

dNews

Each week. There is a new free complimentary dNews

Fr. David's easy quiz

By the time you read this Fr. David should have completed

- 49 Park runs
- 75 Park runs
- 100 Park runs
- 103 Park runs

Fr. David's hard quiz

The Shamrock or three leaf clover is a symbol of

- Our Bishop and the two Archdeacons
- The Holy Trinity
- The virtues of Faith Hope and Love
- The three sacred orders of Bishop, Priest and Deacon

The answers from last weeks quiz were:

Easy Quiz: Mentioned in the bible in both New and Old Testaments

Hard Quiz: Jesus is physically present along with the bread and wine once the consecration has occurred.

Cuppa and Chatter

It all happens on **Thursday at 2.30pm.**

Ladies to the Lemon Myrtle and 3.00pm gents to the Thompson's Tavern

All are very welcome

The 3rd Thursday of the month is

prominent because The Fundraising Committee meets at 1:30pm and Parish Council meets at 5:30pm. All are welcome on the 18th of July.



Anglican Parish of Hamilton

Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

7th July 2024

WELCOME

Sentence: Mark 6.2

Of Jesus many said, 'What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands!'

Collect:

O Lord our God, you are always more ready to bestow your good gifts upon us than we are to seek them; and more willing to give than we desire or deserve: in our every need, grant us the first and best of all your gifts, the Spirit who makes us your children. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **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.

Our Parish figures and finances for May 2024

Income this month \$11802.20

Expenditure \$2203.20

Outcome: \$9598.90

A lot of expenses in early June, around

\$10,000 to the Diocese. Has been paid

Our debt to the Diocese \$16,000

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Wednesday	10th July	Holy Communion 10.00am	Christ Church Hamilton
Saturday	6th July	Vigil 5.00pm	Christ Church Hamilton
Sunday	13th July	Eucharist 9.00am Eucharist 10.30am	St Peter's Glenthompson Christ Church Hamilton

Reader 1: Stewart	Reader 2: Heather	Intercessor: Betty	Sides People: Sandra & John
Eucharist Assistant: Susan			

Christ Church Hamilton

St Mary's
Dunkeld

St Peter's
Glenthompson

St Mark's
Cavendish

All Saints'
Penshurst

1st Reading:

2 Samuel 5.1-5, 5.9-10

¹ Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and said, 'Look, we are your bone and flesh. ² For some time, while Saul was king over us, it was you who led out Israel and brought it in. The Lord said to you: It is you who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you who shall be ruler over Israel.' ³ So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord, and they anointed David king over Israel. ⁴ David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned for forty years. ⁵ At Hebron he reigned over Judah for seven years and six months; and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah for thirty-three years. ⁹ David occupied the stronghold, and named it the city of David. David built the city all around from the Millo inwards. ¹⁰ And David became greater and greater, for the Lord, the God of hosts, was with him.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 48

1. Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised: in the city of our God.
2. **High and beautiful is his holy hill: it is the joy of all the earth.**
3. On Mount Zion, where godhead truly dwells, stands the city of the Great King: God is well known in her palaces as a sure defence.
4. **For the kings of the earth assembled: they gathered together and came on;**
5. They saw, they were struck dumb: they were astonished and fled in terror.
6. **Trembling took hold on them, and anguish: as on a woman in her travail;**
7. Like the breath of the east wind: that shatters the ships of Tarshish.

8. **As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts: in the city of our God, which God has established for ever.**
9. We have called to mind your loving-kindness, O God: in the midst of your temple.
10. **As your name is great, O God, so also is your praise: even to the ends of the earth.**
11. Your right hand is full of victory —let Zion's hill rejoice: let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of your judgements.
12. **Walk about Zion, go round about her, and count all her towers: consider well her ramparts, pass through her palaces;**
13. That you may tell those who come after that such is God: our God for ever and ever, and he will guide us eternally.

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 12.2-10

² I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. ³ And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—⁴ was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. ⁵ On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. ⁶ But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, ⁷ even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given to me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. ⁸ Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, ⁹ but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. ¹⁰ Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions,

tion or hurt by our own 'locals'.

This is not the itinerant preacher who has a fabulous marketing strategy and a 10 point plan for the business to grow exponentially illustrated on power point slides with colour coded graphs and pie charts. No, there is something quite different going on here. Jesus is something else and he is someone else. It would have been so much easier if he revealed himself in the spectacular, the dazzling and the sparkling instead of the familiar and ordinary, the bread, the wine, the water, the oil, the grey hair and large dollops of silence. Walter Brueggemann captured this sense of the bewildering preacher who asks us to pack nothing but his freedom. We should let Walter have the last word today. We would as soon you were stable and reliable.

We would as soon you were predictable and always the same toward us. We would like to take the hammer of doctrine and take the nails of piety and nail your feet to the floor and have you stay in one place. And then we find you moving, always surprising us, always coming at us from new directions. Always planting us and uprooting us and tearing all things down and making all things new. You are not the God we would have chosen had we done the choosing, but we are your people and you have chosen us in freedom. We pray for the great gift of freedom that we may be free toward you as you are in your world. Give us that gift of freedom that we may move in new places in obedience and in gratitude.

Next week's homily.

Dear Sebastian...

We are planning A 'Stain glass and Stitches afternoon' beginning with lunch at 12noon on Thursday 15th of August. The Quilts to be displayed in Church and our marvellous stained glass windows will be at their very best. More details to follow.

YOU are very generous to Anglicare and they would like to show their specific appreciation in person at their Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 16th of July at 2pm in Warrnambool. Fr. David will be attending and if you would like to join him there is room in the car. We would leave at about 12:15pm.

By way of apology. Fr. David is unable to go to the St. Benedict / Monastery celebrations on July 11th. A full refund will be offered to those who bought business class tickets.

A note from Louise Serra - Coordinator of Anglicare Warrnambool.

We could use...Treat foods would be wonderful, warm wholesome soups, biccies and cheese snacks, noodles in a tub, museli bars and chips for school lunches. And of course tinned fish and protein, cheese (may be difficult to transport although possibly not in this weather) And more of the wonderful same. Thank you Louise

Of Fr. David's ICU prayer list

From time to time there may be very personal people you would like prayed for, but whose name should not be in the pew sheet. Fr. David has his own ICU prayer list which no one ever sees and you are welcome and encouraged to approach him with your requests.

Today's Homily

In your backpack

Mark is very clear about the where and when in today's gospel. The day is the sabbath, the place is Jesus' home synagogue in Nazareth and He is guest superstar preacher for the day. Many are amazed at what he has to offer. It's all going so very well and I'd love to have a copy of his homily so I could use it next Sunday. But we're not told what he said, we're only told the peoples reaction. After the initial excitement however, something shifts. The folk begin to ask heckling questions.

"Where did this man get these things?" "What's this wisdom that has been given him? What are these remarkable miracles he is performing? Isn't this the carpenter? Isn't this Mary's son and the brother of James, Joseph, Judas and Simon? Aren't his sisters here with us?"

It seems that The Masters teaching is almost too good to be true. A local lad could not possibly preach this well. Jesus slumps in the opinion polls as preferred rabbi and "they took offence at him". The Master is amazed at their lack of faith and because miracles always happen within the context of faith, Jesus could not do any miracles there. His ministry is limited to the laying on of hands and healing a few.

So what went wrong? The Master knows and explains

"A prophet is not without honour except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home"

It would seem that the divine is hidden by the familiar. They know Jesus from days of yore, they know his background and his family. Indeed they accurately list His family tree. This common, everyday appearance is all that the locals can see. For them, this sabbath was a transactional event. They came expecting one thing and

6 were offered something else. They felt cheated and disappointed. This is not what we came to synagogue for.

And there is a message here for the way we look at our global family, our national family, our state family, our nuclear family and our parish family. Is it not possible that there are miracle workers and healers walking amongst us? As we trip to the altar we can so easily forget who it is that is with us and who it is that is there to meet us and give himself to us. This is my body, given for ... you... With angels and arch angels. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Its all there and real. And because we say it time after time we must continuously remind ourselves that it is not just a statement of belief, but a living reality that surrounds us, engulfs us, lives within us and is part of our daily lives. Inside and outside the church building. The familiar can very easily deceive us. But the second part of the gospel also gives us a few clues about how to see more clearly.

Notice the meagre provisions that the Teacher of Nazareth asks his disciples to pack ... or rather ...not to pack.

"Take nothing for the journey except a staff—no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. Wear sandals but not an extra shirt."

It's the barest, most minimalist list you could possibly imagine and it invites the prospective disciple to carry a huge amount of trust, hope and faith. But there is a certain delicious freedom in this paucity of property. What we do not take on the journey are things like the burdens of doubt, the rocks of prejudice, the bully of fear and the intolerable burden of sin which God has forgotten about but which we insist on lumbering around with us at every agonising step. And each morning the temptation is to load up our back pack with the baggage we carried around yesterday. And that can be difficult, especially when it is the hard rejec-

and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Alleluia! alleluia.

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, to bring good news to the poor.

R. **Alleluia.**

The Holy Gospel: Mark 6.1-13

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

¹ He left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. ² On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands!" ³ Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offence at him. ⁴ Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honour, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house." ⁵ And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. ⁶ And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. ⁷ He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. ⁸ He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; ⁹ but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. ¹⁰ He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. ¹¹ If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." ¹² So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. ¹³ They cast out many demons, and

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anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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

Thought for the Week from Mothers' Union Australia Relationship with God

'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.' John 3:16 To be loved must surely be the most enriching experience of life. But even the greatest human love cannot compare with the love of God for his people. It is no accident that the symbol of Christianity is the cross. As Jesus taught us, there is no greater love than when we lay down our lives for our friend. But we are not merely the friends of God. Our sin has led us to be at enmity with him. And yet, God's amazing grace, his love for the unworthy, moved him to give his own Son so that we may be reconciled to him. That is love, and it inspires us to love God and to love our neighbour. Out of his love comes our love, even for those who hurt us. God is love.

Question for thought:

How can I be sure that I am loved by God?

Gracious heavenly Father we pray for the Diocese of Montreal in Canada. Due to vast distances it's not easy to meet with members across the country. We pray that the parenting program will reach out to families who are struggling and challenged by the contemporary values of the west and an ignorance of you and your love for them. In Jesus' Name. Amen

For your Prayers this week

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

King Charles Beatrix	Trevor Catherine, Princess of Wales	Bishop Garry Chris Henderson
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For those who have died

Roy Bett. Joan Mallinson

For those whose Year's Mind we remember

Patrick Hogan Patricia MacGibbon Robert Kenny John Nolte Graham Smith Vera Shaw	Dorothy Nicholson Stuart Cumming Queenie Smith Bertha Baker Lawrence Cordner Kate Gabriel	Robert Drummond Alfred Slater Frank Brilley Derek Hawker Florence Wright Kevin Thomas
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• For the wider Church and its ministry

- The Church of the Province of the Indian Ocea
- Canberra and Goulburn: Mark Short, Carol Wagner & Stephen Pickard. Assistant Bishop elect Vanessa Bennett.
- Hamilton: David Oulton
- Ginjiji
- Victims and perpetrators of sexual abuse.

The color coding of the AGM forms

White is for those who wish to enrol in the electoral roll and intend to come to the Annual Meeting. This enables you to vote, move and second motions. You have to be over 18 to fill in one of these forms.

Blue is the nomination form if you would like to run for Parish Council

Yellow if you would like to nominate to be a Peoples Warden

Green if you would like to be a Parish Nominator

Please place your completed form in the box at the back of the Church.

Intercessions for the Eucharist and for you to say at home

The response to the bidding :

Dear Lord.... is....Please answer all our prayers

Dear Lord....**Please answer all our prayers.**

We pray for everyone, including children and animals who are being affected from war, floods and drought, especially drought in Australia, particularly Western Victoria, that you Lord provide help to overcome their distressful situations.

Dear Lord....Please answer all our prayers.

We pray for all our friends who are suffering from ill health, that you Lord help them to overcome their illness as soon as possible.

Dear Lord....Please answer all our prayers.

We pray for Bishop Garry that he overcomes his illness very quickly. We also pray for everyone in the Diocese of Ballarat that you Lord keep them safe from harm.

Dear Lord....Please answer all our prayers.

We pray for the Departed, and the recently departed, especially Roy Bett, and Joan Mallinson and that you Lord enfold Roy and Joan's families in your warm embrace.

Dear Lord....Please answer all our prayers.

Lord please answer all our prayers and guide us to do your Will.

Amen

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

All Parishioners are advised that the 2023 AGM will be held in the Canon Julien Centre on **Sunday 28 July commencing at 11:30am**. It will follow the 10:30am service at Christ Church.

In accordance with Diocesan policy, all parishioners must re-enrol to be eligible to vote at the AGM. All parishioners over the age of 18 are eligible to enrol to vote.

Electoral Enrolment Forms and Nomination Forms are now available at each church in the Parish.

Nominations for Parish positions close with the Rector at **12 noon on Sunday 14 July 2024**. Reports are to reach the Secretary by **5.00pm on Sunday 9 July 2024**. Reports are to be forwarded

in **Word** format to the Secretary by email to loftyandsue@bigpond.com. Reports not in that format will **NOT** be accepted.

Nominations are required for: Wardens, Councillors, Parochial Nominators, Supplementary Parochial Nominators,

The Electoral Roll will close at **12 noon Sunday 21 July 2024**. Electoral enrolment forms may be placed in the box at the rear of Christ Church or passed to Fr David after services at outlying churches.

In 7 sleeps time (Sunday July 14th) nominations close
for Parish Positions at High noon.

TODAY'S HYMNS
153 376 604 522