

# KEEPING CONNECTED TO OUR ST MATTHEW'S FAMILY

## THEME: EASTER HOPE AND JOY IN TOUGH TIMES

March – April 2023



The last year has held natural disasters, looming war, economic fears and continuing Covid separation. But from those shadows Easter hope shines brightly. The miracle of life and love without a use by date that wipes away every tear connects us all. St Matthew's lives the Easter story every day having been destroyed by fire 30 years ago and rebuilt to serve our community in new

ways. Every day brings a new challenge and fresh insights into the complexity of human life and the nearness of God's love if we stop to listen or look around us. We are all part of that new life in the midst of Albury and the region.

Our Holy Week and Easter Services are an expression of Easter faith that is lived out day by day. We do make Easter happen for ourselves and those around us by reflecting on the themes of death and resurrection and committing ourselves to the service of others. We gather around life and hope. God himself has dealt with the pain and guilt death and separation and our response is practical joy.



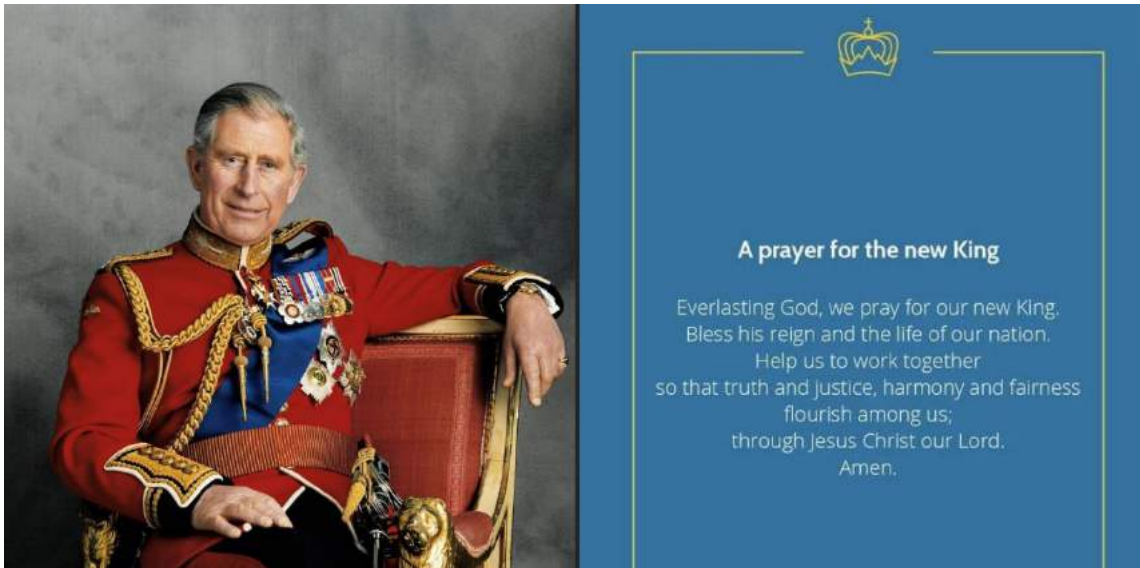
Remembering our loved ones throughout the year can be expressed in donating the Gothic Sanctuary chairs that have recently been purchased for St Matthew's worship. There are 6 chairs at \$200.00 each which includes a plaque in Memory of a loved one or in gratitude. Please speak to the Office or one of the Wardens if interested.



## REMINDER:

Eastern Daylight-Saving Time on Sunday 2 April 2023.  
Sunday, 2 April 2023, 2:00am

## Prayer for the King



## The Royal Anthem

God save our gracious King, lone live our noble King, God save the King.  
Send him victorious, happy and glorious, long to reign over us.  
God save the King.

Thy choicest gifts in store on him be pleased to pour, long may he reign.  
May he defend our laws, and ever give us cause to sing with heart and voice,  
God save the King.

## PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

God of peace and justice,

we pray for the people of Ukraine today.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.

We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,  
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.

We pray for those with power over war or peace,  
for wisdom, discernment and compassion  
to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,  
that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Amen.

(Anglican Archbishops Justin Welby and Stephen Cottrell)



## Update St Matthew's Pipe Organ

Sincere thanks for the many donations received contributing to the purchase of the Digital 32-foot pipe for our wonderful Pipe Organ and we are almost there! If you would still like to make a Tax-Deductible donation, we will have it entirely completed and it will give great presence to our already magnificent instrument.



## **HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

**Palm Sunday Service 9am**

**Palm Sunday Evensong 5pm**

**Wednesday Easter Service 10:30 am**

**Maundy Thursday Evensong 6pm**

## **GOOD FRIDAY**

**St Matthew's Readings and Hymns Service 9am**

**Stations of the Cross Service at Sacred Heart Catholic Church North Albury 10:30 am**

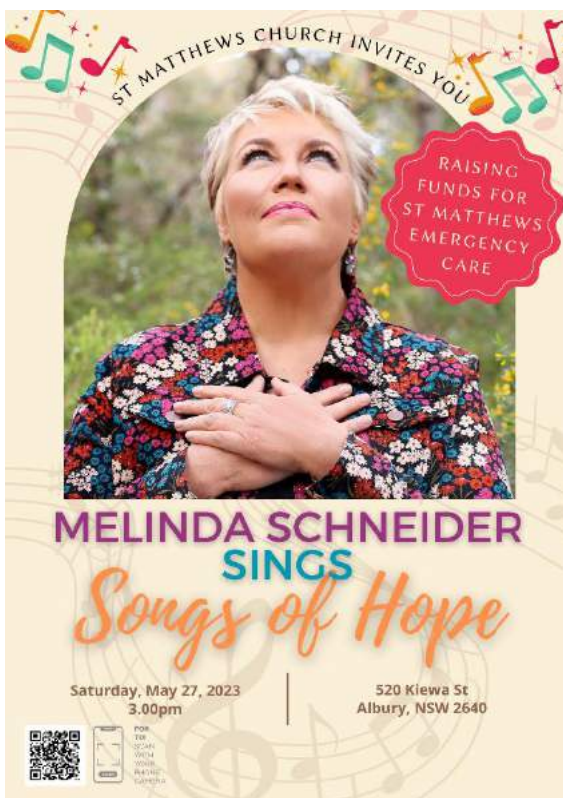
Hot cross buns and fellowship to follow in the Parish Hall.

**Concert of Sacred Music at St Matthew's at 3:30 pm**

**In honour of Kate Jessup and all our loved ones we see no longer.**

## **EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE 9AM**

## **SPECIAL UPCOMING EVENT – save the date!**



## **Melinda Sings Songs of Hope**

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May at St Matthew's Albury**

**Time: 3pm**

**Tickets: \$45.00**

**This is a Fundraising Event for St Matthew's Emergency Care, for refurbishing the Crisis Accommodation Unit in St Matthew's Village and sharing HOPE in tough times.**

Multi Golden Guitar Award winner and chart-topping singer/songwriter, Melinda Schneider, will sing songs of hope in an emotional, intimate and soulful matinee performance at St Matthews Church on Saturday, May 27. Melinda will perform a selection of her original award-winning hits, some spiritual classics including Amazing Grace, Softly and Tenderly, People Get Ready, I Believe in You and Me, and some of the greatest love songs from some of Melinda's most cherished singer/songwriters from the likes of Carole King, Joni Mitchell, Doris Day and more.

In recognition of her artistic achievements, Melinda has earned six CMAA Golden Guitar Awards and is a two-time ARIA Award nominee and an APRA Award nominated songwriter. Melinda's songs have been recorded by numerous artists, including John Farnham, Olivia Newton-John and Paul Kelly. To date, Melinda has released 14 studio albums, three of which are certified Gold.

**Please note: this is just a Draft of the poster, details about purchasing of tickets will be available soon.**



## **AN ELEGANT AFFAIR**

**Craig Quilliam and Dylan Forge**

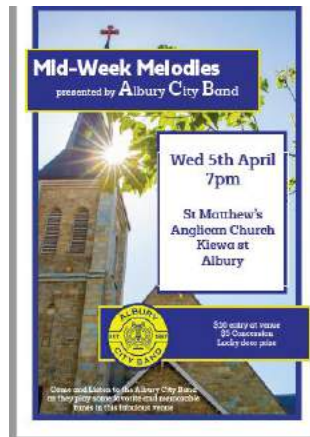
**Crooning Classics and Broadway's Greatest Hits**

**14th and 15th April commencing at 7pm.**

**Olive Street Theatre, Albury**

**Tickets: \$30.00 search the event online or ring 0455 152 267**

The show is also with young musicians, Thomas Summerfield (Piano) and Storm Tanuvasa (Drums).



## Mid-Week Melodies presented by Albury City Band

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 7pm**

**St Matthew's**

\$10.00 entry at venue

\$5.00 Concession

Lucky Door Prize

### SOCIAL EVENT:

**CIRCA AD JEWELS** Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy Onassis,  
The Jewels of Camelot  
presented by Adrian Dickens

Luncheon 12 noon 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023 at Adamshurst

Cost: \$75.00/head

If interested contact Victoria Chick m: 0412 177 335

### St Matthew's Services

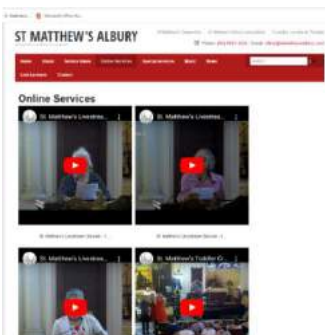
**Sunday Eucharist Service 9:00 am each week.**

**Wednesday Eucharist Service 10:30 am each week.**

**Evensong is the first Sunday each month at 5pm.**

**Children's Church third Sunday each month at 10:30 am**

**Sunday Service** - We now have rosters for Eucharist Assistants (EAs) and Presenting Gifts. Rosters have been emailed to those involved, if you have received a roster, please take note of the dates you are rostered on for each month. If you are unable to attend the date given, please organise a swap with someone else on the roster.



You can continue to keep connected via the St Matthew's website:

[www.stmatthewsalbury.com](http://www.stmatthewsalbury.com) and Facebook. If you have a SMART TV you can tune in to St Matthew's Sunday Service through YouTube.

***Update: watching St Matthew's Services on St Matthew's website:***

*There is a new page on the website called 'Online Services' which makes it easier to find existing videos of the services.*

If you need help connecting to YouTube or your Smart TV, please contact St Matthew's Office 6021 3022 and we will be happy to assist.

The **Keeping Connected to our St Matthew's Family Newsletter** is now a two-monthly production and is also available on the St Matthew's website: [www.stmatthewsalbury.com](http://www.stmatthewsalbury.com) on homepage, News and Events. If you have any news or articles that you would like featured in the monthly Keeping Connected Newsletter, please email to [nettie.gorham@gmail.com](mailto:nettie.gorham@gmail.com) **If you would like to donate towards the production, printing and mailing cost of the newsletter, please donate by Direct-debit and state it is for the newsletter or bring to St Matthew's Office and inform it is for the Newsletter.**

**Contact details:** If you have recently changed your email address or have a new email address, or a new mobile number, please inform St Matthew's Office 6021 3022.

**St MATTHEW'S Office will be closed Good Friday and Easter Monday.**



**Office Team Meetings** are held every 3 months to keep informed, updated and ensure the Office is running as smoothly as possible. Annette coordinates the team, chairs and records minutes for meetings. Barbara Hoodless is coordinator for Emergency food needs and Hampers. Deb Davenport is in the Office every Tuesday to organise Registrations Baptisms, and Weddings, Accounts and Finance. A huge thank you to all our Team: alternate Mondays: Janice and Barry Barton, Shirley Sizeland and Leanne Johnson, each Tuesday Gillian Pearce, Wednesdays Shirley and Leanne shared with Mary Stitz, alternate Thursdays – Patricia Clout and Judy Kennedy, each Friday Robin Wellard. We welcome our new team members - Robyn White and Gwen Bradley.



Annette



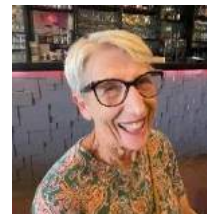
Barry



Janice



Patricia



Barbara



Gillian



Robin



Judy



Leanne, Shirley



Mary

## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

St Matthew's Parish Council have held two meetings so far this year. Mark Carden continues as Treasurer and Annette Gorham is Secretary. Many matters are being discussed and addressed. A few important achievements being the new LED lighting in St Matthew's and the ordering of the 32-foot pipe. The Market Days to be held 31<sup>st</sup> March – 1<sup>st</sup> April have been postponed. New dates to be confirmed.



## TUNES ON TUESDAY AND PANCAKES



## ASH WEDNESDAY

Our Covid safe Ash Wednesday Service was at our normal time of 10:30 and the cards for Ash Wednesday were available for people to take home and share.



## ST MATTHEW'S RETRO LANE OP SHOP MISSION STATEMENT

To raise funds for the work of St Matthew's Albury for the most vulnerable in our community, to provide cheap clothes and goods for sale and to offer a socially inclusive environment to volunteers regardless of race, sexuality, ability or beliefs.

**Op Shop Facebook page please like and share it.**



## ST MATTHEW'S NEWS:

If you are wondering what is different in the church, but cannot quite put your finger on it, it is the lighting. All 125 lights inside and outside the church building were converted to LED this week. It was a big job taking five days and we thank the staff of torney & allen Electrical who did a magnificent job!



## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER St Matthew's Albury Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March TAIWAN

World Day of Prayer was held today at St Matthew's, members of other denominations were in attendance. Gill Mackay Coordinated the day. Fr Paul Wood was MC, and a guest speaker from Canberra, Dr Tse Chen President of the Taiwanese Association in Canberra. MU members also helped Gill.



## MOTHER'S UNION

After a summer break MU is looking forward to another year of prayer, support, and fellowship. As previous years our meetings will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month, all those interested are welcome to attend, member or not.



## ST. MATTHEW'S MOTHERS' UNION MARCH 2023 NEWS

"NEVER SEE A NEED WITHOUT DOING SOMETHING ABOUT IT". M.U.L.O.A."

March is autumn, and more importantly it is LENT, how each person approaches Lent is personal, hoping you were able to attend an Ash Wed service to help begin your focus.

The MU year is underway, our first meeting on

the 21st Feb (Shrove Tuesday) was extremely well attended, it was a very happy occasion, proving again, "the more we are together the happier we will be". The meeting began with a eucharist celebrated for us by Fr Peter. Many thanks to Fr Peter and to Sue for the beautiful intersessions she brought to the service.

### Upcoming Events:

- Lady Day on Saturday 25th March at the cathedral in Wangaratta service at 10.30 am This is a very important day in the church calendar," The Feast of the Annunciation ".
- Next Coffee and Chat is on the 7<sup>th</sup> March at the Purple Chicken.
- Annual Quiet Day to be held 3<sup>rd</sup> April, the beginning of Holy Week. It will be held at the home of Jill Aplin, commencing at 10am with a cuppa, BYO lunch and reading material for the quiet time. The conductor will be Fr Rex Everett. Family and friends are welcome to attend.

### A prayer for Lent:

God of arid lands and grassy plains, in ancient times you encountered your people in the desert. May we, this lent, enter that desert where, stripped of all the trappings of modern life, we learn to depend on you alone. Help us to a new awareness of your presence, and then bring us to the joys of Easter and the living water of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

February Children's Church was very well attended with 13 children with of course parents and grandparents, and great grandparents, it was wonderful to see Hayley and her twin brother William for whom we prayed when Hayley was having treatment for leukemia. Many thanks to Rev Catherine Dawson, Julie, Golda, Judith for making it a very special time for children and their families.



### March Children's Church

In Children's Church this month we got ready for Easter. We talked about Easter being about new life which was a bit confusing because the first Easter in the northern hemisphere is associated with spring and we are in Autumn.... We talked about caterpillars becoming butterflies, what an amazing transformation... just like the amazing transformation Jesus went through on the first Easter.

A special thank you to David Luxon. He played the piano for us as

our regular muso Patricia was busy making musical chocolate with Willy Wonka!

Our craft activity was decorating biscuits like Easter eggs. Some of the looked like stained glass windows!

Our cuppa lady did a great job and the morning tea was scrumptious.

We look forward to seeing you all again the week after Easter Day

Children's church crew

**APRIL Children's Service Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April is at 10:30 am**

### Thoughts for the month:



*Wherever you go, no matter what the weather, bring your own sunshine.*

*The greatest exercise for strengthening the heart is reaching down and lifting people up.*  
Ernest Blevins

*A cheerful heart is good medicine. Proverbs 17:22*

*The best vitamin to be a happy person is B1.*

*We tend to forget that happiness doesn't come as a result of getting something we don't have, but rather of recognising what we do have. Frederick Keonig*

*Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the number of moments that take our breath away.*

*There is no cosmetic for beauty like happiness. Maria Mitchell*

### SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

**Sharing the vouchers!** If you have any spare vouchers for the tip, they would be greatly appreciated please drop into the retro op shop or St Matthew's Office 10 – 12 Monday – Friday. Thank you in advance.

The Ute Brigade continues to bring practical help wherever they are needed and have a good time doing it. Thank you!

**Emergency Food and personal Room needs:** tins Baked beans and spaghetti, tins of soup, tins of vegetables, small jars coffee, tea bags, 1l long-life milk, sweet biscuits, toiletries, used towels in good condition, re-usable plastic bags.

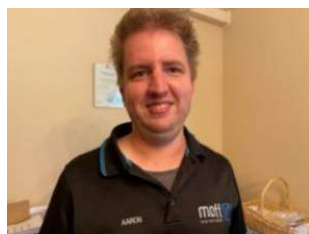


### ANGEL IN ST MATTHEW'S GARDEN

**RESTORED** Les Langmead has finished restoring the angel and placed it back where it used to be. I'll do that once you confirm where to put it. It is also painted white like S. Francis, and Les had to re-attach the wings and rebuild the skull & hair, but fortunately not the face. He received advice from local sculptor Ken Raff and have taken steps to weatherproof the new work.



**SAVE THE DATE:**  
**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August at 2 pm**  
**Warwick Fyfe and Friends in Concert**  
 In Adamshurst Ballroom  
 St Matthew's Music Association  
 Ticketing details after Easter.



**MOFF-IT - IT Specialists**  
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 Phone Aaron or George  
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 For all your mobile phone, iPad, computer problems.



**BAPTISMS**  
**Recent Baptisms:**  
 Teo Yvonne Horvath  
 Logan Neil Edgar  
 Kian Mashal Shaw  
 Elias Craig Goldsworthy



## ENGAGEMENT CONGRATULATIONS

Kathryn Brooks and Elliott Harrison  
 To be married at St Matthew's early 2024  
 With proud Mum Juliette

## WEDDINGS/BLESSINGS: Grace and Matt



Sandra and Grace



Proud parents of the bride  
 Jo and Ken



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes TO ALL**  
**celebrating a birthday in**  
**MARCH:**

3rd Helen Glachan	4th Noela Murphy
6th Lorraine Curnow	8th Joy Haberecht
11th Kevin Beattie	18th Lola Traill
20th Michelle Bester	25 <sup>th</sup> Dr Edith Horvath - 90
29th Belinda Wilkinson	

Frank Draper recently celebrated his 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes TO ALL celebrating a birthday in

### APRIL:

5th Jan Schulz  
12th James Flores  
16th Betty White

9th Graeme Scott  
15th Pam Thorman  
25th Helen Martin



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes TO ALL celebrating a birthday in

### MAY:

5th Fr Peter  
11th Eve Ross  
25th Janice Barton – 80th  
26th Lyn Dynan

10th Sally Anne Russell, Kate Ashley  
23rd Glenda Appleby  
28th Tyson      31st Judy Webster

## OUT AND ABOUT



Sharon Wainright



Annette, Lola



Annie



Syb



Peter, Deb



Sandi, Ray, Gillian, Kathy



Graham



Lyn, Iris



Noela



Jack, Katie



Dexter



Chris



Jamie, Dexter, Levene



Murray



Mary, David



Bec, Sally



Jamie, Levene



Belinda, Sue



Mary, Suzanne



Pamela, Linda



Lyn, Gillian, Robin



Gaye and Mum



Annette, Margaret, Shaun



Helena



Dianne, Natalie, Phyllis, Todd



Robyne, Vicki



Greg, Gaye



Malcolm, Eliza



Harrison



Cooper



Helen, Essie, Del



Ken



Diane, Natalie



Suzie, Katrina



Angela, Sussan, Sandra



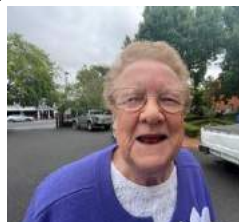
Katrina, Hugh



Paul



Sussan



Essie



John, David



Malcolm, Eliza, Julie



Gillian, Robin



Hannah



Paul, Ann, Prof Blainey, John



Maureen, Paul



Mary, Charles



Mary-Anne

## St Matthew's Craft Group

A meeting of St Matthew's Craft Group was held on the 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023 when Sadie Moffitt, instigator and Convenor of the group for the past 30 years, officially resigned. Members expressed their sincere thanks to Sadie for her friendship, organizational skills and expertise in sharing her knowledge with the skills of sewing and embroidery. After much discussion it was resolved that the group will continue to provide quality hand crafted items for sale during the year under a re-structure of management but still under the guidance of Sadie. There is now a co-ordinator and treasurer with team assistance when necessary.

Meetings will still be held on the first Wednesday of the month, but at members' homes. **Next meeting April 5<sup>th</sup> from 1-4 pm.** New

members who are interested in craft and who would like to join our happy friendly group are most welcome but



please contact Jill on 0408109726 so that we can provide you with a chair & a cuppa! The get-togethers are fun and constructive. Parishioners who are craft minded, but not able to attend group meetings, may consider making things at their leisure and provide some items to sell on our craft stalls. Suitable items can also be displayed in the craft cupboard in the Church Narthex for sale throughout the year! All proceeds going to the Church. The next craft stalls will be held nearer to Mother's Day in May – date to be advised. Looking forward to your phone call!!

With Kind Regards

Jill Fielder Co-ordinator  
Julie Ling Treasurer



### A Textile Journey 15<sup>TH</sup>&16<sup>TH</sup> April 2023

Albury Wodonga Branch The Embroiderers Guild, Victoria  
Enjoy displays of contemporary and traditional embroideries and textiles.  
Contact Marg 0402 097 565  
Mirambeena Community Centre Martha Mews, Lavington  
10am – 4 pm Saturday and Sunday \$5.00 Entry  
Raffles, gift stall, bargain table, demonstrations, morning and afternoon tea.



### PASTORAL CARE

The Pastoral Care Team meet the first Wednesday of each month at the rectory (except January). We continue to stay connected phoning and visiting friends in our Parish and community. The 'Phone Tree' is a great way to keep in touch. If you would like one of our team to phone you, or if you know of anyone who would appreciate being contacted, please phone Annette 0413 938 541. A visit can also be arranged.

If you know of anyone who is sick or in hospital, please phone Annette so a visit from Fr Peter can be arranged.



Thank you for your kind donations throughout the year and to those who have knitted and crocheted rugs that brighten people's day when not well.

A huge '**Thank You**' to all our lovely knitters and crocheters who have recently donated several kindness rugs, already been so warmly received and brightening people's day when not well.

A very special '**Thank You**' to Kirrilie and Stevie for making our very special cross ring bands, so people know God's holding them in His loving care.

They have made over 100, with a total of 200 to make.



### Updated Document: 'Give Your Family Peace of Mind'

An updated and improved version of the 'Give Your Family Peace of Mind' form is now available to assist with planning your wishes for your Funeral/ Memorial Service. The information in this form assists the Priest, your family and the Executor/s of your estate. It is not compulsory, and not all sections have to be completed. It is something for all of us to think about – young and old. It is a great help to family member at the time of death and a comfort to them knowing they are fulfilling your wishes. If you would like help completing this information or would like to compose your life story/ eulogy, please contact Annette so this can be arranged. This form is now on the St Matthew's website. If you would like St Matthew's to keep a copy of your completed form, please email to the Office 'Attention Annette' and it will be saved on the computer and printed and placed in a special folder, or alternatively you can bring your completed copy to the

office to be copied and placed in the folder.

## Our friends in Dellacourt, Murray Gardens, Riverwood, Yallaroo



## SERVICES RETIREMENT VILLAGES AND NURSING HOMES

### MARCH

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> – Riverwood 10am – Fr Peter, Annette  
 Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> – Dellacourt 3:30pm – Fr Peter, Annette, Sue  
 Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> - Murray Gardens 11am - Fr Peter, Annette  
 Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> - Marianella Mercy 11am and Borella House 3pm - Fr Peter, Annette, Sue  
 Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> - Yallaroo – 11am - Fr Peter, Annette, Sue

### APRIL:

Tuesday 11th April - Mercy Marianella 11am. Dellacourt 3:30 pm – Fr Peter, Annette, Sue  
 Friday 14th and Friday 28th April – Riverwood - Fr Peter, Annette  
 Tuesday 18th April - Borella House 3pm – Fr Peter, Annette, Sue  
 Thursday 20th April - Murray Gardens 11am - Fr Peter, Annette  
 Tuesday 25th April – Yallaroo – Fr Peter, Annette, Sue

### MAY:

Tuesday 9th May – Marianella 11 am, Dellacourt 3:30 pm – Fr Peter, Annette, Sue  
 Friday 12th and 26th - Riverwood 10am - Fr Peter, Annette  
 Tuesday 16th - Borella House 3pm – Fr Peter, Annette, Sue  
 Thursday 18th - Murray Gardens 11am - Fr Peter, Annette  
 Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> Yallaroo 11am – Fr Peter, Annette, Sue



**MEDITATION** across the world and in Albury we are using new ways to stay in touch. There are growing numbers using ZOOM to connect with a meditation group at 6:15 each Thursday. At a time of great stress and isolation this could be just the tonic we need! Connect with Michelle and Paul on: Zoom: [www.quietcommunion.org](http://www.quietcommunion.org)



***Our thoughts and prayers  
are with all who are sick or unwell at home, or in  
hospital.***

***Also, remembering our loved ones whose years' mind is  
in March and April.***

***We remember with love those special people who have  
recently died.  
Forever in our hearts.***

**Recent Funerals:**

Givan Friedrich, Michael Sexton, Linda Cookham, Kate Jessup



We pray for the family and friends of our dear friend Kate Jessup, wife of Fr Scott and daughters Ruby, Maggie and Clare. Kate's mother Sandra and Malcolm and Kate's brother Phillip.

**Her funeral was Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March at The Cathedral and the Concert of Sacred Music at 3:30 pm on Good Friday will be in honour of Kate and those others who we love but see no longer.**



The Interment of Ashes of Anthony (Tony) Avery, took place in St Matthew's Memorial Garden on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March, where Tony's memory will continue to grow happiness to family and friends at St Matthew's.  
'Singing again in Heaven'.

***Remembering our loved ones through the St Matthew's Garden***



Donations are welcomed for the continued beauty of our gardens.



**'Thank you'** to all who have made donations for the St Matthew's Garden to further develop and help maintain its beauty. The money donated has been spent on – Daphnes which have been scattered along post office wall near plaques, sugar cane mulch, sprinklers, equipment, and maintenance.

If you would like to make a money donation towards the St Matthew's Gardens, the money can be left at St Matthew's Office between 10 – 12 Monday – Friday.  
Or you can donate online (details above) and, in the reference, include 'St Matthew's Garden'.  
Thank you.



Steven Porter  
(Cello)  
John Sebastian Bath  
Cello Suite No. 1  
Marianne Zisch  
Concerto No. 1  
Schubert's  
Piano No. 1  
Hansel's  
Piano No. 1  
John Sebastian Bath  
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## TUNES ON TUESDAY Fortnightly Lunchtime RECITALS 2023

AT ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH, ALBURY 1:10 PM – 1:50 PM

**All Welcome Donation on entry**

April 11 — Stephanie Johnston (Voice)  
April 18 — Rebekah Beall / Sally Morris (Voice)  
May 9 — Malcolm Halford (Organ)  
May 23 — Callum Knox (Organ)



Celebrity Organ Concerts  
as part of our  
Tunes on Tuesday Recital Series



## ALBURY CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL 2023 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> November



**SWELL VOX** is a small ensemble of musicians from Albury, NSW, Australia. They primarily focus on repertoire featuring the organ and voices, including both sacred and secular music. Their goal is to provide high quality music and anecdotal entertainment, primarily in the online music space.



**Silver Celebration** James Flores, organist and St Matthew's Organ Scholar is pleased to announce the release of a CD to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the St. Matthew's, Albury, Letourneau organ.

Own a part of Albury's history by ordering a CD! Buy for \$20.00

<https://silvercelebration.jamesfloresorganist.com/>



**St Matthew's Letourneau Pipe Organ** – John Scott has written detailed information about the St Matthew's Letourneau Pipe Organ, available on the St Matthew's website. Great Organs of Australia *Masterworks at St. Matthew's* Sydney organist David Drury Premiere Recording of the Letourneau Organ. Limited copies of this CD available at reduced price of \$15.00 **Every cent raised from the sale of these CD's goes into the Organ Fund.** Purchase from St Matthew's Office or from the Church organists: David Luxon, Malcolm Halford or John Scott.



**Fundraiser book for St Matthew's - makes you laugh and might even 'save your sanity'!** 'Beware: Old Age Ahead in Albury' is a unique take on steering family members or yourself through the complicated realities of getting older, by Marie Lee. The book includes a wealth of easy-to-read information, local resources and wonderful illustrations, 100% of the proceeds go to the church's Homeless Fund. On special for only \$20.00, Available at St Matthew's Office (10 – 12) and Retro Op-Shop (10 – 2).

### PARISH FINANCES:

St Matthew's is looking to the future and working out how we can continue to service the community without going into a financial panic. A huge 'thank you' to the increasing number of people who are making a regular donation to the work of St Matthew's it is so encouraging. If you haven't managed to Direct Debit, make an enquiry at your bank and it's surprisingly easy to organise.

**Bank details are:** Bank: Westpac

BSB: 032736

Account no: 392189

Account name: St Matthews Church Albury

Reference: 'Giving' and your name.



**Please help us reach all our Parish Members:** If any of your friends have recently got an email address, could you please send an email to St Matthew's Office, with their name and email address, so we can add it to our emailing list. Share the news and connection by emailing the Keeping Connected Newsletter to family and friends.

**REGULAR UPDATES** - Please keep going back to the website, includes Livestream links, Facebook and YouTube.

**JOIN US at St Matthew's Albury EACH SUNDAY 9:00 am or on our website, Facebook, or YouTube. This is a GREAT WAY of keeping the action alive and looking to the future.**