



# Anglican Parish of Hamilton

## Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

### 28th June 2026

**Sentence:** Romans 6.23

The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

#### 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. one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

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### Christ Church-Hamilton

St Peter's Glenthompson

St Mark's Cavendish

All Saints' Penshurst

Welcome to our celebrations for  
St Peter

and at Glenthompson...

Welcome to Bishop Scott and the  
worshipping community.

Please stay for fellowship and the  
'winter warmer lunch.'

*1<sup>st</sup> Reading* Acts 12.1-11

<sup>1</sup> About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. <sup>2</sup> He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. <sup>3</sup> After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.) <sup>4</sup> 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. <sup>5</sup> While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him. <sup>6</sup> 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. <sup>7</sup> 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. <sup>8</sup> 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.' <sup>9</sup> 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. <sup>10</sup> 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. <sup>11</sup> 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.**

*2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:* 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 4.17-18

<sup>6</sup> As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. <sup>7</sup> I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. <sup>8</sup> From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. <sup>17</sup> 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. <sup>18</sup> 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.**

*Gospel Acclamation*

**Alleluia, alleluia**

You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will 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**

<sup>15</sup> 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.’ <sup>16</sup> 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.’ <sup>17</sup> 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.’ <sup>18</sup> 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.’ <sup>19</sup> (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, ‘Follow me.’ <sup>20</sup> 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?’ <sup>21</sup> When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, ‘Lord, what about him?’ <sup>22</sup> 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**

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

The Response to the bidding

“St. Peter and St. Paul” ... is... Pray to the Lord for us.

St. Peter and St. Paul..**Pray to the Lord for us.**

Through Peter and Paul we have heard the good news of the gospel. With hope let us lift our voices in prayer, to God the Father of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

For the universal Church throughout the world and those who are making pilgrimage to Rome at this time. For Garry and Scott our Bishops successors to the apostles St. Peter and St. Paul *St. Peter and St. Paul..Pray to the Lord for us.*

For an end to bigotry and prejudice against other denominations. We pray that the church may become one according to the will of Jesus *St. Peter and St. Paul..Pray to the Lord for us.*

For those who serve the church as priests and deacons that they may be ministers of reconciliation and agents of God’s forgiveness. *St. Peter and St. Paul..Pray to the Lord for us.*

For those who have dedicated themselves to the service of the sick, poor and the lost; that God may be their strength and joy *St. Peter and St. Paul..Pray to the Lord for us.*

In union with St. Peter and St. Paul we offer to the Father the petitions upon our hearts this day. (Pause 1,..2...3...)

*St. Peter and St. Paul..Pray to the Lord for us.*

For those who have died in the peace of Christ, that Peter, Paul and all the saints may welcome them into the kingdom of God. Especially the recently departed

*St. Peter and St. Paul..Pray to the Lord for us.*

Hear the prayers we raise to you O God, for all your holy people. Grant us the constant faith of Peter and the unwavering hope of Paul. We ask these things in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord Amen.

## **For Your Prayers This Week**

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

Bishop Garry, Vivian McKellar, Bishop Scott & his family, Lorraine, Sharon, Judy Trompf, Linda

## **For Those Who Have Died**

### **Years Mind**

Thomas McDonald, Jack Stewart, Ella Glane, Ida Clarke, Herbert Webster, Robert Darling, Cyril Jones, Reginald Madin, Leslei Harrison, Percy Jones, Jean Rundle, Ellen Read, William Hall, Gerace Ballantyne, Donald Campbell, Christopher Noske, Irene Cambridge, Margaret Miller, William Fraser, Cyril Aisbett, Elizabeth Elliott, Bertram Thomas

## **For The Wider Church and Its Ministry**

- The Anglican Church of Southern Africa
- Mortlake: Lay leaders and locum.  
Prison Chaplaincy: Rob Ferguson & Kate Schnerring
- Tsendiap
- The terminally ill and those in great pain.

## **Today's Homily**

Holidays and travels.

I have been to a few countries in my life time and enjoyed it very much.

Some time ago Father David and I talked about feelings that can only be described as home sickness. With some spare cash and a longing to see some of my relatives I have decided that I would plan to take the opportunity to go to the country of my birth. Our parents decided to migrate to Australia when I was nearing 12 years of age.

I enjoyed the travel on a ship. But there is a lot of water to be seen , some very large fish and some land. Also it took close to 6 weeks. I have been lucky to have gone home to what I call Holland a few times. Whilst also taking the opportunity to see other lands as well.

So on that note I will be absent from here for 3 Sundays.

I will be in Holland for two weeks. The last week I will have the joy of being with some of my family who I will travel back with me and will stay in a B and B for almost a week in Hamilton , before travelling on and going along the East coast travelling as far as Cairns before returning home.

Also today Father David is in Glenthompson for Saint Peters day., or the Martyrdom of Simon Peter and also Paul.

The story Goes that Simon Peter as he was known was a fishers man and with Andrew his brother was one of the 12 disciples of Jesus. In history He was a very significant figure in Christianity.

He followed Jesus around witnessing the miracles that Jesus performed. To calm the storm and went to the mount of the

transfiguration when Jesus was revealed in Glory speaking with Moses and Elijah.

Peters last days was a journey, walking to Rome.

I journeyed to Rome With my husband Brian and sister in-law It was a very fitting start in a tribute to their Mum Roma. The start of a bus trip.

Since then I have been to Rome more than once visiting the Vatican and gazing on the Popes that are interred there. Peter is said to be the first Pope. Also the Pope's summer residence Castel Gandolfo 25 ks from Rome on the shores of Lake Albano.

Sadly not spending enough time there. So pretty.

In the Vatican itself I have touched the feet of the bronze stature of St Peter.

Jesus says if anyone wants to follow me, pick up your cross and follow me. So for at least thirty years . Peter followed Jesus.

However Peter is not beyond the Grace of God. In the upper room at the last supper before the crucifixion Peter denied Jesus 3 times.

Jesus asks Peter 3 times , do you love me.

Peter declares that Jesus is the Messiah . Then Jesus says that Peter is the rock on which I will build the church.

Jesus says to him, feed my sheep.

So I won't be walking to Holland and hopefully not to my death.

So Pray for me to have a safe journey. And at the end I will be amongst you all to carry on doing what God intends me to do.

## Next Weeks Homily

The Ragamuffin invitation

## dNews

Each week. There is a new free complimentary dNews.

## Fr. David's easy quiz

What was St. Peter's original name before Jesus renamed him?

- A) John
- B) Andrew
- C) Simon
- D) James

## Fr. David's hard quiz

How did St. Peter reportedly die in Rome?

- A) Beheaded
- B) Crucified upside down
- C) Burned at the stake
- D) Died of old age
- E) Stoned

## The answers from last week's quiz were:

Easy quiz: Priest

Hard quiz: England

## Thought of the week from Mothers' Union

Sunday 28th June 2026

### The Apostle Peter

'The Lord turned and looked straight at Jesus' (Luke 22:61)

The name Peter means 'rock', the rock you can rely on. But when Peter is put to the test, he was weak. He had sworn to stay with Jesus. But now, three times, he disowns Jesus and refuses to stand by him. It must have been awful to be know that Jesus, fully aware of Peter's sin, had turned to look at him. No

wonder he went outside and wept. And yet, after the resurrection, Peter is forgiven and restored. It is not surprising that having been treated with such love, he becomes the one leading Apostles and even gives up his life for the sake of the Lord. This is the power of repentance and forgiveness, blessed by the Spirit of God.

*Question for thought:*

*How am I like Peter?*

Almighty God, we thank you for the 150 years of Mothers Union. We especially give thanks for the vision of Mary Sumner in bringing women together who trust in you to support one another and strengthen marriage and Christian family life. Amen.

## **Cuppa and chatter**

Cuppa and chatter is on and happening on Thursdays. Ladies to Lemon Myrtle from 2.15pm until 3.00pm and Gents to Thommo's Tavern at 3:00pm. All are welcome.

## **What Anglicare needs for the cooler months.**

Clothing: Socks, tracksuit pants, gloves and warmer tops (even waterproof ones).

Food items: school snacks, spreads (vegemite and peanut butter) and some easy to eat snacks (muesli bars/biscuits/crackers).

Toiletries: bottles of shampoo and roll on deodorant are among some of the toiletries.

## **A Big Thank You**

To all who contributed to the huge number of items gifted to Anglicare.

Thank you for your generosity

## **6 (six) things about our bible study group**

1. It's on Tuesday nights
2. It starts at 7:30pm
3. It's at our warm parish meeting room
4. It goes for no longer than an hour
5. We're using the June bible study challenge reading notes
6. All are welcome.

## **AGM forms at Christ Church Hamilton**

can be found in the gadget that looks like a toaster rack at the back of the Church. White form to sign up for the Electoral roll, Blue form for Parish Council and Yellow for people's warden. There is a box with a hole in the lid to put your completed forms in. Thanks everyone.

## **Invitation from Anglicare**

Everyone in the parish is invited to attend the Annual Meeting of Anglicare Warrnambool, to be held at the Hammond Fellowship Centre, Christ Church, Henna Street, Warrnambool on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2026 at 2.00pm The Guest Speaker will be the recently appointed new Chief Executive Officer for W.R.A.D, Mr Alister Stevic. Afternoon tea will be served at the conclusion of the annual meeting. R.S.V.P. please by 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026 to Email: [anaglicanparishw@bigpond.com](mailto:anaglicanparishw@bigpond.com) Telephone: 03 5561 1687

## **Forethought for our Fete**

So it's probably time that we gave some forethought to our Fete. We will start thinking and planning on Saturday July 25th at 10am in our meeting room. All are very welcome with ideas, refinements and suggestions.

## **On Sunday 9th of August**

at Christ Church Hamilton....

## **2 things by the end of August**

### **Thing 1**

There is an idea that when there is a 5th Sunday in the month, that the Sunday morning service be rotated around our centres. Trying to think through the practicalities of this... it would need a cheerful willingness for folk to travel to another centre for worship. Please let Fr. David know if you would be prepared to do this ... By the end of August.

### **Thing 2**

Your local trusty Parish Council would like to purchase a defibrillator for Christ Church Hamilton. Hopefully we would never need to use it but it would be important to have it there. The cost is between \$1500 and \$2000. If you would like to make a contribution to this venture please put some cash in the plate in an envelope marked 'defibrillator' or electronically transfer your donation with the reference 'defibrillator'.... By the end of August.

## **Annual General Meeting**

The Annual General Meeting for the Parish of Hamilton is scheduled to be held in the Canon Julien Centre on Sunday 26 July 2026 commencing at 11.30am.

Please give thought to nominating for one of the positions which need to be filled. Positions to be filled this year are Churchwardens (3), Councillors (6), Parochial Nominators (3), Supplementary Parochial Nominators (3), Synod Representatives (3) and Alternate Synod Representatives (2).

A reminder that all parishioners are required to re-enrol on the electoral roll to be eligible to fill any of the above positions and to vote at the AGM.

Completed Nomination Forms are to be handed to the Rector, Secretary or left in the box at the rear of Christ Church. Nomination Forms from outlying churches should be handed to Fr David. Nomination Forms are to be received by 12pm Sunday 12 July 2026.

Electoral Enrolment Forms are to be handed to the Secretary or left in the box at the rear of Christ Church. Enrolment Forms from outlying churches should be handed to Fr David. Nomination Forms are to be received by 12pm Sunday 19 July 2026.

Notes for completing each form are contained on the back of the form. Any form not correctly completed, signed and dated cannot be accepted.

If you have any enquiries, please contact the Parish Secretary.

**ALL FORMS ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN ALL CHURCHES.**

**A PRAYER AT THE TIME OF  
CHOOSING A BISHOP**

Eternal God, shepherd and guide,  
in your mercy give your Church in this  
diocese a shepherd after your own  
heart

who will walk in your ways,  
and with loving care watch over  
your people.

Give us a leader of vision and a  
teacher of your truth.

So may your Church be built up  
and your name glorified;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Happy Birthday to  
Kevin Cummerford (June 29th)  
From all the Parish Family**

**TODAY'S HYMNS**

579      168      639      740

**Services for this week**

Wednesday	1st July	Holy Communion 10.00am	Christ Church Hamilton
Saturday	4th July	Vigil 5.00pm	Christ Church Hamilton
Sunday	5th July	Eucharist 9.00am	St Peter's Glenthompson
		Eucharist 10.30am	Christ Church Hamilton

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