

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.*

STEWARDSHIP GIVING

Please consider using Direct Deposit for your Stewardship giving.

Bank account details - BSB 703122, Indue Ltd. Account no. 05004414

The account is in the name of - St. Matthew's Glenroy/Hadfield with St. Linus' Merlynston

DIARY THIS WEEK

Sunday 12th. February 4.00 pm. Healing Service at St. Matthew's
Tuesday 14th. February
Cyril (d.869) and Methodius, bishop (d.885) missionaries to the Slavs
Wednesday 15th. February 10.00 am. Morning Prayer at St. Matthew's
1.00 pm. Connect: Journalling at St. Matthew's
Saturday 18th. February 10.30 am. Parish Council at St. Linus'
Sunday 19th. February 9.00 am. Eucharist at St. Linus'
Transfiguration 10.30 am. Eucharist at St. Matthew's.
Last Sunday after Epiphany 4.00 pm. Choral Service at St. Matthew's

LOOKING AHEAD

Tuesday 21st. February 6.00 pm. Parish Pancake Fellowship Gathering at St. Matthew's
Help need please, to make pancake mixture and toppings, and to cook pancakes on the night. Those helping please be there from 5.30pm
7.30 pm. Connect Men's group : Dinner fellowship at
My Mates Pizza847 Pascoe Vale Rd. Glenroy

Wednesday 22nd. February 10.00 am. Ash Wednesday Service at St. Matthew's
6.00 pm. Ash Wednesday Service at St. Linus'
7.00 pm. Ash Wednesday Service at St. Matthew's

Pew Leaflet Notices:
please email gonana7@bigpond.com
by 4.00 pm. Wednesday

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany 12th. February 2023

WELCOME

*The services within our parish can be seen on the screens during the service.
Please see one of our welcomers if you would like to use the complete prayer book.
Morning tea will follow the service.
Please join in our fellowship time.*

The Anglican Parish of Glenroy / Hadfield with Merlynston



St. Matthew's
30 Widford St.
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with

St. Linus'
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Merlynston 3058



PARISH PRIEST: The Reverend Robert Koren

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This week, Rev. Rob can be found at:
St. Linus' - Mon. & Thurs. 9 am. to 3 pm.
St. Matthew's - Wed. & Fri. 9 am. to 3 pm.
NOT available Tuesday.

PARISH WEBSITE - www.matthewlinus.org.au

PARISH FACEBOOK - www.facebook.com/matthewlinus

PARISH PODCAST - www.buzzsprout.com/1974085

Associate Priest
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Glenda Owen 0448 821 218

Authorised Honorary Parish Reader
Kerryn Pratchett 0409 306 818



Love. Grow. Serve.

Acknowledgement of Country

From time immemorial the Wurundjeri people have cared for this land, nurtured it, depended on it and given honour and thanks to the Creator.
As we acknowledge their faithful custodianship of the land, and the sacred stories they have told; as we offer our respect to their elders, past, present and emerging, guide us Lord in caring for them, this land, and each other with the help of the Holy Spirit of Dreaming.

Sentence: Blessed are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord. *Psalm 119. 1;*

Collect: Almighty God, you gave the law to guide our lives; grant that we may never shrink from your commandments, but, as we are taught by your Spirit, may fulfil your law in perfect love; through Christ our Lord and Master, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever. **Amen.**

Readings

First reading is from the book of Isaiah 40.28–31;

Have you not known? Have you not heard?
The Lord is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.
He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.
He gives power to the faint,
and strengthens the powerless.
Even youths will faint and be weary,
and the young will fall exhausted;
but those who wait for the Lord
will renew their strength,
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,
they shall run and not be weary,
they shall walk and not faint.

Hear the word of the Lord, thanks be to God.

The second reading is from the first letter of Paul to the Hebrews 4.14–16 ;

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathise with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hear the word of the Lord; thanks be to God.

The Lord be with you; and also with you.

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 15:7-11; Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified in this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples. As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

This is the Gospel of the Lord: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

Let us pray:

Lord Jesus, receive the prayers we offer.
You bore our weaknesses and carried our sorrows.
Lord have mercy,
Lord have mercy.

You felt compassion for the people, and went among them doing good.
Christ have mercy,
Christ have mercy.

You commanded your apostles to heal the sick in your name.
Lord have mercy,
Lord have mercy.

Lord have mercy on us now,
and help us in our time of need.

Used during the service.

Almighty God, in your word we are encouraged to pray for the sick and anoint them with oil. Grant that N who is anointed with this oil may be strengthened by your Holy Spirit, healed and restored, according to your good purposes; through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Amen.

Priest: In the faith of Jesus Christ, I anoint you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All present are invited to lay hands on the person seeking healing while the priest prays:

Laying hands on you in the name of Jesus Christ, we pray for healing.

Prayers are offered by those who are present as the Holy Spirit leads them.

Priest: God, the source of life and health, grant you release from pain, refreshment of spirit, and wholeness in body and mind. **Amen.**

Following the anointing and prayers of healing, the person seeking healing by faith in the Lord Jesus responds:

Lord Jesus, your love never fails. Thank you for this assurance that your hands are stretched out to me, to forgive, to strengthen, and to heal.

Amen.

Communion is distributed following the prayer of acknowledgement with the words:

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for you, preserve your body and soul to everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your heart by faith with thanksgiving.

Amen.