

What's on at St Margaret's

OCTOBER Diary Dates

SUNDAY	14 th	9.25am	Quiet time – candle lit
		9.30am	Sunday Service
TUESDAY	16 th	7.30pm	Bowls
THURSDAY	18 th	9.45am–10.45am	Music Together
SUNDAY	21 st	9.25am	Quiet time – candle lit
		9.30am	Sunday Service

OCTOBER 28TH. SERVICE COMMENCES 10.30 a.m.

CATERING FOR ARNIE'S FAREWELL 28TH OCTOBER.

It would help if you could please write your offer for food on the list available today. As it is an early lunch offers of sandwiches would be appreciated.

INFORMATION: ARNIE WIERENGA 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

21st OCTOBER 2018

<u>Reader</u>	Rex Phillips	<u>Ushers:</u>	Nancy & Carolyn
<u>Tea Station</u>	Jean & Bev	<u>Sound Desk</u>	Clive Hamilton
<u>Power Point:</u>	Franklyn Parrent	<u>Chapel Cleaning</u>	Robert O'Shea

The Church Office is open on Thursday mornings telephone number 9723 7323 Notices can be emailed to stmarginrets@netspace.net.au by 10.30a.m. each Thursday

CHRISTMAS CARD ORDERS

Uniting Christmas card orders are available in the foyer today. This year there is the option of 2 ways of placing your orders.

There are 20 separate order forms which can either be taken home to complete or completed immediately. Or you can write your order on a list. Uniting has sent a Poster illustrating all the cards as well as providing samples. Orders will be COD. We would like to place the main order at the end of October.

FRONTIER SERVICES SUNDAY On Sunday 21st October we will celebrate Frontier Services There is a special appeal at the moment being held by Frontier Services to assist drought relief. There is a great need to support farmers and small towns in most states. Did you see the recent ABC 4 Corners program? It showed the plight of many farmers is desperate. **At the conclusion of the service on the 21st Oct. there will be a RETIRING OFFERING FOR DROUGHT RELIEF.** Please support this appeal. Mari

ANNUAL FETE The fete will be held on Saturday November 10th. Today there is a list of cafe requirements available in the hall .
Please make a financial gift to help supply the cafe and BBQ.

FETE AND BOOK SALE.

Books for the **BOOK STALL** at the Fete may be brought along for the next 2 weeks. Please no cook books, gardening books or text books – they just don't sell these days.

CHRISTMAS CAKES Please order Christmas Cakes as soon as possible . Almost 2kg (4lb) Collect on fete day or before. \$27.00. See Marj for details. (726 7286)

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
There will be a box in the foyer for collection.

GIFTS FOR FETE CHRISTMAS HAMPER.

Thanks to those folks who have left gifts in the large box. If you would prefer to give a gift of money to Carolyn to purchase on your behalf, place this in an envelope and give to Marj if Carolyn is not at church.

NEWS FROM **MANUS ISLAND**

Hello my friend Franklyn, sorry for delay, I am still living in Manus Island refugee camp and waiting for unclear future, I hope at least , next year and new Australian government give us a new life or a better situation for living. Manus island in png is not safe for living but who cares!

Yes, I am enjoying my business as a baker and every day I have more customers who like to eat and taste my products, such as, banana muffin, banana cake and sometimes pizza or loaf bread. I usually get up very early in the morning and finish baking before 8 am, and then go to town for selling and buying flour and banana for next day, and in my free time I study in the field of baking and cooking.

The money that I get from my business is not too much but that is ok because I am busy.

Thank you for following the news about us and your prayers always in your messages for me and my friends. I wish you the best things and more blessing every day for you and your family.

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)

Rally: Nauru & Manus In Crisis - Bring Them Here

2pm Sat Oct 27 at the State Library 328 Swanston St City
Promoted by The Justice unit at the Uniting Church

Service of Healing and Hope: Thursday October 25th, 7:30pm

This special service is a church response to the recent Royal Commission and our commitment to keeping children safe. Hosted by St. Margaret's, we will be joined by Mooroolbark Christian Fellowship. All are welcome. Rev. Arnie Wierenga

CHURCH DIRECTORY

Thank you to all who responded with updated details for the church Directory. Today is the last day to notify changes.

RYDA Update I have been unable to communicate directly with Director Geoffrey in recent weeks, but I was able to speak with Principal Suzan on Monday. She tells me Geoffrey has been able to return to work at the Centre part time as his health improves. Also the examination season has begun so it is very busy and intense for all the staff and children. Please pray that each and every child is inspired to do the best they can in their exams. All of us, RYDA staff and all supporters, are only in this to help these orphaned and vulnerable teenagers towards a positive future. *Doug.*

Quilts for Orphans. A Festival of Quilts

You are warmly welcomed to this exciting event over 8 days at Mont De Lancey Historical Homestead in November.

Details as follows:

Address: 71 Wellington Rd, Wandin.

Dates – Friday 8th November to Sunday 18th of November [Monday & Tuesday closed]

Hours – 10 am to 4 pm.

The flyer is available here at St Margaret's

All details and bookings are available online: quiltsfororphans.org

There are many exciting events, displays, and challenges for quilters.

Also, Monty's Tea Room will be open.

If you have any questions, please talk to Julie Robinson who has been a member of the group since 2011. Her phone number is 9727 2736.

Her gift is hand stitching the bindings on the quilts and ironing.

She will be on duty ironing on 16th in the 'Maker's Marathon'.

Come and enjoy.

Be inspired by their mission of 'Creating fabric hugs for children and adults in need worldwide.'