

dNews

Each week. There is a new free complimentary dNews

Fr. David's easy quiz

Jacky and David Morton's dog is
A corgi
An Alsation
A poodle
Actually, they have a cat

Fr. David's hard quiz

The words to one of the hymns that we will sing at our Diocesan 150th were written by...

Fr. David
Ken Avery
Michael Fortser
John Wesley
Peter Treloar.

The answers from last weeks quiz were:

Easy Quiz:

Some Keys or some rocks. Both are right.

Hard Quiz: Alexandra College.

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

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Wednesday 2nd July Holy Communion 10.00am Christ Church Hamilton

Saturday 5th July Vigil 5.00pm Christ Church Hamilton

Sunday 6th July Eucharist 9.00am St Mark's Cavendish
Eucharist 10.30am Christ Church Hamilton
Eucharist 5.00pm St Mary's Dunkeld

Reader 1 Sam Reader 2:Eileen Intercessor: Meredith Sidesmen : Sandra & John

Eucharist Assistant: Heather

Thought of the week from Mothers' Union Australia

Sunday 22nd June 2025

Ministry of clergy

'to equip his people for works of service' (Ephesians 4:12)

The Lord Jesus sends pastors to his church. The essence of their ministry is to help us to grow as Christians and to be equipped for works of service, pre-eminently serving one another so that we can grow like Jesus. Sometimes we go to church simply out of habit and without expectations. But that is not the vision of Jesus for his people.

Instead, equipped by our pastors we are to grow together into the likeness of Christ and we are to help each other to grow. Church is not merely a habit – it is a unity of people who care for each other, led by the teaching of the word of God.

Question for thought:

What should I pray for my brothers and sisters in church?

Gracious Lord, we thank you for the Mothers Union in Taejon in South Korea and the ministries they share in supporting the homeless, caring for the elderly and counselling for women in need. May they share the true comfort that comes in trusting Jesus. We also pray for our members in Adelaide and new President Rev. Dr Gethzi Devasagayam.



Anglican Parish of Hamilton
Peter and Paul, Apostles & Martyrs
29th June 2025

WELCOME

Sentence: John 21.17

Peter says to Jesus, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.'

Collect

Almighty God, whose apostles Peter and Paul glorified you in their deaths as in their lives: grant that your Church, inspired by their teaching and example, and knit together in unity by your Spirit, may ever stand firm upon the one foundation, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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.

**Christ Church
Hamilton**

St Mary's
Dunkeld

St Peter's
Glenthompson

St Mark's
Cavendish

All Saints'
Penshurst

1st Reading: Acts 12.1-11

¹ About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. ² He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. ³ After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.) ⁴ When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover. ⁵ While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him. ⁶ The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison. ⁷ Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his wrists. ⁸ The angel said to him, 'Fasten your belt and put on your sandals.' He did so. Then he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak around you and follow me.' ⁹ Peter went out and followed him; he did not realize that what was happening with the angel's help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. ¹⁰ After they had passed the first and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly the angel left him. ¹¹ Then Peter came to himself and said, 'Now I am sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod

and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.'

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm 87

1. He has founded it upon a holy hill: and the Lord loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.
2. **Glorious things shall be spoken of you: O Zion, city of our God.**
3. I might speak of my kindred in Egypt or in Babylon: in Philistia, Tyre or Nubia, where each was born.
4. **But of Zion it shall be said: many were born in her, he that is Most High has established her.**
5. When the Lord draws up the record of the nations: he shall take note where everyone was born.
6. **And the singers and the dancers together: shall make their song to your name.**

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 4.17-18

⁶ As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸ From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on

ties to reach out with his pierced hands, hold us and say again 'Peace be with you'. Trips in the white van with the pretty lights on top are the beginning of an exciting new adventure. I would be intimidated and abashed by a church full of perfect people. I would not fit in and belong. Give me a church full of St. Peters, of Peter Smiths. Give me a wounded Body of Christ who shows off his ruptured hands and feet. This is where I belong. With the grubby, the needy and the redeemed. May St. Peter and Peter Smith and you and I continue to pray for each other Amen.

Next week's homily

"We shall follow the breadcrumbs and they will lead us home."

Of the Magic number 17.

Seventeen is such a great number for many reasons. It is the one that comes after 16. It is the number that is just before 18. The 17th of July is also the date of the next FRC meeting (1:30pm) and Parish Council meeting. (5:30pm)

The Anglicare AGM is on Tuesday 22nd of July at 2:00pm in Warrnambool. Fr. David is going and is able to take a few folk. The afternoon tea and speaker are fantastic!

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.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

All Parishioners are advised that the 2025 AGM will be held in the Canon Julien Centre on **Sunday 27 July commencing at 11:30am**. It will follow the 10:30am service at Christ Church which will be the only service in the Parish on that date.

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 13 July 2025**. Reports are to reach the Secretary by **5.00pm on Sunday 6 July 2025**. 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 and Councillors.

The Electoral Roll will close at **12 noon Sunday 20 July 2025**. 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.

Today's Homily

Peter Smith ... not his real name.

One of the regional towns I found myself in was a town called Bullamanka. Not its real name. And one of the senior elite gentlemen of the hoypaloy of the Bullamanka was Peter Smith. Not his real name.

Peter did a lot for Bullamanka and for a while was even chief Poobah (not the real title) of Bullamanka. He painted the local footy shed, mowed the grass outside the Senior citizens building and even visited the Rest Easy retirement home on the first Thursday of every second month. What a guy!

Well, you know how these regional towns all have their own folklore...and all the characters have their stories... Well Bullamanka was no different and Peter Smith was no different.

But Peter Smith, like all of us, was flawed in more than a few ways and one of the legends about Peter went like this.

On the evening of a significant birthday Peter Smith (not his real name) was driving home when he was stopped for a routine breath test. To be fair the policewoman was only doing her job when she flagged Peter down and asked him if he had anything to drink. Peter never lied and confessed to having a few raspberry milkshakes. Peter dutifully blew into the breathalyser that was offered and the police-woman kindly explained that he was over the legal limit and courteously asked if he would mind stepping out of the vehicle and producing his licence.

Peter could see that his illustrious reputation would be in tatters if the matter proceeded any further and it is alleged that he said something, kind of like this.

“You can't arrest me. I'm Peter Smith” (not his real name). “I'm terribly sorry Sir...” the policewoman began. But Peter was quick off the mark. “Peter Smith has done this for Bullamanka, Peter Smith has done X Y and 3.4 for Bullamanaka, I'm the local Poobah and president of the Really Intelligent Peoples club. I'm Peter Smith, rock and pillar of this community.”

The sorry tale tells of a deterioration in the quality of communication and it is alleged that Peter Smith finished his travels that night in quite a different vehicle, to quite a different

location with his name and photo appearing on the front page of the Bullamanka Express the next day with a rather more fulsome article and two more photos on page 3. In fact there was some fear that the story might diminish the size of the sports report... let it never be said.

Peter Smith could easily have been a figment of my imagination, or he could easily have been like any of us here and especially like St. Peter of old.

In fact Peter Smith very much reminds me of St. Peter of old. Dashing about with voice and deed always willing and wanting to do the right thing but secretly or perhaps not so secretly his brashness getting him into strife.

‘You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my church’ says the Master, but the briefest of looks at Peter Smith or St. Peter of old, or especially in our bathroom mirror will show us that we are actually just shale and rubble. That we are a little bit crumbly and flaky around the edges. There are flaws and bumps that embarrass us. And when like Peter Smith someone points these fractures out we can easily ark up, toss the toys out of our cot, and offer a litany of our attributes and plusses.

A quick look around at the other apostles and those who join us in worship reveals a puzzling but lovely anomaly. It seems that with a giggle and smirk, The divine rolls up his sleeves and delights in choosing the Peter and Pam Smiths of this world to do some of his most important work knowing that their hearts will be broken as well as filled with joy. The flinty and the shonky are our friends and fellow worshippers. Our bibles are choc full of some of the shadiest characters you could ever hope not to meet.

It is always a privilege to worship and enjoy the company of those who are actually **not** plaster saints. I identify so strongly with and have much more in common with those who come from places like Galilee or Bullamanka or Nazareth. Can anything good come out of Kalangatuk west or Sheepills?

It is in and through the shonky characters that I see God working most powerfully and exquisitely and beautifully. God does some of his finest work through the Peter Smiths of this world. Our tumblings are His opportuni-

that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

¹⁷ But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.¹⁸ The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Hear the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Alleluia, alleluia!

Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Alleluia!

The Holy Gospel: John 21:15-22

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

¹⁵ When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, ‘Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?’ He said to him, ‘Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Feed my lambs.’¹⁶ A second time he said to him, ‘Simon son of John, do you love me?’ He said to him, ‘Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Tend my sheep.’¹⁷ He said to him the third time, ‘Simon son of John, do you love me?’ Peter felt hurt because he said to him the

third time, ‘Do you love me?’ And he said to him, ‘Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Feed my sheep.’¹⁸ Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.’¹⁹ (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, ‘Follow me.’²⁰ Peter turned and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following them; he was the one who had reclined next to Jesus at the supper and had said, ‘Lord, who is it that is going to betray you?’²¹ When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, ‘Lord, what about him?’²² Jesus said to him, ‘If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? Follow me!’

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

Alice Rickanne Mary Hamilton Alan Fitzgerald Joseph McKee Allen Kenny Isobel (Kit) Boyd Selma Nichols Reginald White Ernest Gulbin	Thomas McDonald Jack Stewart Ella Glane Ida Clarke Herbert Webster Robert Darling Geraldine Crawford Annie Stapylton Laurence Noske	Cyril Jones Reginald Madin Leslie Harrison Percy Jones Jean Rundle Ellen Read Patrick Kenny Thelma Brian Dorothy Causer
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For the wider Church and its ministry

- The Church of the Province of Myanmar
- All who have asked for the sacrament of marriage.
- The Chancellor: Charles Gunst KC
- The Advocate: Sally Macarthur Clyde.
- Property and Finance Committee: Mike Robins (Chair)
- Tsungup
- Local council and those involved and employed in local government

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
586 259 560 522

Intercessions for the Eucharist and for you to say at home

The response to the bidding:
Holy God..... Make us the pillars of faith.

As the example of Peter and Paul.

Let the world embrace the faith that you give us. Give us your spirit to help us.

Holy God..... Make us the Pillars of faith.

That our church may embrace all who are struggling at this time with world unrest. That anger will turn to respect and love for our fellow men. That they will turn to God by reconciling to love him.

Holy God..... Make us the pillars of faith.

For Gary our Bishop Bishop Scott Father David and all clergy those who promote faith with love and understanding for all mankind.

Holy God..... Make us the pillars of faith.

For those who are Homeless and struggling to find a house to call home. May there be suitable accommodation be found for them.

Holy God..... Make us pillars of faith.

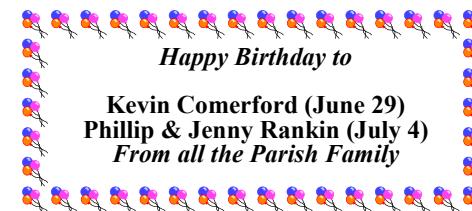
For our clergy especially Father David and Jeanine that they may have safe travel and enjoy the special time with family.

Holy God..... Make us pillars of faith.

Lord God whose example of Peter and Paul will lead us all to be fishers of men. In the name of Christ.
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 So...this means that Jeanine and Fr. David will be on leave from Thursday 26th of June to Friday 4th of July. Fr. Martin from Ararat will be on call in case of calamity. His magic number is 0430 003 519. This number will also be on the parish landline message machine doodad.

Renaissance Requiem
Australian Chamber Choir
Directed by Douglas Lawrence
Saturday 26th July at 3PM
Sterling Place Community Centre
DUNKELD
Please see flyer on notice board



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.