

Toorak Uniting Church Newsletter  
**Update 29 March 2026**

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Sunday services:  
9am & 10:15am

Deadline for Update submission is 3pm on the Wednesday prior.



### **Kinross Café**

Church Council has determined that Kinross Café will cease operation just before Easter on **Thursday, 2 April**.

Since coming under the management of TUC in mid 2024, the Café has had both joys and challenges, including the recent move to Argyle House. Operation of the current model of a commercial café is no longer financially viable, however we would very much like to continue to use Argyle House as a space of hospitable welcome for all and are seeking options for alternative uses and a new path forward.

We sincerely appreciate all your support of the Café over the last 18 months and understand that the closure will disrupt some activities, but please note that we are seeking to minimise the impact for TUC groups.

### **Holy Week at TUC**

Please join us for our Holy Week services on the following dates:

Maundy Thursday, **2 April at 7pm**

Good Friday, **3 April at 10am**, followed by the Ecumenical Witness Walk

Easter Sunday, **5 April at 10:15am**

### **Ecumenical Good Friday Witness Walk**

The Ecumenical Good Friday Witness Walk is taking place on **Friday, 3 April** following TUC's Good Friday Worship Service. The walk will commence at **St John's Anglican Church at 11:30am** and end at TUC approximately 45 minutes later where we will have fellowship and a morning tea of Hot Cross Buns in the Hall.

We will need some volunteers to prepare and serve the buns, so please speak with Rev Sylvia or Stan Laugher if you're able to help.

### **Change to Exploring the Bible**

The regular Zoom-based Exploring the Bible group will **not meet on Tuesday evenings until after Easter, 31 March and 7 April**.

## A Day of Beautiful Things | 10am-3pm on Saturday, March 28 in the Wettenhall Room

Jill Nazar, Pamela Dean, and Robyn Cartwright will be holding a pop-up market in the Wettenhall Room featuring cashmere dressing gowns, cardigans, capes, baby blankets, embroidered jackets and more along with distinctive and unique jewellery and stunning artificial floral arrangements. Entry is by gold coin donation.

The sale of Robyn's floral arrangements will continue on **Sunday, March 29 from 9:45am-12:45pm** and Jill & Pamela are also exhibiting at St Paul's Church in Canterbury on Thursday, March 26 from 10am-3pm. More information about the day and the exhibitors contact details can be found on the flyers at the back of the Church and the table outside the Office.

### Educate 10,000 initiative

In these times of heightened antisemitism, TUC's Church Council draws members' attention to the Jewish Community Council of Victoria's "Educate 10,000" initiative which aims to promote social cohesion and understanding of Australian Jewish identity and history, and to combat antisemitism.

As part of the JCCV's initiative, the Jewish Museum of Australia is offering free 2-hour introductory sessions at **1:30pm on Wednesdays and 10:00am on Thursdays until 30 April, 2026**. Sessions include an introduction to Jewish life and community demographics, a Museum tour, and an introduction to historical and current forms of antisemitism.

Further details can be found at <https://jccv.org.au/>. To book into a session, please visit <https://shorturl.at/rn7K1>. If you do attend, please let James Barber know via [jbarber@vicbar.com.au](mailto:jbarber@vicbar.com.au) as Church Council would like to be able to report to the JCCV how many of the TUC Congregation have participated.

### March - April Diary Dates

Sun	29 Mar	9:00am	Worship in the Round	Rev Sylvia
Sun	29 Mar	10:15am	Worship Service	Rev Sylvia
Sun	29 Mar	11:15am	Morning Tea	Hall
Mon	30 Mar	10:30am	Exploring the Bible	Kinross Café
Tue	31 Mar	7:30pm	Christian Meditation Group	Church Space
Wed	1 Apr	7:00pm	Handbells	Wettenhall Room
Thu	2 Apr	7:00pm	Maundy Thursday Service	Rev John
Fri	3 Apr	10:00am	Good Friday Service	Rev Sylvia
Fri	3 Apr	11:30am	Ecumenical Witness Walk	St John's
Fri	3 Apr	12:15pm	Witness Walk Refreshments	TUC Hall
Sun	5 Apr	10:15am	Easter Sunday Service	Rev Sylvia
Sun	5 Apr	11:15am	Morning Tea	Hall