## ANGLICAN PARISH OF ALTONA/LAVERTON



St Eanswythe's Altona St Clement's Altona Meadows O Te Wairua Tapu Ki Poipiripi

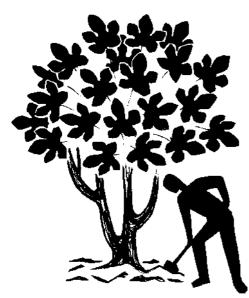


To proclaim God's love and life in Christ: growing in faith + serving others + nurturing a common life

## 20th March 2022 THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

8:30am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's 10:30am Sung Eucharist, St Eanswythe's

> Wominjeka :: Haere mai Welcome



A warm welcome to our worship today, especially if you are with us for the first time or visiting from elsewhere.

This booklet contains the full order of service: please join in the parts printed in bold type.

During these times we are all asked to take responsibility for COVID-safe precautions:

- ♦ If you have any symptoms of illness, you should be remaining at home.
- ♦ Please use hand sanitiser on arriving and leaving, check in by the QR system, and maintain physical distancing where possible.
- ♦ Please feel free to use a mask if you wish.
- •All are encouraged to share refreshments outdoors, and only those who have been vaccinated may do so indoors.

Our parish lies on the country of the Kulin nation. We recognise and honour the Indigenous custodians of this land over countless generations, and we pay our respects to their elders, past and present. We commit ourselves to the path of reconciliation, justice and healing (including to Pay The Rent to local First Nations people).

## LENT

The season of Lent covers the forty days (not including Sundays) from Ash Wednesday to Easter Eve. It recalls the forty days spent by Jesus in the desert, fasting and praying. For the Church it is likewise a time of preparation, prayer and fasting: a wilderness time.

From early in the Church's history, Lent was principally viewed as a period of preparation for those to be baptised at Easter. As candidates for baptism were instructed in the Christian faith, the whole community was invited to join them in the process of study and repentance. So too for us, Lent leads towards the renewal of our baptism at Easter.

Our worship has a different, more subdued character during these weeks: we omit the *Gloria in excelsis* (Glory to God in the highest), and there is a greater emphasis on repentance and renewal, experienced at its starkest in the Ash Wednesday liturgy. The liturgical colour is purple, symbolizing penitence and humility.

Our confession of sin moves to a later position in the service, as a response to the Ministry of the Word, allowing God to reveal where our lives need to be opened up again to God's work in us. It is immediately followed by the Greeting of Peace, as we turn to our neighbours and recognise an amazing gift: that because we have been reconciled to God, renewal and reconciliation and peace have also become possible in our human relationships.

As Lent progresses we are drawn inexorably towards the mystery of Jesus' passion, death and resurrection. The dramatic and distinctive liturgies of Holy Week—Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday—lead us to a place of emptiness and desolation, into which the exultant alleluias of Easter burst with new life and hope.

God of all seasons, in your pattern of things there is a time for keeping and a time for losing, a time for building up and a time for pulling down. In this holy season of Lent as we journey with our Lord to the Cross, help us to discern in our lives what we must lay down and what we must take up, what we must end and what we must begin.

Prayer from the Church of Scotland

## Gathering in God's name

We meet in God's name, as God's people – children of God in all our rich diversity, with all that we carry from the complexity of our lives – and turn our hearts and minds to God's presence in our midst.

The Collect then 'collects' our prayers and turns our attention towards the Bible readings which will follow.

HYMN 349 In the cross of Christ I glory (at 10:30, found in the red hymn book Together in Song)

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins, whose mercy endures for ever.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

#### PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Let us pray.

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

silence

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

### THE COLLECT (PRAYER OF THE DAY)

O God, the fountain of life, to a humanity parched with thirst you offer the living water that springs from the Rock, our Saviour Jesus Christ: stir up within your people the gift of your Spirit, that we may profess our faith with freshness and announce with joy the wonder of your love. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

## **Opening the Scriptures**

The readings come from different parts of the Bible: different perspectives on the great story of God's presence and purpose among us. In the psalm we respond with the ancient words of prayer of God's people.

The sermon adds to our own reflections on the readings, and then we respond by affirming the faith as handed to us from previous generations.

#### FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

All of you who are thirsty, come to the water! Whoever has no money, come, buy food and eat! Without money, at no cost, buy wine and milk! Why spend money for what isn't food, and your earnings for what doesn't satisfy? Listen carefully to me and eat what is good;

enjoy the richest of feasts.

Listen and come to me; listen, and you will live.

I will make an everlasting covenant with you, my faithful loyalty to David.

Look, I made him a witness to the peoples, a prince and commander of peoples.

Look, you will call a nation you don't know, a nation you don't know will run to you because of the LORD your God, the holy one of Israel, who has glorified you. Seek the LORD when he can still be found; call him while he is yet near.

Let the wicked abandon their ways and the sinful their schemes.

Let them return to the LORD so that he may have mercy on them, to our God, because he is generous with forgiveness.

My plans aren't your plans,

nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. Just as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my plans than your plans.

(55.1-9; CEB)

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **PSALM**

O God, you are my God: eagerly will I seek you.

My soul thirsts for you, my flesh longs for you: as a dry and thirsty land where no water is.

So it was when I beheld you in the sanctuary: and saw your power and your glory.

# For your unchanging goodness is better than life: therefore my lips shall praise you.

And so I will bless you as long as I live: and in your name will I lift my hands on high.

# My longing shall be satisfied as with marrow and fatness: my mouth shall praise you with exultant lips.

When I remember you upon my bed: when I meditate upon you in the night watches,

# How you have been my helper: then I sing for joy in the shadow of your wings,

Then my soul clings to you: and your right hand upholds me.

(63.1-9)

#### SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Brothers and sisters, I want you to be sure of the fact that our ancestors were all under the cloud and they all went through the sea. All were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. All ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. They drank from a spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was Christ. However, God was unhappy with most of them, and they were struck down in the wilderness. These things were examples for us, so we won't crave evil things like they did. Don't worship false gods like some of them did, as it is written, *The people* sat down to eat and drink and they got up to play. Let's not practise sexual immorality, like some of them did, and twenty-three thousand died in one day. Let's not test Christ, like some of them did, and were killed by the snakes. Let's not grumble, like some of them did, and were killed by the destroyer. These things happened to them as an example and were written as a warning for us to whom the end of time has come. So those who think they are standing need to watch out or else they may fall. No temptation has seized you that isn't common for people. But God is faithful. He won't allow you to be tempted beyond your abilities. Instead, with the temptation, God will also supply a way out so that you will be able to endure it.

(10.1-13; CEB)

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN 344 Glory be to Jesus (at 10:30, found in the red hymn book Together in Song)

#### THE GOSPEL

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

With all your heart turn to me, for I am tender and compassionate.

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

A reading from the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.** 

Some who were present on that occasion told Jesus about the Galileans whom Pilate had killed while they were offering sacrifices. He replied, "Do you think the suffering of these Galileans proves that they were more sinful than all the other Galileans? No, I tell you, but unless you change your hearts and lives, you will die just as they did. What about those eighteen people who were killed when the tower of Siloam fell on them? Do you think that they were more guilty of wrongdoing than everyone else who lives in Jerusalem? No, I tell you, but unless you change your hearts and lives, you will die just as they did."

Jesus told this parable: "A man owned a fig tree planted in his vineyard. He came looking for fruit on it and found none. He said to his gardener, 'Look, I've come looking for fruit on this fig tree for the past three years, and I've never found any. Cut it down! Why should it continue depleting the soil's nutrients?" The gardener responded, 'Lord, give it one more year, and I will dig around it and give it fertilizer. Maybe it will produce fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down.""

(13.1-9; CEB)

For the Gospel of the Lord:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

#### SERMON

#### NICENE CREED

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church: We believe in one God, the Father, the almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayer and penitence

We bring our prayers for the world and the Church, trusting that all things and all people are in God's hands.

We acknowledge before God our failings and our brokenness, and claim the hope for wholeness and renewal that is found in the cross of Jesus.

At the greeting of peace, we recognise that God's gift of peace constantly renews our human relationships and forms us as the Body of Christ.

#### THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for all people and for the Church throughout the world.

The response to the prayers is

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude with our Parish Prayer

God of this ancient land, holy beyond time and place, you search us out and name us your beloved children. Work in us to fulfil your longing and compassion for every person. Send your Spirit to renew our life, and give us courage to rise and follow where Jesus calls. Amen.

#### CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Everyone is welcome to kneel or remain seated.

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.

Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

Father eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbour, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault.

We have wounded your love, and marred your image in us.

We are sorry and ashamed, and repent of all our sins.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past; and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.

With our hearts turned to God in repentance, with the knowledge of our sins laid bare before the cross of Jesus Christ, in the name of the living God, your sins are forgiven.

Receive God's mercy, take hold of your forgiveness, and, in the power of the Holy Spirit, walk in the light of Christ.

Amen.

#### THE GREETING OF PEACE

Christ has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.

We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.** 

Everyone is invited to turn to those around, and offer a greeting of peace from where you stand.

Offerings of money or groceries can be placed in the basket/box provided.

## Celebrating at the Lord's table

Our offerings of money and groceries remind us that we are called to participate with our lives and livelihoods in the coming of God's kingdom of justice, healing and peace.

In the Great Thanksgiving, the priest voices the prayer of the whole assembly, recalling the mighty acts of God, Jesus' saving death and resurrection, and his last meal with his friends. The prayer calls on the Holy Spirit to make Christ present in our sharing of bread and wine, and to remake us as Christ's body in the world. We respond with the Lord's Prayer, as the crucified and risen Jesus prays anew through us.

Our sharing is a gift of grace, a communion with Jesus and with each other. There is a place here for each and every person.

HYMN 538 Feed us now, Bread of Life (at 8:30 & 10:30, found in the red hymn book Together in Song)

#### PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation. Through your goodness we have these gifts to share. Accept and use our offerings for your glory and for the service of your kingdom.

Blessed be God for ever.

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The priest praises God for God's mighty acts. All respond:

... with all creation we raise our voices to proclaim the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The prayer continues by recalling the Last Supper, and concludes:

All glory and honour are yours, Father and Son, with the Holy Spirit in the holy Church, now and for ever.

Amen.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are confident to pray:

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND THE COMMUNION

The priest breaks the bread and says

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ. We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Most merciful Lord, your love compels us to come in. Our hands were unclean, our hearts were unprepared; we were not fit even to eat the crumbs from under your table. But you, Lord, are the God of our salvation, and share your bread with sinners. So cleanse and feed us with the precious body and blood of your Son, that he may live in us and we in him; and that we, with the whole company of Christ, may sit and eat in your kingdom. Amen.

The gifts of God for the people of God. This is the Lord's table. All who seek God's mercy are welcome.

Everyone is invited to share communion or receive a blessing: please come forward as indicated and stand at one of the places marked in white. Children who have been baptised are welcome to share communion. If you would prefer not to share communion, please indicate when the minister comes to you.

[At 10:30] While communion is being shared, we sing:

Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten; those who seek God shall never go wanting. Nothing can trouble, nothing can frighten: God alone fills us.

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## Going into the world

The Eucharist is food for the journey of faith, whatever awaits us as we go out to the rest of our lives. We have been renewed, transformed, and blessed: now we take that blessing to share with others, in our words and actions, our hearts and lives.

'The Eucharist never ends — it must be lived.'

#### NOTICES

#### POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

God of mercy, may we who have shared in this holy meal know your forgiveness in our lives, bring your reconciliation to others, and be a sign of your wholeness in this broken world.

Most loving God, you send us into the world you love. Give us grace to go thankfully and with courage in the power of your Spirit.

Hymn 155 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder (at 10:30, found in the red hymn book Together in Song)

#### BLESSING AND SENDING OUT

Christ our Saviour draw you to himself, that you may find in him crucified a sure ground for faith, a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sin forgiven; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen.

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## WORSHIP THROUGH THE WEEK

Praying together and at home

#### READINGS

Take some time to prepare for worship together by exploring the readings beforehand. Some things to notice might be:

Is anything here particularly relevant to my situation at this time? Is there anything here that doesn't immediately make sense to me? What comes just before and just after this section of the Bible? Does this remind me of something elsewhere in the Bible?

Readings for Wednesday & Thursday Eucharist: 23rd & 24th March Leviticus 16.15-22; Psalm 123; Luke 22.54-71

Readings for next Sunday: 27th March (Fourth Sunday in Lent) Joshua 5.2-12; Psalm 32; 2 Corinthians 5.16-21; Luke 15.11-32

#### DAILY PRAYER

Morning and Evening Prayer is shared at St Eanswythe's during the week: see the back page for times this week. Anyone is welcome to these short services.

## For our prayers:

<u>The world and nation:</u> For the millions of people who are starving in Yemen.

#### The Church:

World Council of Churches: For the Church in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. For Christians who are facing persecution and martyrdom, and for those who pray and grieve for them.

Anglican Church of Australia: The Diocese of Bendigo (people, clergy and Bp Matt Brain). For the national bishops' meeting in Adelaide taking place over this weekend. Diocese of Melbourne: Archbishop Philip and Bishop Kate; St Mark's Fitzroy (Stuart Soley).

<u>Agencies supported by our parish:</u> Newport Outlets—all who look to them for community, support and education. <u>Our parish & community:</u> For the wildlife and waterways around Cherry Lake as they recover from a chemical spill.

Those with particular needs at this time: Vivienne, Susie, Sarah.

#### The communion of saints:

Year's mind: Ron Atkins (20), Shirley King (22), Jack Kane (25) and Lilian Brown (26).

To add a name to the public pew sheet prayer list, for those needing prayers now or to be remembered on the anniversary of their death, please contact one of the clergy.

If you have a prayer request to be included as we gather for prayer throughout the week, please find the prayer box near the church entrance and fill out a card, or contact one of the clergy.

## SHARING THE PATH OF FAITH

reflections from the clergy and our parish community

How do we interpret the Old Testament? What are we searching for when turn those pages? Modern Christians have often debated about its meaning. We have asked if the meaning of it has got to do with its historical reliability, or is the better part of it myth, and metaphors that reveal things about God, and human nature?

Ancient Christians saw things a bit differently. St Paul, in his letter to the Corinthians, speaks of the story of Exodus and interprets it in an astounding way: All ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. They drank from the spiritual rock that followed them—and the rock was Christ!

He is referencing a story in Exodus where the Israelites are so desperately thirsty they begin to murmur against God. Under divine command, Moses hits a rock with his staff, the rock splits and fresh water comes gushing out of it.

So far so good.

Paul is probably also knows Jewish traditions that speak of Wisdom, God's eternal Wisdom, being what guided and sustained the Israelites in the desert. And Paul believed he had met God's Wisdom in the person of Christ. Hence, he takes this great interpretative leap: *They drank from the spiritual rock that followed them—and the rock was Christ!* 

Is this the plain sense of the Exodus story? Certainly not!

But does it mean Paul didn't also believe a real, physical Moses ever hit a rock—a real, physical rock—that water gushed out of? Certainly not!

God acts in the world. The rock was where the Israelites got water. It was the tangible sign God gave them of his providential presence and power. But Paul sees that real rock as a sign of something further—a sign of Christ, as God's Wisdom, being the One who enabled them to survive all those years in the desert—a sign of Christ's steadfast presence, sustaining them before they ever knew it. It reminds me of the words of an Aboriginal priest who once said to me: 'Christ has been with us since the beginning. With the Gospel, we could finally see him.'

It can be hard to get our heads around this way of thinking! But if Christ is who Christians believe he is, God's eternal Wisdom, then of course he has been here from the beginning. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being.

So when we turn to the Old Testament, we are not just searching for plain sense, or the facts of history. We are searching for the face of Christ.

The more closely to follow him, the more deeply we understand the mystery of his presence with us 'from generation to generation'. My prayers are with you this week, Kathryn

## **NOTES AND NEWS**

for your information and prayers, from around and beyond the parish

### Safe Ministry training

Many thanks to all those who have completed module 1 of this training in recent weeks. For those who need to do module 2, there are two opportunities this week, on Monday and Saturday, or you can undertake the training online. Please contact Kathryn with any questions.

### **ABM Lent Appeal**

This year the Anglican Board of Mission's Lent Appeal is supporting Sustainable Communities projects in Papua New Guinea, The Philippines, Kenya, Gaza and elsewhere. For more information and to donate, pick up an envelope in the pews or visit <a href="https://www.abmission.org/Lent2022">www.abmission.org/Lent2022</a>

#### **COVID** restrictions

While many restrictions have eased, the main requirements still in place are:

- **QR code check-in** for services and events that include refreshments, and for church groups, playgroups and outside groups using our facilities.
- **Vaccination** is still required for meetings of church groups, playgroups and outside groups using our facilities, and for sharing refreshments indoors after services. (Vaccination is not required for any services.)
- **Masks** need to be worn by those serving refreshments, and by staff in the op shop. (Anyone is welcome to continue wearing a mask at any time.)
- We are all encouraged to share refreshments outdoors, where possible.

### **Grocery donations**

Non-perishable food items can be placed in the baskets at the back of each church, to be offered as part of our thanksgiving and then passed on to Laverton Community Integrated Services and the Salvation Army for distribution in the local community. If you don't already, do consider making a habit of bringing something regularly to put in the grocery basket—your gift will end up in the hands of someone who needs it.

### Looking ahead: dates for the diary

**21 March** Safe Ministry Training 2 (10am-12pm, St Eanswythe's) **26 March** Safe Ministry Training 2 (10am-12pm, St Clement's)

(NB date change)

10 April Palm Sunday17 April Easter Day

## A General Thanksgiving

A lmighty God and merciful Father, we give you hearty thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all people.

We bless you for our creation and preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such a sense of all your mercies, that our hearts may be truly thankful and that we may praise you not only with our lips, but in our lives, serving you in holiness and righteousness all our days, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever. AMEN.

A Prayer Book for Australia (p218)

### Keeping in touch...

- ⇒ Please take this pew sheet with you, for your reference and prayers during the week.
- ⇒ If you are or have been away for a Sunday, you can see recent pew sheets on our website at anglicanaltlav.org.au/pew-sheets
- ⇒ Visit **www.facebook.com/anglicanaltlav** for photos, links, news and updates.
- ⇒ If you don't already receive our weekly email including news, changes of service times, and other updates, please send your email address to parish@anglicanaltlav.org.au

#### Giving...

⇒ Deposits can be made to the parish Bendigo Bank account at any time (BSB 633 000, account number 157 594 722, account name "St Eanswythe's Altona with St Clement's Laverton Anglican Churches"). For pledge giving please include your name or envelope/reference number. For further details see anglicanaltlav.org.au/giving

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## This week in our parish:

#### Sunday 20th March Third Sunday in Lent

8:30am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's 10:30am Sung Eucharist, St Eanswythe's 1pm Te Hakari Tapu, St Eanswythe's 5pm Evening Worship, St Clement's

#### Monday 21st

9am Morning Prayer, St Eanswythe's 10am Safe ministry training, St Eanswythe's

#### Tuesday-Friday

10:30am-2:30pm Op Shop open

#### Tuesday 22nd

9am Morning Prayer, St Eanswythe's 10am Tiddlers playgroup, St Eanswythe's 7pm Small group, online

#### Wednesday 23rd

9:30am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's 11am Nursing home service, St George's 5pm Evening Prayer, St Eanswythe's

#### Thursday 24th

9am Morning Prayer, St Eanswythe's 10am Holy Eucharist, St Eanswythe's 1:15pm Nursing home service, Estia Altona Meadows Lent groups: 2pm, 7pm and 7:30pm

#### Friday 25th

9am Morning Prayer, St Eanswythe's 9:30am Clementines playgroup, St Clement's

#### Saturday 26th

10am Safe ministry training, St Clement's

#### Sunday 27th March Fourth Sunday in Lent

8:30am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's 10:30am Sung Eucharist, St Eanswythe's 1pm Te Hakari Tapu, St Eanswythe's 5pm Evening Worship, St Clement's

### SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30am St Eanswythe's

Groups meeting regularly in the parish:

Youth Group: Fridays fortnightly in term time, at St Clement's or online. Contact Rev'd Kathryn Bellhouse. Altona Tiddlers Playgroup: Tuesdays in term time, 10am at St Eanswythe's. Contact Jan Lee (9398 2993) Clementines Playgroup: Fridays in term time, 9:30am at St Clement's. Contact Louise (9395 5472)

**Small group:** Tuesday evenings, online or in person. Contact Rev'd Kathryn Bellhouse. **Reflective Bible Study:** monthly at the Vicarage, first Wednesday evening at 7:30pm.

Mothers' Union: monthly at St Eanswythe's, 2nd Thursday at 11am. Contact Sandra Hansen (0410 040 661) Caritas: monthly at St Eanswythe's, 2nd Tuesday evening at 7pm. Contact Joan Meiers (9398 1906)