

19th November 2023
Pentecost 25

WELCOME

To The Parish of East Lake Macquarie

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You are responsible for the talents that have been entrusted to you.

Matthew 25: 14-30

Readings for Today

Judges 4: 1-10	1 Thessalonians 5: 1-11
Psalms 123	Matthew 25: 14-30

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 & reconciliation.

EMERGENCY APPEAL

You can donate to the hospital appeal by going to the ABM website - abmission.org or mark your donation in Sundays giving.

AL-AHLI HOSPITAL IN GAZA



SERVICE TIMES & LOCATIONS

WINDALE - Talinga Close Church Of the Transfiguration • Sunday 8:30am	BELMONT - 24 Church St All Saints • Sunday 9am Eucharist • Wednesday 10am	SWANSEA - 28 Josephson St, St Peters • Sunday 10:30am Eucharist • Friday 9.30am
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FOR YOUR DIARY

ACTIVITY	DAY	DATE	TIME	VENUE
Belmont MU AGM	Tuesday	21/11	1.30 pm	All Saints
ORDINATION – Rev John	Saturday	02/12	10am	Christ Church Cathedral
Advent Reflection	Wednesday	06/12	12 noon	With The Magi to The Manger
Windale Community Carols	Friday	08/12	4pm	Windale Church Grounds
Volunteer Thankyou Luncheon	Saturday	09/12	12 noon	Belmont Parish Hall

SUNDAY CLERGY ROSTER

DATE	SERVICE	WINDALE	BELMONT	SWANSEA
19/11	Pentecost 25	Fr Peter	Rev. Alison	Rev. John
26/11	Christ the King	Rev. Alison	Fr Peter	Rev. Alison
03/12	Advent 1	Rev. Alison	Rev John Fr Peter	Fr Peter

ELMAC Meaningful Meander – 3

About 20 parishioners met at Webb Park in Redhead last Monday to meander meaningfully along the boardwalk, observing God's creation.

Well, many of us passed a RED-bellied black snake sunning itself next to the path. Luckily it stayed asleep and didn't bother us, nor us it!

People from all over the Diocese are hearing about this wonderful ministry and joining us.



MOTHERS UNION UPDATES

Belmont Mothers Union AGM –
Tuesday 21st November at 1:30pm

We will commence with a Eucharist in the church, followed by our meeting.

Sandy Boyd, Lesley Byrne & Helen Edwards are rostered on for afternoon tea which will be in the hall.

St Peters Mothers Union Swansea - Would like to invite you to join us at our Christmas Luncheon to be held at Swansea Hotel Dining Room, on **Friday 8th December, 2023** from 11.30am till 1.30pm (Following the 9.30am Church Service).
 Contact Carol 0414 425941



THANK YOU : THANK YOU : THANK YOU : THANK YOU : THANK YOU : THANK YOU : THANK YOU : THANK YOU : THANK YOU

To all our wonderful volunteers

You are all invited to join us for our annual
THANKYOU LUNCHEON

Saturday 9th December 12 noon at Belmont Parish Hall



Prayers for the Week

FOR THE WORLD: Pray for peace and reconciliation in areas of conflict. People of Nepal affected by the earthquake.

FOR THE CHURCH: The Diocesan Bishops, Peter, Sonia and Charlie. Parishes of Mt Vincent, Kurri Kurri and Weston (Revd Dr Theresa Angert-Quilter), Telarah/ Rutherford (Revd Sarah Dulley), Wollombi Valley, Fr Rod Bower (Diocesan Dir of Mission), CEY Ministries (Kate Baker). The Bush Church Aid Society.

WIDER COMMUNITY Hospitals and Medical Centres, Students studying Medicine and other Allied Health subjects. First Peoples, Awabakal and Darkinjung people.

PEOPLE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS: Arthur, Maree, Betty, Jenny, George, Sylvia.

PLEASE KEEP PRAYING FOR A SUITABLE VENUE FOR OUR OP SHOP

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Almighty God, whose sovereign purpose none can make void:
give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world,
knowing that your kingdom shall come and your will be done, to your eternal glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

NEXT WEEKS READINGS

26th November Christ the King

- Ezekiel 34: 11-16, 20-24
- Psalm 100
- Ephesians 1: 15-23
- Matthew 25: 31-46

If you have Bulletin items, please phone, text or email Narelle on:

0447 450 182 or nsherring@bigpond.com

SAMARITANS CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2023

"The magic of giving...."

Thank you all for your kind donations in the past.
Christmas should be a time of giving and spreading God's love.
Sadly, some families do it tough around this time of year and find it hard to make Christmas the joyous time it should be.
Check out the Poster for lots of great ideas but please remember –

- Don't wrap the gift!
- If giving a gift card, they should not come from establishments where alcohol is sold.

Thank you all in advance as I hope you will all get behind this appeal.

Your representative
Sandra Wilcher (Bim)

Your Gifts can be dropped under the tree at any of our Parish Churches or Shops



WINDALE - Carols on the Lawn

4pm Friday 8th December

Join us for Carols with a FREE Sausage Sizzle for everyone

Volunteers needed to help set-up, do the BBQ and give out drinks etc. as well as pack up after the Carols.

If you can assist, please contact Jacqui – 0415 290 389



With The Magi to The Manger....

The Magi followed a star to welcome the Saviour of the World amongst us with the best gifts they had.....

On our journey through Advent, let us discover anew our 'God Given Gifts' and bring them to the Manger.....



12 noon on Wednesday,

- December 6th 'Receiving'
- December 13th 'Giving'
- December 20th 'Living'

at the Church of the Transfiguration - Talinga Close, Windale

For more details
Please contact
Rev. John Carroll,
0419703410

ABM



Pew Reflection

God has endowed us with many gifts, we each have something that is useful in God's service. How we use what has been given to us is all important. There is always more that we can do, for God wishes us to be fruitful and multiply, not that we may have more wealth, but that we expand God's kingdom and reign here and now.

- God, you have blessed me with many gifts. May I use them to the best of my ability and for your service.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Anglican Church of Korea, the Daehan Seong Gong Hoe

Text: Fr Matthew Smedley, Diocese of Perth
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SHARING YOUR GIFTS

Please give generously to support our Parish & assist us in providing Mission and Ministry now, and into the future.

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. Donations this way can be easily arranged by speaking to your bank directly or set it up through internet banking.

BANKING DETAILS FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING:

BSB: 705 077

Account Name: ELMAC

Account Number: 000 405 34

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 Email: dps@newcastleanglican.org.au

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