

*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

Please consider the continuation of your Stewardship giving  
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#### DIARY THIS WEEK

**No Wednesday or Sunday Services or face to face meetings / activities this week.**

Monday 6th. July  
*John Fisher, bishop, and Thomas More, martyrs (d.1535)*

Saturday 11th. July  
*Benedict of Nursia, abbot (d.550)*

Sunday 12th. July  
*Sixth Sunday after Pentecost*

**PARISH COVID SAFETY OFFICERS**  
have been appointed to assist Parishioners with  
DHHS and Diocesan guidelines of Social distancing etc.

at St. Linus' - Avril Salter at St. Matthew's - May Admans

Coronavirus health advice - The Victorian Department of Health & Human Services has provided guidelines for staying well.

These include:  
Practice good hygiene, use sanitizer or wash your hands frequently.

**Maintain physical distancing, keep at least 1.5 metres away from others**

Understand the risk and symptoms.  
Take care wherever you go, assume others may be carrying the virus.

Help continue to slow the spread of COVID-19 by getting tested,  
even if you have mild symptoms  
Stay home and avoid contact with other people, if you're feeling unwell

If you think you have coronavirus, get tested today or call the coronavirus hotline on  
1800 675 398 for more information.

For translator support, call TIS National on 131 450.

## The Anglican Parish of Glenroy / Hadfield / Merlynston



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with

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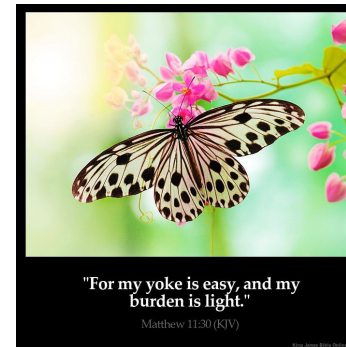
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#### WELCOME

*During this time of online services,  
Please feel free to follow along if you have a prayer book at home.  
The service begins on page 119 of A Prayer Book for Australia*



**FIFTH SUNDAY  
after  
PENTECOST**

**5th. July  
2020**

Many parishioners are in lockdown again, so please continue to stay safe,  
observe the restrictions which have been imposed for Glenroy etc.  
When out at allowed places, please observe Social Distancing,  
wash your hands frequently, or use hand sanitizer,  
and remember to look out for the health and wellbeing of yourself and others.

The July edition of *TMA* is now available online  
(see <http://tma.melbourneanglican.org.au/this-months-tma>),  
Print copies will be available at the Church, within a few days.

**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.

**Sentence:** 'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest,' says the Lord. 'Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart.'

**Collect:** Almighty God, your Son Jesus Christ has taught us that what we do for the least of his brothers and sisters, we do also for him; give us the will to serve others, as he was the servant of all, who gave up his life and died for us; yet lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**Readings**

**Genesis 24. 34–38, 42–49, 58–67;**

The servant whom Abraham had sent said to Laban: 'I am Abraham's servant. The LORD has greatly blessed my master, and he has become wealthy; he has given him flocks and herds, silver and gold, male and female slaves, camels and donkeys. And Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old; and he has given him all that he has. My master made me swear, saying, "You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I live; but you shall go to my father's house, to my kindred, and get a wife for my son." I came today to the spring, and said, "O LORD, the God of my master Abraham, if now you will only make successful the way I am going! I am standing here by the spring of water; let the young woman who comes out to draw, to whom I shall say, 'Please give me a little water from your jar to drink,' and who will say to me, 'Drink, and I will draw for your camels also' – let her be the woman whom the LORD has appointed for my master's son." Before I had finished speaking in my heart, there was Rebekah coming out with her water jar on her shoulder; and she went down to the spring, and drew. I said to her, "Please let me drink." She quickly let down her jar from her shoulder, and said, "Drink, and I will also water your camels." So I drank, and she also watered the camels. Then I asked her, "Whose daughter are you?" She said, "The daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bore to him." So I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her arms. Then I bowed my head and worshipped the LORD, and blessed the LORD, the God of my master Abraham, who had led me by the right way to obtain the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. Now then, if you will deal loyally and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, tell me, so that I may turn either to the right hand or to the left.' And they called Rebekah, and said to her, 'Will you go with this man?' She said, 'I will.' So they sent away their sister Rebekah and her nurse along with Abraham's servant and his men. And they blessed Rebekah and said to her, 'May you, our sister, become thousands of myriads; may your offspring gain possession of the gates of their foes.' Then Rebekah and her maids rose up, mounted the camels, and followed the man; thus the servant took Rebekah, and went his way. Now Isaac had come from Beer-lahai-roi, and was settled in the Negeb. Isaac went out in the evening to walk in the field; and looking up, he saw camels coming. And Rebekah looked up, and when she saw Isaac, she slipped quickly from the camel, and said to the servant, 'Who is the man over there, walking in the field to meet us?' The servant said, 'It is my master.' So she took her veil and covered herself. And the servant told Isaac all the things that he had done. Then Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent. He took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and he loved her. So Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.

**Psalms 45. 10-17;**

- 10 'Hear, O daughter; consider and incline your ear;  
**forget your own people and your father's house.**
- 11 The king desires your beauty;  
**he is your lord, therefore bow down before him.**
- 12 The richest among the people, O daughter of Tyre;  
**shall entreat your favour with gifts.**
- 13 The king's daughter is all glorious within;  
**her clothing is embroidered cloth-of-gold.**
- 14 In robes as many colours she is led to you, O king;  
**and, after her, the virgins that are with her.**
- 15 They are led with gladness and rejoicing;  
**they enter the palace of the king.**
- 16 In place of your fathers, you shall have sons;  
**and make them princes over all the land.**
- 17 And I will make known your name to every generation;  
**therefore the peoples shall give you praise for ever.**

**Romans 7. 15–25;**

I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. Now if I do what I do not want, I agree that the law is good. But in fact it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. For I know that nothing good dwells within me, that is, in my flesh. I can will what is right, but I cannot do it. For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I do. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I that do it, but sin that dwells within me. So I find it to be a law that when I want to do what is good, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind, making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

**GOSPEL Matthew 11. 15–19, 25–30;**

Let anyone with ears listen! At that time Jesus said, 'But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another, "We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn." For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He has a demon"; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, "Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!" Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds. I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

