

ST MATTHEW'S GRAPEVINE



PARISH OF ALBURY

*In the heart of Albury
Welcomes all people*

AUGUST / SEPTEMBER 2019

Fr Peter writes :

Dear People of St Matthew's

*Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
Forgive our foolish ways;
Reclothe us in our rightful mind,
In purer lives Thy service find,
In deeper rev'rence, praise.*

*Breathe through the heats of our desire
Thy coolness and Thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still, small Voice of calm.*

*In simple trust like theirs who heard
Beside the Syrian sea
The gracious calling of the Lord,
Let us, like them, without a word,
Rise up and follow Thee.*

John Greenleaf Whittier who wrote this famous hymn was involved in the abolition of slavery and it seems the themes of human rights compassion for the vulnerable and social change are still with us. Homelessness week, Newstart, indigenous recognition and the controversy still attending small steps toward equality in many areas including women's health remind us of the challenge of loving action and how much we need to stand up for justice.

We have said farewell to Deb Davenport our much-loved parish office manager, as well as local French teacher Marion Bennett, part of our parish who supported the change toward women's ordination. St Matthew's Bell ringer Tom McIntosh has also left the tower to take up a position as agronomist in the Falkland Islands and we welcome newcomers to Albury as we continue the international faith adventure.

We have also welcomed Corinne Massang to our office front desk, what a blessing she is!! Singing in our St Matthews choir, Lux Alba chamber choir, a brilliant piano teacher and performer and one of our organ scholars—and living at St Matthews village—and a friend of Deb's !! Who could ask for more!?

The Good news keeps rolling with a wonderful response to our **Christmas in July** at Adamshurst (thank you Sandra -Mum!) and many helpers also with the cast of Jesus Christ Superstar in the bay window – “the squeezing of the 5000” and they sounded just great. Our **Book Fair** in the church was also a knockout and will help with the daily care we give to the most vulnerable in our community - again a huge thanks to David and our volunteers.

We urgently need volunteers to help at our **Parish Fete** in October.

Our “Retro Lane” **Op Shop** goes from strength to strength and we continue to seek donations of good quality clothing and household goods. Our pastoral care group also cares in a practical way for so many and once again we need communication as a way of showing our concern.

Our **Tunes of Tuesday** concert series continues to grow in its audience and reputation, and we look forward to forth coming concerts at 1.10pm – we have

Robert Boyd (Voice) on the 10th September, James Flores (Organ) on the 24th September and Thomas Summerfield and Xin Yuan Shen (piano) on 8th October.

The **Albury Chamber Music Festival's** next concert will be held on Sunday 8th September, 2pm—Harpist Marshall McGuire. Single concert tickets for \$40/ \$30 concession or buy a series subscription ticket for \$105/ \$80 concession.

Find out more at <https://www.alburychambermusicfestival.com.au/concert-series/> Buy your tickets online, or in person or over the phone from the Albury Entertainment Centre box office. Ph.02 6043 5610. Tickets will also be available for purchase at the door. Tickets for students/under 18s are available at the door only for \$10.00, with identification.

Our wonderful choir and organists as well as those in the sanctuary and our many volunteers give service that makes St Matthews a sign of excellence, compassion and justice within our community.

I need to note the passing of so many dear ones and friends over the last couple of months, for many it has been a terrible time of loss and coping with grief and I wonder if you might pass on the details of those who might need a little extra support to our office or pastoral care team - our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Please note for our **25th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS FOR THE REOPENING OF ST MATTHEWS AFTER THE FIRE** in **September 22nd**, we have a series of concerts and events please save the dates, look at the website and suggest something if you already haven't!!

Fr Peter

Sunday Service—NAIDOC 7 July including Deb's Farewell



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

AUGUST

- **Parish Councillors** had drinks before the meeting to farewell Deb Davenport. Deb has been a great support to members of parish council and we look forward to working with Corinne.
- **Advertising Sign & Glass front doors.** Phil Wilkins has been engaged to do the D.A for the sign & doors
- **Tap machine** Vicki is trying to organise this also looking at getting an eftpos machine for op shop
- **Organ cleaning & tuning.** We are still trying to raise \$40,000
- **Outreach & Pastoral care.** This is an effective group. They have given out a lot of care rugs.
- **Op shop takings for the last 2 and half weeks of June \$1325.40.** We are looking for a donation of a cash register and vacuum cleaner for the shop.
- **Food Room.** 28 hampers 88 meals, 159 drinks were given out in June.
- **Book fair** - 2nd & 3rd August.

SEPTEMBER

- **Advertising sign.** Hopefully the Development Application for the new sign and new doors will be approved by Albury City. If this is the case, we hope to have the sign erected before the 25th anniversary celebrations
- **Pastoral Care.** Parish Council is grateful to the Pastoral Care team and the work that they do. The care rugs which are given out are warmly received
- **Food Room.** 35 hampers, 149 meals & 266 drinks were given out during July
- **Op Shop.** Takings for July \$3941.15 Jack's Rags \$41.70
- **Fete** to be held on 12th October. Paul Hare is the coordinator. He is looking for someone to co-ordinate the trash & treasure stall. If you are interested please contact the office or speak to Paul or Vicki Chick

Kaye Kennedy Secretary

Opening of the St Matthews Op Shop



Bon voyage party for Bell ringer Tom McIntosh



Around the Parish
Fr Peter with Fr Grahame McMahon, Sue Fyfe with Borella Residents Holly Costin & Jill Jansson



Left: Vicki Chick, David Sutherland
and Wellways Peer Support Worker
Craig Garvey



Right: Frank Woods—grandson of
St Matthews Organist Dr Cleaver
Woods (in the early 1900's)

M E D I T A T I O N

SPENDING TIME WITH GOD

“Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place..” (Mark6:31)

In this verse from St Mark’s gospel, Jesus is telling the disciples that they needed to take time out from their busy lives, get away from the crowds to be quiet for a while, and spend time with God. What Jesus was suggesting to his disciples, is just as relevant for us today. Many people are happy to do work FOR God, but it is also important to spend time WITH God. Nor should our relationship with God begin and end with Sunday worship, but overflow to every part of our lives. It is so easy to be caught up in the activities of the moment, that we can fail to hear God’s voice. We can forget him, but somehow we expect him not to forget us.

Finding a time of quiet at any time during their busy day, is not easy for many people. But if our lives are to branch out and bear fruit, we must ensure that our hearts remain immersed in God. Making time for prayer, scripture reading and meditation, can change the way we relate to the people around us, and the fruits from these will nourish more than just ourselves. “Come with me to a quiet place”....helps to calm us as we walk quietly in the presence of the Lord.

We don’t need to know long and complicated prayers to speak to God, and words are not always needed. Speak to God with your mind, send up an “arrow” prayer, and feel the warmth and light of his love with you as you journey through your day. We could begin our morning with the first verse of a well known hymn ...”Forth in your name O Lord I go, my daily labour to pursue. You, only you, resolved to know – in all I think or speak or do.”

Spending time WITH God, and spending time doing things FOR God, go together. It is the way we can use God’s unlimited resources to help people and the world around us. Jesus called his followers to set their pattern of life by his, and if he needed to spend time with his heavenly Father, how much more do we? (“Jesus having risen a long while before daylight....departed to a solitary place, and there he prayed. Mark 1:35)

“O my God, teach my heart where and how to seek you,
Where and how to find you
Let me find you by loving you, and let me love you
when I find you”. (ST Anselm of Canterbury)

(From the sermons of Father Colin)





Children's Church in July

The day had 2 themes-'Come as you are' and 'Mary and Martha,' and Rev. Catherine was in fine form to deliver messages about both! Our first song, ably played by Tom Summerfield was appropriately called 'Come as you are', and the other songs also had the day's theme well in hand!

Catherine in a head-shawl and carrying a dustpan, acted as Martha, moaning about having to do all the work for the visit of Jesus for a meal, while Mary sat, listening to Jesus teaching. Eventually, Jesus gently suggests she come and listen too, and leave the jobs till later. Catherine said that sometimes we are too busy to make time to play with, and be friendly to someone in the play ground, or we only want to play our game, and get bossy, but we need to be prepared to share others ideas in our lives. Jesus can help us grow in our confidence and tolerance if we pray to him for this guidance.

During the craft segment, the children decorated an invitation to the August Service (which will be our 19th year of Children's Church) and wrote their name, and that of the person being given the invitation, they then added colourful stickers, to make it look attractive. We thank our helpers, Judith Frew-Kleeman and Golda Quinlivan, who were very willing to assist, and as usual, David and Sandy.



Children's Church In August

Today was the celebration of 19 years of Children's Church. Rev. Catherine took the service, which included

the baptism of baby Hudson John Gamble, who was supported by a large gathering of caring family members of all ages., whom Rev. Catherine made very welcome. To do something different, at the start of the service, the children created a large banner (the floor protected with a large drop cloth) proclaiming the 19 years of children's church, and every child had a job to do to complete the banner, which looked very colourful with multicoloured mini pom-poms around the edges of the big '19' letters.

We then sang 'He's got the whole world in his hands,' before commencing the baptism, with a different and lovely Baptismal liturgy. The congregation joined into the baptism, and supported little Hudson, who was very composed during the service! Tom Summerfield was our musician, -'Thankyou Tom' and after the Baptism and the Communion, (which was assisted by the Children's Church children,) Janette lit red candles on 19 cup cakes, which looked fabulous, and Tom played "Happy birthday", to which we all sang loudly! Everyone enjoyed the frankfurts and other birthday eats, later. A big thankyou as usual to all our enthusiastic helpers, -we couldn't do it without you all!



Julie Scott Spokesperson for M.U. Albury

EVENING GROUP NEWS

EVENING GROUP CARD AFTERNOON—

Monday 21st October at Adamshurst 1PM.

\$15 P.P. (inc. Raffle tickets & lucky door and afternoon tea.)

If people don't play cards, and want to play MahJong please bring your own set.

(Please bring your own cards too!)

BOOKINGS - see Helen or Essie

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 17th October 1.30 in Rectory

Helen & Essie



PASTORAL CARE

The Kindness/Comfort rugs,

have been so warmly received by so many in our parish.

As these are distributed on a continual basis, there is an ongoing need for more rugs. If you would like to make and donate a crocheted knee rug, it would be greatly appreciated. Please leave at the Office, **Thankyou.**



Travel for Sunday services -

We are aware that some people in our parish may need assistance with travel to get to and from Sunday Services. If you are able to assist with travel OR need help with travel, please contact St Matthew's Office, 60213022 or see Annette Gorham.



NEWS FROM THE TOWER

Our once flourishing Bellringing team is now struggling for numbers with the loss of two more bellringers this year through work moves. Kerrie Macmurray has moved to Wagga Wagga while Tom Mc Intosh has left for the Falkland Islands. Of course we wish them well but we miss them very much. Age is also catching up with some of us and the climb up to the tower is getting more and more difficult.



Our AGM was held this week with the following election results;

Tower Captain—Pam Thorman, Ringing Master—Jim Jefferies, Secretary—Paige Kranz, Treasurer—Bob Mahaffey, Steeple Keepers—Jim Jefferies and Bob Mahaffey.

*Finally, a plea to anyone who has had thoughts of learning to ring, or anyone who is interested in seeing what goes on in the belfry, please contact **Pam Thorman on 60213571**, or just come up to the tower on Sunday morning before the service or join us on **Tuesday night 5.30 PM to 7.00 PM**. You will be made most welcome.*

***Pam Thorman** (Tower Captain).*

Sunday Service—



Christmas in July at Adamshurst—28 July and Book Fair—1st August





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★ **OP SHOP NEWS 'Retro Lane'** ★
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★ The St. Matthew's 'Retro Lane' Op Shop, situated
★ adjoining the Bellbridge Hague office in Kiewa Street is a
★ great success!
★ The parish was extremely lucky to have some
★ Parishioners who had previous experience with setting
★ up successful Op Shops, and have given their time to set
★ up 'Retro Lane' Op Shop in an extremely 'professional'
★ way. Many parishioners have given countless hours to
★ set up the Op Shop. John Schuberg is the manager.
★ Sign writer Gerard Lukassen from 'Border Signs Studio
★ ' in Townsend St. Albury, volunteered without charge, to
★ do the excellent window and street hanging signs which
★ look so eye catching, and we thank him for his
★ generosity!



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★ **N.B.—Please see the 'Border Signs Studio'**
★ **advert. in the rear of the Grapevine.**
★ If you would like to volunteer your time for a
★ block of 4 hours during the week, between 10am
★ – 1pm or 1pm - 4pm in the Op Shop, Monday -
★ Friday, please come into the shop and leave
★ your details



★ *Julie (Editor)* ★
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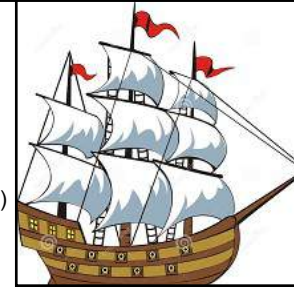
Garden Working Bee



H U M O U R

Facts about the Ocean that I didn't know - for those living near the ocean or travelling to the ocean soon...

'The Ocean' - ALL you Need to Know!
Children Writing About the Ocean!



- 1) - This is a picture of an octopus. It has eight testicles. (Kelly, age 6)
- 2) - Oysters' balls are called pearls. (Jerry, age 6)
- 3) - If you are surrounded by ocean, you are an island. If you don't have ocean all round you, you are incontinent. (Mike, age 7)
- 4) - Sharks are ugly and mean, and have big teeth, just like Emily Richardson. She's not my friend any more. (Kylie, age 6)
- 5) - A dolphin breathes through an asshole on the top of its head. (Billy, age 8)
- 6) - My uncle goes out in his boat with 2 other men and a woman and Pots and comes back with crabs. (Millie, age 6)
- 7) - When ships had sails, they used to use the trade winds to cross the Ocean. Sometimes when the wind didn't blow the sailors would whistle to make the wind come. My brother said they would have been better off eating beans. (William, age 7)
- 8) - I'm not going to write about the ocean. My baby brother is always crying, my Dad keeps yelling at my Mom, and my big sister has just got pregnant, so I can't think what to write. (Amy, age 6)
- 9) - Some fish are dangerous. Jellyfish can sting. Electric eels can give you a shock. They have to live in caves under the sea where I think they have to plug themselves in to chargers. (Christopher, age 7)
- 10) - My dad was a sailor on the ocean. He knows all about the ocean. What he doesn't know is why he quit being a sailor and married my mom. (James, age 7)
- 11) - The ocean is made up of water and fish. Why the fish don't drown I don't know. (Bobby, age 6)

FOR THE KIDS

Q What is a ghost's favorite position in soccer?

A. **Ghoul keeper.**

Q. What did the clock do when it was hungry?

A. **It went back for seconds. (Four)**

Q. What has 4 legs and sees just as well at both ends?

A. **A horse with it's eyes closed.**



ON THE RECORD

Baptisms

We welcome into Christ's family



29 June	Harrison Gray JACKSON
	Lennon Victor JACKSON
	Fletcher Robert JACKSON
30 June	Grace Louise ELLIS
	Sophie Elizabeth ELLIS
6 July	Kaia Blake DAVIES
7 July	Octavia Rose CHETTLEBURGH
	Florence Delys TYRRELL
	Piper Isabelle TYRRELL
14 July	Louis Joshua IQBAL-GILES
	Audrey Elizabeth VITULLO
4 August	Zeb Malcolm BUTLER
	Marlee Madison BUTLER
	Hudson Tyler BEAVIS
11 August	Charlie Leonard QUINE
17 August	Isla Hope D'ARCY-WATSON
18 August	Hudson John GAMBLE

Weddings

We congratulate those joined together in Holy Matrimony



No weddings in July

Funerals

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



who mourn

1 July	'Banjo' Noel Joseph Layton PATTISON
8 July	'Tom' Thomas CHUBB
9 July	Annette Dawn Florence ALEXOPOULOS
29 July	Neville Leslie GROVES
30 July	Heather Ivey BUCKLEY
7 August	Andrew Justin COCKS
8 August	Roslyn Mary WEBB
9 August	Betty Lillian JONES
12 August	Barry John ECKLEY
15 August	Ruth Campbell NAGLE

Years Mind—

We pray for those whose anniversary falls at this time

August

Matela Constance STAR (1st), 'Roy' Charles WALKER (2nd), Noel Walter GOULD (3rd), Stan HEPPNER (3rd), Norman William SEMMLER (4th), Shannon James Robert READ (4th), Patrick O'DONOGHUE (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 EISENHAUEER (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), Susan Jane HYLANDS (26th), 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), 'Jan' Janet Anne McDIARMID (5th), George Keith DURIE (6th), 'Dorrie' Doris Dardanelle SARROFF (7th), Noel Jack SNARE (7th), Patricia Leslie HAERECHT (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 MOLTSMANN (17th), Anne Isobel DAVIES (18th), Jessica Catherine FIETZ (20th), George Austin ATKINSON (22nd), George deTARCZYNSKI (24th), Sarah HAYOW-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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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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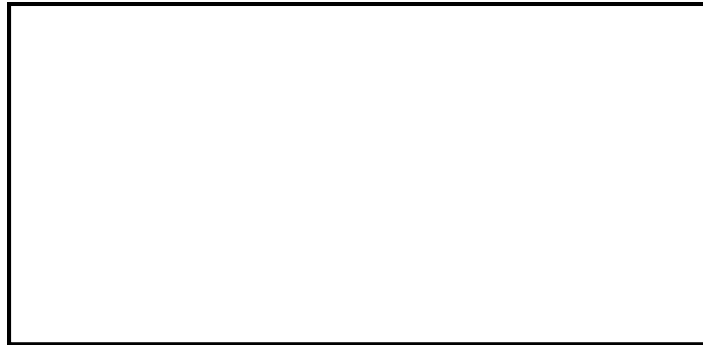
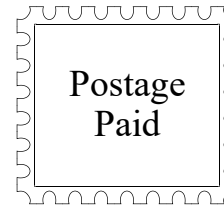
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