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Each week. There is a new free complimentary dNews

Fr. David's easy quiz.

In the gospel of St. John who was the doubting disciple

1. Peter
2. Judas
3. Thomas
4. Simon

Fr. David's hard quiz

In the gospel of Mark three Mary's visited Jesus tomb on Easter Sunday. which of these was NOT among them

1. Mary the Mother of Jesus
2. Mary of Magdala
3. Mary Mother of James
4. Mary Salome

The answer from last weeks quiz was
Easy quiz The Passover
Hard quiz Bought a paddock

Covid Mini Fete

If you would like to contribute biscuits or vegetables or anything that you had saved for last year's fete, your donations will be greatly received. Thank you.

All available in the Church hall.
Honesty system applies.

The Anglican Women's Guild of Hamilton

is looking for new members. Our numbers are dwindling due to age, ill health & departures. We meet the second Thursday of each month at 10am in the church hall. We have a meeting & then join together for a cuppa & fellowship. We look forward to when we're allowed to share lunch sometimes, a bus trip & also fund raising. We hope some of you will join us. If you're interested just come along next month on Thursday the 8th of April or phone Sue Mustow on 55725068

Of all things Brother John

John is Fr David's brother ...if that makes sense. Jeanine and Fr David hope to catch up with him in Adelaide when they are on annual leave from Monday, 19th April to Wednesday, 28th April. Fr. Donald Bellamy from Warrnambool will be here to take the services. During this time Fr. Scott from balmy Warrnambool will be on standby.

His magic numbers are:

Mob: 0418 672 808

Landline: 5561 1687

Roster

There is a new roster at the back of Christ Church.



Anglican Parish of Hamilton

Second Sunday of Easter 11th April 2021

Catch all the action live online at
<https://www.facebook.com/AnglicanHamilton>

Sunday 10.30am Eucharist.

Wednesday: 10.00am Eucharist

The 10:30am Eucharist is live streamed to a waiting world.
If you have privacy concerns please speak to Fr. David.

Sentence: John 20.21

'Peace be with you,' says the Lord. 'As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'

Collect:

Risen Christ, whose absence leaves us in despair but whose presence is overwhelming: breathe on us with your abundant life, that where we cannot see we may have courage to believe that we may be raised with you. **Amen.**

Parish Directory

Parish Website: www.hamiltonanglican.org.au

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**While it is true that Fr. David has Monday as his day off
he is always available in case of emergency.**

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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
Dunkeld

St Peter's
Glenthompson

St Mark's
Cavendish

All Saints'
Penshurst

SERVICES THIS WEEK			
Morning and Evening Prayer daily		Christ Church Hamilton	
Wednesday 14th April	Eucharist 10.00am	Christ Church Hamilton	
Saturday 17th April	Vigil 5.00pm	Christ Church Hamilton	
Sunday 18th April	Eucharist 9.00am Eucharist 10.30am Eucharist 5.00pm	St Mark's Cavendish Christ Church Hamilton St Mary's Dunkeld	
18th April 2021	Third Sunday of Easter	Acts 3.12-20 1 John 2.15-17, 3.1-6	Psalm 4 Luke 24.36b-48

PLEASE SIGN IN ON THE COVID-19 CHURCH ATTENDANCE REGISTER

Guess What!! There are now two (2) stations to sign in for when you come to Mass at Hamilton.

1st Reading: Acts 4.32-37

³² Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. ³³ With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴ There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. ³⁵ They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need. ³⁶ There was a Levite, a native of Cyprus, Joseph, to whom the apostles gave the name Barnabas (which means 'son of encouragement'). ³⁷ He sold a field that belonged to him, then brought the money, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

Hear the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Psalm 133

1. Behold how good and how lovely it is: when families live together in unity.
2. **It is fragrant as oil upon the head, that runs down over the beard: fragrant as oil upon the beard of Aaron, that ran down over the collar of his robe.**
3. It is like a dew of Hermon: like the dew that falls upon the hill of Zion.
4. **For there the Lord has commanded his blessing: which is life for evermore.**

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2nd Reading: 1 John 1.1-2.2

¹ We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— ² this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— ³ we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴ We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete. ⁵ This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶ If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; ⁷ but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸ If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹ If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. ¹ My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; ² and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Thought for the Week from Mothers' Union Australia

Sunday 11 April 2021
simplicity

'Less is more' was a catch cry of design (a phrase adopted in 1947 by architect Ludwig Mies van der Rohe). 'Tis the gift to be simple, (an old Quaker dancing/way of life song). We are often filled with a longing to cast off the excess 'stuff', to end difficult relationships, to move house, in an effort to simplify our lives. We may assume a meeker demeanour, play down our natural talents, shy away from tasks that may put us in the spotlight, in order to be seen as humble and Christian. Simplicity is rather the acceptance of God's gifts used to glorify our Creator and when we 'find ourselves in the place just right, 'Twill be in the valley of love and delight'.

O Lord, my heart is not lifted up, my eyes are not raised too high; I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvellous for me. But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother; my soul is like the weaned child that is with me.

Psalm 131: 1-2

Mothers' Union has a deep-rooted and trusted position within communities in Tanzania. This week we pray for those members, both skilled and trained in resource mobilisation, who will encourage and equip those unsure of themselves.

ANGLICAN BOOK FAIR

The Bookfair closed on Thursday afternoon 1st April and the results as always were very pleasing. Approximately \$13000 was raised to be given away to deserving causes. Thankyou to everyone who helped in any way and to those who helped with the packing up process. Susan M

Eastertide Parish Council

meets on Thursday 15th of April at 5:30pm.

And for Gentlemen who partake of Caffeine on a Thursday afternoon:

We now meet at *The Hamilton Hamper* at 3:00pm

Easter Raffle

Congratulations to Jenny Rankin on winning the Easter raffle.

Mothers' Day Raffle coming up

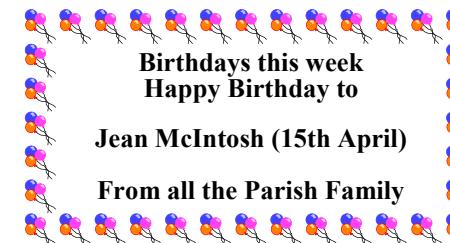
Tickets \$1.00. Pampering pack from Victoria's. Drawn on 2nd weekend in May

Good times at Glenthompson

An afternoon of clay shooting and BBQ. Sunday April 18th 4-9pm
Vestry - Friday 16th of April 7 - 8pm

Come along to Matins

at St. Peters Glenthompson on the 2nd of May, the 6th of June and the 4th of July at 10am. All are very welcome.



Today's Homily

I thought that we might have a squint at the first reading from the book of Acts. Acts is the story of the early Church written by Luke as a sequel to his gospel. Those who decide what readings we have on a Sunday, put a chunk of Acts for the first reading in Easter-tide to highlight the theme of new life. If you watch closely over the coming weeks you'll see that the early church gets itself into all sorts of bother and there is a serious amount of argy bargy. The most contentious issue of all was the issue of whether new male converts had to be circumcised. That really got both sides of the debate fired up. From our perspective in time we really can't see what all the fuss was about; but for them when they are right in the heat of the argument, it was a matter of serious contention. But this morning, we are right at the beginning of Acts, before we get to a church that we might recognise today, it's all smashingly fabulous. The Parish Council of Jerusalem is working in harmony and has boatloads of cash. Listen to this. "All the believers were one in heart and mind. They shared everything they had. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all that there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need." Sounds like a dream parish / diocese. Further Luke gives us an example of this generosity of spirit and dollars. Joseph, a Levite from Cyprus, whom the apostles called Barnabas (which means "son of encouragement"), sold a field he owned and brought the money and put it at the apostles' feet. So how come...? How come they have this marvellous attitude? Where did it spring from and what is their secret? Part of the answer lies in the bit that I have mischievously left out. "No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had". They understood that their stuff, their cash, their bits and pieces, are really just given to them for a little while. And their responsibility was to use it wisely for the good of all. And that is true of us today. Any undertaker will tell you that

coffins don't come with pockets. So now, today, is time to share what we have. A poor example of this is when I can share a muffin at Tosca browns on Thursday. It's not much but it is a symbol of a dynamic that is much greater. The cash from the book fair that goes off to those in need is a better example. So what else is driving this perception of how flimsy our things are. I think its this "With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus." The early church knew that the resurrection of the Lord was not just pie in the sky when you die, with angels and archangels, although that is quite magnificent in itself. They also understood that the resurrection had important ramifications for their life on this side of the grave as well. Once you get that this life is fleeting, swift, precious and that the next life is even more mind blowingly fabulous, then the importance of material bits and pieces that we insist on accumulating .. their importance, value and significance is seen in a whole new light. You begin to understand that what is really important is the life of the world to come. This little life is fleeting and exquisite and therefore any opportunity to help someone else should be grasped immediately. And this is great news. And it's why the early Church couldn't keep silent about it, but just had to share it with the world. It is like when you become engaged, or when a child is conceived, or you get the job of your dreams. You simply just can't keep it to yourself and you have to just share this with anyone who will listen. The resurrection absolutely must affect our lives on this side of the grave just as surely as it will affect our lives on the other side of the grave. A point to hammer home. As you read the book of Acts over the coming weeks and watch the early church wrestle in so many ways about so many things, you will discover that they are just like us. But we have the benefit of time. We should know that what is absolutely crucial, die in the ditch issues for us today will be laughable in a thousand years time. Do not give in to Satan's subtle tricks of despair and a hankering for the good ol days or fear of the future. God has put you in this place, in this time, because He wants you here and now and you are exactly where you should be.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia Alleluia

Have you believed because you have seen me?
Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe

Alleluia

The Holy Gospel: John 20.19-31

The Lord be with you.
And also with you

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
According to St John

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

For the Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.²¹ Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit.²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.'²⁴ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.²⁵ So the other disciples told him, 'We have seen the Lord.' But he said to them, 'Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.'²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you.'²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.'²⁸ Thomas answered him, 'My Lord and my God!'²⁹ Jesus said to him, 'Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have

not seen and yet have come to believe.'³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book.³¹ But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

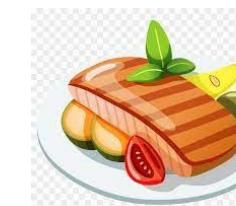
For the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

An easter tide reflection

First Station: Jesus Rises from the Dead.

"The angel of the Lord said to the women: 'Do not be afraid! I know that you are seeking Jesus the crucified. He is not here, for He has been raised just as He said.' (Matthew 28: 5b-6a) On the first day of the week, at the dawning of the new creation, Jesus rose from the dead. None of the Gospels actually record that point of Jesus bursting out from the tomb-all we have is an empty tomb and linen clothes no longer needed. Like the women and most of the Apostles on that first Easter Day, the Resurrection demands a personal faith response from each of us. How is that total unconditional love of God going to impact in my life?



The 5th Sunday of May is the 30th.

Normally we would have a bring and share lunch however due to COVID we will be unable to do this. The good news is that we are heading off to Cafe Catalpa. Names on the clip-board at the back of Christchurch or to Fr. David by Sunday May 16th at the latest. Our table is booked for 12:30pm. All are welcome. Yummmee

For your Prayers this week

For the sick and in need

Phil Reid	Patrick and family	Len Peters
Fr Peter Treloar	(Irene Edwards son)	Evan
Brian Lacy	Katie Kuiper	Dash
Virginia	Fr Paddy	Barbara Millard
Dorothy	John O'Donnell	

For those who have died

Georgina Crowe

Caren Lovett	George Benson	Lucy Stephen
Herbert Eales	Charles Mitchell	Eleanor Lean
S Winter-Cooke	Thelma Duncan	John Riddle
William Harrison	Harry Cooper	John McGregor
Catherine Chesswas	Daphne Sharrock	Joseph Elliott

For the wider Church and its ministry

- The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocean
- Newcastle: Peter Stuart, Sonja Roulston & Charlie Murray
- Anglicare Victoria: Parish Partnerships, Victoria - Chris de Paiva
- Anglicare Ballarat Community Breakfast Program: Kim, Andrea & the volunteers
- Kaironk
- Karando
- The homeless & those offering shelter.

Easter Day Flowers

Those of you who attended services at Christ Church on Easter Day could not fail to appreciate the wonderful display of flowers in the church and in the porch.

Our grateful thanks must go to David Young who prepared the displays and for his generosity in providing the flowers in the church free of charge. A big thank you also to Bruce Millard who provided flowers displayed in the porch.

Cavendish also wish to thank Bruce Millard who has for a number of years provided his beautiful flowers to be used for our Easter Service.

Intercessions for the Eucharist and for you to say at home

The response to the bidding:
 "May we see your face,... is...."
and be transformed into You".

**May we see your face...
 and be transformed into You.**

As The Risen Christ showed the Apostles his pierced hands and side, he brought them his peace. Let us pray confidently in His name, knowing that He brings true peace through His victory over death.

*May we see your face...
 and be transformed into You.*

That the whole community of the Church may remain faithful to the teaching of the apostles. For Garry our Bishop successor to the apostles, and for the parish of St. Peters Ballarat. For Fr. Michael and those who assist him. For all of God's people celebrating the resurrection of Our Lord..

*May we see your face...
 and be transformed into You.*

That the peace of Our Risen Lord may spread through our world today, especially the land of Yemen. For words of peace and reconciliation. That our hearts and lives will bring your peace to all people.

*May we see your face...
 and be transformed into You.*

That those who live in fear will be set free by Easter faith. For those who spend this day behind the locked doors of addiction and anger.

*May we see your face...
 and be transformed into You.*

For all on our parish prayer list and those who we bring today on the altar of our hearts. That the Risen Christ may give them all that they truly need.

*May we see your face...
 and be transformed into You.*

That the faithful departed may be given the resurrected peace that passes all understanding, especially the recently departed in Sri Lanka.

*May we see your face...
 and be transformed into You.*

Father we do not see your Son as those first apostles did, but we do love Him and offer our prayers in His name. We rejoice because of His victory and ask that we may be agents of that resurrected peace. We ask these things in His name. Amen.

Q. What's Blue, Yellow and White and comes out on Anzac day?

A. The forms for the Annual meeting on July 25th.

- **The White One**
 For everyone who is 18+ and has made their communion 3 times in the last year.
- **The Blue One**
 For those who like to nominate for Parish Council
- **The Yellow One**
 If you would like to be a Peoples Warden

Along with any items for general business they need to be returned by Sunday June 27th. White Ones to Lofty. Blue and yellow ones to Fr. David. Too Easy!

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SUNDAY SCHOOL - every second Sunday
 Next is April 18th