

**dNews**

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**Fr. David's easy quiz.**

The container that holds the blessed wine is called

- The Sacred goblet
- The Holy cup
- The chalice

**Fr. David's hard quiz**

Fr. Robert likes...

- Meatlovers pizza
- KFC
- Roast Beef and Yorkshire puddings
- All of the Above
- None of the Above. He is a Vegetarian.

The answers from last weeks quiz were

1. Peter Jarvis
2. Charles Gunst

**Good times at Glenthompson**

- ◆ 1st Sunday of the month. Matins at 10:00am
- ◆ 2nd Sunday of the month Eucharist at 9:00am
- ◆ 4th Sunday of the month. Eucharist at 9:00am

**Some dates for your diary.**

- ◆ Our Parish Fete Saturday November 13th
- ◆ Confirmation and rite of reception Sunday October 31st 10:30am at Christchurch Hamilton
- ◆ Clergy Retreat: Monday, 8th November to Friday, 12th November, 2021.
- ◆ Saturday 16th of October. Take 2 on MDC training day. God's story - Our story.

**Due to the lockdown Jeanine and Fr. David** have cancelled their leave. They hope to take some holidays when things are a little less wonky and wobbly.



# Anglican Parish of Hamilton

## Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost 29th August 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: James 1.17

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.

*Collect:*

Cleanse our consciences, O Lord, and enlighten our hearts through the daily presence of your Son Jesus Christ, that when he comes in glory to be our judge we may be found undefiled and acceptable in his sight; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### Parish Directory

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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 1st September	No Service due to restrictions	Christ Church Hamilton	
Saturday 4th September	Vigil 5.00pm	Christ Church Hamilton	
Sunday 5th September	Eucharist 9.00am Eucharist 10.30am Eucharist 5.00pm	St Mark's Cavendish Christ Church Hamilton St Peter's Glenthompson	
5th Sept. 2021	Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost	Proverbs 22.1-2, 22.8-9, 22.22-23 James 2.1-10, 2.14-17	Psalm 125 Mark 7.24-37

*1st Reading:*  
Song of Songs 2.8-13

8 The voice of my beloved! Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains, bounding over the hills.

9 My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look, there he stands behind our wall, gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice.

10 My beloved speaks and says to me: 'Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away;

11 for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone.

12 The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtle-dove is heard in our land.

13 The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away.

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

Psalm 45.1-2, 45.6-9

1. My heart is astir with fine phrases, I make my song for a king: my tongue is the pen of a ready writer.
2. **You are the fairest of men, grace flows from your lips: therefore has God blessed you for ever and ever.**
6. Your throne is the throne of God, it endures for ever: and the sceptre of your kingdom is a righteous sceptre.

7. **You have loved righteousness and hated evil: therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness above your fellows.**
8. All your garments are fragrant with myrrh, aloes and cassia: music from ivory palaces makes you glad.
9. **Kings' daughters are among your noble women:**

*Second Reading: James 1.17-27*

<sup>17</sup> Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. <sup>18</sup> In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. <sup>19</sup> You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; <sup>20</sup> for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. <sup>21</sup>

Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. <sup>22</sup> But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. <sup>23</sup> For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; <sup>24</sup> for they look at themselves and, on going away, immediately forget what they were like. <sup>25</sup> But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but do-

other, our beloved. This is the same as our longing for Him, which is the same as the desire He has for us.

There will be a time when...

the winter is past,

the rain is over and gone.

12 The flowers will appear on the earth; the time of singing will come, and the voice of the turtle-dove will be heard in our land.

Spring will come again, lovers will be reunited and our tears will dry. They will dry because He will be so close to us, that He will be able to reach out and wipe our tears away. And when all our tears have been expunged and are finally dried, then we will be able to see him as He truly is. Then we will understand that He also has been crying. Crying for us and crying with us. Our tears will dry because we will again understand and rejoice in the simple fact that we adore a compassionate, broken, wounded healer who yearns to be close to us. Our tears will dry.

**Thought for the Week from  
Mothers union**

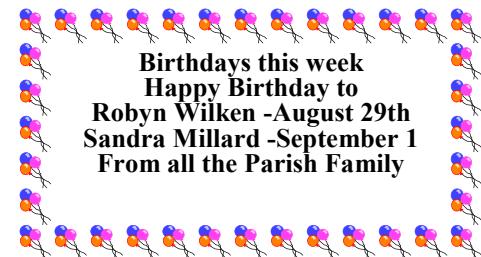
**New seasons**

The change from Winter to Spring in much of Australia is not dramatic. Rather the new season emerges in much the same way as our lives change, sometimes a 'small drama', as when a child leaves home.

Sometimes the change into a new season is prolonged and painful as with a partner who moves into care. If we are to live faithfully, we need to temper our expectations. We cannot plan a new season to order but with God's help we can look for the chances of new life in the changes of our fleeting world. The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore. Psalm 121:7-8

Let us thank God for members in the diocese of Wangaratta as they greet another Southern Hemisphere Spring and continue involvement with local parish and community life.

**If you know of someone who needs pastoral contact in the parish or would like a pew sheet delivered please let Fr. David know.**



Birthdays this week  
Happy Birthday to  
Robyn Wilken -August 29th  
Sandra Millard -September 1  
From all the Parish Family

## Today's Homily

### Our tears will dry

A reflection for August 29th

First a confession. The phrase “Our tears will dry” is an absolute and unashamed pinch from someone far more articulate than I, but as always you deserve the best and the best I can offer today is this simple but profound phrase “Our tears will dry”.

This morning's first lesson is from the book called the Song of songs. If you have never read it then you should. It will only take you about 20 minutes to read. It comes with a warning though and the warning is that it is a pretty racy, raunchy read. Probably MA 15 years and older. Someone cheekily said it was the sealed adult section of the bible. So if you thought that the bible had nothing to say about that marvellous intimate union between a man and woman then I am very pleased to be able to tell you that you are wrong. Check this out!

The voice of my beloved!

Look, he comes,  
leaping upon the mountains,  
bounding over the hills.

9 My beloved is like a gazelle  
or a young stag.

Look, there he stands  
behind our wall,  
gazing in at the windows,  
looking through the lattice.

10 My beloved speaks and says to me:  
'Arise, my love, my fair one,  
and come away;

So here's a bit of background.

The Songs of Songs was written in the 5th century, B.C., and is attributed to King Solomon the guy with lots of wives and concubines. It is written in a very poetic manner, and on the face of it, it is a love poem clearly showing the love, anticipation of, and of the great admiration for, the woman through whose eyes the male object of her affection is perceived.

Look, he comes,  
leaping upon the mountains,  
bounding over the hills.

9 My beloved is like a gazelle  
or a young stag.  
“Marvellous stuff!”

There are three ways of interpreting this book:

First, it is speaking of God's love for his People;  
Secondly, it is a parable about the loving relationship between Christ and his Church.  
Thirdly, it is seen as describing the love between a bride and groom. The book is intended to say how fabulous married love is in the sight of God. It is a wedding song honouring marriage, showing that human love and sex are good in God's eyes. Sex is good because God gave it to us. But like all of God's gifts it is not to be abused.  
But I think this book speaks to another pinning, another ache that is deep within us and all around.

In these times we are grieving and longing for the days of yore. We miss life as it was at the beginning of 2020. How idyllic and easy it all was back then. We grieve for the closeness of those who we cannot reach out and touch. We are also yearning for a future when all this is behind us and we want that just as surely and as potently as the bride wants her hubby in the song of songs.

The good news is that one day the flowers will blossom, our hearts will sing, we will giggle and chortle and the sense of His closer presence will be restored.  
“But”, you rightly and understandably ask, “When will these things come about? When can we ditch the masks, the QR codes and the sanitiser?” My answer is that I don't know exactly. I have scoured my diary and cannot find a single entry where this new era is scribbled in.

Mmmmm... perhaps ‘when’ is not the right question. Perhaps it is enough to know that it will be.

Remember the ache of the two parted lovers from the Song of songs?

The ache they felt for each other is as powerful as the same ache that we feel for the past and for the future. The difference is that our ache for a different time zone and reality is often about our own convenience or inconvenience. The ache of separation that the lovers feel is always about someone else, the

ers who act—they will be blessed in their doing.<sup>26</sup> If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless.<sup>27</sup> Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

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

*Gospel Acclamation:*

**Alleluia Alleluia**

In fulfilment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

**Alleluia**

*The Holy Gospel: Mark 7.1-8, 7.14-23*

**The Lord be with you.**

**And also with you**

*The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
According to St Mark*

**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

<sup>1</sup> Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him,<sup>2</sup> they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them.<sup>3</sup> (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders;<sup>4</sup> and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are

also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.)<sup>5</sup> So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, ‘Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?’<sup>6</sup> He said to them, ‘Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, “This people honours me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me;<sup>7</sup> in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.”<sup>8</sup> You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.’<sup>14</sup> Then he called the crowd again and said to them, ‘Listen to me, all of you, and understand:<sup>15</sup> there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.’<sup>17</sup>

When he had left the crowd and entered the house, his disciples asked him about the parable.<sup>18</sup> He said to them, ‘Then do you also fail to understand? Do you not see that whatever goes into a person from outside cannot defile,<sup>19</sup> since it enters, not the heart but the stomach, and goes out into the sewer?’ (Thus he declared all foods clean.)<sup>20</sup> And he said, ‘It is what comes out of a person that defiles.<sup>21</sup>

For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder,<sup>22</sup> adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly.<sup>23</sup> All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.’

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

## For your Prayers this week

### For the sick and in need

Phil Reid	Dorothy	Dash
Fr Peter Treloar	Katie Kuiper	Barbara Millard
Virginia	Fr Paddy	Geoff Rowe
Dorothy	John O'Donnell	
Len Peters	Evan	

### For those who have died

Frances Featherstonehaugh	Eva Somers	Leslie Bailey
William Binder	Josephine Watkins	Alan Bald
William Schofield	Lieselotte Steer	Ian Collins
Myra Holdsworth	Jean Neaves	Christian Kolep-Coleman
John Young	Glen Lane	Marlene Campbell
George Gaskin	Lucy Gracie	William Read
Sibyl Hannah	Eileen Broadbent	Verna Baker
Bolivslawa Joseph	Leslie Ritter	Cecil Evans
		Myrtle Allen

### For the wider Church and its ministry

- Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan
- All who have asked for the sacrament of marriage.
- The Chancellor: Charles Gunst QC
- The Advocate: Sally Macarthur Clyde.
- Property and Finance Committee: Mike Robins (Chair)
- Tsungup
- Local council and those involved and employed in local government.

Baptism of Matilda Venning. Take 2.  
It all happens on Sunday 19th of September  
at 10:30am at Christchurch Hamilton.  
Matilda is the daughter of Todd and Laura.  
Now there's something to grin about.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - every second Sunday  
Next is 5th September

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

The response to the bidding

“May we hear your word” ... is ...  
**“and speak it with faith”.**

**May we hear your word  
and speak it with faith.**

With spirits opened to God's healing presence, let us pray. That our work as a church may reflect the gospel of reconciliation and compassion. For Garry our Bishop and for the parish Warrnambool. For Fr. Scott, Reverend Robyn and God's people there.

**May we hear your word  
and speak it with faith.**

For professors, scholars, researchers, teachers and students,... that they may enable society to recognize the hand of God sustaining life in all of creation. We pray for Fr Tim and those whom they serve at our Grammar School.

**May we hear your word  
and speak it with faith.**

For those who suffer from deafness and being mute. For those who work to relieve their needs, for those who are excluded from friendships. That they may find a place of honor and welcome in our homes, parish and community

**May we hear your word  
and speak it with faith.**

For wise and responsible reporting by our electronic media, for those who edit the news and those who gather information. That they may do so with

sensitivity and respect for human life. We pray especially for those who have no voice in our society and those in Afghanistan.

**May we hear your word  
and speak it with faith.**

For those who have asked our prayers and all that is upon our hearts at this time. For those who mourn in secret today and for all who are affected by COVID in any way.

**May we hear your word  
and speak it with faith.**

For the departed and those who have died excluded from family and friends. For the souls of the recently departed. For those who await us at the heavenly banquet.

**May we hear your word  
and speak it with faith.**

Open our eyes and hearts to your Spirit O God, that everything we do and every moment you give us, may speak of your loving presence in our world. We offer our prayers in the name of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.