

dNews

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Fr. David's easy quiz

The June Bible study this year is done in conjunction with....

- The Diocese of Melbourne
- The Diocese of Gippsland
- Our Brothers and sisters from the the Roman Catholic diocese of Ballarat
- The Diocese of Bendigo

Fr. David's hard quiz

The **third** objective of the Mothers Union is to...

- To help those whose family life has met with adversity.
- To encourage parents to bring up their children in the faith and life of the Church.
- To uphold Christ's teaching on the nature of marriage and promote its wider understanding
- To promote conditions in society favourable to stable family life and the protection of children
- To maintain a worldwide fellowship of Christians united in prayer and worship and service

The answers from last weeks quiz were:

Easy Quiz: 80

Hard Quiz: Richard Thorpe

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Wednesday 18th June Holy Communion 10.00am Christ Church Hamilton

Saturday 21st June Vigil 5.00pm Christ Church Hamilton

Sunday 22nd June Eucharist 9.00am St Peter's Glenthompson
Eucharist 10.30am Christ Church Hamilton

Reader 1: Gladys

Reader 2: Tai

Intercessor: Robyn

Sidesmen : Helen & Illford

Eucharist Assistant: John

Thought of the week from Mothers' Union Australia
Sunday 15th June, 2025
Provision of clergy

'So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers' (*Ephesians 4:11*).

As Jesus reigns, he cares for his church. A sign of this is the provision of the pastor/teachers, of those who have special role of shepherding the church. At the heart of this, as we read in *Ephesians 4*, is to teach the church and to help us to grow to maturity. We need to pray that the Lord will continue to provide for such pastors, the ones who not only bring us the word in church but also minister to our souls by word and sacrament when we are in the greatest need. When we experience such ministry, we should remember to thank the Lord for his kindness to us.

Question for thought:

How should I pray for the clergy?

We thank you Heavenly Father for the work of the Mothers Union in Nyahururu Diocese in Kenya and their endeavours to meet the challenges to family life of high unemployment, crime, poverty and food insecurity. Give them insight into programs to help meet these needs. Please assure them by your Spirit of your love for them. **Amen.**

Cuppa and Chatter

It all happens on **Thursday at 2.15pm**. Ladies to the Lemon Myrtle and **3.00pm** gents to the Thompson's Tavern
All are very welcome

**Anglican Parish of Hamilton**

Trinity Sunday
15th June 2025

WELCOME

Sentence: Proverbs 8.1, 22

Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? 'The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago.

Collect

Father, we praise you, that through your Word and Holy Spirit you created all things; you reveal your salvation in all the world through Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh; through your Holy Spirit you give us a share in your life and love: fill us with the vision of your glory, that we may always serve and praise you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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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: Proverbs 8.1-4; 8.22-31

¹ Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? ² On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; ³ beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: ⁴ ‘To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live.’ ²² The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. ²³ Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. ²⁴ When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. ²⁵ Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth— ²⁶ when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world’s first bits of soil. ²⁷ When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, ²⁸ when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, ²⁹ when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, ³⁰ then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, ³¹ rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 8

1. O Lord our Governor: how glo-

2. rious is your name in all the earth!
2. **Your majesty above the heavens is yet recounted: by the mouths of babes and sucklings.**
3. You have founded a strong defence against your adversaries: to quell the enemy and the avenger.
4. **When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers: the moon and the stars which you have set in order,**
5. What are we, that you should be mindful of us: what are we, that you should care for us?
6. **Yet you have made us little less than gods: and have crowned us with glory and honour.**
7. You have given us dominion over your handiwork: and have put all things in subjection beneath our feet,
8. **All sheep and oxen: and all the creatures of the field,**
9. The birds of the air and the fish of the sea: and everything that moves in the pathways of the great waters.
10. **O Lord our Governor: how glorious is your name in all the earth!**

Second Reading: Romans 5.1-5

¹ Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³

I was going to make the point that all three are fine whisky, all are expensive, all are flavoursome and yet each is unique and distinctive which makes it a fun but flimsy parable for the Trinity. It was a frivolous homily indeed and at the very least you deserve an attempt to do better.

So I decided instead to talk about Glen the Gardner, a type of God the creator Father, Glen the priest a parable for THE priest and I selfishly kept Glen the distiller for the Holy Spirit.

None are better than the other. Each has their own unique quality but they are not identical. They are never in competition with each other, just as members of the Trinity are never in competition with each other, for the Trinity is of such love that it can never be divided.

But like all images it can never describe who God is, for God is completely ‘other’. We can go a part of the way, but never all the way.

For example you can never have too much God, but you can have too much whisky. There is a significant cost when you buy whisky, but God’s grace is free and you can probably think of other ways in which my little images must inevitably fall over under the weight of necessary logic.

This homily may not have taught you much about the theological academic intricacies of God. But that is not the most exciting or the best bit about God. The most intoxicating part about God is just getting to know him, enjoying him and savouring him.

So perhaps you might forget everything I’ve said and just grab a glass and do the obvious and the wonderful.

Next week's homily
The fear of relapse

It's not too early to think about
who you would like on your Parish Council and your Parish Nominators.

Anglicare would welcome

Shampoo and conditioner and warm blankets (second hand or new, wool or polar fleece style) are needed. And any canned soups, long life milk, spreads, cereal etc are always welcome. The Drop In Centre will get more requests for sleeping bags now it is getting chilly overnight – second hand are fine

Some Fete dates for your diary.

The Fete itself is the Saturday after the Melbourne cup. This year it is the **9th of November**.

Everyone and their ideas are welcome to a Super Dooper planning meeting on **Saturday 5th of July at the Parish Hall at 10:00am**

Have you got your giving envelopes? They are now available.

Thank you to the kind folk who lovingly prepared them.

Two reasons why the 3rd Thursday of the month is very good for you. (June 19th)

The Fundraising Committee meets at 1:30pm
Parish Council meets at 5:30pm

It's not too late to take up the June Bible reading challenge.

This year we are joining with Bishop Richard Treloar and the good people of Gippsland. The studies are about some of the women in the Bible. Copies are available from Fr. David.

Today's Homily

My friends who are Glen.

Many of you have patiently endured preacher after preacher year after year, trying to explain the Holy and Blessed and Undivided Trinity.

With great fortitude and resilience you have watched and listened as preacher after preacher, failed in spectacular fashion to reach the dizzying theological heights of announcing and clarifying that which never can be articulated.

So rather than try to achieve the unachievable, I thought that I would talk about three of my good friends, all of whom happen to be named Glen. All three of them are heartwarming, engaging, bonhomie comrades indeed. All of them, quite distinct and yet all of them have a great deal in common. In fact, they are so similar that I wondered whether there might be something in the name 'Glen' so I had a look at a screen and discovered that Glen means 'a deep, narrow valley, especially in Scotland or Ireland'. More about this later.

First, I'd like to introduce to you Glen the gardener.

Glen faithfully tends the soil and has watched over his patch of dirt for decades. His greatest thrill is to plant tiny seeds in the ground and watch them sprout, grow, flourish and then ultimately harvest his well deserved vegetables and flowers. He also has the hobby of creating superb clay earthenware pots and statues. His work is to be admired and it is always inspiring. When you gaze upon it you find yourself in a different space. You can't help but want to imitate Glen's creative genius and rush home to your patch of dirt and make something wonderful.

Then there is Glen the priest. I have known him for pretty much all my ordained life. I have seen him at some of his finest moments and some of these are noted publicly and they are shiny and lovely. But there are other times when I have seen him broken and he has seen me broken. There in the spaces where no one sees and no one will ever know, we meet each other in our fragile and hurting selves and discover to our delight and amazement that we are not that much different after all. He admires the gifts that I hide from myself and vice versa. Over the decades he has generously and selflessly poured out his life in the service of others; often at great cost to those who are closest to him and always at great cost to himself. His life has been a sacrifice which has enhanced and sanctified all who have touched the hem of his garment.

Finally there is my good friend Mr. Glen Livet. Mr. Livet boasts an ancestor Mr. George Smith who lived in a secluded valley in Scotland. It's an isolated place and just as well because Glen's ancestor George was in the illegal distillation trade. When the legislation changed George did the right thing and acquired a licence and the company. In his chatter I have always found Mr. Livet, balanced and nuanced. To engage and indulge him in an encounter is an experience that is both indescribable and unforgettable. He also has a distinctive type of aftershave which I can only describe as having traces of almond and spice. A talented musician he can produce alluring melodies with sweet velvety notes which leave you glowing and relaxed. He has always fired my imagination and warmed the cockles of my heart. Time to fess up.

When I first wrote this homily the other two "Glens" were actually Mr. Glen Morangie and Mr. Glen Fiddich.

And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance,⁴ and endurance produces character, and character produces hope,⁵ and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, who was, and who is, and who is to come, the Almighty

Alleluia!

The Holy Gospel: John 16.12-15

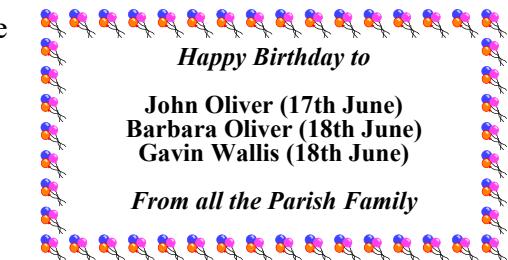
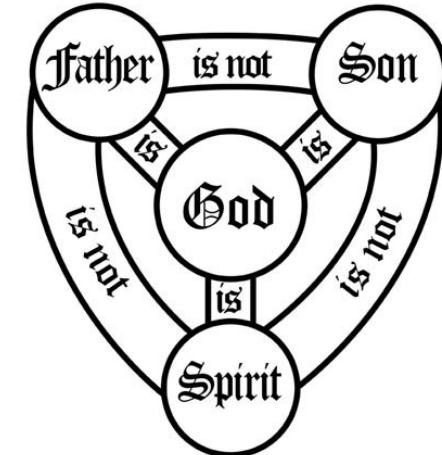
The Lord be with you.
And also with you

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
According to St John

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

¹² 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now.' ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.¹⁴ He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you.¹⁵ All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

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



For your Prayers this week

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

Beatrix Bishop Garry	Chris Henderson Vivian McKellar	Heather M Bishop Scott & his family
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For those who have died

Alfred Tatlock Clara Frencham James Crone Raymond Smith Jade Allan David Black Caroline White Stella Brumley	David Ratcliffe Audrey Penfold Claude Hubbard William Thompson Annie Stephens Edeltraud Krick Mary Mildon Margaret Stone	William Chadderton Dora Ross Leslie Papman Alan Duckmantion Alexander Primrose Fredrick Burgess Alicia Trimmell
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For the wider Church and its ministry

- La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico
- Riverina: Donald Kirk
- Camperdown and Holy Apostles: Matthew Jones, Kaye Hanks (deacon).
St Mark's Abbey - Sister Raphael & the oblates.
- Those living the Single Consecrated Life: Janet Winfield
- Kainantu
- The United Nations Organization and its agencies.

A significant date for your diary

Sunday 23rd of November the whole diocese (Clergy and Laity) will gather here at Hamilton to celebrate 150 years. There will only be one mass on that weekend day on Sunday at **11:00am**. Bishop Garry is very excited and looking forward to being with everyone.

TODAY'S HYMNS
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Intercessions for the Eucharist and for you to say at home

The response to the bidding :
Trinity in Unity' ... is ... 'Unify us today'

Trinity in Unity ... **unify us today**

Having listened to the Word of God let us now call upon our Father who made us, the Son who redeemed us, and the Holy Spirit who renews us, as we bring our petitions:

For all the Christian churches in their search for unity, that their one-ness will show forth in the unity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (pause)

Trinity in Unity ... **unify us today**

For world leaders, that they may guide us with wisdom and truth. (pause)

Trinity in Unity ... **unify us today**

For all who remain hesitant in faith, that the Spirit of God may move in their hearts and minds, encouraging them along the ways of discipleship. (pause)

Trinity in Unity ... **unify us today**

For all who suffer the evils of modern slavery, that they may experience the liberating presence of Christ in their lives. (pause)

Trinity in Unity ... **unify us today**

For each one of us here, that we will grow in the life of the Holy Trinity by our celebration of this Eucharist. (pause)

Trinity in Unity ... **unify us today**

For all who are sick, injured or recently bereaved that they will know the healing touch of Christ in their lives. (pause)

Trinity in Unity ... **unify us today**

God our Father, have mercy on us and hear our prayers. May the love which unites the persons of the Trinity shape our

lives and the lives of all people. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your Son, who celebrates life with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever

Anglican Diocese of Ballarat 150th Anniversary prayer

Creator God of love,
All time and every place is your gift.
We thank you that you have blessed our Diocese for the last 150 years, even when we have failed in our high calling to herald your kingdom.
Your forgiveness, love and peace sustained generations of our forebears,
And we rejoice that you still bless us and invite us to work with you to build justice, hope and love in Western Victoria.
Inspire us with a new vision and new energy as we face the future, and help us to trust and commit to the humble serving path of Jesus, guided by your Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Coming to Australia are Jacky and David Morton.

Jeanine and Fr. David will be having some time off to be with them towards the end of June. On the weekend of Saturday June 28th and Sunday 29th we thank Deacon Jannie who will be leading the worship on this weekend.

If you are one of those kind people who deliver things for Anglicare this should help.

The Best Phone number is Kim- 0418 628 077 and she will know who is in and when. The Warrnambool numbers are switched through to her mobile outside of program hours also. But there will always be staff and volunteers there from 9.30am to 12.30pm Monday to Friday (except public holidays) so donations can be dropped in then. There may be staff there later on some days so probably best to call ahead if drop off needs to be later than 12.30.