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Each week. There is a new free complimentary dNews

Fr. David's easy quiz.

In America the Anglican Church is known as

- The Anglican Church
- The Church of England in America
- The Episcopalian Church
- The Thanksgiving Church.

Fr. David's hard quiz

Our parish has how many Synod reps

- (a) 2
- (b) 3
- (c) 4
- (d) 5

The answer from last weeks quiz was

Easy quiz 14

Hard quiz Germany and the Netherlands

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.

'(A new novel has appeared for purchase')

All available in the Church hall.

Honesty system applies.

Next Sunday is Pentecost Sunday. In some Parishes folk choose to wear red. Perhaps you might like to as well.

SERVICES THIS WEEK		
Morning and Evening Prayer daily		Christ Church Hamilton
Wednesday 19th May	Eucharist 10.00am	Christ Church Hamilton
Saturday 22nd May	Vigil 5.00pm	Christ Church Hamilton
Sunday 23rd May	Eucharist 9.00am Eucharist 10.30am	St Peter's Glenthompson Christ Church Hamilton

23rd May 2021	Day of Pentecost	Acts 2.1-21 Romans 8.22-27	Psalm 104.26-36 John 15.26-27; 16.4b-15
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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



Anglican Parish of Hamilton

Seventh Sunday of Easter 16th May 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 17.11

Jesus prayed, 'Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.'

Collect:

Almighty God, your blessed Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things: mercifully give us faith to trust that, as he promised, he abides with us on earth until the end of time; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Parish Directory		
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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

Please sign in on a bit of paper for the COVID Register or...
Use your phone to register with the complimentary QR code.

1st Reading: Acts 1.15-17, 1.21-26

¹⁵ In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, ¹⁶ 'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— ¹⁷ for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.' ²¹ So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²² beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.' ²³ So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴ Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen' ²⁵ to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.' ²⁶ And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 1

1 Blessed are they who have not walked in the counsel of the ungodly: nor followed the way of sinners, nor taken their seat amongst the scornful.

2 But their delight is in the law of the Lord: and on that law will they ponder day and night.

3 They are like trees planted beside streams of water: that yield their fruit in due season.

4 Their leaves also shall not wither: and look, whatever they do, it shall prosper.

5 As for the ungodly, it is not so with them: they are like the chaff which the wind scatters.

6 Therefore the ungodly shall not stand up at the judgement: nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

7 For the Lord cares for the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish.

2nd Reading: 1 John 5.9-13

⁹ If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. ¹⁰ Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. ¹¹ And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹² Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life. ¹³ I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

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Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia Alleluia
I will not leave you orphaned;
I am coming to you.
Alleluia

tempt.

Perhaps it will help to finish with some stolen words. The person who wrote these words was speaking about Van Gogh, but they could just as easily be speaking about another wild man ... the Master craftsman who roamed the dusty streets of Palestine.

"Van Gogh is the finest painter of them all. Certainly, the most popular great painter of all time. The most beloved. His command of colour, the most magnificent. He transformed the pain of his tormented life into ecstatic beauty. Pain is easy to portray, but to use your passion and pain to portray the ecstasy and joy and magnificence of our world. No one had ever done it before. Perhaps no one ever will again. To my mind, that strange, wild man who roamed the fields of Provence was not only the world's greatest artist, but also one of the greatest men who ever lived."

Thought for the Week from Mothers' Union Australia

Thy kingdom come

What dreams we weave – of the dream wedding, the dream home, the bucket list items, holidays, a new kitchen. And then we will be better, happier, safer, more fulfilled. If we are honest we are deluding ourselves that everything will change. We may think God's Kingdom means churches full of nice people, whereas the gospels tell us that the people around Jesus were the rejects, that his friends were a frightened bunch until they caught a vision of the kingdom as the company of those who saw visions and dreamt dreams. May we pray for eyes to see the Kingdom. Your kingdom come. Your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Matthew 6:10

Mothers' Day Raffle

Thank you to all those who supported the Mothers day raffle. The lucky winners were Linley Bramall and Brian Lacy

Hooly dooly Parish Council meets again on Thursday 20th of May at 5:30pm

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 apologies and 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!

Good times at the Glenthompson

1st Sunday of the month. Matins at 10:00am
2nd Sunday of the month Eucharist at 9:00am
3rd Sunday of the month clay pigeon shooting and socialising 2:00pm at Earlene and Neils
4th Sunday of the month. Eucharist at 9:00am

Today's Homily

"He transformed the pain of his tormented life into ecstatic beauty."

Today's story begins at the Museum D'Orsay in Paris in 2013. I am admiring Van Gogh's painting of *Starry night*. The picture to go with the story is in the pew sheet. I am deeply moved. In fact, there are real live tears because I know the story behind this painting and I know the story of this man.

Vincent van Gogh painted *Starry Night* in 1889 during his stay at the mental asylum of Saint-Paul-de-Mausole. Van Gogh lived well in this hospital; if attended, he could leave the hospital grounds. He was allowed to paint, read, and withdraw into his own room. While he suffered from the occasional relapse into paranoia and fits, it seemed his mental health was recovering.

Unfortunately, he relapsed. He began to suffer hallucination and have thoughts of suicide as he plunged into deep depression. Accordingly, he returned to incorporating the darker colors from the beginning of his career and *Starry Night* is a wonderful example of that shift.

Van Gogh suffered from psychotic episodes and delusions and though he worried about his mental stability, he often neglected his physical health, did not eat properly and drank heavily. His depression continued, and on 27 July 1890, Van Gogh ended his own life.

This painter was unsuccessful during his lifetime. He was considered a madman and an abysmal failure. But...

"He transformed the pain of his tormented life into ecstatic beauty."

In our gospel Our Lord makes the distinction between living physically in the world and living according to the world's standards. One is the geographical place where you happen to eat, sleep, walk, talk and live. Your physical, touchable, tangible world. The other is your spiritual and moral world and life. Your relationship with God. The world where you dwell in God and He in you. That house with many rooms.

To the art world of the time and his contemporaries Van Gogh was not understood and

never celebrated. He was not of this world. But perhaps in his delirium and his illness he was more closely aligned with the divine and creative skill of God than what we could ever understand.

And I can't help wondering who it might be that is living amongst us today that is misunderstood, misaligned, mistreated and mistrusted; that will be rejoiced in and marvelled over, in a hundred years time.

The contrast between the two worlds; the physical, outward, touchable one which must inevitably pass away... and the spiritual, inward, divine world... is spectacular. For the outward world, the highest ideals are power, prestige and control. For the spiritual world we aspire to service, humility, gentleness, love and sacrifice.

Today's gospel is from John 17. At the start of that chapter Jesus says "Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you.

"The hour" that Jesus refers to is the hour of crucifixion. The "glory" He is referring to, is his mangled death.

And to this disfigured figure of love we turn our thoughts, our hearts and minds again. To be inspired and so to emulate The masters love for us once more.

"He transformed the pain of his tormented life into ecstatic beauty."

So Van Gogh is my hero not just because he was ahead of his time, not just because he was a clever painter. I admire him because he was able to use his inward torture to offer the world something precious and enduring and lovely.

There are times in our lives when it is sweetness, light, honeymoon, champagne, liqueur chocolates, roses, sparkle and dancing. And that's right,... we ought to celebrate those times and dance like someone who has had a strawberry milkshake or six.

But there are also times when it is dark and brooding and there seems no way out, or no way forward. The ache continuously sears us and it will not go away.

Then like Van Gogh and like our Lord on the cross, we use it to God's glory. We do this simply by offering our torment to the Master. We learn that this is the most authentic and legitimate form of prayer we will ever at-

The Holy Gospel: John 17.6-19

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

⁶ 'I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word.' ⁷ Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; ⁸ for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹ I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. ¹⁰ All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. ¹¹ And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. ¹² While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³ But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. ¹⁴ I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁵ I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. ¹⁷ Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸ As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹ And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.

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

An Eastertide Reflection

Jesus appears to the community of the Apostles

"Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself. Touch Me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have,' And as He said this, He showed them His hands and His feet" (Luke 24: 38-40).

The disciples from Emmaus, the ones with "burning hearts" have now become missionaries: they return to the Upper Room to share the Gospel of New Life, the gospel of Resurrection. In that place of physical isolation, that we can all too easily identify with, Jesus reveals his own brokenness. To the group gathered there (remember Thomas was out probably shopping or jogging around Lake Galilee) Jesus shows them his wounds in the midst of glory. Jesus is sharing his brokenness with us too; when we are ready to admit our own personal brokenness, the Lord of life brings us his life. Each of us are wounded healers who can bring joy and new life to our world.

Prayer

God of unchanging power and light, look with favour and mercy on the entire community, especially in these challenging times. Bring us your lasting care to your family, so that the world may see the fallen lifted up, the old made new, and all things brought to perfection, through Him who is our origin, our Lord Jesus Christ who lives and reigns forever and ever Amen

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

Elizabeth Stapleton	Mary Arden	Lily Harmer
Dorothy Young	Hedley Hughan	Francis Cross
Patricia Potter	Lawrence Annett	Alexander Primrose
Alice Woodall	Gilbert Anderson	Loran Bowker
Una Hatherall	Joseph Moynan	Daphne Kennett
Herbert Rippon	Keith Fraser	Eva Green
James Syrott	Elizabeth Hall	

For the wider Church and its ministry

- The Anglican Church of Korea
- Rockhampton: Bishop Peter Grice
- Mission District of Woody Yallock - Rob Ferguson
- The Chronicle: Fr Peter Treloar (Editor) & The Bishop (Publisher)
- Kumbruf
- Teachers and students.



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. Yummeee
"Thank you to all those who have signed up. Today is the last day to take advantage of this marvellous opportunity.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL - every second Sunday
Next is June 13th

Intercessions for the Eucharist and for you to say at home

Father God teach us to love one another as you love us

The response to Loving Father ...is...

Teach us to love

We pray for your world suffering with wars, famine & the pandemic. Give us the minds to pray for our enemies, those who live with violence everyday & destroy your creation. Put in our hearts a love for this country where we live in peace & freedom .
*Loving father .. **Teach us to love***

We pray for all who worship you in churches in towns & cities, in wonderful cathedrals. In homes & on line. Give them the faith to know they are all important to you no matter where or who they are or where they pray. We pray especially for the tensions in Israel & Palestine to be calmed

*Loving father .. **Teach us to love***

We pray for all who serve our community, for doctors & nurses, firefighters, police & ambulance service. For all volunteers filling many roles so necessary for our daily lives.

For people who take time to visit or help others.
*Loving father .. **Teach us to love***

We pray for the people of the world who are suffering from covid especially in India & countries with little or no medical systems. Give the richer nations the will to help them obtain vaccine for their people. Send your healing spirit to all who are suffering in body or mind, to the addicted & those who love them .

*Loving father .. **Teach us to love***

We pray for the recently departed & those who mourn, give them the faith to know one day we'll all be together again in your joyful kingdom.

Holy God send us into the world today to be joyful witnesses to your love & gift of eternal life. Amen