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 \oplus serving others \oplus nurturing a common life

4th December 2022 Second Sunday of Advent

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. Please do stay to share refreshments at the end of the service.

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

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).

ADVENT

The season of Advent (the four Sundays before Christmas) is a time of preparation and prayer. It is a wilderness time, perhaps best represented by the figure of John the Baptist who announced the coming of the Holy One, and who called upon God's people to repent. As Christmas draws closer, our attention is also drawn to Mary, who followed God's call to a vital role in the Word becoming flesh.

There are two horizons to the waiting and longing which are characteristic of Advent (which simply means 'coming'). Most obviously, we look towards Christmas and the coming of the Christ Child at Bethlehem. But we also look towards Jesus' future coming in glory, the time when all things will be gathered into God's kingdom of love, justice and peace.

The liturgical colour of Advent is purple, reflecting the note of expectancy. We are invited to a deeper awareness of our dependence on God for the healing and redemption of all nations and the whole creation. The fundamental Advent prayer is expressed in the Aramaic word *Maranatha* — 'Our Lord, come'.

The tradition of lighting candles on an Advent wreath, week by week, originated in northern Europe in the nineteenth century and has been widely adopted by Christian churches around the world. In the northern hemisphere, Advent falls at the darkest time of year and so the symbolism of light in darkness has a particular resonance. In Australia, the season of Advent leads us towards the longest, brightest days of the year, a different but equally powerful image.

Lord Jesus, come!

As the days grow longer and the sun's heat increases, increase our faith, and bring us to worship you by your cradle, at your cross, in your resurrection, and at your glorious coming again with judgement and with mercy. Amen.

(Prayer from Anglican Church of Australia Liturgical Commission)

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.

We turn to God in praise and prayer; this includes recalling all that has separated us from God, and claiming the love and forgiveness that is always held out to us.

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

HYMN 143 Immortal, invisible, God only wise (at 10:30am only, found in the red hymn book Together in Song)

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

WELCOME AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

PRAYERS OF PENITENCE AND PREPARATION

When the Lord comes, he will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness, and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Therefore in the light of Christ let us confess our sins.

Heavenly Father, you call us to repent of our sins: soften our proud and stubborn hearts.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Lord Jesus, you declared the forgiveness of God: teach us to forgive one another. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.

Holy Spirit, you search our hearts and show us the truth: direct us in your way of righteousness.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

A candle is lit on the Advent wreath.

The priest says

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive you your sins, open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will and give you the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT (PRAYER OF THE DAY)

God of all peoples, whose servant John came baptising and calling for repentance: help us to hear his voice of judgement, that we may also rejoice in his word of promise, and be found pure and blameless in that glorious Day when Christ comes to rule the earth as Prince of Peace; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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.

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

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

A shoot will grow up from the stump of Jesse;

a branch will sprout from his roots.

The LORD's spirit will rest upon him,

a spirit of wisdom and understanding,

a spirit of planning and strength,

a spirit of knowledge and fear of the LORD.

He will delight in fearing the LORD.

He won't judge by appearances,

nor decide by hearsay.

He will judge the needy with righteousness,

and decide with equity for those who suffer in the land.

He will strike the violent with the rod of his mouth;

by the breath of his lips he will kill the wicked.

Righteousness will be the belt around his hips, and faithfulness the belt around his waist.

The wolf will live with the lamb,

and the leopard will lie down with the young goat; the calf and the young lion will feed together,

and a little child will lead them.

The cow and the bear will graze.

Their young will lie down together, and a lion will eat straw like an ox.

A nursing child will play over the snake's hole;

toddlers will reach right over the serpent's den.

They won't harm or destroy anywhere on my holy mountain.

The earth will surely be filled with the knowledge of the LORD, just as the water covers the sea.

On that day, the root of Jesse will stand as a signal to the peoples. The nations will seek him out, and his dwelling will be glorious.

(11.1-10; CEB)

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Give the king your judgement, O God: and your righteousness to the son of a king,

That he may judge your people rightly: and the poor of the land with equity.

Let the mountains be laden with peace because of his righteousness: and the hills also with prosperity for his people.

May he give justice to the poor among the people: and rescue the children of the needy, and crush the oppressor.

May he live while the sun endures: and while the moon gives light, throughout all generations.

May he come down like rain upon the new-mown fields: and as showers that water the earth.

In his time shall righteousness flourish: and abundance of peace, till the moon shall be no more.

Let his name live for ever: and endure as long as the sun.

Let all peoples use his name in blessing: and all nations call him blessed.

Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel: who alone does great wonders. Blessed be his glorious name for ever: and let the whole earth be filled with his glory. Amen, Amen.

(72.1-7, 18-21)

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Whatever was written in the past was written for our instruction so that we could have hope through endurance and through the encouragement of the scriptures. May the God of endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude toward each other, similar to Christ Jesus' attitude. That way you can glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ together with one voice.

So welcome each other, in the same way that Christ also welcomed you, for God's glory. I'm saying that Christ became a servant of those who are circumcised for the sake of God's truth, in order to confirm the promises given to the ancestors, and so that the Gentiles could glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

Because of this I will confess you among the Gentiles, and I will sing praises to your name.

And again, it says,

Rejoice, Gentiles, with his people.

And again,

Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and all the people should sing his praises.

And again, Isaiah says,

There will be a root of Jesse, who will also rise to rule the Gentiles.

The Gentiles will place their hope in him.

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in faith so that you overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

(15.4-13; CEB)

Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HYMN 270 On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry (found in the red hymn book Together in Song)

THE GOSPEL

Alleluia. Alleluia.

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia.

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

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

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the desert of Judea announcing, "Change your hearts and lives! Here comes the kingdom of heaven!" He was the one of whom Isaiah the prophet spoke when he said:

The voice of one shouting in the wilderness,

"Prepare the way for the Lord; make his paths straight."

John wore clothes made of camel's hair, with a leather belt around his waist. He ate locusts and wild honey.

People from Jerusalem, throughout Judea, and all around the Jordan River came to him. As they confessed their sins, he baptized them in the Jordan River. Many Pharisees and Sadducees came to be baptized by John. He said to them, "You children of snakes! Who warned you to escape from the angry judgment that is coming soon? Produce fruit that shows you have changed your hearts and lives. And don't even think about saying to yourselves, Abraham is our father. I tell you that God is able to raise up Abraham's children from these stones. The ax is already at the root of the trees. Therefore, every tree that doesn't produce good fruit will be chopped down and tossed into the fire. I baptize with water those of you who have changed your hearts and lives. The one who is coming after me is stronger than I am. I'm not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. The shovel he uses to sift the wheat from the husks is in his hands. He will clean out his threshing area and bring the wheat into his barn. But he will burn the husks with a fire that can't be put out."

(3.1-12; CEB)

For the Gospel of the Lord:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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.

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.

Celebrating at the Lord's table

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.

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.

THE GREETING OF PEACE

In the tender mercy of our God, the dayspring from on high shall break upon us, to give light to those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of 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.

HYMN 269 Hark the glad sound the Saviour comes (found in the red hymn book Together in Song)

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

The ministry of the parish is sustained by our financial giving, either through the offering plate or by direct bank deposit. Groceries are shared in the community in partnership with Laverton Community Integrated Services and the Hobsons Bay Salvation Army.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour, and the majesty; for everything in heaven and on earth is yours. All things come from you, and of your own do we give you.

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 prays on behalf of all, praising God for God's mighty acts. All respond:

Holy, 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 Last Supper is recalled, including Jesus' command to continue sharing bread and wine: in memory of him, and proclaiming his death and resurrection. All respond:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The prayer calls on God's blessing and looks to the fulfilling of all things within the goodness of God. All join in affirming:

Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray for the coming of God's kingdom in the words that Jesus taught us:

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.

Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us your peace.

The gifts of God for the people of God.

Come let us take this holy sacrament of the body and blood of Christ in remembrance that he died for us, and feed on him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

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.

While communion is being shared, we sing:

Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be; set your seal upon my heart and live in me.

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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 for whom we wait, we thank you that you have fed us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation. As we joyfully await your Son, keep us ever watchful that we may be ready to stand before him on the day of his coming.

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.

BLESSING

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, scatter the darkness from before your path, and make you ready to meet him when he comes in glory; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

HYMN 265 O come, O come Emmanuel

(found in the red hymn book Together in Song; the last two verses of this hymn are sung unaccompanied)

DISMISSAL

As we await our coming Saviour, 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:

Readings for weekday Eucharists:

(During Advent our weekday readings are exploring some of the traditional "O" Antiphons, calling on the longed-for Messiah in terms drawn from the scriptures. They have been used in Advent since the 8th century and are familiar to us in the hymn "O come, o come Emmanuel". This week: **O Key of David**.)

Revelation 3.7-13; Psalm 89.1-18; Matthew 16.13-20

Readings for next Sunday: 11th December (Third Sunday of Advent)

Isaiah 35.1-10; Song of Mary; James 5.7-10; Matthew 11.2-11

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 an end to the conflicts in Ukraine, Yemen and Myanmar, and for all in our world who live daily with the realities of war.

The Church:

World Council of Churches: For the Church in Myanmar and Thailand. For Christians who are facing persecution and martyrdom, and for those who pray and grieve for them. Anglican Church of Australia: The Diocese of Bunbury (Bp Ian Coutts, Clergy & People). Diocese of Melbourne: Abp Philip Freier, Bp Kate Prowd; Christ Church South Yarra (vacant incumbency, Emily Fraser).

Agencies supported by our parish: Anglican Overseas Aid – for work with partners and communities in the Solomon Islands, Mozambique and Sri Lanka.

<u>Our parish & community:</u> For people living with long-term illness, and those who care for them.

Those with particular needs at this time: Stuart, Anthony, Carol, Hannah, James, Toby, Johnny Moore.

The communion of saints:

Year's mind: Marjorie Sculley (6), George Grant (7), William Grant (7) and Emma Bingley (10)

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

Dear fellow pilgrims,

Advent began last week with a call to watch and wait, preparing ourselves for the Messiah's coming.

This week we hear the call of John the Baptist to 'repent, for the kingdom of heaven has drawn near'.

So it goes, at church, in the weeks before Christmas.

As we prepare to celebrate the first coming of Christ at Bethlehem, we also prepare for his return in glory throughout the world.

Which is to say, at the start of each Christian year, we look to the end of our faith. We look to the end of the world itself.

In minor and more modest ways, many things come to an end at this time of year: the school year, projects at work, groups, programs and sports seasons, even (most excitingly for the St Eanswythe's end of our parish) the roadworks to end all roadworks on Pier Street!

Such endings can be a cause of excitement—holidays, family gatherings, festivities await.

They can also be a cause of stress and uncertainty—at the level of juggling the various elements of our lives; or at a deeper level, to do with loneliness, conflict, silence.

The content of the Liturgy in the Advent season speaks into this. Because it is all about preparing ourselves for endings in the light of Christian hope.

In Christ we have seen that God lets years and seasons come to an end, God lets things in our lives come to an end, opening up empty spaces, in order to fill us with new life, with a new perspective or horizon—to fill us with the uncreated light itself. The renewal of all things, which we await at the end of time, begins with renewal, creating space for that ray of uncreated Light, in each of our own hearts and lives...

The "ending" of something doesn't mean its extinction, nor a simple absence in the place of something that used to be. It means fulfillment and hope. It means honouring what was (fulfillment) and awaiting what is yet to be (hope, renewal). Thus, those words of our Lord: "See! I make all things new!" (Rev. 21.5)

May that renewal be ours this season.

With love and Advent blessings, Kathryn

NOTES AND NEWS

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

Annual Meeting

Thank you to all who participated in the Annual Parish Meeting last week, and particularly to everyone who agreed to be nominated for elected positions. Our office bearers for the coming year are:

Churchwardens

Elected: Lily Griffin, Scott Pitcher Vicar's appointment: Soon Ghee Yap

Parish Council members

Elected: Richard Hallett, Sandra Hansen, Denis Lee, Anna Watts Vicar's appointments: James Chiarezza, Dean Mason Treasurer appointed by the churchwardens: Gary Beadell

Incumbency Committee

Elected by the parish: Dean Mason
Elected by St Eanswythe's members: Anita McAnda
Elected by St Clement's members: Gary Beadell
(One of the churchwardens will also join the Incumbency Committee.)

Special thanks to Sarah Meeson for managing the election process, especially since it coincided with her work for the Victorian state election!

Carols in the Park

This ecumenical community Christmas gathering is back after two years of COVID cancellations, on Sunday 11th December at 6pm. The location this year is GH Ransom Reserve, Altona (at the beach end of Grieve Parade). Bring a picnic and a friend!

Empty Christmas tree

Donations of non-perishable food and new unwrapped toys may be placed under our empty Christmas Tree for distribution to local charity. Our last collection day will be Sunday 18th December. For queries contact Fred or Alta (St Eanswythe's) or Sandra (St Clement's).

Tearfund's Useful Gifts

"Buying a gift from Tearfund's Useful Gifts catalogue, helps to fight poverty and build a more just and compassionate world (Tearfund 2022)". Interested? For more information please contact Phillis during morning tea who is partnering with Tearfund by running a shop for the next 2 months. Thank you for your interest.

COME LORD JESUS

Praying together in Advent

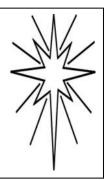
Wednesday evenings in Advent, for half an hour:

7 December, 7-7:30pm: Salvation Army Hobsons Bay Corps, Altona

14 December, 7-7:30pm: Mary, Help of Christians Catholic Church,

Altona

21 December, 7-7:30pm: St Eanswythe's Anglican Church, Altona



followed by...

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Sun 11th	6pm	Carols in the Park, GH Ransom Reserve, Altona
Tue 20th	6pm	Nativity service for all ages, St Eanswythe's
Sat 24th (Christmas Eve)	5pm 10:30pm	Nativity service for all ages, St Clement's Christmas Eucharist, St Eanswythe's
Sun 25th (Christmas Day)	8am 9:30am	Christmas Eucharist, St Eanswythe's Christmas Eucharist, St Clement's

Keeping in touch...

- \Rightarrow 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 4th Second Sunday of Advent

8:30am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's 10:30am Sung Eucharist, St Eanswythe's NB No 1pm service 5pm Evening Worship, St Clement's

Monday 5th

9am Morning Prayer, St Eanswythe's

Tuesday-Friday

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

Tuesday 6th

9am Morning Prayer, St Eanswythe's 10am Tiddlers playgroup, St Eanswythe's 7:30pm Small group, on Zoom

Wednesday 7th

9:30am Holy Eucharist, St Clement's

5pm Evening Prayer, St Eanswythe's 7pm Ecumenical Advent prayers, Salvation Army Altona

Thursday 8th

9am Morning Prayer, St Eanswythe's 10am Holy Eucharist, St Eanswythe's

Friday 9th

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

Sunday 11th December Third Sunday of Advent

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 6pm Carols in the Park, GH Ransom Reserve, Altona

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30am St Eanswythe's

Groups meeting regularly in the parish:

Youth Group: Fridays fortnightly in term time, at St Clement's. 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)