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 Gods' 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.

DIARY THIS WEEK

Monday 9th. August

Mary Sumner, founder of the Mothers' Union (d.1921)

Tuesday 10th. August

Laurence, deacon and martyr at Rome (d.258)

Wednesday 11th. August 10.00 am. Morning Prayer at St. Matthew's Clare of Assisi (d.1252)

John Henry Newman, cardinal & theologian (d.1890)

Friday 13th. August

Jeremy Taylor, bishop and spiritual writer (d.1667)

Saturday 14th. August

Maria Skobtsova, abbess in Russia (d.1945)

and other Twentieth century martyrs - Grand Duchess Elizabeth of Russia (d.1918)

Maximillien Kolbe, friar (d.1940)

Martin Luther King, worker for civil liberties (d. 1968)

Janani Luwum, archbishop of Uganda (d.1977)

Oscar Romero, archbishop of San Salvador (d.1980)

Sunday 15th. August 9.00 am. Eucharist at St.Linus' 12th. Sunday 10.30 am. Eucharist at St.Matthew's

after Pentecost



Statues of Twentieth Century Martyrs at Westminster Abbey, above the Great West Door in addition to the martyrs remembered on 14th. August, the following are among these statues, Manche Masemola (d.1928) Deitrich Bonhoeffer (d.1945) Esther John (d.1960)

LucianTapiedi (d.1942) Wang Zhiming (1973)

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WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES OF WORSHIP TODAY

As you enter the Church or Hall, please register using the QR Code, Face masks must be worn indoors & outdoors

PLEASE <----> MAINTAIN <-----> SOCIAL <----> DISTANCING



ELEVENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

8th. August 2021

GLUTEN FREE COMMUNION WAFERS ARE AVAILABLE

If you require gluten free wafer,

Please speak to the Lay Assistant or Welcomer BEFORE the service.

Pew Leaflet Notices:

Please give to, or phone Glenda Owen, or e-mail: - gonana7@bigpond.com - by 5 pm. Wednesday

Acknowledgement of Land

(An act towards reconciliation by the Parish of Glenroy/ Hadfield / Merlynston) We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation, the Traditional Owners of the land on which we are gathered and pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

Sentence: Be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us. Ephesians 5, 1-2:

Collect: Grant O Lord, that we may see in you the fulfillment of all our need, and may turn from every false satisfaction, to feed on the true and living bread, that you have given us in Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Reading

2 Samuel 18. 5-9, 14, 31-33;

The king ordered Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, 'Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom.' And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. Absalom happened to meet the servants of David. Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak, and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on. And ten young men. Joab's armour-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him. Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said. 'Good tidings for my lord the king! For the LORD has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you.' The king said to the Cushite. 'Is it well with the young man Absalom?' The Cushite answered, 'May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man.' The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, 'O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!'

Psalm 130:

- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord; Lord, hear my voice.
- 2 O let vour ears consider well:

the voice of my supplication.

- 3 If you, Lord, should note what we do wrong:
 - who then. O Lord. could stand?
- 4 But there is forgiveness with you;

so that you shall be feared.

- 5 I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him;
 - and in his word is my hope.

6 My soul looks for the Lord:

more than watchmen for the morning, more, I say, than watchmen for the morning.

- 7 O Israel, trust in the Lord, for with the Lord there is mercy;
- and with him is ample redemption.

8 He will redeem Israel:

from the multitude of their sins.

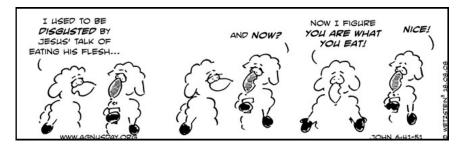
Ephesians 4. 25 - 5. 2;

Putting away falsehood, let all of us speak the truth to our neighbours, for we are members of one another. Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil. Thieves must give up stealing; rather let them labour and work honestly with their own hands, so as to have something to share with the needy. Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear. And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with which you were marked with a seal for the day of redemption. Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and be kind to one another, tender hearted,

forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children, and live in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

GOSPEL John 6. 35, 41-51;

Jesus said to the crowd. 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.' Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'



A PRAYER AT THE TIME OF CHOOSING AN INCUMBENT

Bountiful God, bring to this parish, a faithful pastor, who will speak your word, and minister your sacraments: an encourager who will prayerfully equip your people for ministry. enabling all within this parish to fulfil their calling.

May those who will choose, do so with wisdom, discernment and patience. and to us give warm and generous hearts.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. Amen.

EMERGENCY FOOD DONATIONS at ST. MATTHEW'S

Please remember Penni Diffey's CHALLENGE for AUGUST

< donations of non- perishable foods & personal care items, for people in need > Place your donation (but NOT the plastic bag) in the basket. Thank You

PARISH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

Please consider the continuation of your Stewardship giving By Direct Debit - BSB 703122 Indue Ltd. Account 05004414 The account is in the name of - St. Matthew's Glenroy/Hadfield with St. Linus' Merlynston

TO DONATE TO ST. LINUS' WINDOW FUND

By Internet Transfer -

Account name - St. Matthew's with St. Linus' Designated Funds Account

BSB - 703 122 Account Number - 05009906

A form is available at each Church for other ways of donating

he Stained Glass window will be in Memory of Lois Erickson and The Rev'd Jo-Anne Wells