

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.*

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.**

DIARY THIS WEEK

Tuesday 15th. June
Evelyn Underhill, spiritual writer (d.1941)

Sunday 20th. June 9.00 am. Eucharist at St.Linus'
Fourth Sunday 10.30 am. Eucharist at St.Matthew's
after Pentecost

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 veges & tomatoes;
Canned fruits; Breakfast cereal; honey; jam;

Place your donation in the basket in Narthex. Thank You

June issue of **TMA** is available in the Narthex of each Church.

At St. Matthew's there are many copies of May TMA available

GARDENING at Vicarage and Wiseman House

At a time to suit you, this week-end or during the week.

Please come to St. Matthew's, look around, pull some weeds, trim some shrubs, sweep down cobwebs, sweep Veranda and pathways etc. etc. etc.

And so the list of chores goes on and on and on



The Anglican Parish of Glenroy / Hadfield / Merlynston



St.Matthew's
cnr. Widford St.
&Melbourne Ave.
Glenroy 3046

with

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



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WELCOME TO OUR SERVICES OF WORSHIP TODAY

**And a special welcome to The Rev'd Walter McEntee,
who will be preacher and celebrant at St. Linus' and St. Matthew's**

Face masks must be worn at all times, indoors.

Please register with QR code . Hopefully people with QR code in their phone will register those people who do not have a smart phone



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Please continue to observe Social Distancing = 1.5 m. apart



Sowing The Seed

**THIRD SUNDAY
after
PENTECOST**

**13th. June
2021**

GLUTEN FREE COMMUNION WAFERS ARE AVAILABLE

If you require Gluten free wafer,
Please speak to the Lay Assistant or a 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: In Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.

2 Corinthians 5. 19;

Collect: Almighty God, without you we are unable to please you: mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit, may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Readings

1 Samuel 15. 34 – 16. 13;

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the LORD was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. The LORD said to Samuel, 'How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.' Samuel said, 'How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me.' And the LORD said, 'Take a heifer with you, and say, "I have come to sacrifice to the LORD." Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you.' Samuel did what the LORD commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, 'Do you come peaceably?' He said, 'Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice.' And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, 'Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the LORD.' But the LORD said to Samuel, 'Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the LORD does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.' Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, 'Neither has the LORD chosen this one.' Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, 'Neither has the LORD chosen this one.' Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, 'The LORD has not chosen any of these.' Samuel said to Jesse, 'Are all your sons here?' And he said, 'There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep.' And Samuel said to Jesse, 'Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.' He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The LORD said, 'Rise and anoint him; for this is the one.' Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Psalms 20 ;

- 1 May the Lord hear you in the day of trouble;
the God of Jacob lift you up to safety.
- 2 May he send you help from the sanctuary;
and be your strong support from Zion.
- 3 May he remember all your offerings;
and accept with favour your burnt sacrifices,

- 4 Grant you your heart's desire;
and fulfill all your purposes.
- 5 May we also rejoice in your victory and triumph in the name of our God;
the Lord perform all your petitions
- 6 Now I know that the Lord will save his anointed;
**that he will answer him from his holy heaven,
with the victorious strength of his right hand.**
- 7 Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses,
but we will call upon the name of the Lord our God.
- 8 They are brought down and fallen;
but we are made strong and stand upright.
- 9 O Lord, save the king;
and hear us when we call upon you.

2 Corinthians 5. 6–10, 14–17;

Brothers and sisters, we are always confident; even though we know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord – for we walk by faith, not by sight. Yes, we do have confidence, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord. So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him. For all of us must appear before the judgement seat of Christ, so that each may receive recompense for what has been done in the body, whether good or evil. The love of Christ urges us on, because we are convinced that one has died for all; therefore all have died. And he died for all, so that those who live might live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised for them. From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

GOSPEL Mark 4.26–34;

Such a large crowd gathered around Jesus that he got into a boat and began to teach them using many parables. Jesus said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.' Jesus also said, 'With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.' With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

