

*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.*

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#### DIARY THIS WEEK

Monday 2nd. September  
**MARTYRS OF NEW GUINEA**

Tuesday 3rd. September  
*Gregory of Rome, bishop and teacher (d.604)*  
*Eliza Darling, pioneer social reformer in NSW (d.1868)*

Wednesday 4th. September 10.00 am. Eucharist at St. Matthew's including M U Prayers and Fellowship

Thursday 5th. September 10.00 am. Playgroup at St. Linus'  
10.45 am. Holy Communion at Colton Close Aged Care Facility

Friday 6th. September 11.00 am. Reflection Group at St. Matthew's

Saturday 7th. September 10.00 am. Craft / Bric-a-Brac and Secondhand Books at St. Matthew's

Sunday 8th. September 9.00 am. Eucharist at St. Linus'  
*Fauna & Flora*  
Sunday 10.30 am. Eucharist at St. Matthew's,

#### LOOKING AHEAD

Saturday 14th. September - Working Bee at ST. LINUS'

Saturday 21st. September - Working Bee at ST. MATTHEW'S  
- Card Making workshop & Christmas Stall items

Sunday 22nd. September - Feasts of St. Linus' and St. Matthew

### The Anglican Parish of Glenroy / Hadfield / Merlynston



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**Season of Creation**

**OCEAN SUNDAY**

**1st. September**

**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.*



### **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,

**Opening Hymn** - St. Matthew's only

**Ocean Sunday sentence:** Let the sea roar and all that fills it!

### **An Invocation for Ocean Sunday**

In the name of the Spirit of God who hovered over the primal waters.  
In the name of the Word of God who parted the waters for Earth to appear.  
In the name of the Wisdom of God, who filled the deeps with amazing designs.  
Psalm 96.11

**Holy, holy, holy!**

**The oceans are filled with God's presence.**

Christ, we come into your presence today to worship in this sanctuary called Earth,  
**Earth is filled with your presence.**

### **Greeting Creation**

The Lord of life be with you.  
**And also with you.**

### **Ocean Sunday Responses**

We invite the oceans to worship with us.  
**The deep sea currents and coral reefs,  
the mountain peaks on the ocean floor.**  
We call the swirling seas to celebrate with us.  
**The icebergs that break off from the South Pole,  
the calm waters that caress the equator.**  
We join all ocean life in songs of praise,  
**Whales and dolphins dancing on the surface,  
and choirs of angel fish assembled below.**  
We summon the seashore to magnify the Lord,  
**The pelican, the stingray, the silver gull,  
the white caps and waves that splash in praise.**  
Oceans, seas and watery deeps,  
**Celebrate with all that lives within you,  
and roar in praise with us today.**

### **Ocean Sunday Invitation to Confession**

*As we taste the sea salt we remember times at the seashore or in the ocean that stirred our spirit or sense of wonder. We remember the sea with amazement.*

**We remember the splash of waves on our feet,  
the sand between our toes  
and the mystery of an endless horizon  
stretching out across the ocean.**

### **Creation Breaking of Bread & Invitation**

Come, for all things are now ready.  
Come to the table and share with all in need:  
the gift of healing for those in pain,  
the gift of forgiveness for those in sin,  
the gift of assurance for those in doubt,  
and the gift of hope for those in tears.

**May we who share these gifts  
share Christ with one another and all our kin.**

### **Administration of Communion**

#### **Creation thanks**

Let us give thanks for this meal.

#### **Creation Prayer after Communion**

**We thank you, Christ, for the meal we have celebrated with you, and we pray that through your body and blood we may be healed and become agents of healing for Earth and sea. Amen.**

### **Hymn**

#### **Ocean Sunday Commission**

Christ calls you to be his disciples,  
to serve him with love and compassion,  
to serve Earth by caring for creation,  
especially the oceans around us  
and all the life within them.

**We will follow our crucified Lord,  
listening for cries of injustice from the oceans,  
and the groanings of creation.**

**We will follow the risen Christ  
to become partners in healing our planet.**

**We will care for creation,  
honouring the seas  
and celebrating life.**

#### **Blessing Creation**

May the Spirit of God,  
who is above all and in all and through all,  
fill you with the knowledge of God's presence in Earth  
and the pulsing of Christ in creation,  
through whom all things are reconciled and renewed  
and the blessing of God.....

#### **Dismissal 1**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord:  
In the name of Christ. Amen

**Prayer over gifts**

God, our Creator, through your love you have given us these gifts to share. Accept our offerings as an expression of our deep thanks and signs of our concern for those in need, including our fellow creatures on planet Earth.

**With all creation, we praise our Creator.**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Creator be with you and all creation.

**And also with you.**

Open your hearts.

**We open them to our Creator.**

Let us give thanks to the Maker of heaven and Earth.

**It is right to join creation in thanking God.**

**Ocean Sunday Preface**

It is right to give you thanks .....

**Holy, holy, holy Season of Creation**

**Holy, holy, holy, God of all life,  
Earth and sea and sky are full of your presence  
and glorify your name. Amen.**

**Institution narrative 5 .....**

**Introduction to Memorial Acclamation**

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Memorial Acclamation**

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

**Therefore, we. . .(5)**

You have gathered us together  
to feed on Christ  
and to remember all he has done for us:

**Prayer for the Spirit 5**

**Fill us with your Spirit that we may follow Jesus in all we do and say, working for justice and bringing your peace to this world that you have made. Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord. Blessing and honour and glory and power are yours for ever and ever. Amen.**

**General introduction to Lords Prayer**

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us.  
**Our Father in heaven .....** Amen

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND COMMUNION**

**Anthem Season of Creation**

Lamb of God, who takes away all sin against God, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, who takes away all sin against Earth, have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, who takes away all sin from the world, receive our prayer.

We remember and rejoice.

**Thank you, God, for the oceans,  
living waters that are part of who we are.**

**Ocean Sunday Confession**

We remember and confess that we have killed reefs,  
polluted seas and turned surrounding oceans into domains to be conquered.

**We are sorry. We have polluted Earth's waters with toxins,  
and killed millions of species in the ocean.**

**We have turned our greed into global warming.**

**We have helped cause arctic regions to melt.**

**We have loved progress more than the planet.**

**We are sorry. We are sorry.**

**Absolution Ocean Sunday**

Almighty God,  
who has promised forgiveness to all who turn to him in faith:  
pardon you and set you free from all your sins against the seas,  
strengthen you in all goodness  
to celebrate Earth as your home  
and preserve the waters of life in God's sanctuary. **Amen.**

**Hymn of Praise (Gloria)**

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. **Amen**

**Ocean Sunday Collect:** God, our Creator, as we reflect on the mysteries of the ocean depths, we celebrate the wondrous design of the seas that surround us. Help us to discern how we have polluted our oceans and to empathise with the groaning of creation beneath us. Teach us to sense the presence of God in the tides and currents of the surging seas. Teach us to care for the oceans and all our waterways. In the name of the Wisdom of God, the creative force that designs and governs all creation. **Amen.**

**Job 38:1-18 ;**

Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy? "Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb?— when I made the clouds its garment, and thick darkness its swaddling band, and prescribed bounds for it, and set bars and doors, and said, "Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stopped"? "Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place, so that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it? It is changed like clay under the seal, and it is dyed like a garment. Light is withheld from the wicked, and their uplifted arm is broken. "Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep? Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness? Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.

**Psalm 104: 1-9, 24-26**

- 1 Bless the Lord, O my soul:  
**O Lord my God, how great you are!**
- 2 Clothed with majesty and honour:  
**wrapped in light as in a garment.**
- 3 You have stretched out the heavens like a tent-cloth:  
**and laid the beams of your dwelling upon their waters;**
- 4 You make the clouds your chariot:  
**and ride upon the wings of the wind;**
- 5 You make the winds your messengers:  
**and flames of fire your ministers;**
- 6 You have set the earth on its foundations:  
**so that it shall never be moved.**
- 7 The deep covered it as with a mantle:  
**the waters stood above the hills.**
- 8 At your rebuke they fled:  
**at the voice of your thunder they hurried away.**
- 9 They went up to the mountains, they went down by the valleys:  
**to the place which you had appointed for them.**
- 24 When the sun rises, they retire:  
**and lay themselves down in their dens.**
- 25 Human beings go out to their work:  
**and to their labour until the evening.**
- 26 Lord, how various are your works:  
**in wisdom you have made them all, and the earth is full of your creatures**

**Ephesians 1:3-10;**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ- before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

**Gradual hymn**

**Gospel: Luke 5:1-11**

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, <sup>2</sup>he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. <sup>3</sup>He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. <sup>4</sup>When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.'<sup>5</sup> Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets.'<sup>6</sup> When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. <sup>7</sup>So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. <sup>8</sup>But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' <sup>9</sup>For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; <sup>10</sup>and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.'<sup>11</sup> When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

**Sermon**

The community may pray silently.

**Affirmation Creation Season**

Let us together affirm the faith of the Church.  
God creates all things,  
renews all things and celebrates all things.

**This we believe.**

Earth is a sanctuary,  
a sacred planet filled with God's presence,  
a home for us to share with our kin.

**This we believe.**

God became flesh and blood,  
a piece of Earth,  
a human being called Jesus Christ,  
who lived and breathed and spoke among us,  
suffered and died on a cross  
for all human beings and for all creation.

**This we believe.**

The risen Jesus  
is the Christ at the centre of creation,  
reconciling all things to God,  
renewing all creation and filling the cosmos.

**This we believe.**

The Holy Spirit renews life in creation,  
groans in empathy with a suffering creation  
*and waits with us for the rebirth of creation.*

**This we believe.**

**We believe that with Christ we will rise  
and with Christ we will celebrate a new creation.**

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**Introduction**

*Let us pray for all people and for the Church throughout the world.*

**St. Matthew's - Bidding God of Creation**

Response - **help us to respect and renew the oceans**

**Ocean Sunday Ending**

**Jesus Christ, teach us to empathise with Earth.  
Make our spirits sensitive to the cries of creation,  
cries for justice from the air and the sea.  
Jesus Christ, make our faith sensitive to the groans of the Spirit  
in creation, groans of longing for a new creation.  
Jesus Christ, make our hearts sensitive to the world around us,  
songs of celebration from the stars, the rains and the light.  
Christ, teach us to care. Amen**

**THE GREETING OF PEACE**

Christ has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.

**We meet in his name and share his peace.**

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

**Offertory Hymn**