

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.

Indue Ltd. BSB 703122 Account 05004414

DIARY THIS WEEK

Tuesday 15th. October
Teresa of Avila, teacher (d.1592)

Wednesday 16th. October 10.00 am. Eucharist at St. Matthew's
Hugh Latimer and Nickolas Ridley, Synod commences
bishops and martyrs (d.1555)

Thursday 17th. October 10.00 am. Playgroup at St. Linus'
Ignatius of Antioch, 10.45 am. Holy Communion at Colton Close
Bishop and martyr (d.c.115) Aged Care Facility

Friday 18th. October 11.00 am. Gospel Reflection group at St. Matthew's
LUKE, EVANGELIST
and MARTYR

Saturday 19th. October *Synod concludes*
Henry Martyn, missionary
and Bible translator in India and Persia (d.1812)

Sunday 20th. October 9.00 am. Eucharist at St. Linus'
10.30 am. Eucharist at St. Matthew's,

LOOKING AHEAD

Saturday 26th. October - Card Making workshop at St. Matthew's

Sunday 27th. October - Lunch with the Vicar, venue to be announced

Saturday 2nd. November - Secondhand books and Craft/bric-a-brac
at St. Matthew's

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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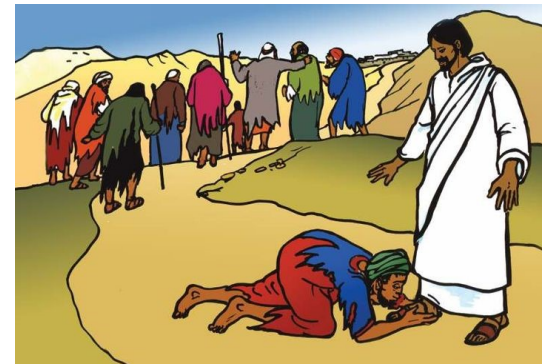
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**Eighteenth Sunday
after
Pentecost**

**13th. October
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.*

During the 10.30 am. Service at St. Matthew's each Sunday,
opportunity will be available to receive one-on-one prayer
for any personal needs.

Please go to the Chapel area after you have received Communion

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: What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me ? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord, I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people.

Collect: O God, you have made heaven and earth and all that is good: help us to delight in simple things and rejoice always in the richness of your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Readings

Jeremiah 29. 1, 4-7;

These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

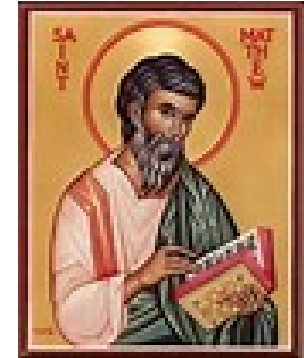
Psalms 66. 1-11;

- 1 O shout with joy to God, all the earth;
sing to the honour of his name, and give him glory as his praise.
- 2 Say to God, 'How fearful are your works;
because of your great might your enemies shall cower before you.
- 3 All the earth shall worship you;
and sing to you, and sing praises to your name.
- 4 Come then and see what God has done;
how terrible are his dealings with the children of Adam.
- 5 He turned the sea into dry land, they crossed the river on foot;
then were we joyful because of him.
- 6 By his power he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch on the nations;
and rebels shall never rise against him.

**TRINITY COLLEGE
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THE YEAR OF MATTHEW STUDY DAY



A day for clergy and lay people to be enriched by the Gospel readings from Matthew for the forthcoming Church year, and to explore some of the Old Testament texts to be read at Eucharists in the Year of Matthew.

Come and join us for study,
Reflection and discussion led by
The Rev'd Dr. Robert (Bob) Derrenbacher,
Dean of the Trinity College Theological
School, and the Frank Woods Associate
Professor in New Testament, and
Dr. Rachelle Gilmour, the Bromby
Lecturer in Old Testament at the
Trinity College Theological School.

SATURDAY 16th. NOVEMBER 2019

10.00 am. - 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

Pew Leaflet Notices:

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

BROADMEADOWS and DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB

SPRING SHOW

Saturday 19th. October - Noon - 4.00 pm.

Sunday October 20th. 10.00 am. - 3.00 pm.

In Wiseman House - Entry \$4.00, children free

Plant sales

Garden Ornaments

Devonshire Tea
Raffles

Sausage Sizzle
Craft Shop



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**MORNING TEA WILL NOT BE SERVED IN THE MEETING ROOM
AT ST. MATTHEW'S ON 20th. OCTOBER**
MORNING TEA - SAUSAGE SIZZLE
will be available for purchase at the Garden Show

CARD MAKING WORKSHOP & CHRISTMAS STALL ITEMS

Saturday 26th. October - 10.00 am. to Noon

In the meeting room at St. Matthew's Anglican Church

Please bring your ideas for making items to sell at

the Parish Christmas Stall

to be held on Saturday 7th. December 2019

In conjunction with Second hand Books and

New Craft / Bric-a-Brac



If you cannot come to the workshops, please make items at home, that can be sold on the Christmas Stall

MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL

Saturday 16th. November 2019

3.00 pm. - 6.00 pm.

Glen Waverley Anglican Church 800 Waverley Rd. Glen Waverley

Archbishop's Welcome

Cultural Dancing Face Painting Cultural Food
Praise and Worship Jumping Castle
Funds raised will support Multicultural Mission work

- 7 O bless our God, you peoples;
And cause his praise to resound;
- 8 Who has held our souls in life, a
who has not suffered our feet to slip.
- 9 For you have proved us, O God;
you have tried us as silver is tried.
- 10 You brought us into the net;
you laid sharp torment on our loins.
- 11 You let our enemies ride over our heads, we went through fire and water;
but you brought us out into a place of liberty.

2 Timothy 2. 8-15;

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David – that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful – for he cannot deny himself. Remind them of this, and warn them before God that they are to avoid wrangling over words, which does no good but only ruins those who are listening. Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved by him, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly explaining the word of truth.

GOSPEL Luke 17. 11-19;

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' Then he said to Samaritan, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

13th. October 2019

EXPRESSING GRATITUDE

Expressing Gratitude God's faithfulness extends to all people and places, good news that continues to surprise. Today's scriptures explore some of these surprises and raise questions. How do healing and faith relate? What faithful response does God demand of a conquered and exiled people? In the midst of familiar congregational wrangling, where might we find Jesus, knowing that no chains of time or place can tie him down?

Focus scripture

Luke 17:11–19 ; The community of Jesus' day considered people with leprosy ritually unclean, outcasts, and likely to be possessed by evil spirits. They were forbidden to enter the temple, or participate in religious or communal life, unless a priest certified them as clean. On the final leg of his journey from Galilee to Jerusalem, Jesus responds to the appeal of ten to have mercy. All ten refer to Jesus as "Master," recognizing him as a healer, and all respond immediately to his command to show themselves to the priest. As they follow Jesus' commandment, heading to the temple, they become clean. Only one, a Samaritan, turns back to thank Jesus and praise God. Many readers may find Jesus' question, "But the other nine, where are they?" perplexing. Presumably, they are doing exactly what Jesus told them to do: going to show themselves to the priest. What motivates the Samaritan to return? Of the ten with leprosy, the Samaritan (an outsider, a foreigner) returns. Perhaps he returns because he knows that as a Samaritan, a foreigner, boundaries have been put upon his participation in temple life. Perhaps he returns because he alone comprehends the divine nature of the one who healed him. Like the story of Naaman the leprosy one in 2 Kings 5:1–19, Luke's story illustrates the same surprising message: that God's love extends to all, God's mercy knows no bounds. Clearly more has happened to the Samaritan than being healed. Jesus asserts that his faith, his ability to recognize and rejoice in God's blessing of healing, makes him a full member of the faith community. In this way, Luke signals that the Samaritan's experience functions as a sign of the coming of God's kingdom.

Jeremiah 29:1, 4–7 Long before Luke, the prophet Jeremiah introduced the notion that God can be worshipped outside the Holy Land. When the Babylonians forced all the religious and political leaders into exile, leaving only a few people behind in Jerusalem, Jeremiah dictates a letter to the exiles. It contains news the exiles don't want to hear. God wants them to put down roots in the land of their captivity, to build houses, plant gardens, have children. Even more, God wants them to pray for their conquerors and to seek their welfare.

The theme of God's universal love continues in **Psalms 66:1–12**, which invites the whole earth to praise God. The psalmist invokes the Israelites' particular liberation narrative, the Exodus, and the broad embrace of God "whose eyes keep watch on the nations." Testifying to God's deeds past and present, the psalmist also implies that communal worship, praise, and blessing leads to individual thanksgiving and a desire to invite others to join in worshipping God.

2 Timothy 2:8–15 Timothy is reminded that though Jesus is an historical person, he is also "the word of God," which cannot be chained down. Timothy's insecurities and shame are addressed; and he is urged, to explain the word of truth to his community, and help them avoid useless "wrangling over words."

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Today's scriptures assert that God's love extends beyond all boundaries. They prompt us to wonder: If Jesus is not chained to history, then where can we find him in our world today? For what unexpected people and place does God call us to pray and work

REFLECTION

**God of the ill, the exiled, the frightened, the angry,
you know we need your healing touch, your guiding hand,
your calming, comforting presence.
Wherever we find ourselves, draw us near to you.
Hold us in your everlasting arms. Amen.**



PLEASE NOTE

**Because the Car park is being used for immoral activities at night,
A chain is now being placed across the driveway and locked.**

To those who are on the Church cleaning roster, Brass cleaning roster, Gardening / Mowing , or regularly need access to St. Matthew's grounds or buildings, please ask May Admans for a key.

OR

Park your car on the street, and walk into the property.

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.

Please pass any thoughts on to Glenda Owen.

LOOKING AHEAD - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

Carols in the Park - Saturday **14th. December** an Ecumenical endeavour. We are combining with The Hope Centre, The Salvation Army, Uniting Church and Baptist church, to be held at Sewell Reserve Glenroy Rd.

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