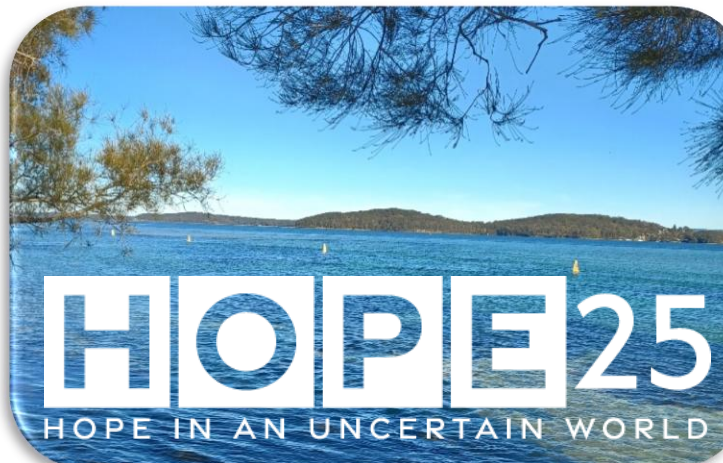


WELCOME

to the Parish of East Lake Macquarie



2nd Sunday of Easter

27th April 2025

Acts 5: 27-32

Psalm 118: 14-29

Revelation 1: 4-8

John 20: 19-31

3rd Sunday of Easter

4th May 2025

Acts 9: 1-6 (7-20)

Psalm 30

Revelation 5: 6-14

John 21: 1-19

PARISH CLERGY TEAM



Parish Priest:

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0427 643 817



Priest (hon):

John Carroll

0419 703 410

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0422 404 869

TREASURER

Chris Charlton

0417 448 979

PARISH COUNCIL SECRETARY

Pam MacAskill

0457 731 991

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

GENERAL CONTACT DETAILS: Postal Address: PO Box 116, Belmont

Website: www.elm-anglican.au

Phone: 02 4945 0575 (Rectory)

Facebook: EastLakeMacquarieAnglican

Prayers for the Week

FOR THE WORLD: Pray for our brothers and sisters of the Roman Catholic Church throughout the world. For those parts of the world that suffer due to political upheaval and war.

FOR THE CHURCH: Bishop Peter, Charlie and Sonia (Assistant Bishops), parishes in Lake Macquarie. The Anglican Church throughout Australia and the Season of HOPE25.

WIDER COMMUNITY: Pray for the Federal Election on 3rd May 2025. For the candidates and those who work behind the scenes for the election.

PEOPLE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS: Penny, Anne, Joy, Ethan, Melba, Anna, Robert, Maree, Clara, Claire, Jacqui, Ros, Gary, Helen, Kath, Louise & John Paul

FAITHFUL DEPARTED: Pope Francis

In this first week of Easter, we give thanks for the life and witness of Pope Francis whose ministry welcomed people, humility encouraged people, care inspired people of faith and those of none. We pray that he might rest in peace and rise in glory. Amen

Please note: If you would like to have yourself or someone else (with their permission) included in the prayers, please fill out a Prayer Request available from each centre or contact Fr Peter or Rev Alison. People are only included for 1 month.

4th Sunday of Easter - 11th May

* Acts 9: 36-43 * Psalm 23
* Revelation 7: 9-17 * John 10: 22-30

5th Sunday of Easter - 18th May

* Acts 11:1-18 * Psalm: 148
* Revelation 21:1-6 * John 13: 31-35

POSITION VACANT - Volunteer Role

Would you be interested in a volunteer position working closely with people & playing an integral role in the leadership of our Elmac OP SHOP?

ELMA's Op Shop BELMONT

(East Lake Macquarie Anglicans)

Currently has a vacancy for a
VOLUNTEER CO-ORDINATOR
to join our management team in
a volunteer capacity.

If you would like to have a chat about this position, please speak to
Fiona Tinney 02 4945 0575

2025 Fete on The Hill

OUR PARISH MAJOR FUNDRAISER FOR THE YEAR, NEEDS YOUR HELP.

Please get involved, please offer assistance

MEETING - Monday 5th May - 4pm in All Saints Hall

ABM Pew Reflection

Acts 5.27-32; Psalm 118.14-29; Revelation 1.4-8; John 20.19-31

Today's reading shows us how important doubt is to faith. It is 'Doubting Thomas' who is the first to proclaim that Jesus is God, not the others. It is Thomas, who having weighed things up in his mind, and presented with the truth, who comes to a spiritual breakthrough. May we embrace doubt as something good and necessary for a robust, lively faith.

- Pray for those who experience long periods of questioning and uncertainty as they work through their faith.
- Give thanks for the work and witness of the Amity Foundation, China

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SHOP VOLUNTEER TEAM MEETING

As we have so many wonderful SHOP Volunteers it can be difficult to make sure that everyone is on the same page so bringing people together for a meeting helps to do this.

**We are having a Volunteer TEAM Meeting on –
Saturday 10th May at All Saints Belmont Hall at 12.30pm.**

A light lunch will be provided. Please try to attend if possible.

To place something into the Bulletin please contact
Narelle Sherring

Email:
nsherring@bigpond.com

Phone: 0447 450 182

For Your Diary

EVENT	DATE	DAY	TIME	DETAILS
Election BBQ and Cake Stall	3 rd May	Saturday	8am - 12	See Notice
2025 Fete Meeting	5 th May	Monday	4pm	All Saints Hall
Shop Volunteer Meeting	10 th May	Saturday	12.30pm	All Saints Hall
HOPE25 Season	20 th April		6 weeks	Until Pentecost
Cancer Council Biggest Morning Tea	24 th May	Saturday	10am	All Saints Hall
HOPE25 Community Dinner	11 th June	Wednesday	5.30pm	All Saints Hall
Parish Fete	11 th Oct	Saturday	8.00am	Belmont Site
ABM Myanmar Fundraising LUNCH	30 th Nov	Saturday	1.00pm	All Saints Hall

Clergy Roster

DATE	SERVICE	WINDALE	BELMONT	SWANSEA
27/04	2 nd Sunday of Easter	Rev Alison	Fr Peter	Rev John
04/05	3 rd Sunday of Easter	Fr Peter	Rev Alison	Fr Peter
11/05	4 th Sunday of Easter - Good Shepherd	Rev Alison	Fr Peter	Bishop Charlie

ELECTION DAY - BBQ, Craft & Cake Stall - Saturday 3rd May

Outside All Saints Hall - If you can assist by donating some cakes or helping on the day, please put your name on the list at the back of the church.....

East Lake Macquarie Anglicans

Cancer Council BIGGEST MORNING TEA

10am Saturday 24th May Cost: \$10 (at either centre)

at All Saints Belmont Hall, Church St, Belmont

10am Wednesday 28th May

at Merrigum - Talinga Close, Windale

JOIN US FOR Lots of Fun Games & Raffles



Let's get together and enjoy a cuppa so we can support this GREAT cause together!!!

HOW CAN YOU ASSIST OUR PARISH?

A. Volunteers are always welcome in a variety of areas.

For further information please speak to the Clergy or one of the Wardens.

B. Financial Support

Your generosity is very important to assist our Parish to Provide Mission & Ministry NOW, & into the future.

Financial 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

Help share the hope that we have in Jesus during this season, from Easter Day - April 20 to Pentecost Sunday June 8, 2025.

Hope 25 is an opportunity for us to share the hope that we have in Jesus.

It is an intentional season of sharing hope for every parish and community in the Australian Anglican Church.

OUR ELMAC HOPE 25 Ambassadors:

- ❖ Helen Edwards (Chair)
- ❖ Pam MacAskill
- ❖ Bethany Wooden
- ❖ Christine Penniford
- ❖ Dennis and Mulan Moroney
- ❖ Jan Gibson
- ❖ Penny Warrall
- ❖ Maria Yankos
- ❖ Peter Yankos

HOPE25 PRAYER

God of Hope

you call on us to be your witnesses in this uncertain world;
by your Spirit awaken in us
a true vision of your kingdom
a greater certainty of our salvation, and
a deeper dedication to your service;
that through our words and actions the same Spirit may
bring many who are lost to be found,
and for them to celebrate the hope
that we can only have in Jesus Christ,
in whose name we pray. Amen

WHATS HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH >>>>>>>

➤ **HOPE 25 BANNERS** - Parishioners were asked to decorate a calico square that reflected their thoughts on what HOPE 25 meant to them. Then these were all brought together by one of our Parishioners, Christine Penniford who created 2 wonderful banners to hang on the wall in the Church Hall

➤ **HOPE 25 YARN BOMBING** – The All Saints Church Hall verandah rails that face the Street have been YARN BOMBED to highlight Hope 25. This activity has been led by the All Saints craft group, which includes a mix of community and church members. Together with some other parishioners they have created a wonderful array of brightly knitted lengths of yarn to grab people's attention.

➤ **HOPE 25 COMMUNITY MEALS** - We have also commenced having a community meal every couple of months as part of the Hope we have in Jesus and our second one is planned for June 11th after which we will consider future plans for this new ministry.

➤ **HOPE 25 SINGERS** - We are also looking at creating a Parish Singing group

➤ **HOPE 25 BIBLE STUDIES** - We are also looking at exploring the possibility of an Alpha course or other studies into the near future.

