

# KEEPING CONNECTED TO OUR ST MATTHEW'S FAMILY

**THEMES: Enjoying today and looking forward to tomorrow**

**Remembering Her Majesty with Love**

**St Matthew's Day 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022**

**September – October 2022**



Following St Matthew's Special Service in honour of the life, faith and witness of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II someone said 'I feel proud to be an Anglican'. I think that for all of us seeing the funeral on television and experiencing our local farewell either in the pew or on YouTube we are all connected in a very special way that reminds us of St Matthew's long history of service to our community as something that truly unites us. Amid all the campaigning and the often exhausting lobbying over issues the Queen's life reminds us that being united in faith, hope and love gives us a sure navigation system in the storms of modern life.

Her Majesty's passing reminds us of how precious our families and friends who have been part of St Matthew's, or part of our lives remain. The magnificent garden at St Matthew's is springing to life with the Gold Elizabeth Magnolia, the English Bluebells, the Royal Purple Wisteria, the Purple-faced Pansies in the stone urns walking up to the fountain and many more signs of life and beauty. Queen Elizabeth Roses and fragrant Daphne have been added in the last week remembering both Her Majesty and those who are in our hearts. A special mention must go to all who assist in Worship, our Musicians, Sanctuary team and all those quiet people who keep St Matthew's open to serve our community in both ceremonial and practical ways. The technology that keeps us connected by YouTube, Face Book, our Website and Newsletter would not have been even dreamt about by those who kept the St Matthew's flag waving in previous generations. So we honour our traditions, make room for the many stories of our

community so that the future will also find that St Matthew's Albury is a Church where faith finds its purpose.





## REMINDER:

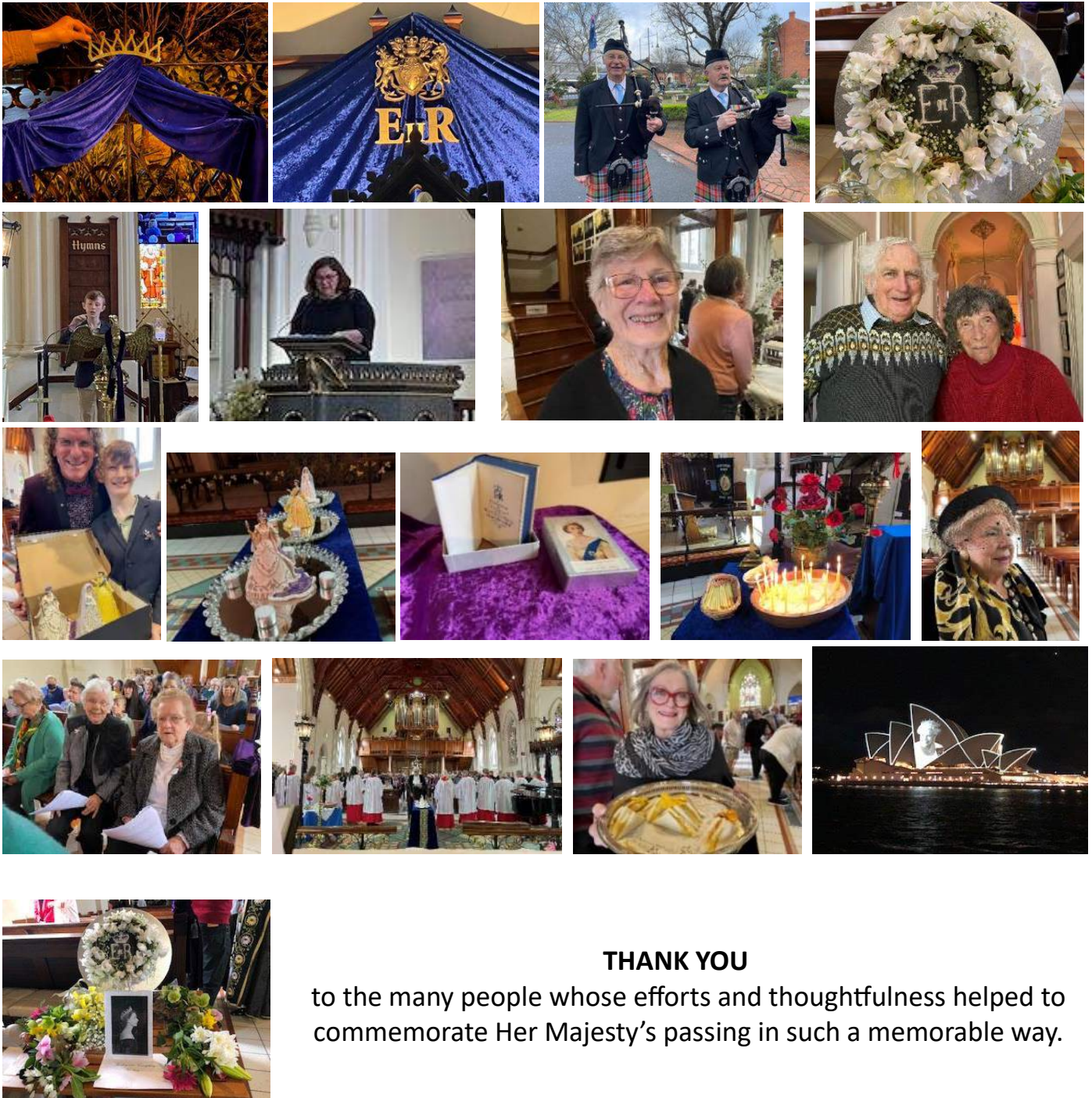
Sunday 2nd October  
turn clocks  
**forward 1 hour**  
**2:00 am to 3:00 am**

## NOTICE OF ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

St Matthew's **Annual Parish Meeting** will be held on **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2022**, directly following a shortened Sunday Service. It will finish by 11:00am. This year is an election year, holding elections for Church Wardens and Parish Council.

Any items for General Business must be in writing and received in office 7 days before the meeting, that is by Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> October.

## Service of Remembrance for the Life of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2022



## THANK YOU

to the many people whose efforts and thoughtfulness helped to commemorate Her Majesty's passing in such a memorable way.





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



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

Donations are welcomed for the continued beauty of our gardens. Planting the Queen Elizabeth Rose in remembrance of Her Late Majesty and Daphne's and Rosemary in remembrance of our loved ones.

Money Donations can be left at St Matthew's Office between 10 – 12 Monday – Friday.

Or you can donate online (details below) and, in the reference, include for 'St Matthew's Garden'.

### **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.



### **A Celebration of the Dedication of St Matthew's Albury Sunday 25 September 2022**



Rev. Cathy Carden



Sanctuary Team



Rev. Cathy, Steve



Remembering loved ones





Elliot, Katherine



Christine, Joe



John, Tom



Paul, Marcia



Barry, Janice, Jennifer



Katie



Christine, Julie



Tom back in the Belltower



## TRINITY ANGLICAN COLLEGE GRADUATING YEAR 12 CLASS 2022



## FOREVER – 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Concert St Matthew's Albury 17<sup>th</sup> September. The Tudor Choristers

Landmark performance, paying tribute to David Carolane OAM, FOUNDER OF THE Tudor Choristers in 1962, who led the choir for 25 years.

With special guests, alumni and friends combining a grand finale from Faure's Requiem.

Music director: Dr Kathleen McGuire.



## ALBURY CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>th</sup> November

We have sold over 1,000 seats already for the best musical line up since we began. There will be a special dedication to Her Majesty in the 2022 Albury Chamber Music Festival. There are only a few passes left to join Professor Geoffrey and Ann Blainey and Lady Primrose Potter in the second session. Please book soon through our website. The music and the hospitality are going to be outstanding! The gardens of Albury at St Matthew's, The Albury Club and Adamshurst have never looked brighter and there is so much to look forward to in meeting or catching up with new friends of fine music.



### **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)

### **Updates St Matthew's**



We welcome Leanne Johnson to our Team of Office Volunteers. She will be working with Shirley each Monday fortnight and some Wednesdays. Please continue to sanitise your hands on entering St Matthew's, maintain a safe distance in order to best protect our friends and community. If you are feeling unwell, please stay at home and watch our service on YouTube when posted during the following week. Social distancing and sanitising remain for everyone's safety. Please check Facebook and website for updates, and we thank you for your continued support.

#### **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.**

**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. 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)

A big **THANK YOU** for all the wonderful feedback about the Keeping Connected Newsletter, we so greatly appreciate your messages, emails and phone calls.

**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.



### **MOTHER'S UNION**

**Study, prayer, and support group**

meet every Friday at the Martin Centre, Cahill Place  
 from 9:30 am – 12 noon. Everyone most welcome.'

"Never see a need without doing something about it" M.ULOA. Mothers' Union.

Signs of spring, the wattle first, the magnolias are magnificent, blossoms, daffodils, lots of new shoots on the roses, God's creation in abundance!



Our August meeting was another well attended day held at The Martin Centre. As our Diocese observes Wave of Prayer in August and most of the Dioceses, we are linked with are in South Africa we invited Fr Paul Wood to be our guest speaker. Fr Paul was born in Rhodesia now called Zimbabwe, he spoke about growing up in South Africa, showed us photos and spoke about each one, his father was an Anglican Bishop in South Africa, it was all very interesting. Sue spoke briefly to us about our link Dioceses.

As well as Fr Paul we had two MU guests from Wodonga branch, they also enjoyed the day. Fr David Holloway was an apology because he had covid. Barbara made a delicious apple pie to share.

Purple Chicken was well attended on the first Tuesday, and Tuesday 6th September we also had a cuppa and catch up at 10am.

August was Children's Church birthday month, and this year we celebrated our 22nd birthday. It was a very happy occasion, children and parents all enjoying the service, craft, a game and goodies to eat. I was thrilled that my eldest granddaughter Fleur attended as she was one of the first children's church children, she enjoyed the service very much.

The current Mia Mia has been distributed, do hope you have enjoyed reading it. When you have read it you might consider passing it on to a non MU member.

First Sunday in September was Father's Day, Julie had bookmarks to hand out at church to honour and celebrate our Fathers'.

Our September meeting was on the 20th at The Martin Centre, it commenced with a cuppa at 11am. with Service at 11.30am conducted by Sue. Guest speaker was Rev Catherine Dawson after the service. BYO lunch followed by a short meeting. Dawn made a birthday cake to share.

The information sheet to promote MU is now available, you may like to keep a copy or two in the event that someone may ask you about MU.

We have several girls celebrating birthdays in September - 3rd Roma Jones, 15th Barbara, 23rd Laurel Foster, 29th Maureen Lewis who will celebrate her 90th birthday. Janette

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH



Children's Church birthday August: Children's Church Birthday celebrations went well, Children sitting in circle playing 'pass the parcel'. The group photo is of us all singing happy birthday with Janette's 'cupcake birthday cake'!



### September Children's Church SUNDAY 18<sup>th</sup> September at 10:30 am



Hello St Matthews from Children's church!!! This month we met Cecil the Sheep. A very adventurous sheep. He got lost and was worried that the shepherd would be mad at him IF he managed to find him. Of course, the shepherd found him, and the shepherd was NOT mad at him. In fact, he threw a party because Cecil had been found!!

At children's church we thought that Cecil taught us a bit about God. We don't have to be scared of God. God knows where we are, and God likes to party. (Especially if there are

cupcakes and little red sausages and some very special banana bread) For our craft we made some sheep with googly eyes and we did our best singing and dancing.

Thank you to all the team that makes Children's Church happen.

### October Children's Church is October 16<sup>th</sup> October at 10:30 am



**Priscilla Queen  
of the Desert  
The Musical –  
Albury  
Entertainment  
Centre**



#### **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.**

### **Thoughts for the month:**



*A joy and pleasant thing is to be thankful. The Book of Common Prayer*

*Don't look down on anybody; rather, lean down and help people up.*

*Gracefulness has been defined to be the outward expression of the inward harmony of the soul. William Hazlitt*

*We all make mistakes, but you'll never accomplish anything if you never act at all. Ellyn Sanna*

*You can't wrap love in a box, but you can wrap a person in a hug. Unknown.*

*Don't put off for tomorrow what you can do today, because if you enjoy it today, you can do it again tomorrow. James A. Michener*

*Sometimes your joy is the source of your smile, but sometimes your smile can be the source of your joy. Thich Nhat Hanh*

## **Sharing the Good News**

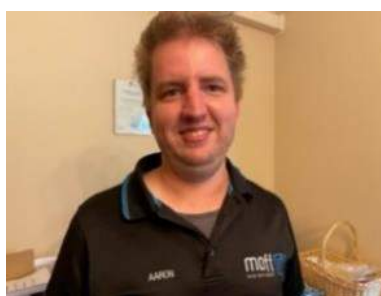
**Sharing the vouchers!** If you have any spare vouchers for the tip, they would be greatly appreciated please drop into the retro op shop or St Matthew's Office 10 – 12 Monday – Friday. Thank you in advance.

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 of vegetables, spaghetti and baked beans, packets of pasta and bottles of pasta sauce, small jars coffee, toothbrushes and toothpaste, new shampoos and conditioners, ladies and men's Deodorant. Towels in good condition. Re-usable bags.

**Aids that may HELP people/families:** 1 stroller and 1 car seat



### **MOFF-IT - IT Specialists**

470 Swift Street Albury

Phone Aaron, Riley or George

0417 080 872

For all your mobile phone, iPad, computer problems.





**RECENT BAPTISMS:** Piper Coburn, Emma Donaldson, Joseph Bawyer, Theodore Milburn, Sidney Gray, Penelope Baldock, Harvey Lieschke

### RECENT BLESSING:

Congratulations Amanda Lovekin and Michelle Evans



### WEDDINGS



Melinda Schneider (Bean) and Mark Gable  
Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September  
at Killcare Beach  
Central Coast



2/8 Kate Aldridge 80th birthday



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes TO ALL celebrating a birthday in SEPTEMBER:

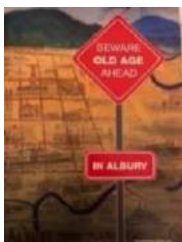
1st Christine Watson, Joe Nesbit, Marilyn Comitti, Marlene Hudson  
2nd Essie Osborne, Hannah Ribstein – Happy 18<sup>th</sup>!  
3rd Roma Jones 8th Pam Horsburgh  
13th Annette Gorham, Trish Lloyd, Oliver Chick  
14th Jaxon Chick 15th Barbara Hoodless, Mark Carden  
17th Danielle Chick 18th Helen Kennedy  
20th Rebecca Litton, 23rd Laurel Foster, Sadie Moffitt  
26th Christine Thomas 29th Maureen Lewis – 90th





## HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes TO ALL celebrating a birthday in OCTOBER:

4th Jim Jefferies      7th David Sutherland      13th Wari Williams  
14th Dexter Horne, Corrine Massang  
23rd Elly Chick      25th Stacey Chick      27th Gill Mackay  
28th Ailsa Jones, Bev Butler



### 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).

## OUT AND ABOUT



Ray, Ron



Mark, Fr Peter



Melinda, Fr Peter



Shaun, Melinda, Annette



Hanan and Torquil



Stevie reading to Rosie



Margaret, Annette



Martin



Prue, Leanne, Adrian



Peter, Jamie



Mary



Marcia, Paul



Gaye



Chris



Paul





David, Fran



John, Aidan



Natalie, Diane



Jack, Charmaine, Katie



John, Rosie



Dawn



Christine, Joe



Phil, Stephanie, Laurel



John, Annie



Sandra, Malcolm



Ben



Sandy, David



Gwen, Sandra



Charlotte, Pam, Mia



Paddington, Steve



Annie, Susan



Bec



Noela



Pam



Tyson, Zaiden



Fr Peter, Annette



Graham



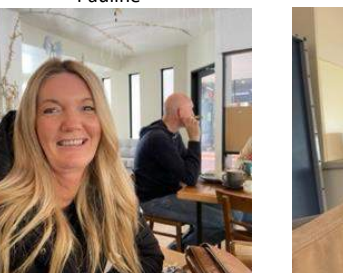
Pauline



Patricia



Robin, Paul



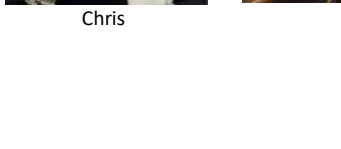
Chris



Stacey



Irene



Graham





### St Matthew's Craft Group

The St Matthew's Craft Group meet the first Wednesday each month 1:00 —4:00 pm if you are interested in joining the group, please contact Sadie Moffitt 0438 610 740.

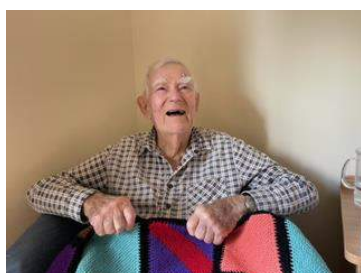


### PASTORAL CARE

The Pastoral Care Team meet the first Wednesday of each month at the rectory. 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.

A Pastoral Care idea for people in nursing homes/ villages - especially in isolation and lockdown – families could set up a digital photo system in their room so they can at least enjoy seeing photos of family members, friends, and holidays they enjoyed.



Our **Kindness rugs** – continue to be given to our friends who are not well and they are so greatly appreciated and loved by all who receive them. Thank you to all who have knitted and crocheted them.

**Prayers** for the Jessup family, Clancy family, Ashley family, Wright Family.



A Guest Attendance Book for Memorial Services, where no Funeral Director is involved, has been purchased from a kind donation for this specific purpose. Families can request a copy of who was in attendance for their loved one. Thank you for this donation.

### Our friends in Riverwood, Dellacourt, Marianella and Murray Gardens, Borella House Services



### Retirement Villages and Nursing Homes Services:

September dates:		October dates:	
13 <sup>th</sup>	Mercy and Dellacourt	7 <sup>th</sup> and 28 <sup>th</sup>	Riverwood
9 <sup>th</sup> and 23 <sup>rd</sup> (cancelled)	Riverwood	11 <sup>th</sup>	Mercy and Dellacourt
15 <sup>th</sup>	Murray Gardens	18 <sup>th</sup>	Borella House
20 <sup>th</sup>	Borella House	20 <sup>th</sup>	Murray Gardens
27 <sup>th</sup>	Yallaroo	25 <sup>th</sup>	Yallaroo





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

**Recent Funerals:** Sandra Mitsch, Susan Bowler, Mary Kennedy, Ella Clark,  
John Osborne, Diane Williams,



**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)

## TUNES ON TUESDAY RECITALS AT ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH, ALBURY



**FORTNIGHTLY LUNCHTIME RECITALS from 1.10pm – 1.50pm.**

### UPCOMING RECITALS

**Tunes on Tuesday UPCOMING RECITALS**

October 4 — Sally Morris, Rebekah Beall (Voice)

October 18 — Malcolm Halford (Organ)

November 1 — Rhys McKee (tbc)

November 15 — Stephanie Johnston (Voice)



**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.

**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 Account name: St Matthews Church Albury BSB: 032736  
Account no: 392189 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.