

WHAT'S ON AT ST MARGARET'S

NOVEMBER Diary Dates

SUNDAY	18 th	9.25am	Quiet time – candle lit
		9.30am	Sunday Service
MONDAY	19 th		
TUESDAY	20 th	9.30am	Dad's Army
		7.30pm	Bowls
WEDNESDAY	21 st		
THURSDAY	22 nd	9.45am–10.45am	Music Together
SUNDAY	25 th	9.25am	Quiet Time – candle lit
		9.30am	Sunday Service
			Mission Study

MINISTRY ARRANGEMENTS NOVEMBER.

TODAY Nov. 18th Rev. Dr Barry Brown - Baptism

Nov. 25th Rev. Dr. Barry Brown

CONTACTS - CHURCH COUNCIL EXECUTIVE:

Chairperson: Marj Hookey 9726 7286

Secretary: Robert O' Shea 9735 2393

St.Margaret's website maintained by Franklyn -

<http://wordpress.stmargaretsuca.org>

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Reader Merle Munday

Tea Station Nancy & Ann

Power Point Michael Down

Ushers: Robert & Marilyn

Sound Desk Stephen White

Chapel Cleaning Ken & Katharine

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

Take ... Donate ... Give

Take as many RYDA Christmas Gift Certificates as you wish. Donate to give them value (a marked envelope in the offering will work). Give them as a stocking filler or special gift. Or, ask for a Christmas Gift Certificate for yourself, then the giver adds the value. Pick up certificates when you see them at church, print them for yourself

from: <http://www.blackdouglas.com.au/ryda/chrgift.htm> or ring Doug 0401 177 775.

Letter Writing If you are concerned about the actions of the Filipino President then you can write a letter of concern using the guidelines in the pocket on the Social Justice board End Duterte's Dirty Deeds— support Human Rights in the Philippines

FASHION PARADE An invitation is extended to any ladies who would like to attend the Tillow Fashion Parade on November 21st commencing at 7 p.m. at Croydon Uniting Church Fellowship Room and hosted by the Croydon Evening Fellowship. Supper will be provided. Any queries please contact Adele Allen 9779 9448 Mobile 0431 125 394

MISSION STUDY NEXT SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER

Next Sunday following morning tea we will meet in the hall for the Mission Study to help build the profile we need to commence our search for a new minister. We would like as many to attend as possible so that you can share your ideas. The study is expected to last up to two hours. Part way through we will have a break for lunch. We plan to provide a light lunch for those attending **BUT** we need to know who is coming. A list is in the foyer today If you are attending please add your name to the list **TODAY**.

Contact Marj if you have any questions or concerns 9726 7286.

Thank you for your faithful support for Helping Hand. Presently, we are in need particularly of small tubs of fruit, toothpaste, shampoo and feminine products, and would be most appreciative of these items. Many thanks. Merle

NEWS FROM **MANUS ISLAND**

Hello my dear friend, Mr. Franklyn Parrent. I hope you are fine and thank you very much about your two last messages and sorry if I am late.

Yes, I am happy about good news in Nauru. And I also heard all refugees in Nauru will be move to Australia very soon hopefully.

It is good to call me a baker. I have a good feeling when I touch flour every day and I like to learn more about baking cake and bread, so not only I work but I study in this field every day. And maybe I will continue this job in future. Yes some refugees they came back to Manus unwillingly and some others like Sadegh is still in Port Moresby and spending their time there willingly and they are happy just because they are not in Manus!

And sometimes refugees pretend that they are sick to be sent to Port Moresby for medical treatment from Manus because they cannot tolerate the terrible weather and difficult life in Manus.

Thanks God I am too busy to think about my medical problems and difficult life in Manus.

I like to be sent a good and safe country soon and forget all my problems during about six years, here in Manus and start a new life, so I will be more happy and appreciate you if you remember me in your prayers.

Many blessings to you from your friend Mehran - a refugee from Manus island.

BLUE FOR NAURU

In the week before Universal Children's Day (20 Nov) the #KidsOffNauru campaign is calling for Australians to "go blue" in solidarity with the children and families our nation has trapped on Nauru. Blue can symbolise sadness and depression - which is appropriate given the suffering these people are enduring in our name. (Article provided by Franklyn and promoted by The Justice unit at the Uniting Church)

TEAR Gift Cards available early

The TEAR Australia Gift Catalogue will be available to take home today. If you would like to buy gifts sooner than the Alternative Christmas Market in early December, see Jan or Michael Down. We will have the cards available on Sundays or ask Jan if you can drop in during the week.

Gift cards range in price from \$5 for chickens, \$25 for safe water, \$70 for a toilet, all the way to a well or water system for \$1700.

TEAR Australia's work:

Across Africa, Asia and the Pacific, TEAR Australia enables people to overcome poverty by equipping them to lead their own development initiatives. We do this in partnership with local Christian development organisations, supporting them as they walk alongside the poorest and most marginalised people in their communities. See tear.org.au for more information.

TERRACYCLE RECYCLING PROGRAM IS BACK!

Thanks to the Blowfield family we will be able to continue our good habits of recycling makeup , beauty , hair products and dental products once more. The items will be collected and given to the Manchester Primary School who are involved in the Terracycle program. Containers need to be empty and if washed also need to be perfectly dry. This is a great way to recycle containers not easily recycled in any other way.

The grey bin will be in the foyer each week for your contributions.

CHOIR PRACTICE FOR THE CHRISTMAS PERIOD

begins on THURSDAY 29TH NOVEMBER AT 8.00PM – all singers welcome.

Ken Davies