

What's on at St Margarets

JUNE Diary Dates

SUNDAY	3rd	9.25am 9.30am 2.30pm	Quiet time – candle lit Sunday Service Singularity sings for RYDA
MONDAY	4 th	1.30pm	UCAF
TUESDAY	5 th	9.30am 7.30pm	Dad's Army Bowls
WEDNESDAY	6 th		
THURSDAY	7 th	9.45am–10.45am 10.30am- 12 noon	Music Together Church Office Open
SUNDAY	10 th	9.25am 9.30am 2.30pm	Quiet time – candle lit Sunday Service Singularity sings for RYDA

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 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.

CONTACTS - CHURCH COUNCIL EXECUTIVE:

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

THE LINK The Link is available for collection today in the foyer. It really makes a difference if you make sure you collect your copy. Please leave the list of names for future use. They are just to help you find your copy if you are unsure of who delivers your Link.

10th JUNE 2018

<u>Reader</u>	Karen White	<u>Ushers:</u>	Merle & Graeme
<u>Tea Station</u>	Nancy & Ann	<u>Sound Desk</u>	Stephen White
<u>Power Point:</u>	Michael Down	<u>Chapel Cleaning</u>	Dal & Jenny

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 by 10.30a.m. each Thursday

NEWS FROM **MANUS ISLAND**

Hello my dear friend Mr. Franklyn. I wish the best for you and all the people in your church. I am sure your prayers will be answered soon. My situation is the same and nothing is changed. in my room during the days is too hot to live but no other choice for me. I have to wait and wait for unclear future to go to America or living in limbo situation for unlimited time. At night inside the room is cooler and I like to study and read some new books with my new laptop computer that you sent me last month to enjoy and relaxing my time and I am very happy for that. I hope and pray something good happen for all refugees and I soon. Thank you for your messages and your help. God bless you and all people in your church. Say my regards to them. Your friend, Mehran from refugee camp in Manus Island.

Last week, Salim, father of three, another asylum-seeker, committed suicide by jumping off a moving bus. On Friday evening, refugees and asylum seekers on Manus Island held a vigil for Salim, the seventh of their group to die on the island, and the third apparent suicide in less than a year. Supporters in Sydney and Melbourne will joined them.

Mehran and others have been in Australia's Offshore Detention Centre on Manus Island for over four years – for fleeing to Australia by boat !! (Article provided by Franklyn)

BOOK CHAT-changed date

"God with Us" - the meaning of the cross and resurrection. Then and now. Pick up a copy this great book by Rowan Williams and come along at 10.a.m. on **Tuesday 26th June** to "chat" and enjoy a cuppa and cake together. You are welcome to borrow a copy to read even if you are unable to join in the chat. Please return your copy by Sunday 24th or when we meet. Marilyn O'Shea 9735 2393

BOOK SALE & DEVONSHIRE TEA JUNE 16th 10am – 1pm

Please make an effort to come to the book sale – which will now also have a small plant stall . Come and enjoy morning tea and help raise funds for our mission outreach projects.

Plant Stall On the day of the Book Sale (**June 16th**) we will be having a 'modest' plant stall. If you'd like to make some contributions, please bring them on the day or let Joyce Dodge know about them earlier.

YOU'RE INVITED TO BE A PART OF A SAFE PLACE!

The Safe Church Awareness Workshop provides local volunteers and leaders with knowledge and understanding of our Safe Church policy and procedures. It gives you the opportunity to understand the importance of striving to be a Safe Church in our community and how you are an important part in our success

Appointed leaders are required to attend training and as such we will keep a record of attendance.

Appointed leaders are those who have been specifically asked and expected to hold a Working with Children Check (WWCC). These include Elders, Church Councillors, Sunday Activities Leaders, musicians, Power Point and Sound Desk operators, those involved in Kids Hope and Music Together, Lay Preachers and Retired Clergy. If you are in doubt, please ask or just come along to a training session to be informed.

The second evening training session **Wednesday June 13th at 7:30pm**. Other churches will also have training if you cannot attend one of the above dates.

For more information, contact Rev. Arnie 0419 553 434.

Singularity Sings For RYDA

Please put aside Sunday June 3rd, 2:30pm for a wonderful afternoon of music and silliness as Singularity presents Gilbert & Sullivan's Iolanthe in concert to support Rubaga Youth Development Association. Afternoon tea included.

Afternoon Tea? Yes Please.

If you are coming to the Singularity performance of Iolanthe on June 3rd, 2:30pm, please bring a plate of afternoon tea. We will have 30+ wonderful performers to refuel as well as ourselves. Thanks. We're all looking forward to a fun afternoon to support Rubaga Youth Development Association.

SAMMY STAMP - Save your stamps for Sammy! The used stamps you put in the box on the table in the foyer are taken into the Synod Office. Every Thursday in the Synod office a group of volunteers meet to sort and sell stamps. The money raised provides grants for special needs projects in Victoria, Australia and overseas that are worthy of assistance but not covered by other Uniting Church funding. Save your stamps to help. Please leave the stamps attached to paper. To trim the stamps cut around the stamp leaving a 3mm (1/8 inch) margin

FUND RAISING MEETING

Following morning service and morning tea on Sunday 17th June there will be a meeting of those who would like to share ideas on possible fundraising activities including modifying the Annual Fete. Your suggestions will help us make practical decisions. Please make this meeting a priority. Marj Hookey

FAMILY GATHERING

Last Sunday we had a great Family Gathering with Rev Dr Barry Brown and, through the marvels of modern technology, watched David Suchet reading Mark's Gospel. Our thanks to Barry for sharing this with us. As Winter is upon us and evenings are dark, wet and chilly Family Gathering will be in recess until Spring. i.e. Sunday September 23rd. Watch the September notice sheets for details. Robert O'Shea 9735 2393

TERRA CYCLE - RECYCLING PROGRAM – toothpaste tubes boxes, brushes etc plus any make up containers now have a new container – THE PURPLE BIN - Jorja and Chloe now have over 2000 items to send away (worth \$20 which they are donating to RYDA) Please continue to save these items – put them in the one bin.

FOOD FOR WESLEY & HELPING HAND. Please continue to remember those in our community who, because of personal circumstance, must seek support. The food items we collect for them to give to those in need are greatly appreciated.

JUNE UCAF

The next meeting of the UCAF is to be a Winter Special on Monday June 4th at 1.30p.m. Mr Ken Davies is on devotions, Katharine on trading table and Helen Lloyd hostess. As usual all are welcome, and attendees are asked if they can to bring a plate for afternoon tea and contribute to the trading table.

ART FROM THE VILLAGE 21st May to 13th July at Maroondah Access Gallery in the Maroondah Federation Estate, Greenwood Ave., Ringwood. 10 am - 4 pm Monday to Friday
Presented by Gifford Arts - Crovdon North.