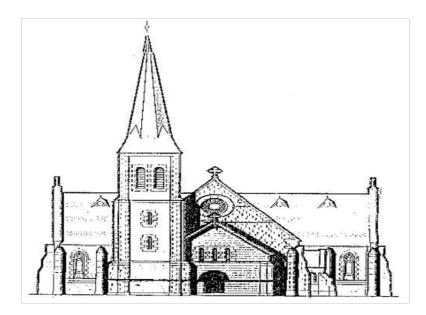
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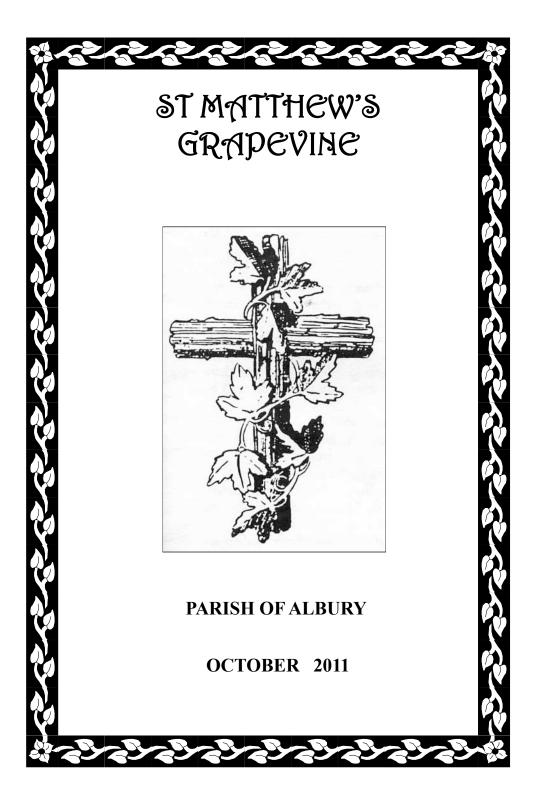
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Fr Peter writes:



Dear People of St Matthew's -

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voices, let us sing: Alleluia, alleluia! Thou burning sun with golden beams, thou silver moon that gently gleams,

Refrain: O praise him, O praise him, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Dear mother earth, who day by day unfoldest blessings on our way, O praise him, Alleluia! The flowers and fruits that in thee grow, Let them his glory also show: (R)

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, Alleluia! Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One: ®

St. Francis (b, Assisi, Italy, c. 1182; d. Assisi, 1226) wrote this nature hymn during the summer of 1225 in the seclusion of a hut near San Damiano, Italy. The text is a meditation on Psalm the text is known as the "Song of All Creatures" and as the "Canticle of the Sun."

St. Francis of Assisi is universally known for preaching to the birds and urging them to praise God. But his whole life was one of service to God and humanity.

William H. Draper translated and paraphrased the words to give us this wonderful hymn of praise and used to celebrate St Francis who is second only to St Nicholas in almost universal recognition and approval.

Our Fete will again feature a pet show and I am pleased to say will include two donkeys that I have bought this week to participate in children services, the period leading up to Christmas, and of course Palm Sunday and I look forward to introducing them to you.

The Relay for Life will also feature a team from St Matthews and all are very welcome to join us to show our support for this most worthy cause.

ST MATTHEW'S PARISH DIRECTORY

SERVICE TIMES

Weekdays

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

Tuesday

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist

Wednesday

10:30 a.m. Eucharist

Thursday Friday

10.00 a.m. Eucharist at Riverwood (except 1st Friday). All welcome

Sunday

8:30 a.m. Sung Eucharist (5th Sunday of every month—Mattins)
10:00 a.m. Family Service (Children's Church 3rd Sunday every month)

(5th Sunday of every month—BCP Holy communion)

5.00 p.m. Evensong Only 1st Sunday of every month

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The 20th Anniversary of the Fire was marked by a special Evensong with Archdeacon John Davis followed by the champagne provide by Lester & Son Funeral Services. Our Patronal festival was a very happy and full day, high mass with Bishop John Parkes followed by the blessing of our new St Matthews Garden and forecourt. The sun was shining, the Bishops wife Margaret cut a purple silk ribbon followed by champagne and a very positive media session with the Bishop reflecting on the link between St Matthews and the community.

Sr Grace Sharon will be leaving us on October 30th which will also be her final service before leaving Albury for further study as she continues to explore future ministry options in the Diocese. Sr Grace has made a great impact on many areas of parish and community life and we wish her well and all are invited to the bring and share luncheon at St Matthews following the 10am service on the 30th of October.

Please note that there will be No Evensong in October although our famous choir will be singing at various churches in that month. The 6th of November will see a special evensong with speaker Prof Geoffrey Blainey who will speak on the importance of the King James Bible in this its 400th year.

Bishop John is returning for a service of confirmation on Wednesday the 30th of November, if you would like more information please speak to me or call the parish office

Best wishes Fr Peter



Fr. Peter with the 2 new parish staff members, donkeys Tilly and Tessa!

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

- ★ Cooling in the church. It is hoped that the new cooling system will be installed in time for Christmas services.
- → <u>Landscaping.</u> This is looking great. At some time the stump of the camphor laurel will be removed. Also the native frangipani is to be removed.. It has been suggested that an avenue of pencil pines be planted along the drive beside the Bellbridge Hague building. Another idea is to have native theme somewhere on the post office side. Also looking at putting a water feature on or near the post office fence
- ♦ Moving the font. Fr Peter would like to put the font in the Lady Chapel for a trial period. Also to use this area for children to play in during the services.
- ★ Altar frontal This is still being worked on.
- ♦ Music Department Adrian Wintle is to be appointed as an organ & Choral tutor. This is to assist John Ross our Music Director.
- ★ Anglican Food Room 17 hampers were distributed in August.
- Relay for Life Fr Peter & Fr Kevin Flanagan to conduct a service at the Relay on Sunday 23rd October. More details will be in the pew sheet. Have you registered to walk during the relay?. See Jenny Prince if you are interested. If you are unable to walk perhaps you would like to give donation to someone who is walking.
- → <u>Strategic Planning</u>. <u>Young Parents & Pre School Children</u>. A carpet square has been purchased for the children to sit on. Table & chairs have put placed in the Lady Chapel & it is hoped that parents will sit with their children in this area. Sr Grace has done a lot of work in regards to the strategic planning, so what decisions have come out of it will be very useful as we plan for our future.
- ◆ Green Bin Another one has been ordered

→ Finances

Balance in the No1 account @ 3/8/2011 \$33687.36 less cheques to be paid \$17,300.61 Balance in the No 2 account @3/8/2011 less cheques to be paid \$2,211.86 Highgrove balance @ 3/8/11 \$6857.62

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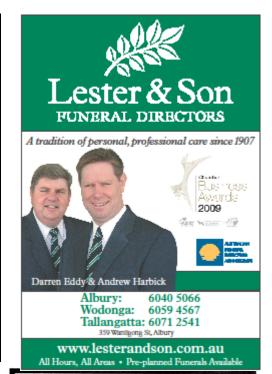
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Baptisms

We welcome into Christ's family

28 August Toby Benjamin DEVERAUX

Sophie Rebecca DEVERAUX

4 September Jeremy David PEARCE

Erik Peter SIMMONS-DOUGHTY

11 September William Leonard HOWIE

Amanda Marree BAILEY Jackson Keith EDGAR Bella Grace PONTON



Weddings

We congratulate those joined together in Holy Matrimony

9 September Rance HARTWIG & Tara DEVEREUX

24 September BURT & DRENNAN



Funerals

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

2 September Ronald (Charlie) Eric CUMMINS21 September Florence (Flo) Angela BERRY

22 September Deborah (Debbie) Mary Kaily NITSCHKI



MONTHLY OFFERINGS

Week I	Planned Giving	Open Plate	<u>Baptisms</u>
7 August	\$1365.45	\$492.65	\$ 63.40
14 August	\$1243.35	\$638.00	\$177.40
21 August	\$ 835.15	\$445.00	
28 August	\$ 850.00	\$383.90	\$ 50.00

Evensong - \$87.55

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



Anglicare Community Development Manager for Wangaratta Jill Allen, cuts the cake celebrating 1 year of Court Coffee service

COURT COFFEE SERVICE TURNS ONE!

On Friday 23rd of September, the' Court Coffee Service' volunteers gathered at the Albury Golf Club dining room for a lunch, to celebrate the 1st birthday of the service. The Anglicare Manager in Wangaratta, Jill Allen, and Bishop John Parkes were present and cut a suitably decorated cake. The volunteers enjoyed the fellowship with each other.

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St Matthew's Fair on the Square **Saturday 8 October**

QEII Square at the back of St Matthew's Church

10.00 am

For all Creatures Great & Small

Come and bring your Pets and Photos for the Pet Show

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Have your beloved pet blessed by The Venerable Peter MacLeod-Miller Archdeacon of the Hume & Rector of St Matthew's

> All dogs must be on leashes and other animals in secure cages

Come and enjoy some time at our Fete starting at 9.00 am

























A bicycle can't stand alone; it is two tyred.

A will is a dead giveaway.

Time flies like an arrow; fruit flies like a banana.

A backward poet writes inverse.

A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.

A hungry clock goes back four seconds.

The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine is now fully recovered.

Message outside U.S. Church

You are stuck with your debt if you can't budge it.

He broke into song because he couldn't find the key.

A calendar's days are numbered.

A boiled egg is hard to beat.

He had a photographic memory which never developed.

The short fortune teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.

Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.

When you've seen one shopping centre, you've seen a mall.

If you jump off a bridge in Paris, you are in Seine.

Upon seeing her first strands of grey hair, she thought she'd dye.

Santa's little helpers are subordinate clauses.

Acupuncture is a jab well done.

The roundest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference, who acquired his size from too much pi.

I thought I saw an Alaskan optometrist, but it was just an optical Aleutian .

She was only a whisky maker, but he loved her still.

No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.

A dog gave birth to puppies near the road and was prosecuted for littering.

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Children's Church in September and new Children's area.

Children's Church was held on the Sunday of the **Patronal Festival**, and there was only one 9am service that day. There wasn't a children's service, as such, but the children were welcomed as part of the 'Parish Family'.

This day saw the first time the newly set up Children's space in the "lady Chapel" was used, and appropriately enough, we had 6 younger children and their parents and Grandparents.

Colouring sheets of 'St. Matthew's Church 'and 'young chorister' were there for the children to use, as well as toys. Later the children were given chocolate coins in a little bag, to remember that St. Matthew originally was a tax collector. The new garden was blessed at the conclusion of the service in glorious sunshine.

A note to Parents and Godparents of children

As previously mentioned, an area has now been created for children in the "Lady Chapel". It is set up for use at the 8.30am and 10am services.

It is suggested that parents or Grandparents either sit in the chapel with the children, or in the nearby pews.

There are toys for young children, plus pencils and colouring sheets for older children.

Children can enjoy the freedom this space offers, while you participate in the service, resulting in everyone feeling comfortable and happy!.

CARPET IN CHILDREN'S AREA

The Colclough family, Betty (Snr.) with the assistance of Hazel and Peter, have donated a beautiful carpet for the children's area. We thank them for their generosity and concern for the children of the Parish, with this generous gift.

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Part of the procession on St. Matthew's Day, for the blessing of the new garden



Bishop John blesses the garden and congregation with water and rosemary sprig.



The garden procession continues with blessings of Holy Water



Bishop John with an orchid, and Margaret his wife with bouquet, gifts from the Parish.