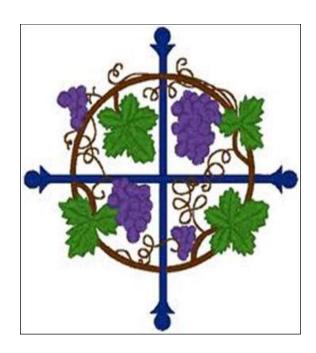
ST MATTHEW'S GRAPEVINE



PARISH OF ALBURY

In the heart of Albury Welcomes all people

AUGUST / SEPTEMBER 2017

Fr Peter writes: Dear People of St Matthew's

Faith in a Fair Go for all
Through all the changing scenes of life,
In trouble and in joy,
The praises of my God shall still
My heart and tongue employ.

Of His deliverance I will boast, Till all that are distressed From my example courage take And soothe their griefs to rest.

O magnify the Lord with me, With me exalt His Name; When in distress to Him I called, He to my rescue came.

Their drooping hearts were soon refreshed, Who looked to Him for aid; Desired success in every face.



Nahum Tate, was born in Dublin, Ireland in 1652. Nicholas Brady was born in Bandon County Cork, Ireland 1659- . Their collaborations included while shepherds watched their flocks by night, they changed words to plays and poems and gave them new life, saved a town from burning in defiance of a king. Ours are changing days, marriage equality seems so controversial until we think of the lives of young people and their parents growing up in fear. What a privilege to be part of someone else's freedom, just as individual congregations and community members defied the accepted cruelties of their day and worked to end slavery, worked for women to get the vote, for children to be heard, for people of mixed races and religions to be allowed to marry and working for indigenous recognition we have an opportunity today.

St Matthews is at the heart of community change and changing for the better, thanks to the wonderful people of St Matthews who have led us in better ways .to dear Dorothy Ryan who helped set up children church whose family,

the Gray's of Willowbank were at the first marriage equality rally and also to some local school students who were there, asked me to share their rug and help work toward a kinder world to grow up in. Thanks to so many for your support

And to Dame Marie Bashir for her compassionate leadership, Albury City Council, Hume Phoenix, as well as Bishop John, Sussan Ley both working in difficult organisations but supporting



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change in the name of humanity, passers-by and strangers stopping in the street and to Keith Mascord whose book "Faith without fear" available at St Matthews for \$20 all give us courage to move on.

What blindness to see clearly the wounds of Jesus 2000 years ago but being unable to see the damage done to young lives now by faith based misunderstandings. Putting people first will lead us to vote yes to marriage equality, why settle for less? Thanks for supporting the lives of others.

St Matthews Patronal festival, including our children from children's church on Sunday 17th September one service only at 9am with some special music and family friendly and fabulous with a special festival morning tea all very welcome.

Fr Peter





Community celebration service in recognition and appreciation for Fr Kevin's service to the community





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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS - AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

AUGUST

Alterations to Rectory—(Meeting Room) Carevan has been given a grant to renovate the meeting room at the rectory. They have removed one of the bay windows and have put in a new door. The carpet has been removed and vinyl floor boards have been laid, they will also install new floor covering in the hall. An air conditioner has been put in. This room will be used by Carevan on a Tuesday and Thursday nights to feed the hungry.

Office—It was decided to replace the carpet in the office. Because of this decision everything had to be taken out of the office. After doing this cracks were seen in the ceiling and walls. After being told by an expert that the ceiling was being held up by the light/fan, the ceiling will need to be replaced. The old ceiling has been removed thanks to Joe, Matthew-Paul, David and Sandy. The National Trust has agreed to pay for the replacement of the ceiling.

Vestry—We are thinking about replacing the carpet in the vestry, this will also be paid for by National Trust.

Victory College Soup Day—The money raised by the students was used to purchase a T.V which has been installed in the front room to be used by the Care van people.

Advertising sign—Jeff from Jewel's has everything ready to present a quote for a new sign

Treasurer's Report—Due to the shortage of funds in the No1 account we had to transfer money from No 2 accounts to pay the bills.

Mark Carden has organised a deal with Origin energy to get a 15% reduction on our gas bill and 22% reduction on the electricity bill.

Anglican Food Room—15 hampers, 93 hot meals, 278 hot drinks were given out during June.

OP shop—\$467.15 was taken in August

SEPTEMBER

Rectory—Carevan received a grant which has been used to purchase new tables, chairs, air conditioner, new floor coverings in the meeting room and hallway. The money raised by Victory College on their soup day was spent on a new Television to be used by Carevan to do presentations

Office—The money for the carpet in the office will come from QE2 money. The money for the ceiling to be paid by the National Trust.

Church—The fire damaged area is to be painted.

Choir loft security—This is a work in progress

Finances—We are going backwards by more than \$2000 per month. Please support the fete as this is our major fund raiser.

OP shop—takings have increased. Jack's rags will buy old cotton T shirts etc for 30cents per Kilo. More people have offered to help in the shop. If there is enough people interested the shop could be opened another day or days.

Anglican Food Room—Going well.

Music Foundation—is now St Matthew's Music Association. For tax deductible donations please write cheque out to ST MATTHEW'S MUSIC ASSOCIATION INC PUBLIC FUND. If you wish to do internet banking the details are as follows BSB 640.000 account No 111238628 for the public fund.

Organ—The organ that was in the sun room in the rectory has been taken to the tip shop.

Kaye Kennedy, Secretary

EVENING GROUP

August

For our July meeting nine members enjoyed lunch in the Commercial Club dining room.

Details for the Trivia Night on 11th August was discussed. The money raised at the Trivia Night will be used to help pay for the lease of the photocopier. Please consider asking a few friends to make up a table it is a fun night and everyone who has been to previous trivia nights think it is a great night.

September

A very successful <u>Trivia night</u> was held at Adamshurst by the Evening Group in August.

Glenn Boyd was the quiz master and he did a great job. Thank you, Glenn. The subjects for the different rounds were food, geography, pot luck, literature, Australia. In what year? First or last name. \$664.00 was raised, this money will go towards paying the lease on the photocopier.

Thank you to Fr Peter and Sandra for allowing us to use their home to hold this event. To the ladies were provided the supper, to the donor of the raffle and the donor of the lucky door prize, to the ladies on the door to the ladies who checked the answers for each team thank you. Without these people it would not have been a success!

Kaye Kennedy, President











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St Matthew's Retirement Village

St Matthew's Retirement Village is located near Monument Hill, with only a short walk to the Albury CBD. It is a small community consisting of 14 units suitable for residents of a retirement age, 5 rental units and a Community Centre.



<u>Vacancy:</u> A recently renovated two bedroom unit with 2 toilets, a LU garage and enclosed backyard, is currently available for sale at \$265,000 and immediate occupancy. <u>Enquiries</u> to be placed on the Village email list to be notified of future vacancies, can be directed to

Mr Brian Elliot, Village Manager, Mobile 0488592703

Belfry News August 2017

Our last news was published in the February Edition of Grapevine. Since then our bells have been rung regularly every Sunday from 8.30 until the Eucharist at 9am. We also ring for Evensong each month and we practice every Tuesday from 5 until 6.30pm.

This year we had two visiting bands of ringers; on January 25th a very accomplished band of English ringers who rang in almost every tower in Australia, and on June 6th a band of West Australians augmented by ringers from Adelaide and Melbourne. I was fortunate to be invited to ring Quarter Peals with both.

Our own band has been depleted this year due to illness, but we have still managed to raise



The Bearded oldies—see below

enough ringers. This has been possible with Bob and Tom developing their skills. Even so, we are, largely, an aging band (two in the 80's, and three in their 70's, plus all the 60 year olds. We do need some young recruits to ensure our long term survival! We look forward to Pam, Coralie, and Julie returning to active ringing. The attached photo of the bearded oldies was taken a couple of weeks ago.

If you would like to visit the Tower and see the ringing, and learn more about our ancient art, you will be assured a warm welcome.

Jím Jefferíes Ringing Master



Thank you from Erika and Georgie

We just wanted to express our appreciation for all the support Georgie and I have received over the past two months. Georgie's Leg is healing very well an although we still have a way to go the prognosis looks good for a full recovery. we raised in total through the GoFundMe and Charity Concert our \$5,000, \$1,200 alone from the Charity Concert. I can't express enough how grateful we are for all the support, donations and kind words.



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Children's Church

In JULY—'Being the Good News- God's Helping Hands' was the theme for July. There were several upbeat action songs which got us all into the mood for exploring what it meant to be God's Helping Hands! There were 2 ∠

large open hands depicted on the display board, and Fr Peter spoke about how the hands could be helping hands, positive helping words on coloured card were chosen by each child, and added to the hands radiating out from them, the children seemed to take the concept on board in the fun way it was approached! Tom Summerfield and David Luxon were our musicians with their usual happy way. Paul Summerfield helped welcome, and set up. After the happy figure-8 procession, it was announced that it was Sandy's birthday, and a significant one too! Fr. Peter asked the children how old they thought Sandy was, and one child confidently volunteered '38' years, to the delight of Sandy and the rest of the congregation! A cake one of the Children's Church team made hastily became a birthday cake, and David played 'Happy Birthday' and we all sang very enthusiastically! Sandy assists at Children's church. Lots of photos were taken of Sandy with the children. We all wish Sandy and very happy 70th, and appreciate her contribution to our service. Golda Quinlivan helped serve morning tea.

In AUGUST—Sharing God's Love was the theme for August. It was the 17th Birthday of Children's Church. The Church was decorated with coloured balloons and birthday signs and theme signs. Fr. Peter spoke about sharing God's Love, and used some cup cakes with candles, to talk about sharing. Each child was able to take home a balloon. Tom Summerfield played for the service, and did a great job. The Birthday fare was served in the Lady Chapel, as it was a cold day, and all enjoyed the fellowship. A couple of MU Members were available to help on the door and during morning tea, for which we were very grateful, as our faithful helpers are not well, and in the absence of team members.



Julie Scott, Spokesperson for St. Matthews Mother's Union.







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Message from the Parish Finance Committee

The Finance Committee would like to flag to the Parish the importance of this year's Church fete as a significant fundraising activity for St Matthews. The unfortunate reality is that current weekly giving has not kept pace with the increasing costs of running the parish, particularly in terms of energy, water and maintenance.

The number of fundraising activities have diminished - eg car boot sales, Celtic Festival, Cocktail parties, and specific project raffles - mainly due to decreasing numbers of people being available, willing and able to organise and manage these projects. Hence the <u>fete is our primary event this year</u>. Members of the Parish are asked to support the fete by selling raffle tickets, bringing family and friends, and by contributing in whatever ways they can.

Please be aware that day to day running costs of the Parish cannot be supplemented by funds from the sale of the Church Hall or QEII Square land. The Diocese of Wangaratta is very particular that the capital in these accounts cannot be used for everyday costs. The Finance Committee continues to investigate a range of options to utilise this money in such a way that it will provide long term cash flow and investment in the future ongoing ministry and outreach of the Parish. If anyone feels that they have expertise in this regard, please consider joining the Finance Committee.

Parishioners may be aware that a number of significant projects and improvements have been undertaken in the Church and the Rectory. In light of the above, the Finance Committee would like to make you aware of the way that these have been funded:

- Sound System and new signage and communication systems partly funded by bequest, and partly funded from monies from sale of QEII Square land. We are also pursuing donations from businesses in relation to this, and would welcome any other personal contributions.
- Renovations to Rectory:

Front meeting room - doorway, floor covering, tables and heater have been funded by donation from Rotary as part of its support for Anglicare and Caravan in assisting the homeless. The Carevan will use this meeting room 2 nights per week and St Matthews has the use of the time.

Front office - it was decided that it would make sense to repair and re-carpet the office. We obtained permission to draw down funds from sale of QEII Square money to pay for this, as it is capital improvement. While these renovations were occurring, it was identified that the ceiling in the church office was about to collapse. These repairs (whole new ceiling and painting) have been funded by the National Trust, due to it being heritage listed. Donations to the National Trust are tax deductible, and we thank parishioners who have made contributions in this way that enabled us to draw money down to pay this expense.

The Finance Committee would like to take this opportunity to recognise the ongoing work and contributions to the music foundation that enable the music ministry to continue so strongly at St Matthews.

We would also like to acknowledge the hard work of a number of groups and many parishioners within the Church to raise funds to help with the weekly running costs and work of the Parish. We are pleased to report that the recent initiative of the Op Shop is promising as this new enterprise continues to increase its sales, which adds to providing a steady flow of income. Further workers, clothes or rags would be greatly appreciated.

Please support our Fete which is on the 7 October 2017 in QE2 Square.

Renovations to the Rectory—front room and front office











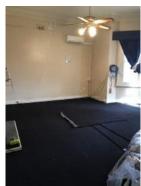














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JOKES FOR THE KIDS;

- Q. What do you give a dog with a fever?

 A Mustard, it's the best thing for a hot dog

 Q. What sort of a cat shouldn't you play cards with?
- A. Cheetah
- Q. Why do cows wear bells?
- Because their horns don't work
 - Q. What is grey, has big ears and a trunk?
- A.. Mouse going on holiday



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HUMOUR

A delightful angelic little boy was waiting for his mother outside the ladies room of the petrol station.

As he stood there, he was approached by a man who asked,

Sonny, can you tell me where the Post Office is?"

The little boy replied, "Sure! Just go straight down this street

two blocks and turn to your right. It's on the left."

The man thanked the boy kindly, complimented him on how bright he was and said,

"I'm the new pastor in town. If you and your mummy come to church on Sunday,

I'll show you how to get to Heaven."

The little boy replied with a chuckle; "You're kidding me, right?

You can't even find the Post Office!"

JEWISH COMEDIANS Not a single swear word in their comic routines as shown below:

A car hit an elderly Jewish man. The paramedic says, "Are you comfortable?" The man says, "I make a good living."

'I just got back from a pleasure trip. I took my mother-in-law to the airport.'

'Someone stole all my credit cards, but I won't be reporting it. The thief spends less than my wife did.'

'We always hold hands. If I let go, she shops.'

Patient: "I have a ringing in my ears." Doctor; "Dont Answer"

The Doctor gave a man six months to live. The man couldn't pay his bill, so the doctor gave him another six months

The Doctor called Mrs. Cohen saying, "Mrs. Cohen, your check came back." Mrs. Cohen replied, "So did my arthritis!"

Doctor: "You'll live to be 60!"

Patient: "I AM 60!"

Doctor: "See! What did I tell you!"

A Jewish boy comes home from school and tells his father he has a part in the play. He asks, "What part is it?" The boy says, "I play the part of the Jewish husband." The father scowls and says, "Go back and tell the teacher you want a speaking part." The father scowls and says, "Go back and tell the teacher you want a speaking part." Il you?"

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ON THE RECORD

July and August

Baptisms

We welcome into Christ's family

2 July Zayden Cooper CHAPEL Tyson John CHAPEL

30 July Blake Stephen Alexander TUCKER

13 August Zara Jayne HALL

Weddings

We congratulate those joined together in Holy Matrimony

No weddings for July and August



Funerals

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

7 August Theadora Wilhelmina NUGGIN

13 August Frances May BROWN
16 August Jean Christina JORGENSON
17 August Archibald John McLEISH



Years Mind—

We pray for those whose anniversary falls at this time

Matela Constance STAR (1st), 'Roy' Charles WALKER (2nd), Noel Walter GOULD (3rd), Stan HEP-PNER (3rd), Norman William SEMMLER (4th), Shannon James Robert READ (4th), Patrick O'DONO-GHUE (4th), Malcolm Sydney WHITE (4th), Louie Irene PIPER (6th), Dorothy Edith STAR (8th), Warwick PALFRAMAN (9th), Gregory Charles HOWARD (10th), Baby Ann COLEMAN (11th), Carl James HUNICHEN (13th), Georgie EISENHAUER (14th), Michael John CLARKE (Priest)(14th), Neville 'Harley' McALLISTER (14th), Norman EISENHAUER (15th), Aden James DEVINE (15th), Lillian Jean HILLAS (16th), Ernest Francis GRANT (18th), Eric SEIDEL (19th), Reginald Otto KREUTZBERGER (19th), Harry LORD (21st), 'Charlie' Robert John LAPPIN (21st), Brian Hector GILL (Priest) (22nd), Robert Charles BECKHURST (23rd), John Michael MILES (23rd), Del REARDON (23rd), Dorothy May OCKENDEN (23rd), Henry Anzac POWELL (25th), Thora PIKE (25th), Henry Keith ROCK (27th), Eileen May FRAUENFELDER (28th), Arthur George COWLES (31st)

September

Ray Walter MOREY (1st), Gertrude Emery KIRKWOOD (1st), Gordon William GRANT (2nd), 'Ned' Edward Rupert MONTE (5th), George Keith DURIE (6th), 'Dorrie' Doris Dardanelle SARROFF (7th), Noel Jack SNARE (7th), Patricia Leslie HABERECHT (8th), Olive WRAGG (8th), Alexandra BROOKS (9th), 'Debbie' Deborah Mary Kailey NITSCHKI (9th), Laurie ANSTIS (10th), Dean Frederick WILSON (11th), Scotty SHEATHER (12th), Reginald Marcus James NORMAN (12th), James Etherington JACKSON (12th), Doug YENSCH (13th), 'Flo' Florence Angela BERRY (13th), June deTARCZYNSKI (14th), Percy EISENHAUER (15th), James William PURSS (15th), Daphne Caroline McKIBBON (15th), John Theodore MOLTMANN (17th), Anne Isobel DAVIES (18th), Jessica Catherine FIETZ (20th), George Austin ATKINSON (22nd), George deTARCZYNSKI (24th), Sarah HAYHOW-REDDING (26th), Maxom Edward HODGSON (27th), Donald DRYSDALE (28th), Emily FORBES (28th), Ronald Hope BRINDLEY (29th), Matthew Craig BOWNDS (29th), Kenneth Frank CUSWORTH (30th), 'Mollie' Mary CHICK (30th), Irene 'Nancy' NORTHAM (30th).

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10:30 am. Eucharist

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No services
FRIDAY

10.00 am. Eucharist at Riverwood (except 2nd Friday). All welcome

SUNDAY

9.00 am. Sung Eucharist

10:30 am. Children's Church 3rd Sunday every month 5.00 pm. Evensong (only 1st Sunday of every month)

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