ST MATTHEW'S GRAPEVINE



PARISH OF ALBURY

In the heart of Albury Welcomes all people

OCTOBER 2018

Fr Peter writes: Dear People of St Matthew's

Make me a channel of your peace Where there is hatred let me bring your love Where there is injury, your pardon Lord And where there's doubt, true faith in you

Make me a channel of your peace Where there's despair in life let me bring hope Where there is darkness, only light And where there's sadness ever joy

Was written by South African born lay Franciscan Johann Sebastian von Tempelhoff, who is usually known as Sebastian Temple (1928-1997). He is best remembered for "The Prayer of St. Francis" (Make Me a Channel of Your Peace), one of the most popular songs for worship ever written. "The Prayer of St. Francis" was sung by the Westminster Abbey Boys Choir at the funeral of Princess Diana in 1997 (it was one of her favourite songs). It is an anthem of the Royal British Legion and is usually sung every November at the Service of Remembrance at Royal Albert Hall, London. Sebastian was a spiritual explorer having spent time in a Hindu monastery with an interest in Scientology, he was also a disciple of Teilhard de Chardin who was himself controversial and whose ideas were censored by the church when he was alive but honoured when he was safely departed. His words associating the power of love with fire where also quoted by Bishop ?? at the most recent Royal Wedding.

St Matthew's Day was a great celebration of the loving action of our community, when we recall the community rebuilding the church 24 years ago and continuing to step out in support of our farmers, strawberry growers, indigenous recognition, refugees, equality and the environment. Our service reflected the diversity of our congregation with best loved traditional hymns and children's action songs followed and strawberry coloured vestments made by Nigel Wright and followed by strawberry morning tea with cakes, scones and strawberry jam.

St Francis' love of animals is the focus of our **annual fete** in QEII Square. on the **6th October** - everyone needed to get on board for this major fundraiser and community event including Baby and famous pet show and blessing with fun for all the family.

Feast of St Francis – 7th **October –** 9am service with guest speaker Sussan Ley. Invite farmers, animals and bring your pets and we already have some lambs being brought to the service by one of our local farmer friends.

St Francis Evensong with our wonderful choir in the best Anglican tradition at 5pm - on **7**th **October** St Matthews music brings us, with sharing the collection for our farmers.

Tunes on Tuesday continues to be a lunchtime hit with - Thomas Summerfield and Xin Yuan Shen (piano) on the 9th October and on 23rd October - Thomas Summerfield (organ).

Sunday 14th October - MU celebrating its 30th birthday. And on the 16th

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October MU will celebrate with a lunch, starting at 11.30am at Newmarket Hotel. Purchase own meal. All welcome.

"Singing Day with Jonathan Grieve-Smith" at St Matthews on 20th October from 9am followed by concert at 6pm.

St Matthews is proud to support one of the region's most important events -Relay for Life – 27th October at Wodonga Raiders Football Club, Birallee Park Wodonga

Remembering our departed loved ones -Wednesday 31st October – **All Souls Day** – services at 10.30am and 5.30pm.

Sunday 4th November – **All Saints Day** service at 9am

As the civic church of the region we are proud to help our community remember the fallen particularly this year, the centenary of the armistice. **Remembrance Day - Sunday 11th November** there will be a short service at 9am_followed by the main Remembrance Day service at 10.30am.

Please book early for our very own **Albury Chamber Music Festival** - **from 16th to 18th November**. After the knock out success of the launch with tenor Shanul Sharma earlier in the year we are pleased to announce the return to St Matthews of the Governor of NSW and his wife for the opening concert and vice regal reception; last year tickets sold out and with music lovers from Sydney and Melbourne helping to make the ACMF an important cultural event it is truly not to be missed.

Fr Peter



St Matthew's Fete.

★ After a number of years as fete
 ★ coordinator, Christine Nesbit has
 ★ resigned from this position.

Thank you, Christine & Joe, for all the working you did in organising







Left: Mary Cox and Cherie

Right: John Martin



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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Advert. Sign. The DA is ready to be given to the Albury City Council

The Garden. One of the trees has a dead branch hanging on it. Vicki to get a quote to have it removed.

Gazebo. The DA has to be submitted to Albury City Council.

Property. People from corrections services have cleaned the area under the church.

New front doors. A quote has been sent to Betty Atkinson's family for new glass doors to be put on the entrance of the church. These doors are to be in memory of Betty Atkinson.

Marie Lee has written a book called ~'How to survive getting old in Albury' All profits from the book will go to St. Matthew's Homeless Care

Major Raffle. This will be drawn on 8th December.

<u>Fete, Pet Show & Baby Show.</u> Thank you, Jenny & Lyn, for all the work you are doing to make the fete a success.!

Finances. At the meeting Mark Carden was elected as treasurer of Parish Council.

Kaye Kennedy Secretary

Sunday 26th August
Thank you to Rev'd Maureen Beattie travelling from Wangaratta to take our service and husband Kevin





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Evening Group News

Our group has just had the Pascal Candle stand restored. It has been polished and coated. Please do not put brasso on this, just wipe it with a soft cloth.

New members are always welcome at Evening group.

Margaret Shearer President



Pastoral Care Team update

The Pastoral Care Team continues to meet each month to provide support to the members of our congregation and those who are no longer able to attend church. We follow up requests for support by visitation, phone calls or sending a 'thinking of you' card. Retirement Village Services are held each week.



We are very thankful for all who have donated kindness rugs, 12 have been personally delivered with a card. This is an ongoing process, and they will continue to be distributed as needed. Comfort Cards and 'Thinking of you cards' continue to be sent each month. The prayer above the candle lighting area will be replaced with a shorter blessing in the coming week.

An All Soul's Day Service, Friday 2nd November will be held in the afternoon at 5:30pm and All Soul's Day will be incorporated in the Holy Eucharist Service on Wednesday 1st November.

A reminder that the 'Give Your Family Peace of Mind' forms are available to all, and are located in the leaflet rack at the back of the church.

If you are new to St Matthew's, please complete the 'Welcome Information' on the pew sheet.

If you know anyone who is sick, in hospital, needs help or would like to be visited, please contact the Parish Office 02 60213022.

Thank you.

Armette Gorham, on behalf of the Pastoral Care Team.

PARISH AGM SUNDAY 25th NOVEMBER AFTER THE 9 AM SERVICE

Would all coordinators of the different groups please send Deb a short report preferably by email, of their group's activities for the last twelve months in good time, so that it can be included in the AGM booklet.



Thanks, Kaye Kennedy

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CHURCH SITTING OUTREACH AND CRAFT SALES

Recently I had a comment forwarded to me that the volunteers who are on roster to greet visitors and sell craft did not sell anything and wondered if it was a worthwhile exercise. Last week I sold \$100 worth of craft items to a group of visitors. I am regularly handing money to the office, which pays the stationary bill. Including the Mothers Day, and Easter stall held after church we would average at least \$1,000 a year.

We do need more people on the roster for one morning a month. I have met some very interesting people who come to visit the church and some are generous and purchase the items we have for sale. We will soon have Christmas items that we purchase on line as well as hand made items, made by

a small craft group who meet once a month throughout the year. We welcome new members anytime. Marie Lee and Margaret Moltmann will be co-ordinating the FETE craft stall. Please contact the office, to pass on your details.

Sadie Moffitt.

Children's Church in September

★ Today's theme was <u>St. Matthew's Day</u> - our ★ Patronal Festival. Father Peter took the

★ service, and asked the children about the several important parts of the large illustration of St. Matthew's,
★ e.g. The tower, and the door, and how our Church stands to make people feel welcome, and stands out in the centre of Albury! The children were able to answer questions about how
★ Jesus helps us, in our troubles and
★ joys, and they were very happy and at
★ home in the Church, and we all
★ enthusiastically sang and did the
★ actions for the action songs!

As usual the children gathered around the Children's Altar during the preparation for Communion, and they formed a line to receive the bread and 'wine' (fruit juice.) then the adults. The 13 children enjoyed the craft segment, creating their own stained glass window, with textas, glue sticks and cellophane of all colours.

While the older children were being creative, their parents and carers, and younger children, gathered around in the Warrior Chapel, for a cuppa and the parents enjoyed meeting each other again, and also meeting some new faces!

Tom Summerfield played the piano for us, which was great, and we also very much thank our other great helpers who are so reliable and supportive! P.S. Don't forget the fete on the 6th October—fun for all the family!

Julie Scott

Children's church spokesperson for M.U. Albury.









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Sunday 23rd September St Matthew's Day and Strawberry Sunday







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Sunday 2nd September Lyn Winnel received her RSCM Gold Medal—In Australia 4 of the 9 Gold medals are at St Matthew's





Sunday 9th September

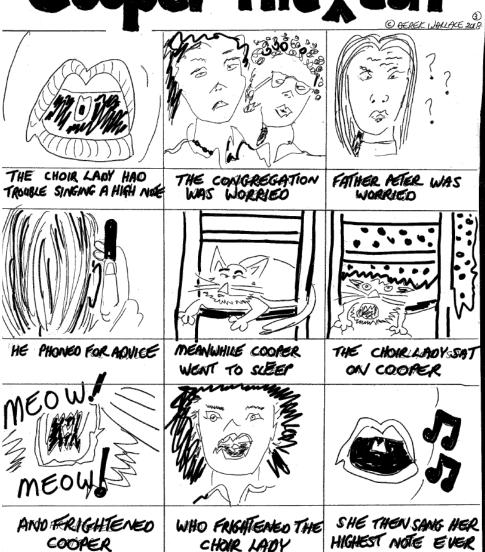




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Cooper the Cot



HUMOUR

A priest dies and is waiting in line at the Pearly Gates. Ahead of him is a guy who's dressed in sunglasses, a loud shirt, leather jacket, and jeans.

Saint Peter addresses this cool guy, 'Who are you, so that I may know whether or not to admit you to the Kingdom of Heaven?'

The guy replies, 'I'm Jack, retired airline pilot from Houston . '

Saint Peter consults his list. He smiles and says to the pilot, 'Take this silken robe and golden staff and enter the Kingdom.' The pilot goes into Heaven with his robe and staff.

Next, it 's the priest 's turn. He stands erect and booms out, 'I am Father Bob, pastor of Saint Mary 's for the last 43 years. '

Saint Peter consults his list. He says to the priest, 'Take this cotton robe and wooden staff and enter the Kingdom.

'Just a minute, 'says the good father.' That man was a pilot and he gets a silken robe and golden staff and I get only cotton and wood. How can this be?

'Up here - we go by results, 'says Saint Peter.' When you preached - people slept. When he flew, people prayed.'





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ON THE RECORD

Baptisms

We welcome into Christ's family

8 September Rykah Geoffrey PICKERING 9 September Zara Susan Dulcie COLLETT



Weddings

We congratulate those joined together in Holy Matrimony

1 September Michael John KENT

& Carly Anne WLADKOWSKI



Funerals

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

21 August Roger Lewis BENJAMIN
23 August Heather Emita COLE
27 August Beverley Muriel HOLMES
31 August Noela Davenport MONTAGUE

6 September Muriel <u>Jean</u> PATTISON 24 September Phyllis Isabel WEBB



Years Mind — October

We pray for those whose anniversary falls at this time

Louise MOLESWORTH (2nd), Kit MOLESWORTH (2nd), Barbara Margaret NEVINSON (2nd), 'Sam' Samuel James GODDARD (5th), Baby Matthew COLEMAN (6th), Lorna Sylvia ENGLISH (8th), Ada Victoria PURSS (9th), Margaret SEYMOUR-HARDWICK (10th), Dylan JARDINE (10th), Nola DOWN (10th), Gwynne Harry SAMPSON (11th), Brian SCHOLZ (11th), Yvonne Lorraine COLLINGWOOD (12th), Faith Holmes BROWN (12th), Annie Elizabeth COLLICOAT (13th), Bruce WINNEL (14th), Hugh Dyson SACKER (14th), Joyce MACKAY (16th), Paul Julian COLQUHOUN (16th), Mother Rita Mary (16th), Lilian May COLEMAN (17th), Robert William WHITE (19th), Christopher MANN (20th), Jack CLEGG (21stO), Roger Cade HURST (21st), Anne HUNTER (21st), Dorothy RYAN (23rd), Bill QUINLIVAN (24th), Bruce Athol WHITE (25th), 'Don' Donald John KING (25th), Michael Douglas COLLINS (25th), Nicholas CASSAR (25th), Roger Graham ABRECHT (26th), Garry John WOODLAND (26th), Keith Frederick THOMAS (27th), Derek BEVERIDGE (27th), Norman Percy HABERECHT (31st), Alison MOLESWORTH (31st)

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8:00 am. Holy Eucharist

WEDNESDAY

10:30 am. Eucharist

THURSDAY

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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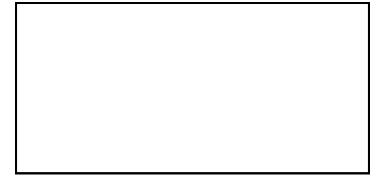
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