

## dNews

Each week. There is a new free complimentary dNews

### Fr. David's easy quiz.

The priest at Warracknabeal is

- Fr. James Wood
- Reverend Netta Hill
- Fr. Denis Soteriadas
- Reverend Robyn Shackell

### Fr. David's hard quiz

The letters SPQR often depicted on the cross of Jesus stand for

- *Senatus Populus Que Romanu*  
*The Roman Senate and People*
- *Sequis Pendum Que Rapidus*  
Spread knowledge through perseverance
- *Sabbat Pacificus Que Rationalis*  
Keep holy the sabbath

The answers from last weeks quiz were

- A Eucharist
- A snake

### 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.

- ◆ See the Dnews for change in the workshop in October. **God's Story—Our Story**  
No cuppa needed Sue.  
Thanks every one
- ◆ Confirmation and rite of reception  
Sunday October 31st 10:30am at  
Christchurch Hamilton
- ◆ Clergy Retreat: Monday, 8th November to  
Friday, 12th November, 2021.
- ◆ Our Parish Fete Saturday November 13th

## Sing a New Song to the Lord!

On Sunday afternoon 10th October at 2.30pm, the Ladies' Guild are hoping to stage a concert of organ music, hymns and religious song in the church. This will be followed by light refreshments.

The entry fee is by **NOTE** donation!  
Please inform your family and friends and mark it in your diaries!

It would be great to have a full church...(the concert will only go ahead if current number restrictions increase).



Free Lemons to good homes. As many as you would like. Available from the door of Christchurch Hamilton or delivered to your doorstep anywhere in the parish.

SERVICES THIS WEEK			
Morning and Evening Prayer daily		Christ Church Hamilton	
Wednesday 29th September Eucharist 10.00am		Christ Church Hamilton	
Saturday 2nd October	Vigil 5.00pm	Christ Church Hamilton	
Sunday 3rd October	Eucharist 9.00am Eucharist 10.30am Eucharist 5.00pm	St Marks's Cavendish Christ Church Hamilton St Mary's Dunkeld	
3rd Oct. 2021	Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost	Job 1.1; 2.1-10 Hebrews 1.1-4; 2.5-12	Psalms 26 Mark 10.2-16

## Anglican Parish of Hamilton

### Eighteenth Sunday After 26th September 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: Mark 9.50

Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can it be seasoned? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.

*Collect:*

O God, your Son has taught us that those who give a cup of water in his name will not lose their reward: open our eyes to see those who are in need, and teach us to set no store by riches and earthly rewards, so that, in surrendering ourselves to serve you in your children, we may labour for the treasure that endures; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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 to Church on the Covid Register Paper using your  
**full name to comply with COVID 19 requirements**

Or

Use your phone to register with the complimentary QR code.

SORRY NO CUPPA

**If you are sidesmen**

Could you please make sure that folk check in  
by filling in the book or using the QR code

**We welcome to our Saturday night Vigil  
the Reverend Judy Macpherson from sunny Heywood.**

**Reverend Judy is an outstanding preacher and engaging person.**

*1st Reading:*

Esther 7.1-6, 7.9-10; 9.20-22

<sup>1</sup> So the king and Haman went in to feast with Queen Esther. <sup>2</sup> On the second day, as they were drinking wine, the king again said to Esther, 'What is your petition, Queen Esther? It shall be granted you. And what is your request? Even to the half of my kingdom, it shall be fulfilled.' <sup>3</sup> Then Queen Esther answered, 'If I have won your favour, O king, and if it pleases the king, let my life be given me—that is my petition—and the lives of my people—that is my request.' <sup>4</sup> For we have been sold, I and my people, to be destroyed, to be killed, and to be annihilated. If we had been sold merely as slaves, men and women, I would have held my peace; but no enemy can compensate for this damage to the king.'

<sup>5</sup> Then King Ahasuerus said to Queen Esther, 'Who is he, and where is he, who has presumed to do this?' <sup>6</sup> Esther said, 'A foe and enemy, this wicked Haman!' Then Haman was terrified before the king and the queen. <sup>9</sup> Then Harbona, one of the eunuchs in attendance on the king, said, 'Look, the very gallows that Haman has prepared for Mordecai, whose word saved the king, stands at Haman's house, fifty cubits high.' And the king said, 'Hang him on that.' <sup>10</sup> So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai. Then the anger of the

king abated. <sup>20</sup> Mordecai recorded these things, and sent letters to all the Jews who were in all the provinces of King Ahasuerus, both near and far, <sup>21</sup> enjoining them that they should keep the fourteenth day of the month Adar and also the fifteenth day of the same month, year by year, <sup>22</sup> as the days on which the Jews gained relief from their enemies, and as the month that had been turned for them from sorrow into gladness and from mourning into a holiday; that they should make them days of feasting and gladness, days for sending gifts of food to one another and presents to the poor.

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

Psalms 124

1. If the Lord had not been on our side, now may Israel say: if the Lord had not been on our side, when our enemies rose against us,
2. **Then they would have swallowed us alive: when their anger was kindled against us.**
3. Then the waters would have overwhelmed us, and the torrent gone over

never been our call, and it never will be.

Something fun to think about.

After this was all over, did John have the good grace to go sheepishly back to Doogal and say.

"Umm... well Doogal, I'm sorry you were right. We have checked it out with Jesus and he said it was OK. You are doing a great job. Have the rest of the week off on full pay" Do you think John went back and apologized? Would we?

**Thought for the Week from Mothers' union**

**Ageing with dignity**

Bodies grow less dignified with age. Often minds do as well. 'Dignified' in this case implies a loss of control; a state we don't have any say in, even if we have given directives. Carers of the aged are trained to respect the client and their ministrations are sometimes appreciated and sometimes not. Dignity is seen today as respect that is due to a person. Another understanding of dignity refers to a quality emanating from the person themselves and has to do with their quality, being worthy, honourable. A naked Eve in the Garden of Eden is described by the poet Milton in *Paradise Lost*: 'Grace was in all her steps, Heav'n in her eye, / In every gesture dignity and love.' Book viii, lines 488-9.

But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, which shines brighter and brighter until full day. Proverbs 4:18

As we hold the Anglican Church in Burundi in our mind's eye and heart's care, may all that they ask for - peace and reconciliation, advocacy, education, health, literacy and financial education, and community development - lift the dignity and worth of its members.

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

**CONFIRMATION**



At the end of next month. Sunday October 31st at 10:30am...to be precise. Bishop Garry will be with us to confirm some candidates and to receive one adult into the Anglican Faith. It will be a 5th Sunday and maybe ... just maybe

we will be able to have a Bring and Share lunch to celebrate.

**Christ Church Rosters**

New rosters are at the back of the church

## Today's Homily

### Meet my mate Dougal

Every so often in the gospel we are given a tantalising glimpse into what I call a 'shadow person'. Someone who is necessary to the story of the gospel but we actually aren't told a lot about them.

In today's gospel it is someone who I will call Doogal.

38 John said to Jesus 'Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.' 39 But Jesus said, 'Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterwards to speak evil of me.

So who is this someone who is casting out demons?

This is what we know about Doogal

Doogal knows of Jesus.

Doogal knows that the power of Jesus' name can cast out demons.

Doogal is not one of the 12. He is not part of that intimate group that is talked about here in the gospel. He was not part of the 'inner circle' that they were in.

Therefore Doogal is a bit of an outsider, at least as far as John is concerned.

Doogal is confronted by the disciples and told to stop.

What we are not quite sure about.

It reads like, but we are not sure, that Doogal has been an exorcist for some time. It doesn't sound like the exorcism that John and the others saw was Dougal's first go.

We're not told how it was that Doogal came to be doing what John and the others saw him doing. Could it be that Doogal had watched from afar as Jesus cast demons out of someone else; or perhaps he only heard about it from someone else's report.

Or could it be that Our Lord had actually known him from quite a different encounter that was never recorded. Somebody that Jesus bumped into at one of the dinner parties he went to, or did Jesus haggled with and buy his fish from Doogal at the market?

There must have been lots of these people. Lots of 'Doogals'. Keep your eye open for them and I assure you that it is not a sin to play with the possibilities of these people.

What were they like? What was the backstory? What led them to this particular encounter with Jesus? What happened to them afterwards?

In any case, out of a genuine belief that Jesus had authority over demons—and perhaps being moved with deep compassion for the needy people around him—Doogal had actually been going around casting demons out of people in Jesus' name.

Now this story is just as much about how John got it wrong as it is about how Doogal got it right.

So consider how John felt about what Doogal was doing. He believed strongly that the man should be forbidden from performing the miracle of casting out demons in the name of Jesus. The man was actually in the process of casting demons out of people in Jesus' name; and John and some of the others came and told him to stop. And the reason John gives for stopping the man was—as he himself said—"because he does not follow us".

And please note very carefully, dear brothers and sisters, what John didn't say. He didn't say, "We forbade him because he does not follow You, Lord." Rather, he said, "We forbade him because he does not follow us. He may be casting demons out in Your name, Lord; but he's not a part of our group. He's not in our inner circle. He does not follow us. So John's focus is on the inner cabinet. The clique. John's focus is not about the Master which is its own form of blindness. And sadly, John's focus is also not on the poor tormented soul who needs to get rid of their demon.

"He was not following us" ... but he well may have been following Jesus. With Our Lord there is no room for exclusivity. It is not about us and who belongs to us, it is about who belongs to Jesus and who follows HIM. Further, our war is not against other people it is against evil. With our lives we must write a narrative of the common good of all people. The absolute imperative is always about Him and we will find Him in those who are vulnerable and tormented and weepy and cranky and frightened. Those who find themselves in an odd place, a different dimension, uncharted and wonky territory.

Who is in and who is out is not our call, has

us: the raging waters would have gone clean over us.

4. **But praised be the Lord: who has not given us as a prey to their teeth.**
5. We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler: the snare is broken, and we have gone free.
6. **Our help is in the name of the Lord: who has made heaven and earth.**

*Second Reading:*

James 5.12-20

<sup>12</sup> Above all, my beloved, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, but let your 'Yes' be yes and your 'No' be no, so that you may not fall under condemnation. <sup>13</sup> Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. <sup>14</sup> Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup> The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup> Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. <sup>17</sup> Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. <sup>18</sup> Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. <sup>19</sup> My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, <sup>20</sup> you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

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

*Gospel Acclamation:*

Alleluia **Alleluia**  
Sanctify them in the truth;  
your word is truth.  
**Alleluia**

*The Holy Gospel: Mark 9.38-50*

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>38</sup> John said to him, 'Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.'

<sup>39</sup> But Jesus said, 'Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterwards to speak evil of me. <sup>40</sup> Whoever is not against us is for us. <sup>41</sup> For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. <sup>42</sup> 'If any of you put a stumbling-block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. <sup>43</sup> If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. <sup>45</sup> And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. <sup>47</sup> And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, <sup>48</sup> where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. <sup>49</sup> 'For everyone will be salted with fire. <sup>50</sup> Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.'

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	Joan Mallinson
Len Peters	Evan	Nalani

### For those who have died

Susan White	Willis Harper	Jean Hodges
William Menzal	Angus Kavanagh	Heather Stephens
Vincent Cameron	Denise Dale	Vera Membrey
Elsie Fitzgerald	Muriel Hyde	Walenti Greaves
Zelma Pryor	Judy Marshall	Daisy Rankin
Alan Pratt	Johanna Hickey	Claude Lovett
Mabel Jasper	Joyce Middenway	Margaret Crawford

### For the wider Church and its ministry

- The Episcopal Church
- The Bishop-in-Council
- The Diocesan Ministry Development Committee: Robyn Shackell
- Taraka
- Chaplain AAHS
- Those going through marriage breakdown.
- The family court.

A Fred Flinstone size **THANKYOU** to the hardworking gentlemen who made the chancel step at Christchurch look so spectacular and safe!  
A wonderful effort and great collegiality amongst friends.

**HYMNS**  
**262 512 630 456**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
every second Sunday  
Next is 3rd October

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

The response to the bidding"  
'Come Holy Spirit'... is ...  
**'Strengthen and refresh us'.**

Come Holy Spirit  
**Strengthen and refresh us.**

Filled with the gift of the Spirit, let us offer our petitions to the Father who is always ready to listen to our prayers. That the Church may proclaim God's great love for all of mankind. For Garry our Bishop and for the parish of the West Wimmera as they seek out a faithful priest to serve God's people.  
*Come Holy Spirit –**Strengthen and refresh us.***

For those who feel excluded by bitterness, prejudice or belief. That we may strive afresh to break down the barriers which keep us from demonstrating God's love for all people.  
*Come Holy Spirit –**Strengthen and refresh us.***

For those who manage corporations and financial institutions, that they may conduct their business with justice and a commitment to the common good. For those who have been made redundant recently and those who feel trapped in their jobs.  
*Come Holy Spirit –**Strengthen and refresh us.***

For those who are suffering from the effects of physical, sexual or substance abuse; that they may be healed and made whole through the compassionate care of family and friends. We pray especially for those who will be affected by COVID this week and for all children in the Intensive Care Unit of the Royal Children's Hospital.  
*Come Holy Spirit –**Strengthen and refresh us.***

For our blessed dead that they may come at last to that living vision of Jesus their Lord. We pray especially for the souls of the recently departed  
*Come Holy Spirit –**Strengthen and refresh us.***

Bestow your Spirit upon us O Lord, so that in all things we may act in Jesus' name, to reach

out to one another without condition, judgement, or bias; without thought to the cost and for no other reason, that they are your sons and daughters, the image of your divine Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Chronicle

On Tuesday 31st of August a new edition of the Chronicle arrived. It has lashings about our Grammar school. It can be delivered free to your letter box no matter where you live in the Parish.

## Of Daylight saving

Daylight Saving starts in the early hours of Sunday October 3rd, this means that....

- All Saints' Penshurst October service on the 24th of October will be 5pm
- The Saturday night Vigil Mass will become 6pm on the 9th of October.

**Please** do remember to book in for the Saturday night vigil service and especially Sunday morning at Christchurch. Places really are strictly limited and we do not want to be put in the position of having to turn folk away if we exceed our allotted 20. You can book in one of the following ways  
Phone the parish landline 5571 1317  
Phone or text the mobile 0435 867 040  
email [droulton72@gmail.com](mailto:droulton72@gmail.com)

Please also consider attending the Wednesday service at Christchurch at 10am or one of our Satellite centres.  
This coming Sunday 3rd of October Mass will be celebrated at St. Marks Cavendish at 9:00am and St. Mary's Dunkeld at 5:00pm  
Everyone is extremely welcoming in this parish. I know that the folk in these places would enjoy your company.