

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday Golf Group meet @ 7.30am
Thursday Revd Josie @ church this week between 10 – 2pm
Sunday 5/7 Annual Meeting of Parishioners @ 8.45am

The **Annual Meeting of Parishioners** is fast approaching on ...
Sunday 5th July at 8.45am. Please would all people who are in charge of a group send their reports to be included in the booklet to josie.steytler@gmail.com I have only received 2 reports out of 14 so far. I want to hand the booklets out on 28th June so everyone can read them before we come to the meeting. So this is the last week to get them to me.

Also, please would you consider whether you would like to be a **Parish Council member, Warden or Synod Representative** and fill in the appropriate form.

And finally, please check the **Parish Roll** in the Entry Hall and make sure your details are correct. If they are not change them so all the information is right.

Progressive Dinner – we're trying to gauge the interest of parishioners for a progressive dinner sometime in July? If you would like to be part of this social event would you please let Jennifer know ph 0407 371 204



Happy birthday to Stan MacDonald for today; Helen Wooding on 26th

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Welcome to Worship



Pentecost 3

21st June 2020

We are a warm-hearted community who are delighted to have you worshipping with us today ...

Our Mission is to

- Know God personally
- Love and respect one another deeply
- Disciple and serve those around us

Sentence: Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for Jesus' sake will find it. Matthew 10:39

Collect of the Day

Gracious God,
we who were baptised into Christ Jesus
were baptised into his death:
we pray that, as you raised him from death,
so by the power of the Holy Spirit
we may live the new life to your glory,
knowing ourselves to be dead in sin
but alive for you in Jesus Christ;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Today's readings:

Genesis 21:8-21
Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17
Romans 6:1-11
Matthew 10:24-39

Next Week:

Genesis 22:1-14
Psalm 13
Romans 6:12-23
Matthew 10:40-42



Pentecost 3 – Matthew 10:26-33

“Fear no one. Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, nor secret that will not be known. What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light; what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops.”

In Matthew’s missionary discourse, Jesus instills in his disciples of the need for courage and discernment in their preaching of the Gospel. The disciple who faithfully proclaims his Gospel can expect to be denounced, ridiculed and abused; but Jesus assures his followers that they have nothing to fear from those who would deprive “the body of life,” for their perseverant and faithful witness to the Gospel will be exalted in the reign of God.

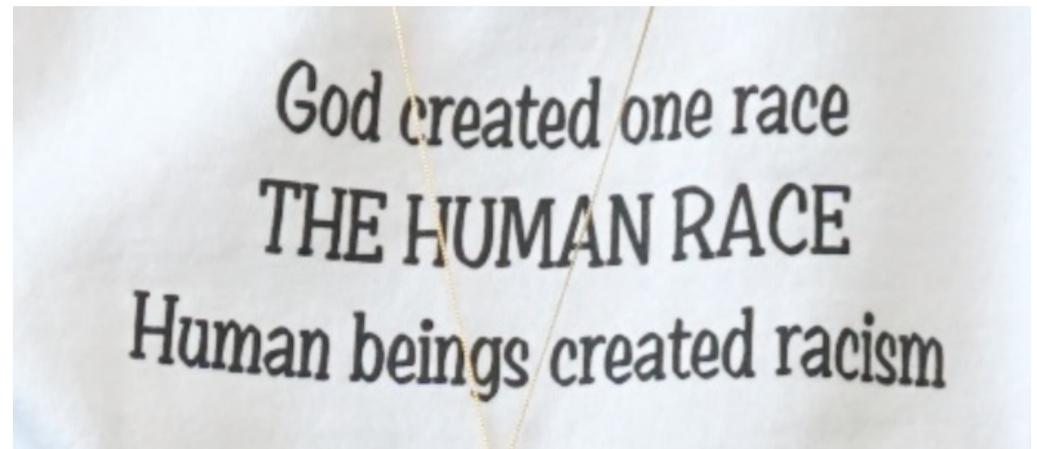
In the Gospels, Christ reveals a God who loves us and cares for us and every “strand” of creation. Sometimes we are called to be the vehicles of God’s love for those desperate to realize that presence in their lives; sometimes we are the recipients of such blessings of forgiveness and compassion. The providence of God who has “counted . . . all the hairs of

your head” manifests itself in the love of family, the comfort of friends, the support of church and community.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus calls us beyond our fears and insecurities; he invites us to embrace a spirit of joy and possibility beyond our comfort zone. Three times in today’s Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples not to be afraid, that we have nothing to fear before God who has proven his love and acceptance of us unreservedly. Christ calls us in to embrace a vision of hope that is the opposite of fear — hope that matches our uncertainty of the unknown with the certainty of the love of God; hope that can only be found and embraced once we reach beyond our own fears to confront the fears and heal the hurts of others; hope that the Good Fridays of our lives will be transformed into Easter completeness.

We “disown” Jesus, not only by what we do, but by what we fail to do. We “deny” Jesus by our silence in the face of injustice, our protecting our own interests at the expense of the common good, our failure to respond to Christ calling us in the cries of the poor, the abused, the desperate and the lost.

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Please pray for: Paul; Colleen & Ted; Marge; Lynne; Frances; Isla; Brad; Peter; Lois; Albert, Ivan; Suzie; Jan; Dan; Jean; Jennifer; Gordon; Serena; Colin; Stuart; Dennis; Peggy; Gayle; Merle

