

# What's on at St Margarets

## ***AUGUST Diary Dates***

SUNDAY	5 <sup>th</sup>	9.25am	Quiet time – candle lit
		9.30am	Sunday Service
MONDAY	6 <sup>th</sup>	1.30pm	UCAF
TUESDAY	7 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Bowls
WEDNESDAY	8 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Social Justice Meeting
THURSDAY	9 <sup>th</sup>	9.45am–10.45am	Music Together
		10.30am	Baradine AC Communion
SUNDAY	12 <sup>th</sup>	9.25am	Quiet time – candle lit
		9.30am	Sunday Service

**INFORMATION: 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.

**CONTACTS - CHURCH COUNCIL EXECUTIVE:**

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

### 12<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2018

<u>Reader</u>	Jean Curnow	<u>Ushers:</u>	tba(Fay & Rex)
<u>Tea Station</u>	Nancy & Ann	<u>Sound Desk</u>	Dal Drieberg
<u>Power Point:</u>	Michael Down	<u>Chapel Cleaning</u>	tba (Clive)

**ROSTER AVAILABILITY.** A form is on the notice board for you to fill in if you are to be away for an extended time or know you are not available for some time. Also if you are willing to assist for any of the areas it would be greatly appreciated – Please write your name on the form. Or if you wish to be taken off the rosters, thank you for past services write on the form  
 Bev Trollope

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

**WHAT'S OFFERING** *Figures at June 30th show that total Offerings received in the first six came to \$40,238. The budget target was \$44,150. Offering received through Planned Giving was \$36,284 which was \$4,716 less than the \$41,000 anticipated in the budget while Open Plate Offering amounted to \$3,954 which was \$804 greater than the \$3,150 target set in the budget.*

Thankyou for your continuing generous giving whether through envelopes, direct debit, direct transfer or the open plate in support of our mission and. ministry. Robert O'Shea Planned Giving Elder

### UCAF

The August Meeting of Uniting Church Adult Fellowship will be held tomorrow Monday 6<sup>th</sup> August in the small church at 1.30pm. Those attending are asked to bring a small plate of food for afternoon tea, and if possible a contribution to the trading table. The speaker has the topic UCAF and is to be Margaret Pedler. Margaret sat on the immediately past committee of the UCAF of Australia.

New members are always welcome.

### .WITH LOVE TO THE WORLD.

Available now in the church foyer. Please take one today.

### THE LINK

Please help provide some copy for the September Link . Wednesday 15th will be the very last day . I was delighted on Monday when an email came into my inbox late in the evening from Doug in a A 380 Airbus high above Indonesia with some contributions! However I badly need some more items.

Ph 9726 7286 [marjhokey@hotmail.net.au](mailto:marjhokey@hotmail.net.au)

**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

# NEWS FROM

# MANUS ISLAND

**A couple of months ago Mehran said he wished he had a computer so he could learn things and read books. Three of us sent him a laptop.**

*Hello dear Mr. Franklyn Parrent. I hope you are fine and everything is ok with you. I really appreciate you for remembering me by your friendly email and also the song , trust the God, excellent song!  
recently I have started a new business! I bake cookies and muffins and sometimes bread for selling to local people. I usually go on Internet through my laptop computer for reading new methods and watching some videos in the field of bakery.*

*I always get up very early in the morning about 3 am beacuse all refugees are asleep in my flat that time so I use the kitchen and oven till six am after baking I go to the market for selling! after selling I go shopping to by some items for baking.*

*These days I am very busy. So please accept my apologies if I am late to answer your email on time.  
And also I am still waiting for Aemerica DHS result, to go to America or not to go!*

*Thank you again for your emails and also for your help. many blessings to you and have a peaceful night.*

**Mehran and others have now been in Australia's Offshore Detention Centre on Manus Island for FIVE YEARS – for fleeing to Australia by boat !!** (Article provided by Franklyn)

### **LOST PROPERTY**

Have you noticed a number of lost property items in various parts of the foyer? Several umbrellas are among them. I have asked the Chin Church to look at the clothing. If you have lost anything recently please check, garments make the place look very untidy.

**BOOKS** Yes, additional books will be welcomed in preparation for the Fete in November **BUT only novels**, hardback or paperback please.

Let me know if you would like me to come to pick them up or bring them on a Sunday or leave them in the Chapel. Many thanks  
Robert O'Shea 9735 2393

### **FOOD FOR WESLEY**

No more single use plastic bags BUT please keep on with your food donations to Wesley. They need and greatly value our support. I pack all the items into shopping bags for ease of transport so it's not a problem if you leave items loose in the trolley. Thankyou for your continuing support. Robert O'Shea

**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.

**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.

### **Social Justice Meeting**

The next meeting for Social Justice will be on Wednesday August 8th starting at 7:30 pm.