February Readers/Readings

	<u>Reader</u>	<u>Readings</u>
Sun 5 Feb	Andy Young Margaret Gray	Malachi 3: 1-4; Hebrews 2: 14-18 Psalm 84 <i>(Luke 2: 22-40)</i>
Sun 12 Feb	Mike Baxter Margaret Gray	Sirach 15: 15-20; 1 Corinthians 3: 1-9 Psalm 119: 1-8 <i>(Matthew 5: 21-37)</i>
Sun 19 Feb	Janette Turvey Margaret Gray	Exodus 24: 12-18; 2 Peter 1: 16-21 Psalm 99 <i>(Matthew 17: 1-9)</i>
Wed 22 Feb	Christine Barker Margaret Gray	Isaiah 58: 1-12; 2 Corinthians 5: 20b-6:10 Psalm 51: 1-18 <i>(Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-21)</i>
Sun 26 Feb	Andy Young Margaret Gray	Genesis 2: 15-17, 3: 1-7; Romans 5: 12-19 Psalm 32 <i>(Matthew 4: 1-11)</i>
Sun 5 March	Mike Baxter Margaret Gray	Genesis 12: 1-4a; Romans 4: 1-5, 13-17 Psalm 121 <i>(John 3: 1-17 or Matthew 17: 1-9)</i>

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Priest's Message

I greet you in the name of Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

I commented the other Sunday about the gradual greening of our world and have been noticing the whitish green growth poking out of the ground, holding what we long to see - spring flowers.

It's a green season till mid February, the liturgical colour indicating growth - to explore and comprehend the greatness and glory of the salvation story, the wonder of who Jesus is, and the way in which he is intrinsic to our every breath. It is a time of joy!

Shrove Tuesday is on 21 February and we will gather with the Parish Church to enjoy pancakes! This will restart our practice of sharing, of gathering, (having cleared our shelves of old food). Its all that Christmas flour, butter and the riches our pantries held for celebration.

Also, symbolically, we enter Ash Wednesday with the outward and visible ash cross on our forehead. Our 40 day journey invites us to look within ourselves, to curb our compulsions and indulgences. Lets urge ourselves to look at what blocks, obscures our spiritual journey: being over curious or critical, too much surfing the internet, less time for prayer and so on. It is said that it takes 40 days to change a habit: let's change into better Christ-like ways.

God bless you as all of this becomes reality and is shared among us. Peace and grace, Kathy.



<u>St Margaret's Mission Statement</u>

The mission of St Margaret's Church is to worship together, reach out, with the other churches, to those in the community and beyond, offering them welcome and hospitality wherever they are on their spiritual journey.

February Services Diary

Sun 5 Feb	9.30am	Candlemas: The Presentation of the Lord. Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Wed 8 Feb	10.30am	Ecumenical midweek service in church
Sun 12 Feb	9.30am	Epiphany 6. Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the hall
Wed 15 Feb	10.30am	Ecumenical midweek service in church
Sun 19 Feb	9.30am	Sunday before Lent. Eucharist followed by tea/ coffee in the hall
Wed 22 Feb	10.30am	Ash Wednesday. Ecumenical Eucharist
Sun 26 Feb	9.30am	Lent 1. Eucharist followed by tea/coffee in the Hall
Wed 1 Mar	10.30am	Ecumenical midweek service in church
Sun 5 Mar	9.30am	Lent 2. Eucharist, followed by tea/coffee in the hall

February Rotas

	<u>Reception</u>	Intercessions
Sun 5 Feb	Margaret Redpath	Mike Baxter
Sun 12 Feb	Janette Turvey	Margaret Gray
Sun 19 Feb	Mike Baxter	Andy Young
Sun 26 Feb	Christine Barker	Mike Baxter
Sun 5 Mar	Margaret Redpath	Margaret Gray

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February Events

Sun 5 Feb 6.30 Sat 18 Feb 2.00 Tues 21 Feb 7.00	pm Talk on Ener	: in Parish Church gy Saving in the Dickson Hall day pancakes in United Free Church eet
Sun 5 Mar 6.30	pm Taizé service	e in St Margaret's

