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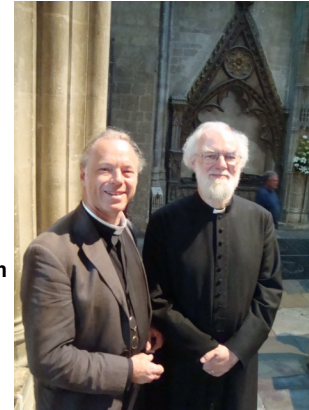
OCTOBER 2012

Fr Peter writes :

Dear People of St Matthew's

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!
The heavens are not too high, his praise may thither fly,
the earth is not too low, his praises there may grow.
Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!
The church with psalms must shout, no door can keep them out;
but, above all, the heart must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King!
George Herbert, 1633



Anglicanism, global tradition and global challenge.

Having recently returned from England during the time of the Olympics and Paralympics I have a renewed enthusiasm for the Anglican Church and our partnership in global mission.

Sharing in worship "pewside rather than pulpit side" was a fascinating and rewarding experience and I am resolved to change our services based on the impressions gained as a visitor. Westminster Abbey (where I also led the evening hymn at Compline), St Pauls Cathedral, St James Cathedral Bury St Edmunds, St Brides Fleet Street, St James Piccadilly, All Saints Margaret Street, Ely and Canterbury Cathedrals.

The Guards Chapel, Wellington Barracks was of special interest and I received a very warm welcome from representatives of the Grenadier Guards Association who have assisted in the planning of the special **Grenadier Guards Commemoration Service at St Matthews at 9am on Sunday the 7th of October** when representatives of the Grenadiers will be present and special music will be presented.

Some of the formerly "great names" of catholic worship and liturgy were a great surprise and disappointment and I **actually walked out** before the end with great words and music being executed rather than being shared and offending the Royal school of church music's dictum of singing in the spirit and with understanding. For those of us interested in the website ship of fools mystery worshipper church reviews I found the review of Westminster Abbey a great contrast with my own experience

Conducting a wedding at Chateau Varennes near Dijon in France for the Coroneo/Souris family with special national party connections was also a delight.

A highlight of my visit was a meeting with Archbishop Rowan Williams at Canterbury Cathedral with whom I have been in correspondence regarding the plight of refugees in Australia and a Christian response. The work of our Youth including those in our serving team and Choir in focussing attention of matters of social justice has given rise to the **Bishop's Social Justice Competition** which will enable important issues to be considered by a wide range of younger people and school and wider educational organisation.

Likewise a visit to the Ecuadorian Embassy in London to drop a note of support for Julian Assange in terms of his resistance to extradition was "an eye opener" with the place crawling with police, cameramen and reporters and raised some questions about the reach of Superpowers and their influence over domestic decision making.

Many thanks to Fr Alan, Deb, Cassie, Ray, Coralie and all who have helped to keep the St Matthews home fires burning and I have returned to a sparking rectory garden and church and the sweet singing of the choir as well as great order in the sanctuary.

As a result of my recent experience I intend to follow some new ideas from Westminster Abbey and St Brides Fleet Street so we can expect a wider range of services that are currently being planned with our music and liturgy team to provide a wider range of music and liturgy to appeal to a wide range of people, this will include days when the incense will be absent and the service shorter with a liturgical variety that will provide us with the widest Anglican diet across the month and at the same time be easy to follow.

Confirmation classes will soon start so if anyone is interested in this opportunity with a flexible preparation approach please contact me.

Very best wishes

Fr Peter

Westminster Abbey



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS OCTOBER 2012

Landscaping the garden is looking good, the bulbs are in flower. Raffle tickets are being sold with the proceeds going to the garden.

Safety issues The ramps to the church and rectory have been covered with marine carpet. The steps to the choir gallery have had non slip strips put on them to prevent people from slipping. This has made the choir happy. Looking at putting a brass railing on the lectern to make it easier for people to get up & down from the lectern.

Moving the font is a work in progress.

Altar frontal is also a work in progress, though there is a possibility that Fr Peter has found material while he has been in England to use.

Advertising sign This will depend on our finances.

Pastoral Care/Outreach Committee are working on welcome brochure. This should be available soon to be handed out to newcomers.

Anglican Food Room 16 hampers August. 20 kg mince was given to Betty's place & 18kg given to the foodbank. The mince is donated by Northside Hotel-Motel.

Lucy the Poo Cow has been **POSTPONED** until next year. Parish Council decided it was too close to the fete & it was putting extra pressure on the parishioners.

Fr Alan would like to organise a Parish Ball not a Deb ball, to be held next year to help raise funds for the church.

The fence has been put back & it's looking good.

Finance Electricity costs have jumped significantly. We have to be mindful as to how we use the heating & lighting. Not having them on when no one is using the church.

Balance in No 1 a/c at 31st August \$ 28078.34 less accounts to be paid \$2216.42

Balance in the No 2 a/c at 31st August \$28101.56 less accounts to be paid \$40

The Finance committee has agreed that we will go ahead with commitment programme, the timing & details are still to be discussed. Probably be next year.

Thank you to John Satchell & Ken Curnow for organising the donation box which you have probably in garden. Its that tall black thing, like a letter box. This is where people can put donations, or mail if there is no one in the church, or when the office is closed.

Grenadier Guards will be at St Matthews on the 7th October.

Kaye Kennedy **Secretary**

Relay for Life 2012

St Matthew's is putting a team in this relay.

I have registered our team as St Matthew's I hope you will consider taking part. It can be a lot of fun. You do not have to stay for the duration. You can come & go as you please. This year Relay for life will commence at 9.30 on Saturday 27th October at Wodonga Raiders Football/Sports Ground. Birallee Park, finishing on Sunday morning. Survivors morning tea at 10 am, Candlelight ceremony of hope at dusk.

If you would like to be part of St Matthew's team. You may join on line Relay for Life Border 2012, find St Matthew's team & join, or contact me. Cost to join before 28th September is \$15 after that it will cost \$20. Remember the registration fee entitles you to a free T Shirt & covers your insurance while at the event. It is not part of the team's fundraising. If you join it is the usual practice that you ask family friends, & work colleagues to sponsor you. If you don't want to be part of the team why not consider donating to one of the team members.

Registration forms are available in the narthex or you can register on line.

Relay for life border 2012, find the St Matthew's team.

Remember the earlier you register the sooner you can start fundraising!.

Kaye K..



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★ the children and congregation welcomed him back.

★ The good-sized congregation got into the action, with the 3 action songs. ★

★ During communion, the children went up for a blessing and sticker. The ★

★ the guitars being the favourite instrument, and it was a noisy procession! ★

★ enjoyed chatting. ★

☆ _____ ☆

<i>Week</i>	<i>Planned Giving</i>	<i>Open Plate</i>	<i>Baptisms</i>
5 August	\$1047.10	\$589.50	\$50.00
12 August	\$1012.50	\$532.60	\$82.35
19 August	\$1035.00	\$472.55	\$
26 August	\$1267.35	\$612.60	\$49.45

Evensong August \$27.50

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NEWS FROM THE BELLTOWER

Busy times are coming up with visiting English ringers arriving for an eight-bell peal attempt on **October 31** at 1.00 pm, and a group of Melbourne and Canberra ringers coming on late Friday afternoon **November 23** to do some training with the local towers. I believe there will be a quarter peal attempt when they first arrive at approximately 4.30 pm. For those who enjoy the bells the October visit would be great opportunity to take advantage of the beautiful garden at St Matthew's, to sit and listen to the bells. Please keep it in mind.

Our newest recruit Karl, is now sufficiently skilled to join the ringers for service ringing on Sunday mornings. Karl has been a quick learner and will be an asset to the band. Congratulations Karl.

On Saturday, September 1 we recorded our efforts for the six-bell ringing competition. This recording was sent to Sydney for judging and so far we have not heard any results. Unfortunately, our effort on the day could have been better but we learnt a lot in the weeks leading up to the competition and had fun in the process. Also, it has been good for team morale. The fete is not far away. Once again the bellringers will be running the BBQ sausage sizzle and drink stall, so don't forget to come over for a snack when you smell the onions cooking.

Pam Thorman Tower Captain

ANGLICAN WOMEN'S COMMITTEE

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WED. 3RD. OCTOBER

This will begin with morning tea from 10.30am for travellers, followed by a Eucharist at 11.00 am, then across the road to the 'Albury Club' for soup, sandwiches, tea and coffee at \$12 p.p.

The speaker at the lunch will be Jill Allen from Anglicare.

Jill is from the Wangaratta Diocese, and most of us know her.

Please put this date in your diary and invite your friends.

Bookings to me on 60212869 *Helen Martin* on 60212869



The Rectory Garden in all
it's Spring beauty

YOUTH SPOTLIGHT

Social Justice Competition - Rocking the Boat

We have extended submission date of the Social Justice competition to the 31st of October 2012 to accommodate for time constraints faced by students. We have also confirmed Julian Burnside a leading human rights lawyer as a judge for the competition. We thought that we could have the presentation on the 2nd of December at the start of Advent, as it marks the new church year and hope-



fully the new ways of looking at treatment of vulnerable people. As it's a time when people are looking forward to Christmas and also make room for the Christ child so may they also make room for a grown up Christian perspective followed by action. We are going to have a movie and pizza night exploring a range of DVDs on the plight of asylum seekers and refugees including movies such as the Voyage of the Damned and other such true stories which reveal the human face behind the statistics and government policies.

Changing Minds

We are currently exploring an opportunity to visit the Holocaust Museum in Melbourne so as to get a perspective from a surviving detainee from the Nazi concentration camp and we thought that we will invite the youth from across the diocese to join us, with each parish sponsoring its younger people to pay for the visit. We are aiming for this to happen towards the end of the holidays and will publish further notices this week when the details are confirmed. We would also like to encourage every church in the diocese to have a Social Justice Hotspot for members of the congregation to cut out articles on matters of importance that Christians should be thinking about. We have been using these articles as a basis for our discussions during our youth group meeting

Youth and Action

We also are helping our congregation to focus on practical ways of helping for the Relay for Life. Some of our Youth would be participating in this event and we will be hosting a BBQ after this month's Matins service to raise funds towards our church's team.

We would also be taking part in a walk between Albury and Chiltern organised by Daniel Kuzeff who has initiated this to raise funds to build a village in the Philippines. This walk will take place sometime in November.

Media and Mental Health

We have also been campaigning with the help of the Bordermail in our church in support of having a Headspace in Albury. We have currently sent approximately 90 butterflies to them from the church. This is quite important to us, as it means that our generation and future generations of young Australians have the opportunity of having a productive and happy chance at life. The butterflies collected have been given to the Bordermail who have used it for their campaign towards a Headspace centre.

Work in Progress

We will next explore some youth links with ABM and will organise a trip through Kate Austin from our parish to an indigenous community to better understand some of the big issues. We are also helping Fr Peter develop a new confirmation program in the form of a Christian citizenship test which can be taken online, more on this later.

We are going to get a Youth team to make Anglicare hampers as Christmas approaches and look for some creative ways for outreach. Any Ideas will be welcome.

Clinton Monteiro, Albury Anglican Youth



AHS students and teacher Helena Kernaghan.
On Thursday 13th September the church was closed so the above students could complete their HSC exams.

Reluctant Rescuers

Tony Kevin retired Australian diplomat has recently written and self published a book titled “Reluctant Rescuers”, hard copy is available as well as free (or donation) download www.reluctantrescuers.com. In the book he asks us to be informed and would like many Australians to read it. The book invites us to consider ‘*are our hearts hardened, do we see refugees as nameless citizens of nowhere, human beings with no rights worth mentioning*’. The book is not about the current debate, although he does support a compassionate approach to Asylum seekers, the book addresses how Australia’s Border Protection System handles safety of life at sea issues. It is a must read for all Australians who wish to have an informed opinion

Kevin’s pen once again pricks the nation’s conscience and applies scrutiny to those tempted to place border protection ahead of human life.

— Fr Frank Brennan SJ AO

Tony Kevin exposes the shameful loss of life on the boats bringing refugees to Australia. He appeals to our human duty to the vulnerable.

— The Hon. Michael Kirby AC CMG



Reluctant Rescuers



Parishioner Profile : RAY FEITZ

I was born and bred in Sydney and worked there as a Production Manager until my retirement 20 years ago. We then moved to the Central Coast of NSW and 9 years ago moved to Albury. My family has a long history in Albury/ Wodonga and I have many relatives in the area. I have two daughters both married, Debbie who lives in Green Point NSW and Susan who lives in Melbourne. Our move to Albury was I thought ,primarily for my wife's health but living in St. Patrick's Retirement Village and attending St. Matthew's Church I feel God has played some part of my being here. My wife died seven years ago and I then started to attend church on a regular basis where I met my dear friends Sam Goddard, Sue Fyfe and Kerry Wilkinson. Sam and myself have formed a close relationship which I treasure. I take an active part in our Prayer Circle and enjoy our quiet days at CCK. Thanks to Fr. Peter I have the honour of being the Church Verger and Master of Servers, two positions I thoroughly enjoy, and which I feel, have brought me closer to God. RAY FEITZ



MICROPHONES IN THE CHURCH

The church has a very good P.A. system and set of microphones, however it is not always used to it's best advantage. Some people say the church has a great acoustic and my comment to that is that it gives very good reverberation to certain choral and musical events, but for speech it is not too good at all. With the reverberation, the speech bounces around a lot ,and makes it quite hard to hear what a person is saying. One of the problems we have to contend with, is that there are tall people and short who use the microphones.



If a person is softly spoken and is far off the mic they will not be effectively heard, so what is the solution?

First, a person to be heard properly, should bend the mic down, closer the their mouth, so they address the mic properly, and the amplifier and speakers on the wall will give us all a fair go, and the person will be effectively heard.

The speaker must remember that the sound of their voice is bouncing around the building, and there are places where speech is not heard at all due to sound cancellations caused by the reverberation.

Also, they should articulate their words clearly and speak a bit slower and more deliberately. If, while speaking you listen carefully, you will hear if your voice is actuating the mic and the amplifier and speakers at a suitable level. Also watch the faces of your audience, and see if they appear to be straining to hear you. If that is the case, don't soldier on, make adjustments— bring the mic closer to you, move closer to the mic and speak a bit louder than you would normally speak.

The mic is not a miraculous device, it can only amplify you if it picks you up effectively!

G.Scott

GOD AND GRASS - CONTINUED

So true, it's funny!



GOD:

Now, let me get this straight. They fertilize grass so it will grow.
And, when it does grow, they cut it off and pay to throw it away?

ST.. FRANCIS:

Yes, Sir.

GOD:

These Suburbanites must be relieved in the summer when we cut back on the rain and turn up the heat. That surely slows the growth and saves them a lot of work.

ST. FRANCIS:

You aren't going to believe this, Lord. When the grass stops growing so fast, they drag out hoses and pay more money to water it, so they can continue to mow it and pay to get rid of it.

GOD:

What nonsense. At least they kept some of the trees. That was a sheer stroke of genius, if I do say so myself. The trees grow leaves in the spring to provide beauty and shade in the summer. In the autumn, they fall to the ground and form a natural blanket to keep moisture in the soil and protect the trees and bushes. It's a natural cycle of life.

ST. FRANCIS:

You better sit down, Lord. The Suburbanites have drawn a new cycle. As soon as the leaves fall, they rake them into great piles and pay to have them hauled away.

GOD:

No!? What do they do to protect the shrub and tree roots in the winter to keep the soil moist and loose?

ST. FRANCIS:

They get mulch

GOD:

And where do they get this mulch?

ST. FRANCIS:

They cut down trees and grind them up to make the mulch.

GOD:

Enough! I don't want to think about this anymore. St. Catherine, you're in charge of the arts. What movie have you scheduled for us tonight?

ST. CATHERINE:

'Dumb and Dumber', Lord. It's a story about....

GOD:

I just heard the whole story from St. Francis.



ON THE RECORD

Baptisms

We welcome into Christ's family

1 September	Sophie Emerald POULTON
2 September	Sienna Ada TETU
9 September	Chloe Jaye HARTLEY
23 September	Violet Eve KAMOLILNS



Weddings

We congratulate those joined together in Holy Matrimony

1 September	Nathan Paul French VICARY and Aimee Elizabeth Ann KELLY
22 September	Ramon Gregory COULTHARD and Maria Cecilia Palma FERRAREN



Funerals

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

3 August	Roy Samuel WEBB
28 August	John MILES
30 August	George BENSTEAD
14 September	Noel Jack SNARE
24 September	John Theodore MOLTMANN



Years Mind - October

We pray for those whose anniversary falls at this time

Louise MOLESWORTH (2nd), Kit MOLESWORTH (2nd), Baby Matthew COLEMAN (6th), Ada Victoria PURSS (9th), Margaret SEYMOUR-HARDWICK (10th), Dylan JARDINE (10th), Gwynne Harry SAMPSON (11th), Brian SCHOLZ (11th), Yvonne Lorraine COLLINGWOOD (12th), Annie Elizabeth COLLICOAT (13th), Bruce WINNELL (14th), Joyce MACKAY (16th), Robert William WHITE (19th), Jack CLEGG (21st), Bruce Athol WHITE (25th), Donald John KING (25th), Norman Percy HABERECHT (31st), Alison MOLESWORTH (31st)

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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

No services

Friday

10:00 a.m. Eucharist at Riverwood (except 1st Friday). All welcome

Sunday

8:30 a.m. Sung Eucharist
10:00 a.m. Family Service—(Children's Church 3rd Sunday every month)
9:00 am 5th Sunday of every month—One Service Only—Holy Communion with Mattins
5:00 p.m. Evensong (Only 1st Sunday of every month)

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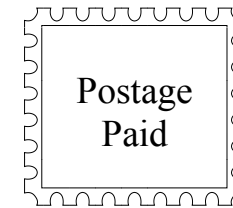
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