

Fr Peter writes : Dear People of St Matthew's

> Abide with me; fast falls the eventide; the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide. When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day; earth's joys grow dim; its glories pass away; change and decay in all around I see; O thou who changest not, abide with me.



I need thy presence every passing hour. What but thy grace can foil the tempter's power? Who, like thyself, my guide and stay can be? Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

The words and music of this famous hymn for remembrance day was born of lived experience of challenge and sorrow.

Henry Francis Lyte was born on a farm in Scotland early on his father had deserted his wife and two sons and shortly after his mother and brother died but was supported by a teacher who spotted his potential. After studying at Trinity College, Dublin and with very limited training for the ministry, Lyte took Anglican holy orders in 1815. He was married but lost a baby He established a Sailors' Sunday School. To educate children and seamen. Lyte was a tall and "unusually handsome" man, "slightly eccentric but of great personal charm, a man noted for his wit and human understanding, a born poet and an able scholar." He was an expert flute player and always had his flute with him. Lyte spoke Latin, Greek, and French; enjoyed discussing literature; and was knowledgeable about wild flowers and . built a magnificent library-Nevertheless, Lyte was also able to identify with his parish of fishermen, visiting them at their homes and on board their ships in harbor, Lyte,was also a friend of Samuel Wilberforce, also opposed slavery, Lyte also grew discouraged when numbers of his congregation (including in 1846, nearly his entire choir) left him, after he expressed High Church sympathies and leaned toward the Oxford Movement. He wrote many hymns including praise my soul the king of heaven but, "Abide With Me" is the best known the music was composed by William H. Monk-whose three-year-old daughter had just died-composed his own tune, "Eventide," for Lyte's poem. The hymn became a favorite of George V, George VI and Lord Kitchener and was sung at the former's funeral.. and it was said to have been on the lips of Edith Cavell as she faced a German firing squad "and continues to be sung at many sports and public events.

"Consider the lilies"

Thankyou to all who continue to make our "St Matthews garden" such a sanctuary of welcome and recreation. The lilies and Dogwood are a real picture at the moment.

"The modest Rose puts forth a thorn, The humble sheep a threat'ning horn: While the Lily white shall in love delight, Nor a thorn nor a threat stain her beauty bright (William Blake)

• Roses are blooming red and white and the dogwoods moved from the centre of the rectory front lawn have rewarded us with a beautiful show.



• There is a tradition that the dogwood was the tree used to make the cross on which Jesus was crucified, as a result, God declared the dogwood would never grow large enough to be used to make another cross.

• The blossom of the dogwood also serves as a reminder for Christians that Jesus died on the cross to cleanse their sins. Common symbols of the crucifixion, such as the thorny crown and the cross, were recreated in the dogwood blossom.

At the center of a dogwood bloom is the rough, crown-like centerpiece, thought to symbolize the crown of thorns worn by Jesus, The tips of each petal feature a blood-red pinch, much like the stakes in the hands and feet of Christ. Finally, the four-petal structure of the bloom resembles a cross.

The Arum lily is a symbol of the Virgin Mary, of purity, youth, innocence and remembrance and they glow in all their white beauty in the St Matthews garden.

Many thanks to all who gave us such a wonderful result for our **fete**, over \$10,000 and a glorious day and a special thanks to co-coordinator Christine Nesbitt and all the stall holders and raffle ticket sellers !!!!!

Confirmation all aboard!!!! We have more adult and younger candidates for confirmation!! Our confirmation is on Sunday the 9th of December in the morning service, preparation is flexible and during the Sunday services and at other times as arranged please call me if you or others might be interested.

Congratulations to Fr Alan Kelb who is to be inducted as priest in charge of Tallangatta at 11am on Saturday the 8th of December. The day before our Confirmation, Fr Alan will continue to be with St Matthews part time and we look forward to strengthening our "town and country" relationship with that lovely parish.

"In Quires and places"

Many thanks to our choir who sang a brilliant Evensong at Numurkah a couple of weeks ago, some said it was the best service they had ever attended and remembered Evensong from 50 years before, well done and so many thanks for the huge effort so graciously and tunefully rendered.

Entertaining angels

St Matthews church, Rectory, garden, history and music bring us many unexpected visitors every month and recently members of the Russian ballet who were touring around the country and also members of the Thurgoona View club who came to the rectory for afternoon tea.

Social Justice: I am grateful to our youth group and to the mothers union who continue to highlight matters of social

justice and thankyou to the St Matthews community who continue to support our endeavour's to address real pain with practical assistance and compassion

Fr Peter



Choir, Lisa Ride, and Grenadier Guards after Grenadier Guard Service, 7th October

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS NOVEMBER 2012

<u>Grants.</u> The Parish is going to apply for registration on the State Heritage Register. So that we can apply for a special grant to help pay for the restoration on the front fence.

Landscaping This is continuing well. \$800 was raised at the garden party with another \$500 being donated later.

<u>Safety Issues</u> Waiting for a quote for hand rails to be placed on lectern & pulpit. The platform in sanctuary to be made wider & lower.

Font to Lady Chapel Looking at ways the font could be moved around. We would need to have a custom built trolley made. Or we could look at purchasing a more portable one. All options would have to be explored before going ahead

<u>Anglican Food Room</u> 23 hampers & 12 kg mince were given out in September. Also a \$20 petrol voucher. The day when the Christmas hampers to be made up to be decided. More details later.

<u>Archives</u> As renovations at St Matthews Retirement Village are to take place, the records will need to be moved. It is hoped that they will be able to be moved to another unit. All the records are being catalogued.

Finances Planned giving was up in September but open plate was down. People have been very generous in regards to giving to the garden appeal. Balance No 1 a/c at 30.9.2012 \$33817.38 Less cheques to be paid \$4594.99. Balance No2 a/c at 30.9.2012 \$28796.54 Less cheques to be paid \$350. Cheques already paid No1 a/c \$4931.71 No2 a/c \$76.00

Confirmation to be held on 9th December.

<u>Air Conditioning</u> Quotes to be sought for split system reverse cycle air conditioner unit for Parish Office & Sunroom. Also going to look at a solar system.

<u>Licences</u> All Lay Minister, Youth Leaders , Eucharistic Assistants who work outside the Parish are to be licenced.

Kaye Kennedy Secretary

Remembrance Day Organ Recital at St Matthew's Albury

Well known Sydney organist Heather Moen-Boyd will present a Remembrance Day organ recital at St Matthew's on Sunday 11th November at 2.30pm.

Dear people of St. Matthew's,

I would like to express my sincere thanks to all the people who prayed for me during my illness. I feel very grateful and humble that I am still alive and recovering more each day. Many of the staff at Albury Base Hospital have told me that I wasn't expected to survive, but thanks to their care, and more importantly THE POWER OF PRAYER, I am enjoying life once again in our wonderful country. Thank you also to those who sent cards, letters, gifts and food, which all helped my recovery. **Bev Butler**

Part of the programme will pay tribute to this special day with items such as the 'Adagio in G minor' by Albinoni, 'Nimrod' (Enigma Variations) by Elgar, 'Solemn Melody' by Walford Davies, and 'In Paradisum' (Requiem) by Faure.

The balance of the programme includes favourites such as Pachelbel's 'Canon in D', 'The Pilgrims' Chorus' (Tannhauser) by Wagner, 'The Swan' (Carnival of the Animals) by Saint-Saens, 'Hornpipe' (The Water Music) by Handel plus many more that you will recognise and enjoy!

Heather studied organ at Sydney Conservatorium where she gained a Bachelor of Music; she also holds the A Mus A and FTCL diplomas. An experienced recitalist, she has been organist and choir director at Scots Kirk Mosman since 2006. As well as a busy private studio, Heather is a piano tutor at Georges River Grammar School, and an examiner with the Australian and New Zealand Cultural Arts. She represented the Presbyterian Church on the editorial committee for the revised Australian Hymn Book, *Together in Song*, and she is also a chorister with the Sunday Evensong choir at Church St Laurence, Sydney.

In 2008 she was organist for the Three Choirs Festival in Albury and Wangaratta, and last year accompanied the memorable 'People's Messiah' performance here at St Matthew's.

Heather has a special interest in the North East with her cousin being the well-known Beechworth based singer and choral conductor, Margaret Phillips.

Tickets are available at the door on the day : \$25, Conc \$20, under 18 years \$15.

Enquiries to John Scott 0412 828 923



ROCK SOLID

Bible Study – SPS - Study, Prayer and Support



Prayer is at the centre of Parish life and it could well be that St Matthew's Bible Study, Prayer and Support group is like the heart that quietly beats away year after year supporting all the activity that happens at St Matthew's.

The group started in 1991 with the Reverend Don McMonigle, rector at the time, Necia Seale and Janette Kettyle, held at Eileen Cottrell's home. But for the last few years has been held in the common room at St Matthew's village every Tuesday from 7.30pm. SPS study, prayer and support have been the magic ingredient that have maintained the life of the weekly meetings.

The broadening of understanding and shared compassion and support around a table when 9 or 10 people are praying for the parish, family and world needs, has been a real blessing to those involved and there are wonderful parish links through the MU prayer chain and word of mouth. It is where people can share in confidence and trust, sharing faith and helping in times of challenge. New members are always welcome and you could ask **Janette and Necia** for details.

Children's Church in October ☆ October Children's Church was truly an amazing occasion. Fr Peter arrived ☆ H back from Sydney just in time for the service to begin, but he certainly 🛧 wasn't jet lagged, he was in fine form, full of the spirit and the children ☆ responded beautifully. The majority of the children were older than usual and so there was ☆ ☆ great interaction between them and Fr Peter as he told them the story of Bartimaeus the BLIND 🖈 MAN ,and how Jesus had healed him and how Bart had become a follower of Jesus and what it 🖈 $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ meant to be a follower of Jesus. There was a bible quiz prepared by Julie which the children actively participated in, wearing blindfolds during part of the time, and Fr Peter reminded the \checkmark children (and of course the adult congregation) that we are all like the blind man, we all need \bigstar help, we all need God's help. \bigstar Fr Peter also involved the children in the preparation of the Eucharist to which they responded \bigstar 🔬 with interest and enthusiasm, in fact the whole service revolved around the active participation 🙏 of the children, and it was obvious that the children enjoyed it all. A little baby Lily whom Fr Peter had baptized, was included in the service to the delight of all present, and little 3 year old \bigstar Rory was very happy when told we were going to have the musical instruments to accompany \bigstar our theme song at the end 'All things bright and beautiful.' After the service because it was a lovely day, a sausage sizzle was enjoyed outside which gives 🐥 everyone a chance to stay and chat a while, partake of a cuppa and Maureen's lovely drop scones and teddy bear biscuits, so all in all a great children's church once again, enjoyed by ☆ children and adults alike. ☆ If you know of any families who have children that may like to come to our children's church $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ service once a month, please speak to Fr Peter and he will arrange for an invitation to be sent to them, which makes it much more personal for them. Janette Kettyle Children's Church team member for M.U. Albury ☆ $\frac{1}{2}$ \bigstar \checkmark \bigstar

MONTHLY OFFERINGS

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Planned Giving	Open Plate	<u>Baptisms</u>
\$1243.00	\$451.90	\$ 50.00
\$ 906.00	\$416.60	\$ 50.00
\$1913.00	\$797.65	\$
\$ 949.00	\$537.55	\$ 26.90
\$ 917	\$620.25	\$103.60
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Offerings do not take into account any payments that are paid directly into the Bank. **Evensong September \$68.00**

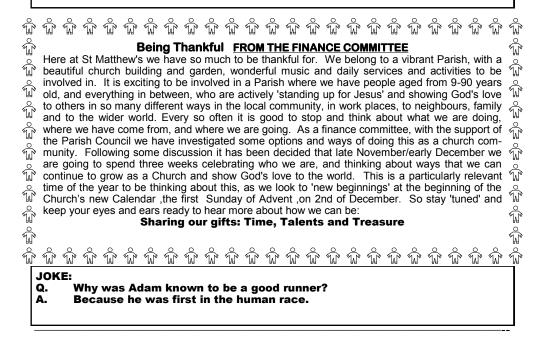
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PARISHIONER PROFILE– Patrick O'Donohue

I was born, one of twins, in County Cork, Ireland we were the sixth and seventh of ten children. My mother died in childbirth when I was 11 years old. At 15 I left home and went to London where I got work in the Club/Hotel business. In 1959 I joined the 1st Battalion of the Grenadier Guards and served in, North Africa/ West Africa/UK after leaving the Guards I married and had a daughter, Sharon; however the marriage broke down and I was awarded custody of Sharon. We left England in 1971 and came to Australia, Sharon was four. I bought a hotel 400 kms out



of Adelaide on the Barrier Hwy. Sharon flourished in school, being particularly good at math. She learned how to manage money and accounts. We always sat together to work out housekeeping, and bills etc. even when she was quite young. Sharon qualified as a chartered accountant and got her Master's in business administration. I am enormously proud of her. She and husband Kevin and my two granddaughters presently live in Cincinnati where she is Vice President of her company, MCC. I had to retire early because of heart disease and have had bypass surgeries. I keep ticking over with a pacemaker! I came to Albury to attend the first Grenadier Guards reunion and met up with Eddie Barney; we had both served in the The Grenadier Guards. I decided to move here and settled in Howlong, where I still reside. A practicing Christian, I looked around for a church to attend, and being disappointed with St Patrick's at the time, decided to give St Matthew's a go. I felt immediately at home and welcomed by Clergy and Laity, and have been a regular communicant ever since. I am blessed with a great family, good friends, and a wonderful place to worship. Patríck



YOUTH SPOTLIGHT

The Albury Anglican Youth had visited the Jewish Holocaust Centre in Melbourne on Friday the 5th of October. The visit was, as a result of a discussion and also the fact that we might be the last generation of Youth to actually meet Holocaust survivors. We had a 5am start, not many of those around and we were joined by Jane Atkinson, Fr Peter Macleod-Miller and Bruce James a former Head Chorister at St Matthews, who drove us down there (and also agreed to come back to an incense free service).

This trip highlighted the atrocities that were committed which caused pain and suffering to the Jewish people (and also other persecuted minorities) during the Nazi Regime. We were introduced to a Jewish Holocaust survivor who told us of her story of survival and of freedom. They also mentioned that the destruction of an ethnic minority to achieve propaganda may have had its peak during World War 2 but many different genocide programs still do continue to this day. The magnitude may not be the same but people not statistics, people still die because of ethnic cleansing. The Centre had a simple message 'Remember the Past -Change the Future'.

A fact unknown to many of us was also revealed during this trip. The Australian Aboriginal community were the only people in the world that stood together and in the form of a petition asked the German Government through its consulate to stop the violence that it was committing against its own innocent people, even though they themselves were not considered to be Australian citizens in their own country. What remains of the fact as they mentioned is that History might or has already repeated itself.

Our Guide said that there are always three kinds of people, the bullies who are never afraid, people who stand-by who are afraid and then there are those, not many of them but we do need to encourage them, people who stand for what they believe in and challenge the bullies. These situations may happen in your School yard, Workplace. Homes and sometimes even Governments resort take part in this form of bullying. She said "We cannot change what Hitler did, but we can stop it from happening again".

Australia was also coveted as a highly desirable prize by the Jewish Refugees who sought safety in the furthest place away from their dismay. It was a safe haven and proved to be the best decision

for them. The striking similarities between current Refugees and Asylum Seekers and the Jewish people seem to be obvious. But the question remains will we still allow ourselves to be bullied by the hatred spread by both sides of government and also be bullies ourselves, or will we really Remember the Past and at least try

to Change the Future. Clinton



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Spring colour in the Church gardens



The ever popular trash and treasure stall, Fete



Blessing of the animals service, Yvonne Vesely with her guide dog



Children's church, in October ; theme 'Bart the blind man', hence the blindfolds!



Happy M.U. members celebrate 24 years of M.U. at St. Matthews ,at Murray Gardens

Jim Jefferies off to London

Jim Jefferies learned to ring Church Bells in 1957 when he was 16 years old. Jim is a native of Bath, in the West of England, and he lived in the village of Twerton-on-Avon, which is now a suburb on the western edge of the city. The parish church had a very active and enthusiastic band of ringers and Jim began a life-long love of ringing. Jim was elected to the Ancient Society of College Youths in January 1962 and will attend their 375th Annual Dinner at a Hotel next door to the Tower of London in early November, to receive his Certificate for 50 years membership. The Ancient Society of College Youths was established in 1637. The Society is the premier Change Ringing Society in the City of London, with a national and international membership that promotes excellence in Change Ringing around the world. Jim was Tower Master of St Paul's, Bendigo, from 1977 to 1981, and, after moving to Wodonga, taught the original band of ringers at Wangaratta in 1987. Jim is one of the original band of St Matthew's ringers, when the six bells were rung from the ground floor. After the Great Fire, the tower and the bells survived, and, the ringers were able to continue ringing. It was reminiscent of ringing on a bomb site from his childhood; Bath had been attacked by the Luftwaffe for 3 consecutive nights on the ANZAC weekend in 1942 when Jim was 6 months old. After absence due to work commitments, Jim is currently Ringing Master at St Matthew's, where the bells were augmented to eight in 1990. At that time the Bourdon bell, John of Glastonbury was also hung in the tower. Jim rang this bell in Glastonbury on a visit there in 1981. Jim has rung 30 peals of over 5000 changes, including two at St Matthew's. Peals are rung non-stop without mistakes and take somewhere between two and a half hours and three and a half hours to ring. Jim has rung more than 100 guarter peals. He has rung the bells in many of the great English and Australian churches.

Jim met his wife Mavis in the Belfry at Twerton and they were married there in 1965. They have two sons who live in Chiltern and Wodonga. Mavis and Jim have lived in Bethanga since 1989.



Michael and All Angels Bellringers 1959. Jim is in the centre of the photo wearing a white shirt.



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BRITISH HUMOUR—These are classified ads, which were actually placed

classified ads, which were actually placed in U.K papers

FREE YORKSHIRE TERRIER. 8 Years old, hateful and bites!

FREE PUPPIES Half Cocker Spaniel, half sneaky neighbor's dog.

FREE PUPPIES Mother is a Kennel Club registered German Shepherd. Father is a super dog, able to leap tall fences in a single bound.

COWS, CALVES, NEVER BRED. Also a gay bull for sale.

JOINING NUDIST COLONY! Must sell washer and dryer \$100

WEDDING DRESS FOR SALE; worn once by mistake Call Stephanie

For SALE BY OWNER; Complete set of Encyclopaedia Britannica, 45 Vols. Excellent condition, \$200 or best offer. No longer needed, got married, wife knows everything.

CHILDREN ARE QUICK -TEACHER—Why are you late?

STUDENT—Class started before I got there TEACHER—John, why are you doing

your math on the floor? JOHN—you told me to do it without using tables.

TEACHER—Glenn, how do you spell crocodile? GLENN—' K-R-O-K-O-D-I-A-L' TEACHER—That's wrong GLENN—Maybe it's wrong, but you asked me how I spell it.

TEACHER—Donald, what is the formula for water? DONALD—H I J K L M N O . TEACHER—What are you talking about? DONALD—Yesterday you said it is H to O

Special Grenadier Guards Commemoration Service—7th October

"Onward Christian soldiers "rang out with great enthusiasm when representatives of the Grenadiers and their families were present and special music was presented in honour of the Queens diamond jubilee. Patrick O'Donohue from St Matthew's congregation and a former guardsman arranged the service in consultation with the Guards Association Head office in London, who provided liturgical material and information for the service. The Grenadier Guards is an elite infantry regiment of the British Army, the most senior regiment of the Guards Division St Matthews Albury is rather mysteriously the national church for the grenadiers but there was no mystery about the level of enthusiasm and commitment by participants as in a very moving service the colour party paraded its standards into the sanctuary. The very real difference between "onward Christian **pilgrims**" in a politically correct age of spiritual disarmament and the biblical imperative putting on the whole armour of God in readiness for battle were highlighted. The prayers were done by grenadiers and family members, candles lit to remember the fallen and the great organ thrilled the

congregation with an occasional blast from its trumpets. An army reservist uniformed Lisa Ride a member of the St Matthews Choir and a long term member of the Australian Army reserve did the bible reading and marked the closure of that part of her life due to illness and the sigh of Lisa marching with the grenadiers on the day was a great symbol of shared challenge and courage. The service was followed by a champagne reception hosted by the Grenadier Guards association and a luncheon at the rectory all agreed that it had been a most memorable day.



ON THE RECORD

Baptisms

We welcome into Christ's family

16 September 30 September	Hunter Justin James KOHNE Sean Glenn Xavier MASON Summer Lou DENGATE Braiden-John Robert HODGES-BROWN
	Chicayne Kelly Rose HODGES-PAGE
7 October	Xavier Phillip LAMBERT
	Addison Mila SINGE
13 October	Rhonan Alexander WHYTE
14 October	Jack Anthony BENNETT
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Weddings

We congratulate those joined together in Holy Matrimony

6 October CLARK	Matthew James KEMPTON & Elizabeth Milne	
20 October 20 October	Brenton James PARNELL & Casey Lee-anne WISE Scott David LEMMON & Ashley Victoria EDWARDS	



Funerals

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

25 September 26 September 4 October 5 October 19 October 22 October 23 October	Anne Isobel DAVIES George Austin ATKINSON Ian Geoffrey WATSON 'John' Philip John Gillett WEBB Kenneth Maurice Bertram MANSELL Lilian May COLEMAN Pauline NUGENT
23 October	Pauline NUGENT



Years Mind - November

We pray for those whose anniversary falls at this time

Margaret EISENHAUER (3rd), Margaret KRIEGER (3rd), Mervyn Langdon MOREY (4th), Paul YOUNG (4th), Aileen NICHOLS (10th), Henry Randal KOTHE (11th), Irene GIBBS (12th), Mary LEMKE (15th), Harold Herbert MOREY (18th), Mary LORD (19th), Edna HUNICHEN (20th), David Bruce WHITE (23rd), Edward James STAR (23rd), 'Billie' Mary Alma NORMAN (24th), 'Jo' Mavis Joan BARRELL (26th), John KENNEDY (27th), Emma Adelaide SMITH (27th), Lester YENSCH (28th)



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