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Each week. There is a new free complimentary dNews

Fr. David's easy quiz

This year at our Annual Meeting we need to elect how many parish councillors

- 6 Parish councillors
- 9 Parish Councillors
- 12 Parish Councillors
- The number is yet to be determined

Fr. David's hard quiz

This year at our Annual Meeting we need to elect how many Synod reps?

- 2 Synod Reps and 1 supplementary
- 3 Synod reps and 2 supplementary
- 4 synod reps and 2 supplementary
- The number is yet to be determined at the next meeting of Bishop in Council.

The answers from last weeks quiz were:

Easy Quiz: Stole

Hard Quiz: Gnashed their teeth at him

Caffeine and chatter It all happens on Thursday at 3:00pm. Ladies to the Lemon Myrtle and gents to the Hamilton Hamper. All are very welcome

Wool Drive Fundraiser

Phil Schultz at Endeavour Wools, has generously offered to collect and sell any donations of wool for us, without taking commission. He is in the old Kit Set building on Mt Baimbridge Rd.

If you, or anybody you know, might have any wool that you are prepared to donate, please give Phil a call on 0427 686 674 to arrange a drop-off.

Any half butts, full butts, or even odds and ends would be greatly appreciated.

We don't really want wool with dags as it is impossible to sell. (Hope that isn't offensive!)

I'm sure you all know that I am certainly no expert when it comes to wool so if you have a question, please don't hesitate to call Phil. For those who have already agreed to donate sheep, please accept my gratitude and appreciation. The PIC numbers, and all the bio-security requirements have made the logistics too much of a headache!

If you would like to make contact, I am Caroline Mills (previously Bullen), On 0427 807 498.

Our Parish figures and finances for 1st Dec to 31st December

- Income this month \$8656
- Expenditure \$13467
- Our debt to the Diocese \$21361

There is a cuppa in the hall after the service. All welcome

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Saturday	28th January	Vigil 6.00pm	Christ Church Hamilton
Sunday	29th January	Eucharist 9.00am Eucharist 10.30am Eucharist 5.00pm	St Mark's Cavendish Christ Church Hamilton St Mary's Dunkeld

29th January. 2023 Colour: Green	Fourth Sunday After Epiphany	Micah 6.1-8 1 Corinthians 1.18-31	Psalm: 15 Matthew 5.1-12
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Reader 1: Jennys	Reader 2: Eileen	Intercessor: Meredith	Sides People: Gavin & Elizabeth
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Anglican Parish of Hamilton

Third Sunday After Epiphany

22nd January 2023

WELCOME

Sentence: Matthew 4.23

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Collect:

Loving God, the light of the minds that know you, the life of the souls that love you, and the strength of the hearts that serve you: help us so to know you that we may truly love you, and so to love you that we may faithfully serve you, whose service is perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Parish Directory

Parish Website: www.hamiltonanglican.org.au
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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**

1st Reading: Isaiah 9.1-4

¹ But there will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. ² The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness— on them light has shined. ³ You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. ⁴ For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalms 27.1-10

1. The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom then shall I fear?: the Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
2. **When the wicked, even my enemies and my foes, come upon me to devour me: they shall stumble and fall.**
3. If an army encamp against me, my heart shall not be afraid: and if war should rise against me, yet will I trust.
4. **One thing I have asked from the Lord, which I will require: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,**
5. To see the fair beauty of the Lord: and to seek his will in his temple.

6. **For he will hide me under his shelter in the day of trouble: and conceal me in the shadow of his tent, and set me high upon a rock.**

7. And now he will lift up my head: above my enemies round about me.

8. **And I will offer sacrifices in his sanctuary with exultation: I will sing, I will sing praises to the Lord.**

9. O Lord, hear my voice when I cry: have mercy upon me and answer me.

10. **My heart has said of you, 'Seek his face': your face, Lord, I will seek.**

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1.10-18

¹⁰ Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you should be in agreement and that there should be no divisions among you, but that you should be united in the same mind and the same purpose. ¹¹ For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. ¹² What I mean is that each of you says, 'I belong to Paul', or 'I belong to Apollos', or 'I belong to Cephas', or 'I belong to Christ.' ¹³ Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴ I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵ so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶ (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷ For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power. ¹⁸ For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to

seven leaves for the four thousand, and how many basketfuls you gathered? How is it you don't understand that I was not talking to you about bread? But be on your guard against the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees."

They snore their way through much of the garden of Gethsemane when Our Lord is praying and only John makes it to the foot of the cross. But knowing all this, understanding their flaws and their foibles, seeing how fractured and hapless they are, he still calls them.

Question ... Why? Surely it would have been easier to look at a few other resumes and make a different shortlist of candidates.

Answer; He calls them because they are worth it. He calls them because He loves them and He calls them because He can see their potential and their possibilities.

And this my brothers and sisters is very good news. The Master also looks deeply into our lives, our hearts and our souls and He well understands how glitched up and haywire, how imperfect and inaccurate we are and yet... and yet... He calls us because He sees our potential and our possibilities.

And if He can see our possibilities and see our potential... then why can't we?

Next week's homily

Meet Fr. Ichabod

Some dates for your diary

- * Jeanine and Fr. David's Annual leave 28th of January to 3rd of February.
- * January 29th- Sunday after the 10.30am service- Mothers' Union meeting in the Church Hall.
- * Christ Church Guild Thursday 9th of February
- * Parish Council meets on Thursday 16th of February.
- * Ash Wednesday 22nd of February
- * February 25th- Setting Up of the Annual Book Fair

January is...the month to bring back your Palm Cross and give it to Fr. David.

Of R & R

Jeanine and Fr. David will be on annual leave from Saturday 28th and return in time for the Saturday Vigil Mass on the 4th of February. In case of crisis please contact the parish of Warrnambool on 5561 1687 or 0418 672 808. Fr. Russell Trickey will be celebrating the weekend masses on the 28th and 29th of January. Please make him welcome.

One way to make Fr. Russell welcome is to join in the bring and share lunch for our 5th Sunday celebrations. It's a great opportunity to meet and welcome a new face into our midst.

A Chat with Cherie Greed

At some point all of us will find ourselves chatting with a funeral director. While we are having this conversation our hearts and heads will be all over the place. Wouldn't it be better if we could just have an informal gathering with a Funeral director in a gentle Q & A session.

Mrs. Cherie Greed will be with us on Friday 24th of February at 7:00pm where she will pastorally outline the process of organising a funeral and answer all those questions that you may have been too shy to ask.

All you have to do is put your name down on the clipboard at the back of Christchurch Hamilton by Friday 17th of February or let Fr. David know. There is no charge for this evening and all are welcome.

Today's Homily

Of potential and possibilities.

On the Sundays this year we will be reading through the gospel of Matthew. It was written to encourage the small and fragile community of converted Jews who lived in the region of Galilee and Syria. They suffered persecution and threats from their Jewish brethren because they had accepted Jesus as the Messiah and also for having received the pagans. In order to strengthen them in their faith, the Gospel of Matthew insists on saying that Jesus really is the Messiah and the salvation which Jesus comes to bring is not only for the Jews, but for all of humanity. We glimpsed this earlier this month when Matthew introduced us to the three magi who bring mysterious Christmass presents to Mary and Joseph. Remember they come from the east and so are foreigners and outsiders. Only Matthew has this little story. So this year, look out for the places where Matthew will underscore Jesus' Messiahship and his claim that salvation is for absolutely everyone. For example, right at the end of Matthew's gospel the universality of salvation is underscored again in emphatic style with Jesus command to "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit," Two other things to watch out for in Matthew "The Kingdom of Heaven." The phrase appears no less than thirty-two times ...and Matthews prolific use of parables; no less than 23 of them. Today's gospel can easily be divided up into three chunks.

Chunk one. Jesus Begins His Ministry in Galilee

"Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali. From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.'" Notice that Jesus goes into foreign territory. He makes his home in Capernaum in the terri-

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tory of Zebulun and Naphtali. Jesus is the Messiah for all people.

Chunk 2 Jesus Calls the First Disciples

He calls two lots of two brothers. Simon Peter and his brother Andrew. Then he headhunts James and John from their Dads fishing company. I always wondered how Zebedee felt about this when his workforce was suddenly and severely diminished.

Chunk 3 Jesus Ministers to Crowds of People

Jesus cures 'every disease and every sickness among the people'.

'They brought to him all the sick, those who were afflicted with various diseases and pains, demoniacs, epileptics, and paralytics.'

But then we get another geography lesson which underscores Matthew's teaching of how Jesus is for every people of every land.

'So his fame spread throughout all Syria. And great crowds followed him from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.'

These three chunks show us the continuous flow of discipleship. There is a calling followed by an active and visible ministry. Matthews' Jesus is extremely public. He speaks often to great crowds but he also understands the importance of making some quiet time.

"But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen".

But it is the second chunk, the call of the disciples, that I kept being drawn back to today. For your reflection this week you may like to chomp on these things.

We think that we have taken the initiative with God but in fact he took the initiative with us a long time ago. He knew us when we were being formed in the womb. Sometimes it just takes us a little while to catch on and catch up and then we can begin to see the true order of things.

On the Sea of Galilee when Jesus calls those first 4 disciples Peter, Andrew, James and John he understood that there would be times when they would disappoint, frustrate and sadden him.

Sometimes they just wouldn't get it.

"Do you still not understand? Don't you remember the five loaves for the five thousand, and how many basketfuls you gathered? Or the

us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, **Alleluia**

Jesus went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease among the people.

Alleluia

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 4.12-25

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
According to St Matthew

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

¹² Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³ He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the lake, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴ so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵ 'Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— ¹⁶ the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.' ¹⁷ From that time Jesus began to proclaim, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.' ¹⁸ As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ And he said to them, 'Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.' ²⁰ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹ As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebe-

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dee, mending their nets, and he called them. ²² Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. ²³ Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. ²⁴ So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought to him all the sick, those who were afflicted with various diseases and pains, demoniacs, epileptics, and paralytics, and he cured them. ²⁵ And great crowds followed him from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

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

For your Prayers this week

For the sick and in need

Dash Joan Mallinson Barbara Oliver Gwen Kenny	Steven Yorston Ethel Murray Phil Reid Bruce Cuming	Fr David Lord Ian Hartley Brad Bowden
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For those who have died

Rob Menzel. Bruce Cuming.

For those whose Year's Mind we remember

Ella Eales Joyce Taylor Harold Archer Charles Ellis Jessie Fox	Margaret Evans Warrick Willows—Priest Francis Pitman Eva Button Fredrick Richardson	Clarice Carter Clifford Manson Clarence Coonr
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For the wider Church and its ministry

- The Church of North India (United)
- NATSIAC – Bp Chris Mcleod (also Dean of Adelaide)
- Willochra: Jeremy James TSSF (Bishop-Elect), Martin Bleby (Administrator)
- Stawell: Heather Scott
- Pre & Post Ordination Training: Fr Peter Treloar & The Bishop.
- Mt Hagen
- Koori communities within the Diocese.

Christ Church Key Register

The Key Register for Christ Church requires updating. To facilitate this, the lock on the Parish Office door will be changed on Monday 30 January. From that date current keys will no longer allow access to that room.

The following people will be issued keys to the new lock:

Rector, Office Staff, Treasurer and Parish Secretary

Any other person who feels that they also require a key to the Parish Office should contact the Parish Secretary.

All new office keys will be numbered and are to be signed for in the Parish Key Register.

All members holding a key to the Sacristy are to contact the Secretary to arrange for the key to be sighted and signed for again.

Graeme Mustow

Parish Secretary

TODAY'S HYMNS
522 417 630 740

Intercessions for the Eucharist and for you to say at home

The response to the bidding:

“Glorify us Lord”.... is ...

“With the glory of Christ”

Glorify us Lord....**With the glory of Christ.**

Father of lights, today we offer you our thanks and praise for calling us into your marvellous light. We ask that the Church's leaders will preach the gospel effectively and so draw all people to you. We pray for Garry our Bishop and for God's people in Stawell. For Deacon Heather as she serves them there
Glorify us Lord....With the glory of Christ.

We pray that the efforts of all mankind will make the world more human, and that we will be purified and strengthened by the power of your Spirit. We remember Syria, Yemen and the Ukraine For all those who live under the cloud of prejudice
Glorify us Lord....With the glory of Christ.

We ask that we may be so dedicated to the service of others, that the whole human family may become a pleasing sacrifice in your honour. We offer those whose lives we will be privileged to touch this week
Glorify us Lord....With the glory of Christ..

At the dawn of a new week, fill us with your mercy, that every day may be a time of joy and praise

Glorify us Lord....With the glory of Christ.

For those who are suffering in body, spirit or mind. Bless and protect those who tend them and all who are anxious for them. We give thanks for the work of our emergency services and ask for the gifts of skill and compassion
Glorify us Lord....With the glory of Christ.

Loving Father You call all people to yourself. Welcome those who we have known and enjoyed, into your nearer presence. We pray especially for the recently departed Rob Menzel, Bruce Cuming and those whose years mind occurs at about this time

Glorify us Lord....With the glory of Christ..

Father, you know our needs before we express them. Show your kindness to your people gathered here in the unity of prayer. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

So.. what does \$8 buy you?

A beautifully hand stitched, home made wine bag or glasses case or mobile phone rest. Available from Christ Church Hall.

MOTHERS' UNION MEETING

The first meeting for 2023 will be held after the Bring and Share Luncheon on Sunday the 29th- at approximately 1pm. Members are encouraged to share in the luncheon and fellowship before this.

Plans for Shrove Tuesday and the annual Book Fair will be discussed as well as monthly meeting agendas.

Everyone is welcome to attend – existing members, intending members and fellow parishioners.

Susan M 0408528 781

A Big Thank You

Anglicare Warrnambool thank our Parish Family for the latest gift of foods. It is very much appreciated by all who receive the donations.