

As a Christian community, meeting together to worship God, we affirm our commitment to ensuring the safety of each child who interacts with our community.

Our statement of commitment for Child Safety is available on our website or in the Narthex of each Parish Centre.

Mission Statement: To live as disciples of Christ embracing his teaching of love and service to all.

Vision Statement: To be known as God's people of prayer, to be welcoming of all our sisters and brothers by being inclusive and sensitive to diversity, open to change and growing as a community by the love and grace of Christ.

PARISH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

for anyone who wishes to make their Stewardship giving contribution by Direct Debit, or for giving a donation to the Parish.

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DIARY THIS WEEK

Monday 11th. November REMEMBRANCE DAY
Prayers for the Defence Forces of Australia
Martin, bishop of Tours (dc 387)

Tuesday 12th. November
Charles Simeon, evangelist (d 1836)

Wednesday 13th. November 10.00 am. Eucharist at St. Matthew's

Thursday 14th. November 10.00 am. Playgroup at St. Linus'
11.00 am. Reserved Sacrament at Plumpton Villa
Aged Care Facility

Friday 15th. November 11.00 am. Gospel Reflection group at St. Matthew's

Saturday 16th. November 9.00 am. Working Bee at St. Matthew's
Margaret of Scotland, queen, helper of the poor (d.1093)

Sunday 17th. November 9.00 am. Eucharist at St. Linus'
10.30 am. Eucharist at St. Matthew's
12.00 pm. Parish Annual Meeting at St. Linus'

Saturday 7th. December - 10.00 am. to 2.00 pm. Christmas Market at St. Matthew's - Christmas items Stall, Craft / Bric-a-Brac, Secondhand Books, Sausage Sizzle

Glenroy Carols - Saturday 14th. December— 7.00 pm. to 9.00 pm.
We are combining with The Hope Centre, The Salvation Army, Uniting Church and Baptist church, to be held in the garden of Wiseman House.

Christmas pageant will be held in the park at Merlynston as part of a Carols in the Park community event Saturday 21st. December.
5.00 pm. to 7.00 pm. Salvation Army will provide music.

The Anglican Parish of Glenroy / Hadfield / Merlynston



St. Matthew's
cnr. Widford St. &
Melbourne Ave.
Glenroy

St. Linus'
Cnr. Glyndon &
Delta Aves.
Merlynston



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We welcome through the Holy Waters of Baptism today

George Thomas Fuhrmeister.

Please pray for his parents

Luke & Tara and for Godparents Hannah, Vanessa & Tobias
who today make promises on behalf of George, before us



Twenty-second Sunday
after
Pentecost

10th. November
2019

WELCOME

Our service begins on page 119 of 'A Prayer Book for Australia' (green book)
Hymns are found in 'Together in Song' (red book)
The number of each hymn is clearly displayed in the Church.
At St. Matthew's the service can be followed on the screens.
Please join us for morning tea, following the service.

Acknowledgement of Land

(An act towards reconciliation by the Parish of Glenroy/ Hadfield / Merlynston)

For thousands of years indigenous people have walked in this land.

Their relationship with the land is at the centre of their lives.

We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation,
for their stewardship throughout the ages.

**PLEASE OBSERVE SILENCE
PRIOR TO OUR SERVICE, DURING HOLY COMMUNION
AND AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE SERVICE**

Catch up with one another in the Narthex or at Morning Tea

GLUTEN FREE COMMUNION WAFERS ARE AVAILABLE

If you require Gluten free wafer,
please speak to the Lay Assistant or a Welcomer, BEFORE the Service,

Sentence: 'I am the resurrection and the life,' says the Lord. 'Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.'

John 11. 25-26;

Collect: God of all the living, in the resurrection of Christ Jesus, you have given us the promise of life, which death itself cannot destroy: in the strength of this unshakeable promise, give us a new heart to live, even now, as your new creation. We ask this through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Readings

Job 19. 23-27a;

²³ O that my words were written down!
O that they were inscribed in a book!
²⁴ O that with an iron pen and with lead
they were engraved on a rock for ever!
²⁵ For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth;
²⁶ and after my skin has been thus destroyed,
then in my flesh I shall see God,
²⁷ whom I shall see on my side,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.
My heart faints within me.

PSALM 145. 1-5, 17-21;

1 I will exalt you, O God my King,
I will bless your name for ever and ever.
2 Every day will I bless you
and praise your name for ever and ever.
3 Great is the Lord, and wonderfully worthy to be praised;
his greatness is past searching out.
4 One generation shall praise your works to another;
and declare your mighty acts.
5 As for me, I will be talking of the glorious splendour of your majesty;
I will tell the story of your marvellous works.

In response to several incidents in places of worship,
The Victorian Council of Churches formulated a 7 page document of guidelines

'ACTIVE ARMED OFFENDER IN A HOUSE OF WORSHIP'

This page is a synopsis of the full document. Please read and familiarize yourself with
the contents, in readiness should an incident occur.

PREVENTION

The ideal deterrent is electronic security measures,
but because our finances do not currently allow for this,
please note alternate suggestions -

**BE VIGILANT AT ALL TIMES,
OF WHO IS ABOUT THE BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY**

**IF YOU ARE ALONE IN THE BUILDING, KEEP DOORS LOCKED,
AT OTHER TIMES RESTRICT HOW MANY EXTERNAL DOORS ARE OPEN**

EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN

Be aware of listening to recognise the sound of firearms / gun shots.
If safe to do so, move from the danger area, otherwise drop to the floor and keep still
and quiet, switching your mobile phone to silent.

1 or 2 people will be appointed to phone police, and ambulance if needed

Except for your mobile phone, leave all other belongings where they are.
Appoint other people to provide assistance to those with a disability
or unfamiliar with this property.

Lead people to a safe place in other parts of the building,
away from windows and doors,
preferably behind a brick or concrete wall.

If outside, hide behind a large tree, shed or large motor vehicle.

KEEP QUIET NO TALKING. LISTEN

When the danger has dissipated, and everyone is feeling calm,
return to where you were before the incident commenced.



THE YEAR OF MATTHEW, STUDY DAY

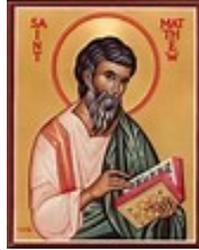
SATURDAY 16th. NOVEMBER 2019 10.00 am. to 3.30 pm.,
Old Warden's Lodge, Trinity College, Parkville

\$40 / \$30 concession

For more information and to register:

www.trybooking.com/546413

Alternatively email: theologyevents@trinity.edu.au or call 03 9348 7127



- 17 The Lord is just in all his ways;
and faithful in all his dealings.
- 18 The Lord is near to all who call upon him,
to all who call upon him in truth.
- 19 He will fulfil the desire of those that fear him,
he will hear their, and save them.
- 20 The Lord preserves all those that love him,
but the wicked he will utterly destroy.
- 21 My mouth shall speak the praises of the Lord;
let all flesh bless his holy name, for ever and ever.

2 Thessalonians 2.1–5, 13–17;

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you? But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter. Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

GOSPEL Luke 20. 27–38;

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus, and asked him a question, 'Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her.' Jesus said to them, 'Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die any more, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised, Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive.'





WORKING BEE AT ST. MATTHEW'S
9.00 am. Saturday 16th. November 2019
Morning Tea provided
'MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK'



ANGLICARE VICTORIA - GIFTS for CHILDREN and TEENAGERS

Toys and Food Christmas Appeal

Gifts needed for teenagers - sporting equipment such as, footballs, soccer balls or cricket items; after-shave, make-up, perfume, jewellery

Children - Arts and Crafts, Board Games, Lego, Dolls, Musical Instruments for babies - bottles, educational toys, bath toys

New items only, thank you, and unwrapped.

Because Anglicare need to distribute gifts to their clients during December, please bring your donations before **1st. December** for collection next day.

AUSTRALIAN ANGLICAN CHURCH CALENDAR 2020

TODAY IS YOUR LAST OPPORTUNITY TO ORDER

\$12. each

A list is in the Narthex of each centre for orders.

Please place your payment in an envelope marked 'Calendar' and your name, and amount, and place in Offertory bowl. *Thank You*

Pew Leaflet Notices:

Please give to, or phone **Glenda Owen,**
or e-mail: - gonana7@bigpond.com - by 7.00 pm. Wednesday

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY after PENTECOST
10th. November 2019

PRAISE GOD

Today's passages address the challenges of living in the present time, when temptations abound to dwell in the past or worry about the future. Psalm, prophecy, church letter, and gospel story all offer guidance to their communities about living faithful lives today. Grounding one's personal and communal life in praise of God provides the surest way to be faithful.

Focus scripture

Psalm 145: 1-5; 17-21; This psalm is the final Davidic psalm in a series beginning with Psalm 138, and the first in a series of "praise psalms" (145-150), which concludes the Psalter. As with many psalms, the voice changes often: some verses speak to God, some speak of God. Using the acrostic poetic form, in which each verse begins with a consecutive letter of the Hebrew alphabet, the psalmist attempts to spell out God's greatness and goodness from A to Z. Proclamations of God's might and power join with proclamations of God's love for the individual, for generations, for the community and for all of creation. As these doxological statements weave through the psalm, they create a vivid testimony to God's universal care, God's intimate involvement with humanity, and God's ability and willingness to provide for all.

In **2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17** the author responds to a communal concern that the Day of the Lord has already occurred, urging the faithful not be alarmed. Apocalyptic speculations about the "end times" were common in New Testament times, and the author reminds the church of signs they can expect to see, and certain events that will occur before this awaited day; in particular, that a "lawless one" will claim divine status. The author's key concern involves preventing the faithful from being misled or deceived by those who claim to speak divine truths. For this reason they are to maintain the traditions they have learned.

Luke 20:27-38 Jesus has entered Jerusalem, and in the final week before his crucifixion engages in a series of confrontations with religious authorities. In this passage, Jesus weighs in on an ongoing controversy between the Pharisees, who believe in resurrection, and the Sadducees, who do not. The Sadducees intend to trap Jesus by asking a question about Levirate marriage, a tradition which was meant to ensure the continuity of the family line and protect vulnerable women from widowhood. Jesus demonstrates robust debating skills by supporting the idea of resurrection by quoting Moses, who spoke of the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; three patriarchs who are all alive to God. In addition to articulating faith in resurrection, Jesus also answers the Sadducees' underlying "family values" question by asserting that marriage is of concern on earth, but not in heaven, and that one's marital status does not define people in God's eyes.

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The remnant of exiles that returned to Judah wrestled with demoralization at the difficult prospect of rebuilding their homeland and religious centre. Jesus' contemporaries and early followers struggle with questions about life after death, and wrestle with anxieties about the future. Today's passages subscribe to the importance of tradition, worship, and praise. Whether using, like the psalmist, a poetic form to inspire insight into God's grace, calling for a worship space in which the community can gather together, or following traditions that have been handed down, in order to calm anxieties about the future, today's scriptures call God's people to centre themselves in worship and praise.

REFLECTION

Ever-present God, wherever we find ourselves, we find you.

In times of trouble and confusion, in times of gratitude and joy, you accompany us.

Be with us now in our questions about our past, present, and future.

Inspire us to discover ways to worship you in spirit and in truth. Amen.

NOTICES

PARISH ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday 17th. November 2019 - 12.00 pm. (noon) at St. Linus' Merlynston

PLEASE collect your folder of Reports today, read during the week, and bring with you to Annual Meeting

HYMN SING-ALONG

Sunday 17th. November 2019 - 2.00 pm.

at Pascoe Vale South Uniting Church - 10 Cumberland Rd. Pascoe Vale South 3044

Comperer: Rev'd Ian Collings Organist: Geoffrey Anderson

Afternoon Tea to follow

WE ARE INVITED

To attend Choral Evensong on Thursday 28th. November at 5.10 pm.
at St. Paul's Cathedral

when the Parish of St. Matthew's Glenroy/Hadfield with St. Linus' Merlynston will be upheld in prayer during the service from the Book of Common Prayer. We are requested to send to the Dean of the Cathedral 2 or 3 items of concerns or thanks, to be included in the prayers during Choral Evensong.

NOVEMBER TMA is available today.

Includes reports of Synod, and many other interesting articles

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