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 od 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.

PARISH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS

Please consider the continuation of your Stewardship giving

By Direct Debit - BSB 703122 Indue Ltd. Account 05004414

The account is in the name of St. Matthew's Glenroy/Hadfield with St. Linus' Merlynston

DIARY THS WEEK

Monday 16th. November Margaret of Scotland, queen, helper of the poor [d.1093]

Tuesday 17th. November Hilda of Whitby, abbess [d.680] Hugh, bishop of Lincoln [d.1200]

Wednesday 18th. November 10.00 am. Morning Prayer

Thursday 19th. November Elizabeth of Hungary, princess and philanthropist [d.1231]

Sunday 22nd. November CHRIST THE KING Last Sunday after Pentecost

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday 29th. November - Parish Annual Meeting at St. Matthew's, time to be confirmed

Nominations for Churchwardens, Parish Council Member , Member of Incumbency Committee close 21st. November Nomination Forms were distributed to ALL parishioners, either by email or Post.

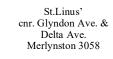
Please give completed forms to Rev'd Carmel or Glenda Owen

Pew Leaflet Notices: Please give to, or phone Glenda Owen, or e-mail: - gonana7@bigpond.com - by 5 pm. Wednesday

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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'



Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

15th. November 2020

Applications for enrolment on Electoral Roll have closed for 2020

Any reports which have not been sent to the Hon. Secretary, for inclusion in Parish Annual meeting folder, can be sent today. Thank You.

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,

Sentence: God has destined us, not for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other. 1 Thessalonians 5.9, 11;

Collect: Everling God, before the earth was formed, and even after it shall cease to be, you are God. Break into our short span of life, and show us those things that are eternal, that we may serve your purpose in all we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reugns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Readings

Judges 4.1-10;

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, after Ehud died. So the LORD sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the LORD for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly for twenty years. At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgement. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali. and said to him. 'The LORD, the God of Israel, commands you, "Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops: and I will give him into your hand." Barak said to her "If you will do with me, I will do; but if you will not go with me, I will not go." and she said, "I will surely go with you; nevertheless, the road on which you are going will not lead to your glory, for the Lord will sell Sisera into the hand of a woman." Then Deborah got up and went with Barak to Kedesh. Barak summoned Zebulun and Naphtali to Kedesh: and ten thousand warriors went up behind him; and Deborah went up with him.

Psalm 123;

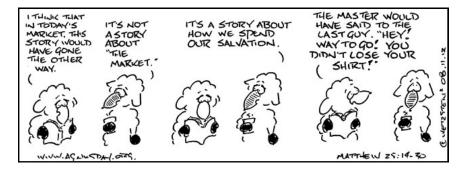
- 1 To you I lift up my eyes;
 - you who are enthroned in the heavens.
- 2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master;
- or as the eyes of a maid toward the hand of her mistress,
- 3 So our eyes look to the Lord our God; until he show us his mercy.
- 4 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us; for we have had our fill of derision.
- 5 Our souls overflow with the mockery of those at ease; and with the contempt of the proud.

1 Thessalonians 5. 1–11;

Concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, 'There is peace and security,' then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

GOSPEL Matthew 25.14–30

Jesus said to his disciples. 'The kingdom of heaven is as if a man, going on a journey. summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him. "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things. I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." And the one with the two talents also came forward, saving, "Master, you handed over to me two talents: see. I have made two more talents." His master said to him. "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." But his master replied. "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him. and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth."



ANGLICAN OVERSEAS AID

The theme chosen for the 2020 Advent reflection booklet is -A Christmas Menu

As we prepare to receive Christ again, questions are focussing on the true source of our nourishment and hope. Christmas is rightly an occasion for festivity, family and friendship, and a time in which to be fed by Jesus, in soul and Spirit.