

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 24th. August
BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE AND MARTYR

Thursday 27th. August
Monica, mother of Augustine (d.387)

Friday 28th. August
Augustine of Hippo, bishop and teacher (d.430)

Saturday 29th. August
The Beheading of John the Baptist

Sunday 30th. August
Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

PRONUNCIATION POEM

I take it you already know
of tough and bough and cough and dough?
Others may stumble, but not you,
on hiccough, thorough, laugh and through.
Well done ! And now you wish, perhaps,
to learn of less familiar traps ?

Beware of heard, a dreadful word,
that looks like beard and sounds like bird.
And dead --it's said like bed not bead—
and for goodness' sake don't call it deed !
Watch out for meat and great and threat
(they rhyme with suite and straight and debt)

A moth is not the moth in mother,
nor both in bother, broth in brother.
And here is not a match for there,
nor dear and fear for bear and pear.
And then there's dose and rose and lose —
just look them up—and goose and choose,
and cork and work and card and ward,
and font and front and word and sword,
and do and go and thwart and cart—
come, I've hardly made a start.
A dreadful language ? Man alive.
I'd mastered it when I was five.



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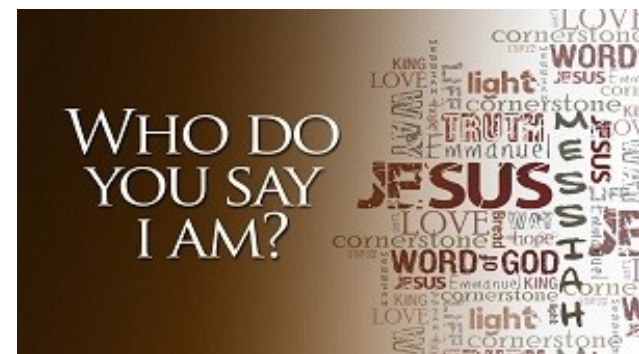
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WELCOME

*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*

TWELFTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST

23rd. August 2020



PLEASE OBSERVE Stage 4 Covid Restrictions. Stay Safe

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: Jesus said to them, 'Who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God,' *Matthew 16. 15-16;*

Collect: O God, fount of all wisdom, in the humble witness of the apostle Peter, you have shown the foundation of our faith: give us the light of your Spirit, that, recognising in Jesus of Nazareth, the Son of the living God, we may be living stones, for the building up of your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Readings

Exodus 1.8 – 2.10;

A new king arose over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, 'Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land.' Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labour. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the Israelites. The Egyptians became ruthless in imposing tasks on the Israelites, and made their lives bitter with hard service in mortar and brick and in every kind of field labour. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them. The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, 'When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women, and see them on the birthstool, if it is a boy, kill him; but if it is a girl, she shall live.' But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, 'Why have you done this, and allowed the boys to live?' The midwives said to Pharaoh, 'Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them.' So God dealt well with the midwives; and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, 'Every boy that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every girl live.' Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him three months. When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him. The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him, 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because,' she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

Psalm 124;

R Our help is in the name of the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

- 1 If the Lord had not been on our side, let Israel now say;
- 2 If the Lord had not been on our side, when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive in their fierce anger towards us; **R**
- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters have gone right over us. **R**
- 6 Blessed be the Lord! he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler;
- 8 the snare is broken and we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the name of the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth. **R**

Romans 12.1-8;

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God – what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

GOSPEL Matthew 16. 13-20;

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.



PEW LEAFLET NOTICES

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