

## dNews

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### Fr. David's easy quiz

While they were on vacation Jeanine and Fr. David went to

- New York
- Bali
- The Gold coast
- Singapore

### Fr. David's hard quiz

What is the Triduum?

- A collective term for the three holy oils
- Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter day
- The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit
- The collective term for the three blades or pips on Fr. David's biretta

The answers from last weeks quiz were:

Easy Quiz: June

Hard Quiz: 14

### The minutes for the Parish

**Council meeting** held in November are on the notice boards at the back of Christ Church

**Cuppa 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

**Thank you** to all those who helped with The book Fair this week. (the roster to take a shift is down at the Book Fair in the Hub itself) it's a great way to meet lots of splendid people and help the mission of the Church.

## 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.

*"Did you know that so far this effort has raised \$7535 with still more coming in. A Huge Merino sized thank you to all those generous people who have made it happen".*

### Our Parish figures and finances for February 2024

Income this month 14,155

Expenditure 13,998

Our debt to the Diocese \$16,000



## Anglican Parish of Hamilton

Fifth Sunday In Lent

17th March 2024

WELCOME

Sentence: Jeremiah 31.33

'This is the covenant I will make with them,' says the Lord God: 'I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God and they shall be my people.'

*Collect:*

O God, our Redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope: renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### Parish Directory

Parish Website: [www.hamiltonanglican.org.au](http://www.hamiltonanglican.org.au)

Parish Facebook: [facebook.com/AnglicanHamilton](https://facebook.com/AnglicanHamilton)

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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.

### SERVICES THIS WEEK

Wednesday	20th March	Holy Communion 10.00am	Christ Church Hamilton
Saturday	23rd March	Vigil 6.00pm	Christ Church Hamilton
Sunday	24th March	Eucharist 9.00am Eucharist 10.30am Eucharist 5.00pm	St Peter's Glenhompson Christ Church Hamilton All Saints' Penshurst
Reader 1: Tony	Reader 2 Eileen	Intercessor: Helen	Sides People: Tony & Jan

### Christ Church Hamilton

St Mary's  
Dunkeld

St Peter's  
Glenhompson

St Mark's  
Cavendish

All Saints'  
Penshurst

1st Reading: Jeremiah 31.31-34

<sup>31</sup> The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. <sup>32</sup> It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. <sup>33</sup> But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. <sup>34</sup> No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, 'Know the Lord', for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

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

Psalms 119.9-16

9. How shall the young keep their path pure: unless they hold to your word?
10. **I have sought you with my whole heart: let me not stray from your commandments.**
11. I have treasured your words in my heart: that I might not sin against you.
12. **Blessed are you, Lord God: O teach me your statutes.**
13. With my lips I have been telling: all the judgements of your mouth;
14. **And I find more joy in the way of your commands: than in all manner of riches.**
15. I will meditate on your precepts: and give heed to your ways;
16. **For my delight is wholly in your statutes: and I will not forget your word.**

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2nd Reading: Hebrews 5.5-14

<sup>5</sup> So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you';  
<sup>6</sup> as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.'  
<sup>7</sup> In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. <sup>8</sup> Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; <sup>9</sup> and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, <sup>10</sup> having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek. <sup>11</sup> About this we have much to say that is hard to explain, since you have become dull in understanding. <sup>12</sup> For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic elements of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food; <sup>13</sup> for everyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is unskilled in the word of righteousness. <sup>14</sup> But solid food is for the mature, for those whose faculties have been trained by practice to distinguish good from evil.

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

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!**  
Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also.  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory!**

The Holy Gospel: John 12.20-33

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**

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Are you the woman who only has a solitary vase of ointment and so many tears?

**Next weeks homily**  
He washed their feet. Part 1

### ANNUAL BOOK FAIR

Thank you everyone for all the assistance in manning the Book Fair  
The roster is at the BOOK FAIR- and all are welcome to pop their name on.  
We endeavour to have two people on each shift.  
Books are flying out the doors- so please encourage friends and family to donate their unwanted SALEABLE books.

ANY ENQUIRIES SUSAN M 0408528781

This year the proceeds will be allocated to :

- ◆ A Water project in Myanmar (an ABM project)
- ◆ Anglicare Australia (Disaster relief)
- ◆ The Christ Church ceiling project.

### Calling all Gentlemen.

On Saturday 23rd of March we are having a Men's Breakfast in our parish hall. 8:00am for 8:30am. Cost is \$12. All are welcome.  
'Please sign up on the clipboard at the back of the Church for catering purposes'

**Holy Thursday night** is March the 28th and our liturgy at Christ Church Hamilton begins at 7:30pm. We need 12 people to have a foot washed. If you would be one of the lucky 12 please sign up on the clipboard at the back of the Church. Vigil will be kept until 10pm. You may wish to sign up for that as well.

**Clay pigeon shooting** is on again at Earlene and Neil's place on Sunday 17th of March.  
Please book with Earlene on 0448 832 202

### Of Easter flowers

If you have some of these to spare for our Easter celebrations, the Church will be open from 8:00am On Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

**Our Local Fundraising Committee** meets next on Thursday 21st at 1:30pm. All ideas and folk are welcome.

**Parish Council** gathers together on Thursday 21st of March at 5:30pm.

### Home Produce, Trash and Treasure Market.

From 9am on Saturday April 20th in the Parish Hall. Everyone and everything is welcome.

### MU Lady Day celebrations

happen at our Cathedral on Monday 8th of April at 11:00am.

## Today's Homily

This Lent we share Bishop Stephen Cotterell's series "the things he did"

### He ate with tax collectors and sinners part 2

Another shadow crosses the day. They stare at him, dumbfounded. He is very irritating. Not only does he accept this woman's offering. Not only does he shame them in front of her, reminding them that there will always be poor people to serve.

Now he says that he won't always be around. He says that this anointing is for his burial. Everyone looks aghast. It is good to sit and eat with him. But it is also so hard and uncomfortable. He is one of those people that as soon as you think you've got him worked out goes and does something to confound you.

They sit around his table and they are covered in embarrassment. They don't really know why. Nothing is as they expect it to be. Have they come to Jerusalem for life and for victory, or for death and defeat and will they even know what each one looks like?

They know the religious authorities have it in for him. But there isn't really any evidence. Apart from this. Their constant gripe: he eats with tax collectors and sinners. He doesn't deny it. He revels in it. He seeks out the lost. He embraces those who must not be embraced. He makes himself unclean and then calls them – the scribes and Pharisees, the keepers of the law – dirty. That was their complaint. And he gave as good as he got. He called them blind guides who strained a gnat but swallowed a camel; whitewashed tombs that looked lovely on the outside but inside were full of bones. He called them hypocrites who did not go into God's kingdom themselves but stopped everyone else. And when they complained about him and the company he kept, he just smiled and said, 'Those who are well have no need of a doctor, only those who are sick.'

Sitting round the table, his head dripping with the oil of an anointing which was for death, they too felt ashamed, were painfully aware of the muddled compromises of their own hypocrisy, even though they were his friends and his guests, and they ached for the medicine that

only he could bring. To look at him and the things he did was a healing; it was like looking in a mirror and seeing what humanity was supposed to be like and seeing yourself as you could be. Such a vision of a changed and redeemed humanity was wonderfully compelling. But it was also deeply challenging. He knew that some would embrace him and, weeping with lament, ask to be healed and set free. But others would harden their hearts and turn away. This was the one thing he couldn't do: make people's choices for them. Everyone had to make their own. They sat around the table in silence pondering which way to turn. The dice span in the air.

One of the Twelve who was there around the table was particularly indignant. He had put a lot of trust in Jesus. He had followed him since the beginning. He had seen Jesus do wonderful things. He had thrilled at his rhetoric. He had longed for his kingdom. He had believed in him. But this belief was starting to waver. Jesus was looking less like a king and more like a servant. He didn't like this. It wasn't right. He didn't really know who Jesus was any more; or even what he wanted him to be; or whether this would only become apparent if the pace of events was pushed a little. His motives were desperately confused. He was angry, but he didn't really know why. Later that day he went to the chief priests. He thought there was probably enough evidence against Jesus for them at least to arrest him. He said that he could tell them where he was. They were very pleased and offered him money in return for his service. From that moment, Judas looked for an opportunity to betray Jesus.

For your reflection ...

In this story are you the Master. The one who accepts graciously the richness of those who give out of their poverty but in so doing showing the overabundance of their love which cannot be exchanged into any earthly currency.

Or

Are you one of those who are cranky, indignant and disappointed with the way the dinner party is going?

Or

<sup>20</sup> Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. <sup>21</sup> They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' <sup>22</sup> Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. <sup>23</sup> Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. <sup>24</sup> Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. <sup>25</sup> Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. <sup>26</sup> Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour. <sup>27</sup> Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. <sup>28</sup> Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' <sup>29</sup> The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' <sup>30</sup> Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. <sup>31</sup> Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. <sup>32</sup> And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' <sup>33</sup> He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

For the Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

**On a yellow slip of paper**, ideal for placing on your fridge, is the Holy week and Easter service times.

### Books Books Books

at our Book Fair...only until Wednesday 27th of March.

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## Fashion Parade

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2024

Clothes from Inspire

Beginning at noon with lunch, prepared by the Guild and friends.

Venue: Anglican Church Hall

Booking for catering purposes please contact:

Sue 5572 5068

Roma 0439 382210

Judy 55721990

The cost is \$25.00

**Palm Sunday** is next week and Mass begins in the Hall at Christ Church Hamilton. Looking forward to seeing you there.

## Come Saturday 30th of March

(Holy Saturday) if you have some time to help to clean brass and present Christ Church at its shiny best for Easter, please gather from 9:00am onwards.

## Eye Glasses

A pair of eye glasses were found in the hall. They are black with wooden look arms. They are at the back of the church.

## There is an invitation from Rotary Hamilton

to participate in a Community Conversation on Domestic Violence. Please refer to the email on the notice board at the back of Christ Church.

Venue: Hamilton Golf Club.

Speaker: Simone O'Brien a domestic violence survivor.

Date: Wednesday 27th March at 6.30pm

A reply is required by Wednesday 20th March.

**A key was found** in the church car park close to the pathway near the parish office. It has a key tag picturing "The Big Slurpee". Please see Fr David if it is yours.

## For your Prayers this week

For the sick and in need and those who are preparing for surgery

Dash Joan Mallinson Gwen Kenny Steven Yorston	Ethel Murray Dorothy Mervyn	Eden Morgan Deacon Kaye Hanks King Charles
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For those who have died

For those whose Year's Mind we remember

Roland Wines Ernest Jones Alice Patman Keith Holmes Keith Manson Percival Mott Thomas Chandler	Kenneth Hurley Helen Northcott Thomas Roscoe Ian Henderson Doris Hurley Harold Brian Lesley Kelly	Phyllis Wolf Norval Tatlock Amelia Barnsley Ethel Gibbins Ida Hayes Jean Grimes
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For the wider Church and its ministry

- The Church in Wales
- Sydney: Kanishka Raffel, Peter Hayward, Chris Edwards, Michael Stead, Peter Lin & Gary Koo
- The Registrar: Peter Jarvis (on LSL until 1 July), Nicole Cox, acting-Registrar  
The staff of the Diocesan Centre: Cheryl Pierce and John Russell.
- Kwima
- Those suffering incurable and isolating illness.

**TODAY'S HYMNS**  
**408 498 562 522**

### A thrilling update on the 'Ceiling Project at Christ Church Hamilton'

- The quote we have is for \$70,000
- We had 59,000 in the restoration account.
- The donations that we are aware of, at last count, add up to \$5,500.
- The Vera Morre Trust has allocated \$5000
- We have applied to the Shire for a Heritage Funding Grant.'  
(We expect to hear if we have been successful on Friday 12th of April.)
- We are not sure what the builders will discover when they start work and the cost could easily inflate due to unseen trickiness / creatures in the ceiling.
- There will be other projects like the steeple and the slate on the west side of the Church roof
- Most important THANKYOU to all those who have generously donated to this project.
- **Work began in earnest on Tuesday 27th of February.**  
**Can you spot 3 differences in the chancel**

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

The Response to the Bidding :

Dear Lord is ....Please listen to our prayers.

Dear Lord...**Please listen to our prayers.**

We pray for everyone in the world who is suffering from homelessness, hunger and losing family members from the effects of war, especially The Ukraine and the Middle East. We also pray for everyone who is affected by homelessness and the loss of family members in Australia. Please help them in their suffering.

Dear Lord....**Please listen to our prayers.**

We pray for everyone who has been affected by the fires here in Victoria, especially in Western Victoria. We pray for them and their animals as they begin to put their lives back together again

Dear Lord....**Please listen to our prayers.**

We pray for everyone who is sick, especially our friends and families, that they can recover from their illness quickly.

Dear Lord....**Please listen to our prayers.**

We pray for the recently Departed ....that you Lord enfold them and their families in your embrace.

Dear Lord....**Please listen to our prayers.**

We pray for all the people who are involved in the mining industry and their families. We especially pray for the miners in Ballarat, who have been injured and died in the mining accident and that you Lord help the injured to recover quickly and fold the deceased and his family in your embrace.

Dear Lord....**Please listen to our prayers.**

We pray for Bishop Garry and everyone in the Diocese of Ballarat that you Lord keep them safe from harm and illness.

Dear Lord....**Please listen to our prayers.**

Lord please give us your guidance so that we can follow your ways.

Amen

## Things for Lent

- \* Stations of the cross will be celebrated at 9:15am on Wednesday mornings at Christ Church
- \* The Sacraments of reconciliation and or anointing are available by contacting Fr. David.
- \* The Archbishop of York, Stephen Cottrell will be reflecting on 'The things he did'.

**And then there was this thing called *Daylight Saving*** which begins in the wee small hours of April 7th. This means that:

- Our First Saturday night Vigil at **5:00pm will be on Saturday 13th of April**
- The Penshurst mass time for **Sunday April 28th is at 4:00pm**