

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.

DIARY THIS WEEK

- Monday 1st. October 1.30 pm. Home Group at Glenroy
- Wednesday 3rd. October 10.00 am. Eucharist at St Matthew's, including M.U. Prayers and fellowship.
- Thursday 4th. October 10.45 am. Holy Communion at Colton Close
Francis of Assisi, friar and preacher (d.1226) Aged Care Facility
- Saturday 6th. October
William Tyndale, biblical scholar (d.1536)
- Daylight Savings commences at 2.00 am. Please turn your clocks forward one hour before going to bed.**
- Sunday 7th. October 9.00 am. Eucharist at St. Linus'
Pentecost 20 10.30 am. Eucharist at St. Matthew's
Noon Schools Chaplaincy Lunch in Wiseman House
5.00 pm. Newcomers service at St. Linus'

LOOKING AHEAD

- Saturday 13th. October - Community Fair at St. Matthew's**
- Saturday 3rd. November - Book and Craft rooms open at St. Matthew's
- Sunday 18th. November - Parish Annual Meeting
- Saturday 1st. December - Book and Craft rooms open at St. Matthew's

Pew Leaflet Notices:

Please give to, or phone Glenda Owen,
or e-mail: - gonana7@bigpond.com - by 8 pm. Tuesday

The Anglican Parish of Glenroy / Hadfield / Merlynston



St. Matthew's
Cnr. Widford St.
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Glenroy 3046

with

St. Linus'
cnr. Glyndon Ave.
& Delta Ave.
Merlynston 3058



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**PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR MOBILE PHONE BEFORE
THE START OF THE SERVICE.**

Thank You



**Nineteenth Sunday
after
Pentecost**

**30th. September
2018**

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.

GLUTEN FREE COMMUNION WAFERS ARE AVAILABLE

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

**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**

Sentence: Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can it be seasoned ?
Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another. *Mark 9. 50;*

Collect: O God, your Son has taught us, that those who give a cup of water in his name, will not lose their reward: open our eyes to see those who are in need, and teach us to set no store by riches and earthly rewards, so that, in surrendering ourselves to serve you in your children, we may labour for the treasure that endures; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Readings

Esther 7.1-6, 9-10; 9.20-22;

The king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. On the second day, as they were drinking wine, the king again said to Esther, 'What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled.' Then Queen Esther answered, 'If I have won your favour, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me – that is my petition – and the lives of my people – that is my request. For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace; but no enemy can compensate for this damage to the king.' Then King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, 'Who is he, and where is he, who presumed to do this?' Esther said, 'A foe and enemy, this wicked Haman!' Then Haman was terrified before the king and queen. Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs in attendance on the king, said, 'Look, the very gallows that Haman has prepared for Mordecai, whose word saved the king, stands at Haman's house, fifty cubits high.' And the king said, 'Hang him on that.' So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the anger of the king abated. Mordecai recorded these things, and sent letters to all the Jews who were in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, both near and far, enjoining them that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same month, year by year, as the days on which the Jews gained relief from their enemies, and as the month that had been turned for them from sorrow into gladness and from mourning into a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, days for sending gifts of food to one another and presents to the poor.

**PLEASE BAKE A CAKE
OR TWO OR THREE**

for

Saturday 13th. October 2018

9.30 am. to 1.30 pm.

Books

Sausage Sizzle

Plants

Craft

Jumping Castle

Cakes



PONY RIDES from 9.30 am. to 11.30 am.

**COMMUNITY FAIR
and
WISEMAN HOUSE OPEN DAY**

(between 1923 and 1963, St. Agnes Girl's Home)



St. Matthew's Anglican Church

Cnr. Widford St. & Melbourne Ave. Glenroy

For further information in regards to the Community Fair, contact

Colleen - 0438 673 779 OR Sue - 0430 366 073



SUNDAY 7th. October at 5.00 pm. to 6.00 pm.

and the First Sunday of each month

Informal service at St Linus'
corner Delta Ave & Glyndon Ave, Merlynston

No church experience necessary!

Includes a light meal in our community hall.

AUSTRALIAN ANGLICAN CHURCH CALENDAR

\$12. each

There is an Order form on the Noticeboard at St. Linus' & St. Matthew's

PLEASE place your order NOW

Place your payment in an envelope marked
'Australian Anglican church calendar' with your name and no. of Calendars

The proceeds from the sale of calendars supports the work of the Anglican
Church in Australia and preservation of important church items
like vestments, artworks, chalices etc.

These calendars make a great gift for family and friends,
especially those who live overseas.

Glenroy Schools Chaplaincy Fund

LUNCH

Sunday 7th. October
In

Wiseman House

12 noon for 12.30 pm.

A two Course meal, hot lunch or cold carver

\$25 per person Children under 12 yrs. \$10 each

RSVP by 30th. September
to - 9309 2775 or
leave a message on 0409 255 443



PSALM 124;

- 1 If the Lord had not been on our side, now may Israel say;
**If the Lord had not been on our side, when our enemies
rose against us;**
- 2 Then would they have swallowed us alive;
when their anger was kindled against us;
- 3 Then the waters would have overwhelmed us,
and the torrent gone over us;
the raging waters would have gone clean over us.
- 4 But praised be the Lord;
who has not given us as a prey to their teeth.
- 5 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler;
the snare is broken, and we have gone free.
- 6 Our help is in the name of the Lord;
who has made heaven and earth.

James 5. 13-20;

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

Gospel: Mark 9.38-50;

After Jesus had finished teaching the disciples, John said to him, 'Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.' But Jesus said, 'Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterwards to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. If any of you put a stumbling-block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves and be at peace with one another.'



PENTECOST 19
30th. September 2018

HUMILITY

The three lessons Jesus taught in this section are basic to Christian living today. If we are yielded to Him, then suffering will lead to glory, faith will produce power, and our sacrificial service will lead to honour.

John reported to Jesus that they had seen a man casting out demons "in thy name"(v. 38) and they had tried to stop him. It appears that John and the other disciples were jealous and had given offense to the man (v. 38).

They had tried to restrain and so Jesus takes time to teach them an important principle, "For he that is not against us is on our part" (vv. 39-41). This is definitely dealing with an attitude of judgement toward others.

These words of Jesus are a death blow to the intolerant spirit, to the attitude that says, "Our group is the only group that is right." Jesus here establishes the basis for fellowship among believers. He is really saying, "I don't care what denomination you are in. If you have received Jesus as your personal Saviour, you are my sister or brother in Christ."

Next Jesus brings up a subject that is seldom mentioned in religious circles today. He talks about a place called hell (vv. 42-50). It is a real, actual, literal place. God says that if people die in their sins apart from the Lord Jesus they will go to a place where the fire is not quenched and the worm dieth not (vv 43,44).

We must take sin seriously. Your hand (v. 43) represents what you do. Is there any action, anything you are doing in your life, that is not pleasing to God? Your foot (v. 45) represents where you go.

Are you going anywhere that causes you to sin? Your eye (v. 47) represents what you see. Are you looking at anything that brings sin into your life? True *humility* means knowing yourself, accepting yourself, being yourself and giving yourself for others. The world's philosophy is that you are "great" if others are working for you, but Jesus message is that greatness comes from serving others.

REFLECTION

Lord Jesus, open our hearts and our minds to listen to your word from every source by which it comes to us.
 Keep us obedient to the Church order in which we worship, but give us also the light which reveals you in other ways.
 In whatever form and through whatever people you have a message for us, guide us to be attentive and to act upon your call. Amen.



ST. MATTHEW'S PEOPLE

PLEASE can you help - more people are needed for the

**Tech. Support;
 Welcomer / Collection
 and Morning Tea Rosters.**

Please let Glenda know that you are available to be rostered. Thank You.

To those people who are already rostered for various duties, please collect your roster from your file in the Narthex, and please keep a note of when you are rostered. If unable to fulfil your duty, please swap with another person on the roster.
 Thank You.

PARISH ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday 18th. November at St. Matthew's following the 10.30 am. service

Please start thinking about writing reports and sending them to -
 Glenda Owen, gonana7@bigpond.com **before 4th. November.** Thank You.

The following reports are requested -

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| Locum / Vicar | Churchwardens |
| Treasurer | Secretary |
| Aged Care | St. Matthew's Care Groups |
| Mission report | Gospel Reflection Group |
| Home Groups | Mothers' Union |
| St. Linus' Playgroup | St. Linus' Kindergarten |
| Fundraising and Fellowship | Hall Hire St. Matthew's & st. Linus' |
| Schools Chaplaincy | Homework Tutoring Club |