



Toorak Uniting Church

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Still Thinking: La Famille Belier by Christopher Page



The Belier Family is a French film that has recently been in Melbourne theatres and should be available on DVD soon. This is a wonderful, funny and moving film and not to be missed. Briefly the story is (I won't give away any spoilers) about a French farming family where the father, mother and son are deaf and the daughter has her hearing. The daughter Paula is a dutiful sixteen year old who must cope with growing through adolescence, being the translator for her deaf family and having an exceptional talent.

The film takes the well-worn story of what it is like to be the one who is different in a family, and turns it on its head. For most of us it is difficult to imagine what it would be like to live in a world without sound. In fact, many of us crave noise all the time and even find silence difficult to deal with. The film is far more than a story about a family coping with deafness, it is a human drama about people struggling to discover resolution to the problems of everyday life – the problems we all face. And in the midst of those apparent insurmountable difficulties we can discover resilience and our capacity to soar above the leaden weights that often threaten to crush us.

As one commentator said, "...Building to a heart-soaring and emotional finale, *The Bélier Family* is a feel-great triumph!"

Diary Dates

Sun	17 Apr	11.15am	Congregation AGM	Church
Mon	18 Apr	11.00am	Fellowship Morning Coffee	Faichney Rm
Tue	19 Apr	4.30pm	Management Team	Wettenhall Rm
Wed	20 Apr	8.00am	Autumn Congregational Breakfast	Kinross
Wed	20 Apr	6.30 / 7.45	Handbell rehearsals	Wettenhall Rm
Thu	21 Apr	6.00pm	Choir rehearsal	Church
Sat	30 Apr	4-8pm	Kinross fundraising Scottish Dance	Hall

**Time for Fellowship
Morning Coffee**
tomorrow, **18 April** at 11am.
All welcome.
Details from
Lenore N. or Jean A.

Following the remembrance service at 10:15am on **April 24th**, all are welcome to join in a **special morning tea** in the Faichney room. If you would like to contribute a plate of sandwiches or a slice please inform the office or Barbara McKinnon ph. 0405 987 890 (on behalf of the Fellowship team).

Special Service Requiem and Reflection on Gallipoli

Sunday 24 April 2016, 10.15am

Toorak Uniting Church

Gabriel Fauré

Requiem

Worship Leader: **Rev. Dr. Christopher Page**
Toorak Uniting Church Choir and Soloists
Hayan Kim (Organist), Jennifer Chou (Director of Music)

TUC Breakfast: Urgent! Please book with TUC OFFICE

Wednesday April 20th at 8 am – Medical Defence

We look forward to welcoming you to our autumn Congregational Breakfast to be held on **Wednesday April 20th at 8.00 am**.

Our speaker will be **Dr Elizabeth Lewis of AVANT**, the group that manages insurance of doctors and arbitration with patients. Dr Lewis has had a long career in various aspects of medicine, in effect working on both sides: as a practising Doctor for many years and, more recently, for the Insurers. Her message is that 'Conciliation works!' – only 2% of disputes go to court. (Dr Lewis is an adherent at Scots Church, in the city.) Breakfast Donation \$20.

After-Church discussion Sunday, May 1 from 11:45am -12:30pm. The Nicene Creed is a profession of faith widely used in Christian liturgy. It was originally adopted in the city of Nicaea (present day Iznik, Turkey) by the First Council of Nicaea in 325AD. The discussion will focus on its relevance for today.

Exhibitions

Tempering the Iconic opens on Thursday 14th April 2016; 6pm - 8pm. Organised by the Byzantine Art School of Melbourne the exhibition will feature icons made by the school's lead teacher, Anna Prifti and her students. Anna will provide two icon writing demonstrations at Kinross Arts Centre - dates to be announced.

Special Events

The Ceilidh - Scottish Dance is fast approaching! Tickets can be purchased at the Kinross Office or online at www.trybooking.com/KOTE.

Ceilidh Program:

4pm - 5.45pm: Music, Dancing and Song with MC Colin MacLeod and Dance Caller Matthew Robertson and his Ceilidh Band

5.45pm - 6.30pm: Light Refreshments (Scottish Fare); Raffle Tickets

6.30 - 8pm Music, Dancing, Raffle Announcement; Final Dance (Strip the Willow)

Proudly supported by The House of Scotland & Rob's British & Irish Butchery & Colin Macleod - Celtic Fiddle Guru



Sacred Circle
(egg tempera on wood and 24k gold leaf, 2013, by Anna Prifti)

MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION AND NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTIONS

A meeting of the Congregation will be held **today** immediately after the 10.15 service. The agenda will be to elect various office holders (see below), to receive the annual report for 2015, and to approve the annual financial report for 2015. Copies of these reports are available at the rear of the church today and from the office on weekdays. (One per household please.)

The following members offer themselves for election, which will be held by written ballot at the meeting:

As an elder: Jonathan Lancaster and Lynette Petersen.

As a non-elder member of Church Council: Nina Mumford.

As chair of the congregation: Robin Stewardson.

As secretary of the congregation: Fiona Thomas and Lynette Petersen (one to be elected).

Welcome to Toorak Uniting Church

We welcome all people irrespective of race, religion, political views, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, or age. Wherever you are on your faith journey, wherever you have come from and wherever you are going to; whatever you believe, whatever you do not believe, you are welcome here at Toorak Uniting Church.

Please come and join us after the service for fellowship and a cup of tea or coffee.



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Physiotherapy Exercise

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Ph: 0409998967



**New Clinical exercise classes
with a Physiotherapist**
are beginning at TUC this week!
Free classes on 19 & 21 April.

Within each class, exercises are adapted to your specific medical and musculoskeletal needs.

Classes may be suitable as rehabilitation following illness or surgery.

Health fund rebates may apply as this program is delivered under the guidance of a Physiotherapist.

**Tuesday mornings 9.30, 10.30 & 11.30am &
Thursday afternoons 1.00, 2.00 & 3.00pm.**

**Please call Nicole for more details:
0409 998 967.**

“STAY FIT & WELL FOR A GREAT LIFE “

Strength Circuit // Complete Barre // Balance

Physiotherapy exercise | Small Groups | 45mins

Strength Circuit:

Increase your strength and conditioning safely with a mix of body weight, free weights and band strengthening.

Complete Barre:

Integrates elements of Pilates, dance, cardio and strength training to increase flexibility, stamina and dynamic stability.

Balance:

Gain a more solid footing through a combination of leg strength, flexibility and balance challenge.

Within each class exercises are adapted to your specific medical and musculoskeletal needs. Classes may be suitable as rehabilitation following illness or surgery.

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Location:

**Classes run at Toorak Uniting Church (TUC)
603 Toorak Road, Toorak 3142**
