



# Sunday Bulletin

Winchelsea Uniting Church  
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## Sunday Worship 9.30 am

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*Our Mission is: To share the Good News of Jesus Christ with all people;  
showing love and enthusiasm  
and by being an open and accepting congregation,  
working towards life in all its fullness.*

## 2015

Sunday March 1: 9.30am John Bumford

TODAY Church Council AGM will be held following morning tea.

Next Sunday, March 8: 9.30am Rosemary Hopkins (Holy Communion)

Sunday March 15: 9.30am Jennie Scott

## Lectionary Readings

March	1: Psalm 22,	Gen. 17,	Rom. 4:13-25,	Mark 8:31-38
March	8: Psalm 19,	Ex. 20:1-17	1 Cor. 1:18-25	John 2:13-22
March	15: Psalm 107,	Num.21:4-9	Eph. 2:1-10	John 2:14-21

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

*Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at St. John's Catholic Church, Winchelsea*

The service prepared by women of The Bahamas with the theme  
"Jesus said to them 'Do you know what I have done to you?'"

The Bahamas is an island country consisting of more than 700 islands. More than 90 percent of the population of The Bahamas professes a religion.

***Ladies & Men all welcome to attend.***

*A warm welcome to all worshipping with us today,  
please join us in the hall for morning tea and a chat after the service.*

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## ***What's On***

*with John Bumford*

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### **Inter-Church Prayer Meeting**

The prayer meeting will be held in the Uniting Church hall this Wednesday, then at St. Thomas's for the rest of March at 1pm at 1.00pm.

### **Singing Group Practise**

Singing Group practise will be each Thursday at 7pm. in the hall.

### **New Musical – 7 Stars and 7 Candlesticks**

John has written a musical on Revelation. Rehearsal will start this Thursday at 7.30pm to listen to the music for the Combined Choir. If you know of anyone who would like to join in – let John know. The performance would be in May, after Easter.

### **Prayer Focus**

This Sunday March 1st, let us pray for John & Joan Caldow and family.

Next Sunday February 8<sup>th</sup>, shall we pray for Sue Calvert.

### **Uniting Care**

Uniting Care has suspended operation in Winchelsea until further notice. There have been some upheavals in the organisation, including the move from South Geelong to Grovedale, which have affected their Winchelsea operation. Any emergency relief request can be directed to John, or ring Geelong Uniting Care on 5222 3293.

### **Wesley Centre**

After being here last Sunday, Michael Nolan has sent material about the Wesley Centre, and also Sponsorship Certificates for those who wish to support this important work that he heads.

### **World Day of Prayer**

This year's World Day of Prayer will be held at St. John's Catholic Church on Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 1.30pm. Representatives from all 3 churches will be involved.

### **Nursing Home Service**

The next worship service at the Nursing Home is on **Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>** at 11am. We welcome church members who would like to encourage the residents helping with singing and reading as part of the worship, and talking with those who attend. Talk to John if you would like to be involved.

### **Bible Study**

The next Bible Study will be held in the hall on Friday March 13<sup>th</sup> at 2pm. (Note: next Friday March 6<sup>th</sup> being World Day of Prayer). We are studying the book of Revelation. All interested, please come along, and join in, or let John know if you wish to attend, but at another time.

*What's On ..... cont.*

### **Church Council AGM**

The Church Council Annual General Meeting will be held after morning tea **TODAY**, Sunday March 1<sup>st</sup>. Make sure you collect the annual report made available last Sunday). Thanks to Yvonne, Stu Fountain and others responsible for its preparation.

### **Palm Sunday Bus Trip & Walk**

The newly formed Winchelsea Refugee Support Group is taking a bus trip to Melbourne on Palm Sunday to join the Walk for Justice for Refugees – originally a church based walk, now including other community groups. Jenny Bowker is taking bookings. Cost \$20, leaving from St.Thomas's church car park at 11.30am, after the combined church service.

### **Safe Church Training**

A must – do training program is being presented at the Presbytery headquarters at Hoppers Crossing on Thursday March 12<sup>th</sup>, from 9.30am-12.30pm for Elders, Ministers, and all involved in leading Worship. It is imperative that those people attend in this generation of attacks on churches especially in the light of the Royal Commission on abuse of children running currently. The church must take all precautions in this regard, thus the need to be there.

### **Church Website**

The **church's website** is up and running with some brief information about the church, and a copy of the church bulletin. Look at: [www.winchelseaunitingchurch.org.au](http://www.winchelseaunitingchurch.org.au)

*John Bumford*

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### **Evening Fellowship**

Evening Fellowship will meet on Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 5.30pm in the carpark to travel to Barwon Heads for the annual fish 'n chips event. Be Smith is intending to join us by the Barwon River. Anyone welcome . . . Enquiries to *Jeanette*.

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### **Faith Church Training**

Faith Church Training will be held at Hoppers Crossing on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March, 9am-12noon. Anyone interested are asked to see John Bumford.

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***Bible Verse:*** 1 Peter 3:8

*Be tender hearted and keep a humble attitude.*

## PANCAKE DAY

Many thanks to those who supported our Shrove Tuesday or 'Fat Tues' as it used to be called, traditionally the last day to eat all the flour, eggs and dairy products in your kitchen before the start of Lent – a time of fasting before Easter.

Approximately \$200 was raised for Uniting Care. This year all the money raised will support programs for people living in crisis, who may be suffering from homelessness, abusive relationships, addictions, financial hardness or illness. You can still donate online if you missed our day at [www.pancakeday.com.au](http://www.pancakeday.com.au) or contact Yvonne Orchard on mobile 0448 672630.

Since the event began in 2002, millions of pancakes have been flipped and sold to raise much needed funds for Uniting Care Agencies. Last year over \$90,000 was raised to support Uniting Care homelessness programs.

Uniting Care, an agent of the Uniting Church and the largest non-government provider of community services in Australia, reaches all corners of the country and supports more than two million people each year. It's a fun way of bringing the community together while making a real difference to the lives of those living below the internationally accepted poverty line.

Last Tuesday (Feb.17<sup>th</sup>) one couple travelling through Winchelsea stopped and said they had already bought a pancake at Simpson, but they would buy another to support the cause! We also had many donations from those who wanted to support us but didn't want a pancake, ..... thank you for your generosity – it makes our efforts worthwhile.

*Yvonne Orchard (Uniting Church Social Committee)*

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**Elijah House Ministries**  
**Healing Hearts**  
**Restoring Relationships**  
**Transforming lives.**

A seminar on the healing of relationships will be held at  
Manifold Baptist Church, Shannon Avenue, Geelong

**Saturday March 21<sup>st</sup>**  
9am-4pm ..... \$20.

For further details please contact Rosemary ... 52672875

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*Dates to Remember*

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**March**

- Sunday 1: 9.30am John Bumford  
: Church Council will follow morning tea  
Thursday 5: 7.00pm Singing Group practise  
7.30pm Combined Choir rehearsal  
Friday 6: 1.30pm World Day of Prayer at St.John's  
  
Sunday 8: 9.30am Rosemary Hopkins (Holy Communion)  
Wednesday 11: 5.30pm Evening Fellowship meet in church car park  
Friday 13: 11am Nursing Home service  
: 2pm Bible Study

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**Morning Tea**

- March 1: K Chapman  
8: J Loone  
15: J Caldow

**Flowers**

- March 8: J Loone  
15: J Caldow

**Cleaning**

- March 15: J Caldow

**Elder**

- March: N Lambeth

**Stewards**

- March: G & Y Orchard

Winchelsea Uniting Church

**ANNUAL AUCTION**

**28<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

at Hesse Street Reserve

*- more information later.*

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