



WELCOME TO THE PARISH of East Lake Macquarie

Service Times & Locations

Church of the Transfiguration, Merrigum St, Windale

- Sunday 8:30 am

All Saints, 24 Church St, Belmont

- Sunday 9am Eucharist
- Sunday 4pm FAITH@4
- Wednesday 10:30 am

St Peters, 28 Josephson St Swansea

- Sunday 10:30 am
- Friday 9.30am



Today's Readings

- **Isaiah 2:1-5**
- **Psalm: 122 (APBA page 360)**
- **Romans 13:9-14**
- **Matthew 24:36-44**

We acknowledge the first nations' people of the Awabakal & Darkinjung nations, traditional custodians of the east side of Lake Macquarie.

We pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

We commit ourselves to the ongoing work of healing and reconciliation.

OUR PARISH TEAM



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THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

DAY	DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME	CENTRE	DETAILS
Thursday	24/11	mainly music	9.00am	Belmont	In the hall
		Study Group	10-11am	Swansea	At Julie's Place

FOR YOUR DIARY

DAY	DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME	CENTRE	DETAILS
Monday	28/11	Service of Lament	6.00pm	Cathedral	Lamenting Domestic and Family Abuse
Saturday	03/12	Belmont Garden Morning	8.30am – 11.00am	All Saints Belmont	Any help would be appreciated to finish the weeding.
Sunday	4/12	Carols on the Lawn	5pm	Windale	Free sausage sizzle & drink. BYO chairs. Santa will be coming.
Friday	9/12	Swansea MU Christmas Lunch	11.30am	Swansea Hotel Restaurant	Everyone invited to join MU members. Phone Carol 0414 425 941
Sunday	11/12	Baptism & Confirmation	8.30am	Windale	Bp Charlie's Visit
		A Christmas Celebration	2.00pm	Christchurch Cathedral	Newcastle University Choir. \$30-35 www.TryBooking.com
Friday	16/12	Blue Christmas	9.30am	Swansea	For those for whom Christmas is a difficult time.

SUNDAY CLERGY ROSTER

DATE	WINDALE - 8.30am	BELMONT - 9am	SWANSEA - 10.30am	BELMONT - 4pm
27/11	Fr Peter	Rev Alison	Fr Peter	Fr Peter
4/12	Rev Robyn	Fr Peter	Rev Alison	Fr Peter

ECOCARE ... An ethic of caring for Creation should begin to be expressed in the various dimensions of our community life:

- » the liturgical life of congregations
- » the way properties are managed
- » the ecological awareness and lifestyles of members of the congregations
- » the parishes' understanding and living out of its Mission.

If you are interested in Ecocare in Elmac and would like to meet with us to develop a 'Climate Action Kit'. please contact Robyn Fry.

DOMESTIC AND FAMILY ABUSE - Service of Lament

Newcastle Anglican Church is committed to responding to the reality of domestic and family abuse. As part of this commitment, we are holding a Service of Lament to express our deep sorrow that domestic and family abuse is part of the life of our community and our churches.

The service will be held on Monday 28 November at 6pm at Christ Church Cathedral.

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK

For the world: Pray for peace and justice in war torn countries and the easing of tensions between nations. For leaders of all nations as they make decisions for their citizens. Pray for peoples facing starvation and lack of medical aid.

For the Church: We pray for Bishops Peter, Sonia, Charlie. Parishes of Nelson Bay & Stockton, The Church of Pakistan, National Council of Churches in Australia, The Diocese of Wangaratta (Bp Clarence Bester); Manning Valley Anglican College, Darren Parkes (Principal), Greg Anderson (Lay Chaplain); Toby Mills & Dee Ross (People Care). Pray for those who were ordained priest yesterday in Christ Church Cathedral - Mary Horn, Narelle Riley, Kyle Taylor and Toni Wein. We should also pray for The Rev'd Nathan Killick and The Rev'd Stephen Niland who were installed as Cathedral Canons.

For the wider Community: Pray for the towns in Central NSW affected by flooding in the past few weeks. The emergency services who are dealing with the aftermath and clean up. Those left homeless and those who have lost so much. For Authors & Poets and others with a creative spirit.

People who have asked for our prayers: Alan, Margaret, Fr Stan, Pat, Judy, Ian, Liam, Joel & Alex, Donna, Aaron, Elaine, Lu, Lyn, Sylvia, Margo, Bess.

Please contact Narelle if you would like to put someone on the prayer list.

PLEASE NOTE: Names will only be kept on the list for one month unless there is a need to keep them on for longer

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Almighty God, give us grace that we may cast away the works of darkness and put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came among us in great humility, that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

READINGS

DECEMBER 4th ADVENT 2

- Isaiah 11:1-10
- Psalm: 72:1-7, 18-21 (APBA page 294)
- Romans 15:4-13
- Matthew 3:1-12

ABM Reflections THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - Sunday 27 November 2022

Isaiah 2.1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13:9-14; Matthew 24.36-44

Keep awake ... you must be ready: as we begin the Western Church Year, we are exhorted to take things seriously by being alert and vigilant. How can we prepare ourselves? By finding ways to be closer to Jesus: in prayer, in reading the Scriptures, in serving others.

Give thanks that we have time to prepare ourselves this Advent: before Jesus is present as a baby at Christmas, before Jesus is present in bread and wine, before Jesus is present as Judge of the world. Give thanks for the Church of Bangladesh, remembering especially today their ministry in a predominantly non-Christian context.





CANDLE BEARERS & READERS NEEDED

For our Service of Carols & Lessons
Monday 19th December - 7.30pm
at All Saints

Please put your name on the list at the back of the church

If there is something you want to have included in the Bulletin, please send your information to Narelle by the Wednesday prior to the Sunday, you want it included.
Email – nsherring@bigpond.com or
phone 0447 450 182
or email one of the parish Clergy

Advent and Christmas

APPEAL 2022

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ONLINE

www.abmission.org/Christmas2022

CALLING ALL GARDENERS

Saturday 3rd December 8.30am – 11.00am

We will be having a gardening morning at All Saints Belmont

Any help would be appreciated to finish all the weeding in our church gardens. If you are able to help even for half an hour it would be good.

Please bring gloves, tools & don't forget your hat, water and sunscreen!



Together we work to strengthen the Parish of East Lake Macquarie for the future

Each of you must give as you have made up your mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7

Regular weekly giving is essential to the life of our parish and your gifts can be offered for the Parish or for Mission in 2 ways:

1. Directly into the appropriate baskets before or after each service
2. By Electronic Funds Transfer

Many People are finding that this is an easy, fuss free way to maintain their support. Donations this way can be easily arranged by speaking to your bank directly or set it up through internet banking.

BANKING DETAILS FOR DIRECT ON-LINE GIVING:

If you would like to start giving in this way you will need the following

details: **BSB:** 705 077 **Account Name:** ELMAC **Account Number:** 000 405 34

Perhaps you might even like to arrange a gift in your will to assist the Parish into the future.

The Anglican Church of Newcastle takes allegations of misconduct and abuse seriously.

We welcome and encourage everyone with concerns to come forward.

TO REPORT A CRIME TO NSW POLICE RING 131 444 OR RING 000 IN AN EMERGENCY
TO CONTACT CHILD PROTECTION HELPLINE RING 132 111 OR TO CONTACT THE
PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS DIRECTOR

Phone: 1800 774 945

Write: Director of Professional Standards – PO Box 494, Newcastle NSW 2300

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