

## A little something for you to find

There are 18 letters to find three words.

Last weeks words were: Camel, Inconsequential, Infants

### dNews

Each week. There is a new free complimentary dNews

### Today's hard quiz.

St. Paul was stoned at

1. Rome o
2. Tyre
3. Antioch
4. Colossae

### Today's easy quiz

The outer garment that a priest wears at the eucharist is called a

1. Stole
2. chasuble
3. alb
4. cotta

The answer from last weeks quiz was

- Hard quiz 2. Hermes  
Easy quiz 4. John

### Annual Reports r

Annual reports will be collated and distributed among parishioners. Please forward reports to the Secretary as a Word document attached to an email (**Please!! No PDF documents**) to

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make collating and printing easier. If you are unable to provide an electronic report, please send it by post to the address below or call by and drop it in my home letterbox. Please forward reports to reach me by 5pm Monday 13 July 2020. Graeme Mustow Parish Secretary  
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A: 65 Milton Street, Hamilton, Vic, 3300

### Meetings:

Parish Council: Thursday July 30th 5:30pm

AGM: Sunday September 27th. 11:30am

Watch closely... information to follow.



## Anglican Parish of Hamilton

### Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

### 12th July 2020

Sentence: John 6.63, 68

The words you have spoken are spirit and life, O Lord; you have the words of eternal life.

Collect:

Bountiful God, we thank you for planting in us the seed of your word: by your Holy Spirit, help us to receive it with joy, and to live according to it, that we may grow in faith and hope and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The 10:30AM service at Christ Church Hamilton is lived streamed.  
If you have privacy concerns please get in touch with Fr. David

### Parish Directory

Parish Website: [www.hamiltonanglican.org.au](http://www.hamiltonanglican.org.au)

Parish Facebook: [facebook.com/AnglicanHamilton](https://www.facebook.com/AnglicanHamilton)

Diocesan Website: [ballaratanglican.org.au](http://ballaratanglican.org.au).

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If you would like to give to the parish by the direct debit option, the parish bank details are as follows:- NAB. BSB:083-663 the account No.: 51580-7866.

Even if you miss coming you are still giving.  
This also helps with budgeting for our future.

### Christ Church Hamilton

St Mary's  
Dunkleld

St Peter's  
Glenthompson

St Mark's  
Cavendish

All Saints'  
Penshurst

On August 12<sup>th</sup> St Peters guild are conducting their usual meeting followed by a luncheon and an interesting speaker.at Stirling, Glenthompson home of Bruce and Elisabeth Cuming **"Family, fashion, fabric, fur and feathers"** Marie Greiner will speak about her training as a dressmaker and tailor at Bradshaws Business College, Melbourne and her abiding love and care for injured wildlife. The day commences at 11.30a.m and funds raised used to restore the mural at St Peters. Cost \$25.0 per person. **Numbers are limited due to Covid 19 restrictions** Please r.s.v.p. to Elisabeth Cuming 0427774223 or Earlene Gellert 0448832202

19th July 2020	Seventh Sunday After Pentecost	Genesis 28.10-19a Romans 8.12-25	Psalm 139.1-11, 23-24 Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43
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*1st Reading:* Genesis 25.19-34

<sup>19</sup> These are the descendants of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham was the father of Isaac, <sup>20</sup> and Isaac was forty years old when he married Rebekah, daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, sister of Laban the Aramean. <sup>21</sup> Isaac prayed to the Lord for his wife, because she was barren; and the Lord granted his prayer, and his wife Rebekah conceived. <sup>22</sup> The children struggled together within her; and she said, 'If it is to be this way, why do I live?' So she went to inquire of the Lord. <sup>23</sup> And the Lord said to her, 'Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples born of you shall be divided; one shall be stronger than the other, the elder shall serve the younger.' <sup>24</sup> When her time to give birth was at hand, there were twins in her womb. <sup>25</sup> The first came out red, all his body like a hairy mantle; so they named him Esau. <sup>26</sup> Afterwards his brother came out, with his hand gripping Esau's heel; so he was named Jacob. Isaac was sixty years old when she bore them. <sup>27</sup> When the boys grew up, Esau was a skilful hunter, a man of the field, while Jacob was a quiet man, living in tents. <sup>28</sup> Isaac loved Esau, because he was fond of game; but Rebekah loved Jacob. <sup>29</sup> Once when Jacob was cooking a stew, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. <sup>30</sup> Esau said to Jacob, 'Let me eat some of that red stuff, for I am famished!' (Therefore he was called Edom.) <sup>31</sup> Jacob said, 'First sell me your birthright.' <sup>32</sup> Esau said, 'I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?' <sup>33</sup> Jacob said, 'Swear to me first.' So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob. <sup>34</sup> Then Jacob gave Esau bread and lentil stew, and he ate and drank, and rose and went his way. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Hear the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

*Psalms 119.105-112*

105. Your word is a lantern to my feet: and a light to my path.

106. **I have vowed and sworn an oath: to keep your righteous judgements.**

107. I have been afflicted beyond measure: Lord, give me life according to your word.
108. **Accept, O Lord, the freewill offerings of my mouth: and teach me your judgements.**
109. I take my life in my hands continually: yet I do not forget your law.
110. **The wicked have laid a snare for me: but I have not strayed from your precepts.**
111. Your commands are my inheritance for ever: they are the joy of my heart.
112. **I have set my heart to fulfil your statutes: always, even to the end.**

*2nd Reading:* Romans 8.1-11

<sup>1</sup> There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup> For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. <sup>3</sup> For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, <sup>4</sup> so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. <sup>5</sup> For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. <sup>6</sup> To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. <sup>7</sup> For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, <sup>8</sup> and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. <sup>9</sup> But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. <sup>10</sup> But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. <sup>11</sup> If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

### **Of our AGM**

You would be painfully aware that we can only have 20 people inside for Church gatherings. This means that at the moment our Parish AGM will be limited to 20 people. We really hope that this will change in time and everyone can come. (Hoorah)

In order to allow ample time for the possibility of election and for the forms to go back and forth, the AGM has been set for September 27th.

If you would like to nominate a People's Warden please use the yellow form.

If you would like to nominate a parish councillor please use a blue form.

If you are over 18 and have received communion more than 3 times in the last year you need to fill out a white form affectionately known as schedule A.

Nomination forms and any items for general business need to be in by the end of August.

Got a question. Please see that local friendly priestly guy Fr. David.

Of Parish Council - Thursday 30th of July 5:30pm

Please pass all agenda items and reports to the Secretary by 5pm 27 July 2020.

In accordance with the current restrictions we will comply with the 4m2 rule. This may mean that the meeting will be held in the main hall instead of the meeting room to allow us to meet the 4m2 rule requirements.

Each Councillor who plans to attend the meeting will be required to pre-register with the Secretary by 5pm Wednesday 29 July 2020.

If you have a report to present, please send it to the Secretary by email as a Word document so that it may be distributed to all members prior to the meeting. Reports not received by the due time/date will not be presented at the meeting. This is to comply with the direction that face-to-face meetings are to be kept to as short a time as possible. Relevant

correspondence will also be distributed prior to the meeting. Written reports and correspondence will be accepted at the meeting *as read*.

### **We are now having weekly services for up to 20 people at Christ Church Hamilton.**

That's great!!... what else do I need to know?? In order to 'book' one of these highly desirable places, please contact Fr. David no later than the day before you wish to attend.

Ph. (03) 5571 1317 M / Text 0423 671 692  
Email [droulton72@gmail.com](mailto:droulton72@gmail.com)

We need to keep your details in order to comply with government regulations.

If you aren't feeling well, it is best that you wait a while before attending.

**O.K... So when are these services being held?**

Morning Prayer 7:15am Tuesday - Saturday

Evening Prayer 5:00pm Tuesday - Friday

Eucharist 10:00am Wednesday

"If there are a total of four or less people, we will use the Lady Chapel".

**Saturday** - 5.00pm Vigil Eucharist  
Christ Church

### **Sunday Services**

Sunday masses will have a maximum of 20 people. Please contact Fr. David via the aforementioned ways, no later than the day before you wish to attend.

9.00am Holy Eucharist

St Peter's Glenthompson

10.30am Holy Eucharist

Christ Church Hamilton

***"Wednesday at 10:00am and Saturday at 5:00pm always seem to have prestige seats available as do Penshurst, Dunkeld, Glenthompson and Cavendish on their respective Sundays."***

## Today's homily... "3 cheers for Farmer Bill"

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Today's homily starts with a great fizzing commotion. We are on the farm and the reason for the buzz is that we are having visitors. No-one ever comes to visit us at Sheephills... ever... but here we are and the folk are on their way.

I go with my Dad who is showing this couple around the farm. Part of the guided tour is a trip to the top paddock. It must have been early in the year, for I can distinctly remember him bending down and showing this couple the soil. He explained that this was good quality soil and it was his best paddock. But then he says something quite sobering.

Something like

"Yes it's a great paddock all right and I always get a good return from it, but sometimes it really does feel as though you are trying to scratch a living out of a bit of dirt".

I think about that phrase often when I read this parable of the farmer. It's lovely when the soil returns heaps and you make a living out of it, but like my dad, the farmer in the parable knew the gamble and vocation that is farming. You have to admire the farmer in the parable.

He goes out year after year to sow the seed. And I applaud him not just for his diligence, but because he knows full well before he even sets out that some of the crop will fail. Some gets eaten by the birds, some swallowed by weeds, some falls on rocky ground, but this doesn't stop him. Undeterred, time after time, year after year, he still goes out and sows. And there must have been times like my Dad, when in the driving rain, or the freezing cold, or the blithering heat, you think.. What on earth am I doing here?

Now the parable has something to say about the times when we get it right and that's good and dandy and the harvest comes in followed by the cash. Sometimes heaps and sometimes not quite so much.

But I reckon the message for us in these debilitating times is the courage and the diligence and the perseverance of the farmer. That we are called to simply be faithful.

Nothing more... nothing less. And it won't be easy and we do wonder what's it all about and we question the future, but the parable is quite

6 clear. That we march on with the good news and then let God take over.

There's also a subtle message about our attitude to those who seem to have lapsed in their faith. Notice please that the rocky ground is always offered the seed. The seed might wither and perish, but it is always offered. For the lapsed and those who are just inquiring in tiny baby steps the door is always open. There must always be a way back, for that is how God loves us and calls us to welcome others. A couple of other things to ponder.

Given the amount of what I call "agricultural parables and stories" I wonder whether Jesus didn't have a couple of farmers as friends. Is it not likely that farmer Bill came into Joey's carpenter shop to order a yoke for his oxen? Or Shepherd Hezekiah came in and ordered a shepherds staff?

Perhaps the Master was thinking of a particular farmer when he told the parable.

Perhaps he had watched the same farmer over a number of years just go faithfully about his work in an unassuming, faithful way. Perhaps, and this would be my hope for you, that you know or have known someone who is just like that. Someone who by their very example both inspires and challenges you.

Last thing.

What I didn't tell you in the story about our visitors, is that my dad had a couple of other paddocks that weren't quite as flash and didn't give nearly as generously. Deep down in our hearts in that secret place, I am sure that there are patches that are good and rich and generous and we play to our strengths in order to nudge just one person a little closer towards the Kingdom. But there are also places deep within us, that, if we are honest, that are rocky and disappointing. There are times when we can be hard of heart and unresponsive to His generous love. My Dad didn't show our visitors the paddock that occasionally had scotch thistles pop up and the dam went dry. We can be good at hiding that which is embarrassing, but that can never stop the good farmer coming to us and offering us a way forward to transform our dearth, into rich truck loads of golden grain to share with the world.

Hear the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

*Gospel Acclamation:*

Alleluia! **alleluia.**

But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit  
**R. Alleluia.**

*The Holy Gospel:*

Matthew 13.1-9, 13.18-23

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
According to St Matthew

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

<sup>1</sup> That same day Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the lake. <sup>2</sup> Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. <sup>3</sup> And he told them many things in parables, saying: 'Listen! A sower went out to sow. <sup>4</sup> And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. <sup>5</sup> Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. <sup>6</sup> But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. <sup>7</sup> Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. <sup>8</sup> Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. <sup>9</sup> Let anyone with ears listen!' <sup>18</sup> 'Hear then the parable of the sower. <sup>19</sup> When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. <sup>20</sup> As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; <sup>21</sup> yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. <sup>22</sup> As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world

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and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. <sup>23</sup> But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty.'

For the Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

**Saint of the week.**

**St. Benedict**

2 March 480 – c. 21 March 543 AD)



Benedict founded twelve communities for monks in Italy and his main achievement was his "[Rule of Saint Benedict](#)", which contains a set of [rules](#) for his monks to follow. It has a unique spirit of balance, moderation and reasonableness which

persuaded most Christian religious communities founded throughout the [Middle Ages](#) to adopt it. As a result, his Rule became one of the most influential religious rules in Western [Christendom](#). We are fortunate to have some Benedictine folk who live close to us at Camperdown. St. Benedict's day is July 11th.

## For your Prayers this week

For the sick and in need a

Phil Reid	Dorothy	Stella Downs
Fr Peter Treloar	Patrick and family	Fr Paddy
Brian Lacy	(Irene Edwards son)	John O'Donnell
Virginia	Katie Kuiper	Heather

For those who have died

For those whose Year's Mind we remember

Kate Gabriel	Florence Wright	Lynette Ellis
Robert Drummond	Kevin Thomas	Norman Nicholas
Alfred Slater	John MacDonald	William Porter
Frank Brillely	Elvina Carpenter	Elsie Annett
Derek Hawker	Harriette Moynan	Lillian Scholfield

For the wider Church and its ministry

- The Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea: The Senior Bishop, Nathan Ingen
- North Queensland: Keith Joseph
- Glenelg Wannon: Robin Elliot
- Kenainj
- Our local hospitals and all who work in health care.

Christ Church Reading /Intercession Roster From 12th July - 26th July n

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2	Intercessor
12/07/2020	Jenny Rankin	Sandra Millard	Meredith Otton
19/0/2020	Gladys Frost	Helen Powell	Jannie Ryan
26/07/2020	Tony Roe	Celia Luke	Eileen Jolly

### From St. Peters Glenthompson

Gareth Collition is to begin the process of restoring the mural.

We are not certain of how much money we will need to repair the damage. Gareth is unable to be exact but we are trying to raise what we anticipate to be a bill in excess of \$6000 It does sound terrible but we cannot imagine that it will be much less.

So we are running a cake stall every first Saturday of the month. The next one is on

August 1<sup>st</sup> 10am- 12 midday

September 5<sup>th</sup> 10.0am-12 midday

October 3<sup>rd</sup> 10.0am-12 midday

November 7<sup>th</sup> 10.0am-12 midday

The stall will be outside Glen Hughes shop where Earlene has her fruit and vegetable table and there may be some surprises e.g. hot cinnamon and sugar doughnuts!!

**Thank you in anticipation of your support.**

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## Intercessions for the Eucharist and for you to say at home

The response to the bidding

Dear Lord....."Please help us and guide us"

We pray for the people of the world, for the people who are suffering from hunger, oppression, ill health.

Dear Lord ....."**Please help us and guide us**"

We pray for the Carers, all Health Workers & Front Line Workers who look after us during this COVID 19 Virus.

Dear Lord....."**Please help us and guide us**"

We pray for the Diocese of Ballarat, especially Bishop Garry, and all Priests, Canons, Deacons and Volunteers and Parishioners that are involved in our Churches that God will protect them.

Dear Lord....."**Please help us and guide us**"

We pray for the people of Hamilton and surrounding towns, that God will protect them from harm and the Corona 19 Virus.

Dear Lord....."**Please help us and guide us**"

We pray for the Departed that they are now at peace and are comforted in your presence.

Dear Lord. Thank you for listening to our prayers. We appreciate your patience and guidance and love.

Amen.

## Unbelievably it's almost July !!

Although we are still 6months from Christmas Day, on viewing Nigella Lawson we are reminded that next month we should be starting on Christmas Puddings again. So St Peter's Guild is just making a little noise about "puds". As we are so small in number we need ages to have enough ready for Christmas distribution. In the happy event that you have your arrangements already and know your Christmas feast requirements and would like a pudding could you please contact

Earlene Gellert on 0448832202 or Elisabeth Cuming on 0427774223.