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.

EMERGENCY FOOD DONATIONS at ST. MATTHEW'S

Please bring donations of non- perishable foods for people in need. Suggested foods - Rice (Basmati) Soup Stock; Canned Vegetables & Tomatoes; Canned fruits; Breakfast cereal; Honey; Jam; other non-perishable items. Place your donation in the basket. Thank You

MISSION NEWS

from Anglican Overseas Aid Covid 19 is causing a dire situation in Myanmar, much worse than we are experiencing here. Many people are dying from Corona Virus, Oxygen is in critically short supply. Please consider supporting Covid 19 appeal for Myanmar www.anglicanoverseasaid Rapid Response Emergency Fund

DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Tuesday 3rd. August STEPHEN, DEACON and FIRST MARTYR

Wednesday 4th. August 10.00 am. Morning Prayer at St. Matthew's, including M.U. prayers and fellowship

Thursday5th. August 10.45 am. Holy Communion at Colton Close Aged Care FacilityOswald, king and martyr, (d. 642)(pending re-opening after lockdown)

Friday 6th. August 10.00 am. Playgroup at St. Linus' THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD (if not observed during Lent)

Saturday 7th. August 10.00 am. Book and Craft rooms open in Wiseman House, please come and help or browse and buy. This is a PARISH Fundraiser

Sunday 8th. August 9.00 am. Eucharist at St.Linus' 11th. Sunday 10.30 am. Eucharist at St.Matthew's

TRIVIA AFTERNOON

Sunday 22nd. August 2021 - 2.00 pm.

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Glenroy College Chaplaincy Fund in Wiseman House at St. Matthew's Anglican Church

Cnr. Widford St. and Melbourne Ave. Glenroy 3046

BYO nibbles

Tea & Coffee provided

The Anglican Parish of Glenroy / Hadfield / Merlynston

with



St.Matthew's cnr. Widford St. &Melbourne Ave. Glenroy 3046 St. Linus' cnr. Glyndon &Delta Aves. Merlynston 3058



LOCUM PRIEST: The Reverend Carmel Hunter Mobile: 0448 354 699 Email; prayersonwheels@netspace.net.au (Sunday; Wednesday am; Thursday OR Friday:)

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Honorary Lay Pastoral Minister Glenda Owen 0448 821 218 Honorary Lay Parish Readers Bev. Lacock 9309 2775 Kerryn Pratchett 0409 306 818

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 and outdoors



TENTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

> 1st. 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.

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: Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labour for that which does not satisfy? Eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.

Collect: Living God, whose Son Jesus fed the hungry, with the bread of life, and the word of his kingdom: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness, sustain us with your true and living bread, Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Readings

2 Samuel 11, 26 - 12,13a: When the wife of Uriah heard that her husband was dead, she made lamentation for him. When the mourning was over. David sent and brought her to his house, and she became his wife, and bore him a son. But the thing that David had done displeased the LORD, The LORD sent Nathan to David. He came to him, and said to him, 'There were two men in a certain city, the one rich and the other poor. The rich man had very many flocks and herds, but the poor man had nothing but one little ewe lamb, which he had bought. He brought it up, and it grew up with him and with his children; it used to eat of his meagre fare, and drink from his cup, and lie in his bosom, and it was like a daughter to him. Now there came a traveller to the rich man, and he was loath to take one of his own flock or herd to prepare for the wayfarer who had come to him, but he took the poor man's lamb, and prepared that for the quest who had come to him.' Then David's anger was greatly kindled against the man. He said to Nathan, 'As the LORD lives, the man who has done this deserves to die; he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity.' Nathan said to David, 'You are the man! Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: I anointed you king over Israel, and I rescued you from the hand of Saul; I gave you your master's house, and your master's wives into your bosom, and gave you the house of Israel and of Judah; and if that had been too little, I would have added as much more. Why have you despised the word of the LORD, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword, and have taken his wife to be your wife, and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, for you have despised me, and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife. Thus says the LORD: I will raise up trouble against you from within your own house; and I will take your wives before your eyes, and give them to your neighbour, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this very sun. For you did it secretly; but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun.' David said to Nathan, 'I have sinned against the LORD.' Nathan said to David. 'Now the LORD has put away your sin; you shall not die.'

Psalm 51. 1-12;

1 Have mercy on me, O God, in your enduring goodness;

according to the fulness of your compassion, blot out my offences.

- 2 Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness;
- and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I acknowledge my rebellion;

and my sin is ever before me.

- 4 Against you only have I sinned and done what is evil in your eyes: so you will be just in your sentence, and blameless in your judging.
- 5 Surely in Wickedness I was brought to birth; and in sin my mother conceived me.
- 6 You that desire truth in the inward parts:
 - O teach me wisdom in the secret places of the heart.
- 7 Purge me with Hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me. and I shall be whiter than snow.
- Wash me, and i shall be writer than show
- 8 Make me hear of joy and gladness;
- let the bones which you have broken rejoice.
- **9** Hide your face from my sins;
 - and blot out all my iniquities.

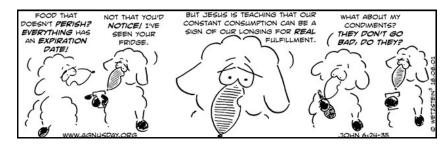
10 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.
11 Do not cast me out from your presence; do not take your holy spirit from me.
12 O give me the gladness of your help again; and support me with a willing spirit.

Ephesians 4.1-16;

I, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love. making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, 'When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people.' (When it says, 'He ascended,' what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ. from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

GOSPEL John 6. 24–35;

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were at the place where Jesus had given the bread, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the lake, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat." Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.' Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.'



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.**