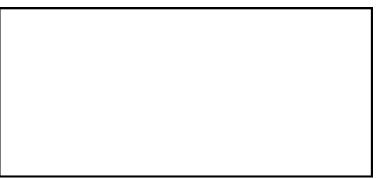
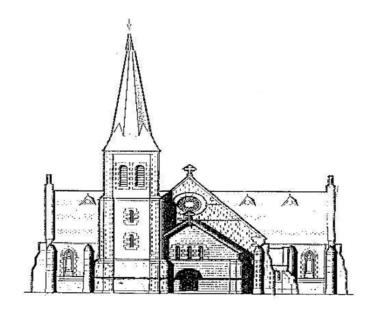
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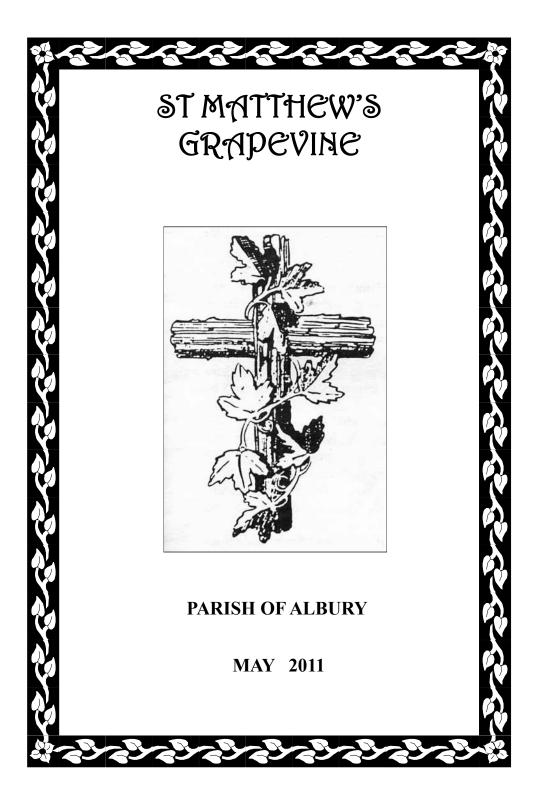
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Fr Peter writes:



Dear People of St Matthew's

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia! Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as His love, Alleluia! Praise Him, all you heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia! Christ is risen Alleluia! He is risen indeed Alleluia!

This well known hymn started out in14th Century Bohemian was translated and later added to by Charles Wesley, in 1740, and sung at St Matthews Albury on Easter Day in 2011. Good news is for every age and awakening to the real impact and meaning has been a feature of Lent and Holy week. Our lent lectures led by 4 different Anglican Bishops were the best attended Lenten gatherings in the Diocese and we are deeply grateful to those wonderful men who travelled so far to enrich us. Holy week and Easter day were rich visually, musically and trumpeted the good news of the resurrection to our whole being. Easter Day saw the biggest congregation for Easter for many years with (someone estimated after losing count) close to 400 sitting, standing a perching in and outside the church with a stately procession of well drilled servers, glittering golden vestments clouds of incense, with sparkers and bells at the Gloria, live chicks in the pulpit and flying from it with new life, beautiful eastern garden resplendent with butterflies, beautiful flowers, clear readings, 4 baptisms followed by a procession when the whole congregation was sprinkled with the water of baptism from silver bowls.

Sung mass -and what music !!!!!!!!! capacity choir, trumpeters, organ postlude specially arranged. Many said the best service they had ever been to, followed by champagne, croissants and hot cross buns in our newly landscaped St Matthews forecourt. Signs of new life and change everywhere, a few weeks before we bid farewell to the Rev'd Bryn and Jenny Jones at a special Evensong as they move to Bendigo, so St Matthews and North Albury will be taking care of the chaplaincy of Trinity Anglican College until next year in a very happy partnership of clergy friends.

The garden area is still developing, thanks to the brick work and paths etc. still with the opportunity for us to donate urns or seats in memory of loved ones or in thankfulness, so please contact the office as we look forward to using the area to our greatest advantage. Meanwhile plans are progressing between the Diocese, parish council and our neighbours for a new concept in a landmark building to provide us and Albury with facilities and income for the future.

There is much to look forward to in seizing the opportunities of the movement and St Matthew's providing leadership for the region and the Diocese as we celebrate vision, commitment, teamwork and saying "yes" to God.

Christ is risen Alleluia!

He is risen indeed Alleluia!

Fr. Peter

ST MATTHEW'S PARISH DIRECTORY

SERVICE TIMES

Weekdays

7.00 a.m. Morning Prayer 5:00 p.m. **Evening Prayer**

Tuesday

Holy Eucharist 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday

10:30 a.m. Eucharist

Thursday Friday

> 10.00 a.m. Eucharist at Riverwood. All welcome

Sunday

8:30 a.m. Sung Eucharist

Family Service (Children's Church 3rd Sunday every month) 10:00 a.m.

Evensong (1st Sunday of the Month) 5.00pm

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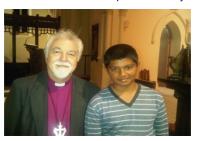
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5th April. Bp. Doug Stevens & Karl



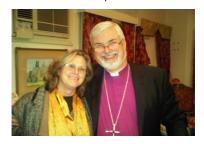
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Palm Sunday



29 th Mar. Deb.D. &Bp. Dean Mark Burton



12th April. Margaret & Bp. John



Greg Aplin MP & Trixie - Palm Sunday



Palm Sunday Rover's Service St. George's Day

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Parish Council News

Notes from the first meeting of the new Parish Council. At the meeting Ken Davenport was elected as Treasurer Kaye Kennedy as Secretary.

<u>New Parish Centre</u>. The plans from the architect should be here soon for our comments.

Lenten lectures well received and supported.

Cooling Electrical works in the church have been reviewed. When the report arrives it will be taken to 4 selected installers for their quote.

<u>Archiving</u>. A certain amount has been taken to CSU Wagga. There are still some useful items at St Matthew's Retirement Village, but there is also a lot of expendable material. The minute books are to be retained. Old photos should be displayed.

Trinity Anglican College Benefit.

Fr Peter is still continuing talks with John Ross and the Principal of the College. The retiring collection Evensong and the Lenten Studies will go towards this benefit. Thank you for supporting it.

<u>Landscaping</u> Some alterations have been made to the original plan, the brickwork is looking good. The fountain has been donated. There will be other opportunities for people to donate items eg. table & chairs.

<u>Christ College Cambridge Choir.</u> Will be giving a concert at St Matthew's on 22nd July. The Governor of NSW will be in attendance.

Bequest Looking at producing a pamphlet about bequest ,with copies to be given to Solicitors & Financial Advisors.

Rectory Kitchen This is to be revamped, with lots of cupboards & bench space.

<u>Demountable Building</u> Albury City wants architectural drawings as to what we are going to do with it. Lots of paper work to be filled in before anything can be done.

Anglican Food Room 12 food parcels were distributed in May.

<u>Trinity College Chaplaincy</u> The clergy from St Matthew's & Northern Albury are looking after this for the time being.

<u>Finance</u> No 1 Account. Closing Balance as at 13th April \$23784.36 Less Cheques to be paid \$31,693.02 giving a deficit of \$7908.66.

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ON THE RECORD

Baptisms

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Archie Montiford KNOBEL

17 April Maddison April KELLY

24 April Lyla Mai PIZZEY

Arlia Tarah COLLINS Timothy James PRICE

Ebony Lyn TAI





Weddings

We congratulate those joined together in Holy Matrimony

30 April Bryan David HARRIOTT & Caitlin Louise PETZKE

Funerals

We pray for those who have died and extend our sympathies to those who mourn

4 April 'Buck' Gordon James STRANG

7 April Colin Howard DIXON

21 April 'Alan' James Alan CLARKE



No 2 Account Closing Balance as at 13th April \$29727.64 Less Cheques to be paid \$1221.36 Difference \$28506.28

<u>Highgrove</u> Closing Balance as at 13th April \$11246.98

Trust Accounts

Ida Cunningham\$5027.34James Mitchell\$11365.39St Matthews War Memorial\$932,730.19

Art Show

Receipts totalled \$21396.00 Less Expenses \$13826.00 Giving a profit of \$7570.00

Kaye Kennedy

Parish Council Secretary

MONTHLY OFFERINGS

<u>Week</u>	Planned Giving	Open Plate	<u>Baptisms</u>
6 March	\$ 753.00	\$441.40	\$29.45
13 March	\$1048.00	\$557.25	\$
20 March	\$1261.00	\$524.55	\$117.85
27 March	\$ 770.00	\$262.65	\$170.00

Offerings do not take into account any payments that are paid directly into the Bank.





MOTHERS' UNION QUIET DAY



Jill Aplin graciously opened her beautiful garden and wonderful undercover facilities for our special Quiet Day! How lucky we were with the weather, it was cool, but not cold and we had no rain after two days of solid rain!!! The Lord certainly looked kindly upon us! Sister Grace lead 12 of us spiritually starting with the reading of Tim Winton's children's book 'Into The Deep' – asking us to look deeply into ourselves and think about our upbringing by our parents! The 2nd and 3rd sessions covered "Be a peacemaker" looking at misunderstanding, frustration, conflict, our will, needs, values, culture, religion. All very challenging! Finally we were ask to remember, "the deeper you experience your earthly relationships, the deeper you are entering into God's world for them, openly, honestly and caringly." We were reminded of *The Fruit of the Spirit: - Love; Joy; Peace; Patience; Kindness: Generosity; Faithfulness; Gentleness & Self-Control.*

Quiet Day is a very special 'time out of normal routine', away from the noise, rush and bustle of every day life; superb gardens to walk around or just sit and enjoy, and reflect on the leaders message. Think about joining us next year – always open to all parishioners to attend!

Gill Mackay, MU member

HUMOUR



KIDS IN CHURCH

After the christening of his baby brother in church, Jason sobbed all the way home in the back seat of the car. His father asked him 3 times what was wrong. Finally the boy replied- "That preacher said he wanted us to be brought up in a Christian home, I want to keep living with you"

One particular four-year-old prayed "And forgive us our trash baskets, as we forgive those who put trash in our baskets".

A Sunday school teacher asked her children as they were on the way to the Church service "and why is it necessary to be quiet in church?" One bright little girl replied "because people are sleeping".

A mother was preparing pancakes for her sons, Kevin 5 and Ryan 3. The boys began to argue over who would get the first pancake. Their mother saw an opportunity for a moral lesson. "IF Jesus was sitting here, he would say, "Let my brother have the first pancake, I can wait"

Kevin turned to his younger brother and say "Ryan, you be Jesus".

A wife invited some people to dinner. At the table, she turned to her 6 year old daughter and said. "Would you like to say the blessing"?

"I wouldn't know what to say," the girl replied. "Just say what you hear Mummy say," the wife answered. The daughter bowed her head and said, "Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?"

3year old Reese was heard to say "Our father who does art in heaven, Harold is his name".

OUT OF THE MOUTHS OF CHILDREN

While working for meals on wheels, I used to take my 4 year old daughter on my afternoon rounds. She was unfailingly intrigued by the various appliances of old age, particularly the canes, walkers and wheelchairs. One day I saw her staring at a set of false teeth soaking in a glass. As I braced myself for the inevitable barrage of questions, she merely turned and whispered, "The tooth fairy will never believe this"!

A small child, had a next door neighbor who was an elderly gentleman who recently lost his wife. Upon seeing the man cry, the little boy went into the old man's yard, climbed onto his lap and just sat there. Later, when his mother asked what he had to the man, the child said, "Nothing, I just helped him cry".

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HELP JAPAN



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7.00 for 7.30pm— Formal dinner in the Yackandandah Public Hall.
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Sunday 29th May 10.30am Eucharist. Celebrant and Preacher Bp. John Parkes. Followed by a light lunch in the Parish hall & grounds.



ANGLICAN WOMEN OF AUSTRALIA News from Wangaratta Diocese.

At the last executive meeting in Wangaratta, it was decided to make a donation of \$500 to the Cathedral towards a new altar frontal. This has come about from the takings at Deanery Luncheons. The reason being that we have no travelling expenses etc, and we are happy to say this is from all the Parishes of this diocese and their attendance to those "Happy Gatherings".

The Rally to be held at the Cathedral is on the 15th June, and the speaker will be Father Tom Leslie. This is for all women and men.

The next 'Luncheon' for this Deanery will be on Wednesday 5th October at Wangaratta West Parish. The Speaker to be Don McMonigal.

The two new Deanery leaders for the Diocese are Mrs. Di Grant for the Southern Deanery, and Mrs. Pat Muller for the Northern Deanery.

With my love and prayers,

Helen Martin AWA Co-ordinator for the Diocese

Mother's Union News

It was decided at the April M.U. Meeting, as a result of the first Lenten lecture by Bp. McIntyre of Gippsland, to become involved with a new, after school initiative of the West Side Community Centre, Jacaranda Street Albury. The initiative is called "Blue Heelers".

Sister Grace spoke at the meeting and asked for volunteers to assist on Monday afternoons, as a trial ,during the coming school term. The M. U. members would assist by cutting up fruit, and help with craft and games. The kids arrive for afternoon tea from 3.45pm and the program activities start at 4pm — till 5.15pm.

The program starts on the 9th May, and will have a maximum of 25 kids.

Several of the M.U. members have put their names down to be involved.

Janette Kettyle for Mother's Union, Albury

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Farewell —Rev'd Bryn, Julian & Jennifer Jones



Work in progress—garden area



Garden precinct



Altar– Easter Sunday



Hot cross buns - Easter Sunday



Easter Day

Children's Church in APRIL 2011



How wonderful it was that Children's Church fell on Palm Sunday! There were well in excess of 30 children.& their families to welcome "Trixie" our beautiful, borrowed Jerusalem donkey (meaning she has a cross on her back!)

The large congregation with great enthusiasm sang the hymn "All Glory Laud and Honour" to start the service, as the donkey walked around the aisles. After our confessional prayers, the children were given some pretend palms (because of the prickles on the real ones) and we sang "wave your branches high", again with great enthusiasm.

The Gospel was read with participation from the congregation, a version the children could understand and take part, in narrated by Fr. Peter.

The children then witnessed the baptism of Maddison April Kelly.

It was wonderful to see their interest in the baptism, especially as Fr. Peter invited them to be close to the font during the baptism service - what a special experience for our children's church families and children.

To end the service, children dressed as disciples with Jaxom Quinlivan as Jesus, paraded around the church singing" We have a King who rides a donkey", behind Trixie -(we couldn't put Jaxom on the donkey, so we had to use our imagination!) There was no time for an activity, so the children took home a sheet prepared, which was a picture of Jesus on the donkey surrounded by the disciples waving palm branches, there were instructions on how to complete the picture and colour in.

All the congregation enjoyed an excellent celebration of Palm Sunday! Janette Kettyle

N.B. If you would like to be part of the Children's Church team, please contact Julie Scott

Watch your thoughts, they become words.
Watch your words, they become actions
Watch your actions, they become habits.
Watch your habits, they become your character.
Watch your character, it becomes your destiny.