in Sunday School, and committees, and as Vicar's warden... It's here where I learned how to be Anglican, and how to be a priest. Ordained in Newcastle and returning to Victoria after retirement, I live a contemplative life; keeping occupied with spiritual direction; leading quiet days and retreats; and an Associate Priest position at St Peter's, Eastern Hill.

God's peace be with you

Pirrial

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 Brigade.

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.

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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 of focus for the next 5 years

- *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.

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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