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Each week. There is a new free complimentary dNews

Fr. David's easy quiz

Our parish has how many Synod representatives

- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5

Fr. David's hard quiz

This year it is planned that...

- Work will happen on Christ Church spire
- A spa bath will be installed in the Rectory (Yippeee!)
- Solar panels will be installed on the Parish Hall

The answers from last weeks quiz were

- Universal
- 8 weeks

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

SERVICES THIS WEEK			
Morning and Evening Prayer daily		Christ Church Hamilton	
Wednesday 16th February	Eucharist 10.00am	Christ Church Hamilton	
Saturday 19th February	Vigil 6.00pm	Christ Church Hamilton	
Sunday 20th February	Eucharist 9.00am	St Mark's Cavendish	
	Eucharist 10.30am	Christ Church Hamilton	
	Eucharist 5.00pm	St Mary's Dunkeld	
20th February 2022 Colour: Green	Seventh Sunday After Epiphany	Genesis 45.3-11, 15 1 Corinthians 15.35-50	Psalms 37.1-11, 40-41 Luke 6.27-38
Reader 1: Jenny	Reader 2: Neville	Intercessor: Sue	Sides People: Jan & Tony

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National Church Life Survey is coming to a church near you.

Happy Harry hooted with hilarity when he realised that as a chap he could go to the Hamilton Hamper on Thursday at 3pm.

Lovely Linda licked her lips for she knew that there was liquid refreshment for the ladies at the Lemon Myrtle on Thursday at 3pm

Parish Council next meets on Thursday the 17th of February at 5:30pm. Hoorah! the first one for 2022.

Brutus is on his way...



Anglican Parish of Hamilton Sixth Sunday After Epiphany 13th February 2022

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: Luke 6.23

Blessed are you when people hate you on account of the Son of man. Rejoice and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven.

Collect: .

Righteous God, you challenge the powers that rule this world and you show favour to the oppressed: instil in us a true sense of justice, that we may discern the signs of your kingdom and

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

If you are sidesmen could you please make sure that folk check in by filling in the book or using the QR Code.

1st Reading: Jeremiah 17.5-10

⁵ Thus says the Lord :

Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord . ⁶ They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. ⁷ Blessed are those who trust in the Lord , whose trust is the Lord . ⁸ They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. ⁹ The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse— who can understand it? ¹⁰ I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalms 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.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.12-20

¹² Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; ¹⁴ and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. ¹⁵ We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. ¹⁷ If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. ¹⁹ If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. ²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

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Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia Alleluia
Rejoice and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven
Alleluia

Now that my friends, is real power. That is real authority. It is far more effective, far more lasting, far more exciting and far more impressive than anyone who jumps tall buildings and can't dress themselves properly. In today's gospel it's almost as if Jesus is saying well
"Yes, all the whizz bang healing and exorcisms are one thing, but there's something else going on as well. Something just as important and vital. He looks at us as he looked at his disciples and he says

"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.
"Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.
"Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.
"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man.
And if we took a deep breath, looked into his eyes and said
"Yes I am poor
Yes I am hungry
Yes I am weeping"
Then we could be heroes, not just for one day, but forever ever and ever amen.

Next week's homily:
He finds the words,... when we have none.

New Roster

Copies of the new roster beginning 2/1/22 are a the back of the Christ Church. If there is anyone who would like to help in any way please talk to Jenny. Helpers particularly for cleaning are very low. Thank you.

So just who is Skylar Grace

Carter? Skylar is the daughter of Peter and Celina and will be baptised at the Saturday Night Vigil mass at 6:00pm on the 19th of February. This is an act of public worship and all are very welcome.

During Lent...

Fr. David will be available for the rite of Reconciliation

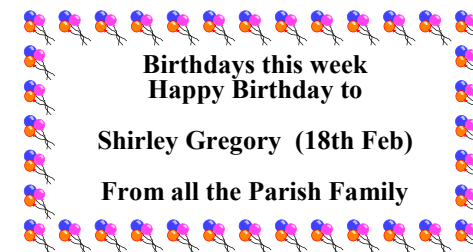
Stations of the cross will be celebrated at Christchurch Hamilton at 9:15am on Wednesday morning.

- Q. What do Tinned fruit, sugar and rice all have in common?**
A. They are all things you can donate to Anglicare



EXCITING NEWS Guild Easter Raffle

Tickets available in 2 weeks time.
Drawn Easter Sunday
17th April



**Birthdays this week
Happy Birthday to**

Shirley Gregory (18th Feb)

From all the Parish Family

Today's Homily

We could be heroes



When I first read the gospel for today my thoughts zoomed in on this verse. "And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them."

There is something healing when we are physically touched by another. It's one of the things I miss not only in COVID times but also because a minority of my colleagues have abused the privilege of touch and their position of trust.

Once upon a time it was quite acceptable for a sad person to sob on my shoulder at the graveside. That is no longer the case and I am sorry that a few have stolen this privilege. Nowadays clergy have to be super vigilant, careful and sadly we might seem a little distant and cool.

But back to the gospel reading. It's very true that when you give yourself pastorally to another power does go out of you. But this allows miracles to happen in all sorts of guises.

I reckon The Master would have been exhausted after all that healing.

I also reflected that it would be great to have super powers like Jesus. Think of the good we could all do. No more need for RAT tests, IV drips and ventilators. Just a quick prayer, a laying on of hands, some holy oil, a blessing and you're all sorted. A superhero to the rescue

When we think of the sort of person that would be a superhero the image we might conjure up is someone who is able to leap tall buildings in a single bound, is faster than a speeding bullet, has a long flowing cape and might wear their underwear on the outside. Someone invincible, super tough, impervious to feeling. More resilient than teflon and indestructible as a cockroach. Someone who can heal 99.9% of the people 100% off the time.

But then the gospel reading goes on and we get the beatitudes. Matthew also has a very similar version of the beatitudes. These sayings or beatitudes elevate the most unusual

and unexpected people to the status of superhero.

Blessed are you who are poor,
'Blessed are you who are hungry
Blessed are you who weep,

'Blessed are you when people hate you, when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you.

So it is the poor, the hungry, the weeping, the defamed and hated that are the real our super heroes. These are the powerful ones, these are people we turn to when life drops unpleasant messes upon us from a great height.

This doesn't sound right in our slick 21st century way of thinking. So let me try to explain. The people who have ministered most effectively to my tears are those who have known the power of tears themselves.

The one who has ministered most powerfully to me in my sinfulness, is the one I know to be a cheeky, grubby brat who personally understands what forgiveness is really all about. It is those who have known exclusion and prejudice who have confronted me most efficaciously about my own blinkered perceptions.

It is not the slick smooth hand of the professional that I need when mine is mucky and bleeding. It is the pierced gnarly calloused hand of The Master Carpenter that I want to reach out to and grasp when I am smushed. Or to use another analogy. It is the alcoholic who has not had a drink for 11 years, 5 months, 3 weeks and 24 days who can be most effective to the person who has just admitted to being an alcoholic.

Part of this upside down puzzle is because those who are broken and tearful and hungry... and know it, come from an unconquerably strong place of authenticity. There's no dress ups and pretending when you are sobbing. There are delusions or pretensions when you know you have fallen from grace. Hunger cannot be fudged. There is no charade with poverty of spirit or possessions. This is it. Naked, raw humanity swallowed up by God's all consuming grace. His unquenchable love does not stay away from our ugly bits, but rather gathers us into His loving embrace to redeem, to sanctify, to make us whole and turn us into angels and messengers of good news.

The Holy Gospel: Luke 6.17-26

The Lord be with you.
And also with you

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
According to St Luke

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

¹⁷ He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. ¹⁸ They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹ And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. ²⁰ Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the

kingdom of God. ²¹ 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. ²² 'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³ Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. ²⁴ 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. ²⁵ 'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. ²⁶ 'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

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

PANCAKE DAY- The Mothers' Union will host a pancake social evening for PARISHIONERS ONLY on Tuesday 1st March at 6pm.

Please come along and join us for a pancake tea and an opportunity to catch up with everyone. A list is at the back of Christ Church for catering purposes. There will be no entry fee- and COVID safety arrangements will be adhered to.

Enquiries- Susan M 0408 528 781.

ANGLICAN BOOK FAIR- Will be running- for our 30th year- in the HUB. Setting up day will be Sunday 27th February commencing at 1pm. Many hands make light work- so please come along if you can help in any way. The Book Fair will be open from Thursday 3rd March until Easter. Please note- NO DONATIONS OF BOOKS are required at the moment.

Susan M 0408 528 781



Ash Wednesday this year is on Wednesday the 2nd of March. There will be two masses celebrated at Christ Church Hamilton. The regular 10am service and one at 7:00pm. All are welcome.

For your Prayers this week

For the sick and in need

Phil Reid	Katie Kuiper	Nalani
Fr Peter Treloar	Fr Paddy	Gwen Kenny
Virginia	John O'Donnell	Steven Yorston
Dorothy	Evan	
Len Peters	Dash	
Dorothy	Joan Mallinson	

For those who have died

Stephan Brimacombe	Peter Greed	Albert Buchanan
Esme Brewis	Clive Norris	Alice White
Maria Day	John Frost	George Meade
Eileen Elkins	James Hayes	Mavis Vaughan
Marlyn Day	William Fowler	Venus Aldridge

For the wider Church and its ministry

- The Nippon Sei Ko Kai
- Northern Territory: Greg Anderson
- West Wimmera: Nagi Habib (locum)
- Ministry among the Karen people. - Nay Htoo Khin
- Koinambe
- Those who work the land and our rural communities



Harvest Festival at St. Peters Glenthompson

Sunday February 27th at 7:00pm.

A marvellous evening to give thanks for all we have and to share our abundance with others.
All are welcome

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Intercessions for the Eucharist and for you to say at home

The Response to the bidding ...

"Our trust is in the Lord," ... is **"Our hope and salvation"**.

"Our trust is in the Lord," ... **"Our hope and salvation"**.

To God the author of love and source of hope, let us offer our prayers; for our church that she may become a living, nurturing community of faith. For Garry our Bishop and for the parish of the West Wimmera. For Fr. Nahgi (Nargee) serving as locum and for a faithful priest to be found for Gods people in that place.

"Our trust is in the Lord,"
"Our hope and salvation".

That those who are affected by political instability will find security in the nearer presence of Christ. For the gift of wisdom on those who must make and pronounce judgement and all who will offer legal advice.

"Our trust is in the Lord,"
"Our hope and salvation".

For our own selves and our parish as we prepare for the great forty days of Lent. That we may make the most of the blessings and opportunities that these days offer.

"Our trust is in the Lord,"
"Our hope and salvation".

For the blessed who mourn, for those who are coping with loss or broken relationships; for all who despair; that they may find in our care and support, joy, fulfilment and hope.

"Our trust is in the Lord,"
"Our hope and salvation".

For all who spend this day in physical, spiritual or psychological pain. For those who tend them and for those who feel as though they have nowhere to turn. For all who are on ventilators in ICU, suffering with COVID

"Our trust is in the Lord,"
"Our hope and salvation".

For all who have died, especially the recently departed ... that Christ will raise them up to the

glory of His Resurrection.
"Our trust is in the Lord,"
"Our hope and salvation".

For the prayers we now offer in the silence of our hearts (Pause 1,...2,...3,...).

"Our trust is in the Lord,"
"Our hope and salvation".

Deliver us O God, from the poverty of selfishness; enrich us with the treasure of humble giving; feed us with the bread of your life and love. Hear these prayers we offer you in the name of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.
Amen

Thought for the Week from Mothers Union Australia Transforming lives

Christian history is crammed full of those who have been instrumental in transforming lives. And Jesus is the model for this transformative power. He TOUCHED people, literally and figuratively. From a baby born in straightened circumstances to a 'king' on a donkey and a cross, he shocked his followers and his enemies. Transformation is always risky. We feel that in our bones as every challenge is faced, for our own transformation is the basis of any transformation we may desire for others. Whatever we have in mind, let us pray for amazing grace to guide us. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. Philippians 4:3

We are asked to pray for the diocese of Dornakal in the Church of South India. Give thanks for the diocesan school which officially re-opened at the end of October after a two year lockdown. Eighteen pupils came on the first day and each week the numbers have been increasing. There are now 60 pupils and more families are enquiring about places.