

What's on at St Margaret's

APRIL Diary Dates

SUNDAY	14 th	9.30am	Sunday Service
MONDAY	15 th		
TUESDAY	16 th	7.30pm	Bowls
WEDNESDAY	17 th		
THURSDAY	18 th	6.30pm	Upper Room Meal & Service
FRIDAY	19 th	9.30am	Good Friday Service
SUNDAY	21 st	6.30am	Cluster of Churches – Lilydale Lake
		9.30am	Easter Day Sunday Service

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CHURCH BANKING DETAILS.

BENDIGO BANK BSB 633 000 ACCOUNT NUMBER 157 319 310

ST. MARGARET'S UNITING CHURCH

21st APRIL 2019

Reader Merle Munday

Tea Station Jean & Bev

Power Point: Franklyn Parrent

Ushers:

Sound Desk

Chapel Cleaning

Nancy & Carolyn

Stephen White

Merle & Graeme

Save The Date

Singularity will perform Gilbert & Sullivan's 'Patience' in concert at St. Margaret's Sunday June 2nd, 2:30pm. Tickets just \$10. All proceeds will go to Rubaga Youth Development Association, Uganda. Hope to see you there. Please spread the word.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

This coming Thursday (18th April) there will be a service in the Chapel at 6.30pm. It will be a Passover Service led by our minister Robert. We will enjoy a simple meal of soup and bread. We need one more volunteer to make soup.

If you could help, please let Marj know. Please make a special effort to attend this service.

LENTEN APPEAL.

The Uniting Church has a special Easter Appeal known as the Lenten Appeal for specific projects.

Offerings for this Appeal may be given at any of the services now or over the Easter period.

Please use the envelope attached to the brochure you recently received or just use an ordinary envelope marked Lenten Appeal.

EASTER SERVICES.

Maundy Thursday 18th April 6.30pm – Upper Room meal & service in the Chapel

Good Friday 19th April – Service at 9.30am

Easter Day - Sunday Dawn (6.30am) Cluster of Churches Service at the Lilydale Lake – Entry first car park.

Easter Day 21st April Service 9.30am.

CROSSLIGHT April "Crosslight" is now available.
Pick up your copy from the table in the foyer today.



Little things

It takes little effort to show kindness, and yet I sometimes wonder whether this gift of the spirit is endangered. I regularly catch trams. Some tram drivers show little generosity in their actions. They ignore people banging on the closed door or others who breathlessly run for the tram about to depart their spot. But there are also drivers who have an empathetic spirit. As I sat in the comfort of the tram recently, I watched a young woman sprinting down the street, clearly headed for the stop. I hoped for her sake someone would be waiting there to ensure the driver stopped. No one. However, the driver braked, opened the doors and waited for the breathless passenger to alight. No doubt she was relieved. That small action felt like a gift to me. A reminder of our humanity, and of the power we each have to give freely to others – or to withhold.

As you go about your daily activities, be conscious of the small acts of kindness and generosity you can demonstrate to a friend or stranger.

By Sue Anne Jones

TERRA CYCLE - RECYCLING PROGRAM – toothpaste tubes boxes, brushes etc plus any make up containers please place in – THE BLACK BIN - Please continue to save these items.

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 stamp 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

Earth @ Peace Conference

If you are interested in this conference and forum about a just and ecologically sustainable peace please check the details on the notice board. April 23 –24

PASSION PLAY PRODUCTION

The Passion Play is to be performed on Palm Sunday, 14 April at 1.30PM, and Good Friday, 19 April at 10.00AM, at the Holy Cross Centre: 207 Serpells Road, Templestowe.

LIVE PERFORMANCE

FREE ADMISSION

FOOD FOR WESLEY. 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. Please no plastic bags

FAMILY GATHERING All are welcome at our next Family Gathering on Sunday 28th April Join with us at 5:30p.m. in the Chapel to travel through South Australia and fly over Lake Eyre.

Please bring some savoury and sweet finger food to share after our journey. An interesting evening and good fellowship with friends is assured.

Robert O'Shea

Helping Hand continue to be most grateful for our continual and generous support. At present they are needing tinned tomatoes, margarine and cereal & 2-minute noodles. There is also an urgent need for more volunteers as one girl sadly died unexpectedly and another ill. If you or someone you know are interested, the manager Di, would be pleased to come and talk with you.

Contact Merle on 97265150

FETE MEETING There will be a Fete meeting on Sunday April 28th immediately following church, to decide how we will plan this year's fete which will be on November 9th. Please note this in your diary and make a special effort to attend.