

# What's on at St Margaret's

## OCTOBER Diary Dates

SUNDAY	8th	10.25	Quiet time – candle lit
		10.30am	Sunday Service
		12.30pm	Cluster BBQ lunch
MONDAY	9th	5.00pm	Finance & Property Meeting
TUESDAY	10th	9.00am	Dad's Army
		7.30pm	Bowls
WEDNESDAY	11th	8.00pm	Social Justice Meeting
THURSDAY	12th	9.45am–10.45am	Music Together
		10.30am	Baradine AC Communion
		10.30am- 12 noon	Church Office Open
		7.30pm	Band Practice
SUNDAY	15th	9.25am	Quiet time – candle lit
		9.30am	Sunday Service

### INFORMATION:

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

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

### **CHANGE OF CHURCH TIME - DAY TO REMEMBER.**

**ONE HOUR LATER.** OCTOBER 22nd we will commence our service at 10.30am when we will be celebrating our Frontier Services Sunday with a special visitor Rev. Rowena Harris, the East Gippsland High County Patrol Padre visiting.

### **15th OCTOBER**

<u>Reader:</u>	Carolyn Dunkley	<u>Ushers:</u>	Karen & Stephen
<u>Tea Station:</u>	Pat & Clive	<u>Sound Desk</u>	Rex Phillips
<u>Power Point:</u>	Michael Down	<u>Chapel Cleaning</u>	Michael Down

If you have a mobile phone or computer capable of emails, you or someone you know might like to receive our **Weekly Reflection and Notice Sheet** to stay in the loop. Speak to Franklyn or ring 0405802797.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS** Today the UNITING Christmas Card samples are available. Order lists are with each of the 5 new cards and there is also a mixed pack. 10 Cards for \$9.00. Payment is made on delivery. Orders may be made until 15th October. All profits to UNITING projects. thanks . Mari 9726 7286

**PLANNED GIVING** You can make your offering by direct debit to our church account with UCA Funds. I have forms available if you are interested. You can also use direct transfer to the church account using the following information - *BSB 704907. Account Number 109789008 Account Name Mooroolbark St Margarets Uniting Church.* Happy to chat if you would like more information. Robert O'Shea -Planned Giving Elder

### **THANK YOU**

The Kreitemeyer family would like to thank all involved with the funeral for their mother Cath recently. For Rev. Arnie and those who assisted with the service and for all who generously helped with the catering for lunch. The family greatly appreciate the love and care of the St. Margaret's congregation.

Friends of the late Cath Kreitemeyer will be saddened to hear that Cath & John's son John (Jnr.) passed away on October 1st.

His funeral was held on Friday. John had been suffering from a brain tumour. We extend our sympathy to the Kreitemeyer family on the loss of a son and brother.

### **Commemorating 500 years of Reformation**

We can join in singing hymns and listening to choirs from many backgrounds sing in their own languages. This celebration will take place at St Paul's Cathedral on Saturday October 28th from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. It will be followed by modern worship at Federation Square from 5:00 pm. There are more details on the notice board.



## AN ECUMENICAL ENCOUNTER

As a young minister, you received a visit from a selection committee before your first appointment. In Presbyterian days, before ordination, you were asked questions such as, "Do you assent to the teaching of the Westminster Confession, in the light of the Declaratory Statement?" Instead of something hard like that, the committee asked me a vital question for a country minister. "Do you play football?" I did, but not very well. I only made the seconds.

Every Saturday we travelled a fair distance to neighbouring towns. One day we were to play a team, which included the local Catholic priest. The supporters of the teams were delighted! A denominational clash was possible. Surely a picture in the local paper?

The results are now in the archives of the particular country association. They were secondary to the anticipated clash between the two clerics. Well, only a few bumps rattled the reverend gentlemen. And the umpires kept an eye on them. No reports for the tribunal!

The two never played against each other again. The priest was moved to another diocese. Rumour had it that he kept beating the bishop at golf. We are community of people, witnessing and lending a hand, involved. No denominational fences matter. Jesus' ministry was to all - priests, tax collectors, women and children. At home with fishermen and in the carpenter's shop, and by the lake.

*"I am among you as one who serves".* He said.

**Bill Pugh**

**Social Justice** The next meeting for social justice will be on Wednesday October 11th at 8:00 pm

**FRONTIER SERVICES BOXES.** Thankyou to the families who took money boxes in the last couple of weeks. The idea is to add some coins each week as you are able, then to return the box on 12th November. (St.Margaret's day celebration) If you have not picked up yours yet - boxes are available in the foyer today.

## **FETE - SATURDAY 11TH NOVEMBER**

**CHRISTMAS HAMPER** Lollies, chocolates, nuts, drinks of every type, hams, cakes, puddings, tinned or bottled fruit & vegetables, serviettes, mince pies, biscuits (tinned or packets), cordial, novelties and any other items you can think of that would enhance the hampers. Please help throughout October  
*Carolyn Dunkley 9726 7231*

**FETE HAMPER** – help desperately needed, either as cash or items suitable for Christmas hampers. Unfortunately we have all been forgetting this project!! the big white box is in the foyer ready for your gifts. See Carolyn or Marj if you wish to contribute cash.

**FAMILY GATHERING** Mark October 22nd in your diary when Rev Dr Barry Brown will be our special guest speaking on Martin Luther. Hope to see you then. Robert O'Shea 9735 2393

### **October at Uniting Church Adult Fellowship**

Words were provided for enjoyable and well known songs including a couple of rounds. The group was ably accompanied by Jean Lardner. Ken and Katharine Davies with Jean providing items as well. Members were prepared for the group to host here the Presbytery day for UCAF on the meeting date of May next year.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

Theme is Story Telling Mon 6<sup>th</sup> November 1.30pm **All Welcome**

#### **BOOK CHAT - Tuesday 17th October at 10:00a.m.**

"Towards a Theology of Peace" covers a topic of particular relevance for our present troubled times. Please feel free to borrow a book to read even if you won't be able to join with us for the chat. Please return your copy on or before 17th October. Marilyn O'Shea 97352393

**CROYDON PARISH PLAYERS . NEW PRODUCTION. JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOUR DREAMCOAT.** Friday 6th October until Saturday 14th October. Book tickets online at [www.Croydonparishplayers.com](http://www.Croydonparishplayers.com) . Further details on the Church notice board.

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