THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST STEPHEN AND ST MARY

MOUNT WAVERLEY

WELCOME

Feast of St Matthew 20 September 2020



Prayer for Our Community:

O Great Love, thank you for living and loving in us and through us. May all that we do flow from our deep connection with you and all beings. Help us become a community that vulnerably shares each other's burdens and the weight of glory. Listen to our hearts' longings for the healing of our world. Knowing you are hearing us better than we are speaking, we offer these prayers in all the holy names of God, amen.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet, the people of the Kulin nation, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

This parish is committed to Child Safety and complies with Diocesan and State requirements. This is a shared responsibility of staff and parish. Please see the back of pew leaflet for contact details.

At Worship Today:

Almighty God,

who through your Son Jesus Christ

called Matthew from the selfish pursuit of gain

to become an apostle and evangelist: free us from all greed and love of riches

so that we may follow the steps of our Lord Jesus Christ

in the way of self-giving love;

who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and for ever. Amen.

9.45 am (Sung Eucharist)

Preaching & Presiding: The Venerable Dianne

Liturgy Setting: Dudman

Processional: The Summons vv.1,2 & 5

Sentence: Those who are well have no need of a physician, but

those who are sick. I have come not to call the

righteous, but sinners.

First Reading: Proverbs 3.1-6

Gospel Acclamation:



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Gospel: Matthew 9.9-13

Offertory: TIS 745 'Seek Ye First'

Lord's Prayer (sung): Routledge setting

Choir Anthem: "My Life is Yours" by Ruth Hooke Recessional Hymn: "Christ, Be Our Light' vv. 1,2 & 5

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First Reading: Proverbs 3.1-6

My child, do not forget my teaching, but let your heart keep my commandments; 2 for length of days and years of life and abundant welfare they will give you. 3 Do not let loyalty and faithfulness forsake you; bind them round your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. 4 So you will find favour and good repute in the sight of God and of people. 5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. 6 In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 9.9-13

9 As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, 'Follow me.' And he got up and followed him. 10 And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax-collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. 11 When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax-collectors and sinners?' 12 But when he heard this, he said, 'Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. 13 Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.'

'Gratitude is the praise we offer God: for teachers kind, benefactors never to be forgotten, for all who have advantaged me, by writings, sermons, converse, prayers, examples, for all these and all others which I know, which I know not, open, hidden, remembered, and forgotten.'

Lancelot Andrewes,
 bishop of Winchester (d.1626)



From Your Vicar

Today we are remembering St Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist and Martyr, and so, I thought I would give you a little information about him. Matthew is from the 1st Century and was called Levi by Mark and Luke. Matthew was a publican, that is a tax collector of Jewish race who worked for the Romans, before he left all at the call of Christ (Matt 9: 9). From very early times he has been regarded as the author of the first of the four Gospels, to which both Irenaeus and Papias are witnesses. Written in the second half of the 1st century and commonly, though not universally, believed to be dependent on Mark, Matthew's Gospel is in correct, concise style, suitable for public reading. Matthew's usual emblem as an evangelist is a man, because his genealogy emphasised the family ties of Christ. In art, Matthew is represented as either an evangelist or as an apostle. In the first case he sits at his desk, writing his gospel with an angel either guiding his hand or holding the inkwell; in the second he holds the emblem of his martyrdom (a spear, a sword, or a halberd) or else a money-bag, or, a money -box sometimes with a slot in the top, in memory of his former profession. In the later Middle Ages he is sometimes depicted with spectacles, presumably to help him read his account-books!! The Church remembers St. Matthew on Monday 21st September this year, but we have take the opportunity to remember him on Sunday.

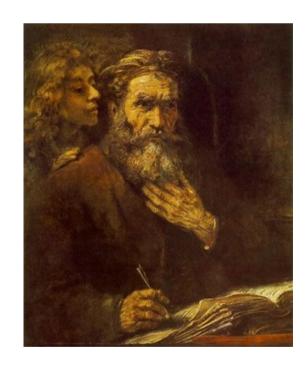
I was looking through some of my bits and pieces that I keep and found the following (I don't know the author) that might give you either a giggle or some food for thought:

Dear Lord,

So far today I've done alright!
I haven't gossiped, lost my temper,
Been greedy or grumpy,
Been nasty, selfish or over indulgent.
I'm very thankful for that.

But in a few minutes Lord, I'm going to get out of bed – And from then I'm probably going to need A lot more help.....

Pax (peace) Dianne



PROCESSIONAL HYMN

The Summons vv.1.2.5

- 1. Will you come and follow Me
 If I but call your name
 Will you go where you don't know
 And never be the same
 Will you let My love be shown
 Will you let My name be known
 Will you let My life be grown
 In you and you in Me
- 2. Will you leave yourself behind
 If I but call your name
 Will you care for cruel and kind
 And never be the same
 Will you risk the hostile stare
 Should your life attract or scare
 Will you let Me answer prayer
 In you and you in Me
- 3. Lord Your summons echoes true
 When You but call my name
 Let me turn and follow You
 And never be the same
 In Your company I'll go
 Where Your love and footsteps show
 Thus I'll move and live and grow
 In You and You in me

Graham Maule | John L. Bell

OFFERTORY HYMN

TIS 745 'Seek Ye First'

1.Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia.

> Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, allelu, alleluia.

2.Ask and it shall be given unto you, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia.

Alleluia ...

3.We shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of the Lord.
Allelui, alleluia.

Alleluia...

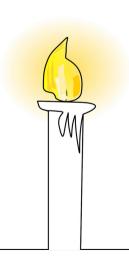
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RECESSIONAL HYMN

'Christ, be our Light' vv. 1,2 & 5

- 1. Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
 Longing for truth, we turn to you.
 Make us your own, your holy people,
 light for the world to see.
 Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
 Shine through the darkness.
 Christ, be our light!
 Shine in your church gathered today.
- Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
 Longing for hope, many despair.
 Your word alone has power to save us.
 Make us your living voice.
 Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts...
- 3. Many the gifts, many the people, many the hearts that yearn to belong. Let us be servants to one another, making your kingdom come. Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts...

Bernadette Farrell



SEPTEMBER SSTAMP

The latest Parish Paper has hit the streets.

Hard copies available (made at Kwik Kopy in Burwood).

Contact Graeme Dellora



Roster for Next Week

27 September – 17th Sunday After Pentecost

Exodus 17: 1-7 Irene Donohoue Clyne

Intercessor Sue Retschko

Matthew 21: 23-32

Thank you to our volunteers—if you are able to help please contact Joan West.

The September edition of TMA is now available online (see http://

tma.melbourneanglican.org.au/this-months-tma)

A small number of print copies are available for pick-up from the Vicar's porch—first in, best dressed!



Afternoon Meditation Gathering

On the $1^{\rm st}$ Wednesday of each month is still being offered during the Coronavirus in our own homes. We keep the same time in our own homes from 2.30~pm-3.30~pm.

If you are Interested in joining with other parishioners please contact Val and the meditation we will reflect on together will be sent to you. **Our next gathering is Wednesday 7th October.**

Evening Meditation Gatherings

On the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month meditation sessions are offered, via Zoom, in the Contemplative Traditions of Christian Meditation. The sessions start at 7.30pm but you can enter into the gathering after 7.15pm. Interested parishioners can contact Michael Mosley for more information. The next session will be on **Thursday 24th September** then on **Thursday 8th October**.

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SERVICE: Sunday 9.45 am