

# What's on at St Margaret's

## MARCH Diary Dates

SUNDAY	5th	9.25am	Candle lit – Quiet time
		9.30am	Sunday Service
MONDAY	6th	1.30pm	UCAF
TUESDAY	7th	3.00pm	Worship Planning Meeting
		7.30pm	Bowls
WEDNESDAY	8th	8.30am	St Margaret's Communion
		9.15am	Bible Study
THURSDAY	9th	9.45am-10.45am	Music Together
		10.30am	Baradine AC Communion
		10.30am-12 Noon	Church Office open
		7.30pm	Band Practice
SUNDAY	12th	9.25am	Candle lit – Quiet time
		9.30am	Church Service

**ARNIE WIERENGA.** INFORMATION Please note that Arnie may be contacted in the following ways:- MOBILE: 0419 553 434 EMAIL: arniew1965@gmail.com  
MAIL - P.O. BOX 306 MOOROOLBARK, 3138 Arnie will take his day off on FRIDAY each week . Unless there is an emergency please respect his opportunity to relax on this day free from phone calls.

### **OTHER CONTACTS - CHURCH COUNCIL EXECUTIVE:**

Chairperson: Marj Hookey 9726 7286 Secretary: Robert O' Shea 9735 2393

## **MARCH 12TH**

Reader: Marj Hookey

Ushers: Lorraine & John

Tea Station: Fay & Rex

Sound Desk: Clive Hamilton

Power Point: Alan Norris

Chapel Cleaning: Karen & Stephen

The Church Office is open on Thursday mornings 10.30am – 12 Noon telephone number 9723 7323 Notices can be emailed to [stmargarets@netspace.net.au](mailto:stmargarets@netspace.net.au) by 10.30a.m. each Thursday

### **FAMILY GATHERIING**

A "full house" for Family Gathering last Sunday when Barry Brown was our guest. We discovered Barry may have left school at 14, but he has studied all through his life. He married at 19 and married some 850 couples while minister at Wesley. Many stories and highlights made it a great evening, enjoyed by all present. Thank you Barry for sharing your story with us. Mark Sunday March 26th in your diary for our next Family Gathering.

Robert O'Shea.

**Celebrate Mooroolbark** This event will be held on March 25th. We are preparing activities for the children. As the theme is *It's easy being green* we are planning on having them plant seeds to take home. We could use the bottom part (about 8cm) of 1 litre cardboard milk cartons for this. If you could save some that would be helpful.

### **PANCAKE DAY**

Many thanks to everyone who came along and supported our Pancake Day event. We raised \$335 for Uniting Care projects. A special thanks to all the helpers who shared the preparation, cooking and cleaning up tasks. Our thanks too, to Joyce Dodge who was the main organiser and did a superb job. How fortunate we were to have such a perfect evening to spend in the pleasant setting of the playground/garden space.

**Suicide Awareness Forum** Wednesday, 15th March  
7.30—9.00pm Lilydale Uniting Church 68 Anderson Street  
Lilydale For information & booking:  
Lionel Parrott 9723 3447 Julie Hawkey 9878 0111  
See Notice Board for further information

**JARS** Jean Lardner is needing jars---350g approximately or any you want to get rid of. Thanks in anticipation, Jean

**WORSHIP PLANNING MEETING** to be held Tuesday 7th March at 3.00pm.



## THE LORD'S SUPPER

It was communion Sunday at our church. The children came down to the front for their talk. The minister produced a small blue wooden case with a handle.

What was inside? It wasn't a set of carpet bowls as someone suggested. He invited the children to open it and hold up what was inside. Out came a small silver flask, a silver cup, a silver bowl, and a silver tray with four small glasses. All beautifully polished.

What did it all mean? It was a portable communion set given to the minister 60 years ago when he was ordained. It could be packed up with small pieces of bread in the bowl, and wine in the flask, to give communion to all who could not come to church — the sick at home or in hospital, those on duty on Sundays, ambulance, fire-brigade and police.

There is a communion table in the front of our church, prepared with bread and wine to give the Lord's Supper to those who come on communion Sunday. But the Table of the Lord extends throughout the whole world. The Lord's Supper is everywhere, at all times and in all places, waiting to feed the people of God.

Lord, thank you for the universal ministry of word and sacrament and pastoral care — the Supper of the Lord. We do this in remembrance of Him.

**Bill Pugh**

**Early Morning Communion.**

For anyone who would like to join in this service on Wednesday 8th March at 8.30am.

Join Mark Scandrette for an evening to create thriving families of *belonging* and *becoming*

Date: Tuesday 14 March, 6:30pm to 9pm

Location: North Ringwood Uniting Church, 14 Dickson Cres, Ringwood

North Details: <https://ucavt.goregister.com.au/thrivingfamilies2017>

Refer Notice Board for further information

**UCAF tomorrow, March 6th, at 1.30 pm in the chapel.**

We will hear from Mrs Bev Gray, Mr David and Mrs Alison Ingamells who went on last year's UCAF Bus Trip to Western Victoria.

Please wear your name tag and bring something for the trading table and a small plate of afternoon tea to share

Everyone very welcome

More information from Katharine Davies (9726 5952) or Dorothy Gordon (9725 0733)

**An invitation to St Margaret's: KEEP CALM and BAKE 70,000 BISCUITS**

This Easter Prison Fellowship will provide every Victorian Inmate with 10 home-made biscuits, together with a card that explains the meaning of Easter. Can you and your friends, church community or school group help us? Help us to show the prisoners of Victoria that God loves them.

St Margaret's was very generous in supporting this last year with many varieties of delicious biscuits put in sealed containers. Julie Robinson will collect and take the biscuits to a pick up point before March 31<sup>st</sup>. Details of the required type of biscuits are available from her today. They will also be posted on the notice board in the foyer. Thank you. Julie.