

"We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land we gather on today, and all First Nations people. We pay our respects to Elders past and present. We commit ourselves to listening, healing and building relationship."

# WELCOME

to the Parish of East Lake Macquarie



## PARISH CLERGY TEAM



**PARISH PRIEST:**  
**Peter Tinney**  
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(Sunday-Thursday)



**PRIEST (HON):**  
**Robyn Fry**  
0427 643 817



**PRIEST (HON):**  
**John Carroll**  
0419 703 410

## CHURCH WARDENS

Gary Wilcher	0429 469 008
Anne Ramplin	0448 620 421
Kevin Brennan	0422 404 869

## TREASURER

Chris Charlton	0417 448 979
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## PARISH COUNCIL SECRETARY

Pam MacAskill	0457 731 991
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## SERVICE TIMES & LOCATIONS

### WINDALE - Talinga Close

Church of the Transfiguration  
Sunday 8:00am

### BELMONT - 24 Church St

All Saints  
Sunday 9.30am Eucharist  
Wednesday 10am

### SWANSEA - 28 Josephson St

St Peters  
Sunday 11:00am Eucharist  
Thursday 10.00am

## GENERAL CONTACT DETAILS:

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## Lent 4 15th March 2026

**1 Samuel 16: 1-13**  
**Psalms 23**  
**Ephesians 5: 8-1**  
**John 9: 1-41**



We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" Then he went and washed and came back able to see. **John 9:4-7**

## Lent 5 – 22nd March 2026

**Ezekiel 37: 1-14**      **Psalms 130**  
**Romans 8: 6-11**      **John 11: 1-45**



Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" **John 11:25-26**

# Prayers for the week .....

**FOR THE WORLD:** Peace in the Middle East and Ukraine, Myanmar and places of tension and conflict.

**FOR THE CHURCH:** Bp Peter, Asst Bps Sonia and Charlie; Newcastle Anglican Corporation, The Church of Ireland, Extra Provincial Dioceses (Ceylon, Cuba, Bermuda, Lusitania, Spain and Falkland Islands). The Diocese of North Queensland (Bp Keith Joseph); Newcastle Grammar School - Matthew Macoustra (Head of School); Parish of Toronto - Melanie Whalley.

**WIDER COMMUNITY:** Prime Minister and Cabinet, Social welfare and justice ministries and work; those who are homeless; for agencies supporting for those in poverty. For us to be a welcoming and hospitable community.

**PEOPLE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS:** Stan, Robert, Anne, Kath, Penny, Shirley, Anne, Neil, Rose, Matthew, Stephen, Jenny, Guy, Joanne, Patricia, Barry, Maree, Vinette, Warren and Kathleen, Harry, Nola, Bruce and Peter.

**RECENTLY DEPARTED:** Clive Gerard, Barry Minnett

**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. People are generally only included for 1 month.

## Readings for:

### Lent 6 – 29<sup>th</sup> March 2026

1 Samuel 16: 1-13      Ps 23  
Ephesians 5: 8-14      John 9: 1-41

### Easter Day – 5<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Acts 10: 34-43      Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24  
Colossians 3: 1-4      Matthew 28: 1-10

## Clergy Roster:

DATE	SERVICE	WINDALE	BELMONT	SWANSEA
15/03/26	Lent 4 – Mothering Sunday	Rev. Robyn	Fr Peter	Rev John
22/03/26	Lent 5	Steve Evans	Fr Peter	Fr Peter
29/03/26	Lent 6 – Passion/Palm Sunday	Rev John	Fr Peter	Fr Peter
01/04/26	Stations of the Cross		Rev John	
02/04/26	Maundy Thursday Liturgy		Fr Peter	
03/04/26	Good Friday	Rev Robyn	Fr Peter	Rev John

## For Your Diary:

EVENT	DATE	DAY	TIME	DETAILS
Easter	05/04	Sunday		Services at all Centres
Biggest Morning Tea	16/05	Saturday	10am	All Saints Hall - In aid of the Cancer Council
Sams Winter Appeal	06/06	Saturday	12.30pm	Lunch at All Saints Hall



## 'COFFEE, CARE & CRAFT'

9.30 - 12pm 1st & 3rd Saturday morning of each month in Windale Church Hall

Any kind of craft can be done, such as - crocheting, knitting, sewing etc.

Everyone is welcome whether they do craft or not, some even like to play cards.  
At Windale Church Hall - Talinga Close, Windale



## PALM SUNDAY PREPARATION

**WE ARE IN NEED OF PALM FRONDS,  
CAN YOU HELP?**

We will need some at Belmont by Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March for Palm Cross making.  
**AND** larger ones for decorating the churches by Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March at all centres

**Join us for palm cross making –  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2.30pm  
at All Saints Belmont**

If you can assist, please contact us on -  
[elmacpriest@gmail.com](mailto:elmacpriest@gmail.com) or 0474 644015

## ZOOM MEDITATION ... Wednesday mornings at 7.30am

A small meditation group meets on Wednesday mornings at 7.30am on using Zoom  
If you would like to join them or find out more, please contact Rev John on 0419 703 410

If you are looking to strengthen or broaden your Prayer life you can download an App called –

### **Lectio 365 Daily Bible Prayer**

If you need any further information, please speak to Rev John or Fr Peter

If you have anything to include in the pewsheets please send it to Fiona by Monday each fortnight....

[fionakeryn@gmail.com](mailto:fionakeryn@gmail.com)

or phone Fiona on 0451 677 702

## THE PARISH OF EAST LAKE MACQUARIE

### 2026 LAY LEADERSHIP TEAM

#### WARDENS

1. Gary Wilcher
2. Anne Ramplin
3. Kevin Brennan

#### PARISH COUNCILLORS

1. Chris Charlton
2. Pam MacAskill
3. Barbara Govan
4. Nancy Lott
5. Ameera Hale
6. Helen Edwards
7. Fiona Tinney
8. Steven Evans

#### MISSION SECRETARY

1. Sandra Wilcher

#### INCUMBENCY BOARD

1. Bill Plumridge
2. Ameera Hale
3. Nancy Lott
4. Anne Ramplin (Alternate)
5. Gary Wilcher (Alternate)

#### SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES

1. Fiona Tinney
2. Bim Wilcher
3. Gary Wilcher

Please pray for our newly elected Parish Leaders as they steer our Parish into the future

## 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**



# Parish Of East Lake Macquarie

## HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES 2026

DAY	DATE	TIME	CENTRE	DETAILS
WEDNESDAY	01/04	10.00am	Belmont	Holy Eucharist
		5.00pm	Belmont	Stations of the Cross
THURSDAY	02/04	10.00am	Swansea	Holy Thursday
		6.00pm - 9.00pm	Belmont	Maundy Thursday Liturgy & Watch Altar of Repose
FRIDAY	03/04	9.00am	Swansea	Good Friday Liturgy
		9.00am	Belmont	
		9.00am	Windale	
HOLY SATURDAY	04/04	6.00pm	Belmont	1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Easter Lighting of the New Fire Blessing of Paschal Candle
EASTER SUNDAY	05/04	8.00am	Windale	Easter Service
		9.30am	Belmont	
		9.30am	Swansea	



## The 2026 Parish LENT STUDY

### the ABM Study - "HOLIDAY"

This study will provide a wonderful insight into Jesus Ministry with engaging Stories of Jesus set in an Australian landscape!

This is a new book from Steve and Vanessa Daughtry, author and illustrators of ABM's Advent Study, CARAVAN. The Study will be held at -

- 2pm Thursdays at Belmont Hall until 26<sup>th</sup> March
- 7.30pm Thursdays On Zoom, led by Bernard Goldman. Please add your email address and name to the list at the back of each church.
- 9.30 Sundays at Windale (after Morning Tea) Led by Darrell Fox

**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](mailto:dps@newcastleanglican.org.au)

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