



The Anglican Parish of Glenelg

A vibrant, welcoming and inclusive community
growing in faith and love

Weekly News and Pew Sheet



NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2020

WORSHIP THEME: FREE FROM FEAR AND WORRY

Parish Priest's Message

Aren't humans strange? Today we have two examples in our bible readings of humans making unfathomably bad choices. At the very moment that Moses is speaking to God on behalf of his people and receiving the ten commandments, the people decide to make a golden cow and worship that instead. The scenario is tragic and ridiculous and sadly, all too true. In one of the most ironic phrases in the scriptures the psalmist sums it up perfectly: *"they exchanged the glory of God for the likeness of an ox that eats hay"*. And yet whilst we can marvel at their faithlessness and foolishness, we know that this is a common human trait. Goethe once said that: *"The things that are most important in life are always at the mercy of the things that are least important."* This challenges us with the issue of priorities and good choices in life – choices that we make as individuals and as a community.



The parable of the wedding banquet in the Gospels is similar in the issue it raises. The king in the story is inviting people to his son's wedding banquet. Surely, this is the party of the year, the feast not to be missed. And yet, people don't come. They refuse, they make excuses and some even attack and kill the bearers of the invitation. It is ridiculous and tragic and yet a true insight into human nature - we don't always accept God's invitation.

God invites us continually into worship and service. Opportunities surround us every day for wonder, praise and thankfulness as well as chances to reach out to those around us. These are doorways into God's kingdom. These are glimpses of heaven. We might choose like the Israelites to look in wonder at different lesser things. We might choose like those in the parable to outrightly refuse the opportunities. But God is faithful and those kingdom moments are always there for us to receive.

If we find our lives are filled with fears and worries, let's try praying anew for eyes to see, ears to hear and willing hearts to respond to the God moments in our lives this week.

Fr Andrew

Please stay COVID safe vigilant. Please follow our COVID plan and marshal's requests.
Please social distance where possible. This is not unfriendly; it is us caring for each other.

Worship Resources

Sentence

Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. **Philippians 4:6**

Prayer of the day

Lord, our help and guide, make your love the foundation of our lives, that we may worship only what is worthy and may willingly accept your invitation into the life and celebration of your kingdom. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Exodus 32:1-14

A reading from the book of Exodus

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron and said to him, 'Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.' Aaron said to them, 'Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.' So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mould, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, 'Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord.' They rose early the next day, and offered burnt-offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

The Lord said to Moses, 'Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it, and said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!"' The Lord said to Moses, 'I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.'

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, 'O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, "It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth"? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, "I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it for ever." ' And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned

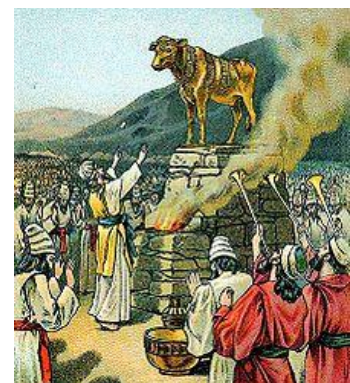
Hear the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 106.1-6, 20-24

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- 1 Praise the Lord; O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good:
and his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 Who can express the mighty acts of the Lord:
or fully voice his praise?
- 3 Blessed are those who act according to justice:
who at all times do the right.
- 4 Remember me, O Lord, when you visit your people with your favour:
and come to me also with your salvation,
- 5 That I may see the prosperity of your chosen:
that I may rejoice with the rejoicing of your people,
and exult with those who are your own.
- 6 We have sinned like our ancestors:
we have acted perversely and done wrong.
- 20 At Horeb they made themselves a calf:
and bowed down in worship to an image.
- 21 And so they exchanged the glory of God:
for the likeness of an ox that eats hay.
- 22 They forgot God who was their saviour:
that had done such great things in Egypt,
- 23 Who had worked his wonders in the land of Ham:
and his terrible deeds at the Red Sea.
- 24 Therefore he thought to destroy them:
had not Moses his servant stood before him in the breach,
to turn away his wrath from destroying them.



Second Reading

Philippians 4:1-9

A reading from the letter to the Philippians

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.



Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!

May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart
That we may see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 22:1-10

✠ The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet."

But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.



The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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Next Sundays' Readings

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost: God's Goodness and Mercy

Exodus 33:12-23 Psalm 99 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10 Matthew 22:15-22

This Week

Sun 11th Oct	7:45am: Holy Communion at St Peter's 8:45am: Holy Communion at St Martin's 10:00am Holy Eucharist at St Peter's
Tues 13th Oct	2:00pm Funeral (Peter Hunn)
Wed 14th Oct	10am-11:30am Playgroup resumes
Thu 15th Oct	10am Eucharist in Chapel
Sun 18th Oct	7:45am: Holy Communion at St Peter's 8:45am: Holy Communion at St Martin's 10:00am Holy Eucharist at St Peter's

Sunday reflections are posted on Facebook as well as other prayers and reflections through the week. Let's keep in touch



Upcoming Dates

Tuesday 13th Oct	4:00pm Finance Committee (postponed til Tues 10 th Nov)
Tues 20th Oct	7:30pm Parish Council
Fri 24th Oct	6:00pm Youth Group
Wed 4th Nov	7:00pm All Souls Day Service of Remembrance
Sun 29th Nov	5:00pm War Memorial Chapel Anniversary

PARISH NOTICES

REGISTERING FOR CHURCH: EVENTBRITE BOOKINGS FOR 10AM SERVICE – THIS SUNDAY 11TH OCTOBER

If you want to book for this Sunday 11th October please book here <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/st-peters-10am-service-at-glenelg-registration-118249187503>

BOOKING AHEAD FOR 18TH OCTOBER

If you want to book for the following Sunday 18th October please use <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/st-peters-10am-service-at-glenelg-registration-118249189509>

HALLELUJAH, WE CAN SING AGAIN – FOR NOW

We received notification this week from the diocese that following new SA health advice, and with no community transmissions in South Australia for an extended period, we can resume congregational singing provided that social distancing requirements are observed. This could be subject to change if the situation worsens and community transmissions occur.

PLAY GROUP RESUMES THIS WEEK

The Parish Play Group resumes this **Wednesday 14th October at 10-11:30am**. Please feel free to let anyone know who may be interested.

PARISH MEN'S GROUP GATHERING

The parish men's group will meet on **Wednesday 21st October at 7:30pm** in the community centre. Over a glass of wine or a cuppa we will enjoy catching up and also an ***"unfathomable object"*** challenge. Bring along an object from your shed or house (could be from a workplace or to do with a hobby) that you know what it is but others may not. We'll have some fun trying to guess and hearing the story of these objects. We'll have a few spares on hand just in case also. Please RSVP to Henry Schafing or Rev. Andrew Mintern.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD – SHOEBOXES OF LOVE

Throughout October Shoeboxes and brochures will be available at church services and from the parish office. The possible destinations for our shoeboxes this year will be Fiji, Madagascar, Malawi or Cambodia. We need all shoeboxes returned by Sunday 25th October and we will bless them in the 10am service that day. Please note that the parish will pay the \$10 donation for each box from our Mission Giving budget, so all you need to do is fill the box with appropriate gifts.



ALL SOULS DAY SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE – 7:00PM WED 4TH NOVEMBER

Each year on or near All Souls Day, we hold a simple service of remembrance to recall those who have died and pray for those who mourn. Through October you can place names of loved ones on the memorial list in the church. These names will be read out and remembered in the intercessions at the service. All Welcome.

HACKY SACKS FOR LOCAL PRIMARY SCHOOLS

You might remember that last year we helped other local churches make hacky sacks as part of a graduation gift for Year 7's in local State primary schools (St Leonard's Primary and Glenelg Primary). These were happily received and we are being asked to assist again. They can be knitted or crocheted and there are instructions available in the front office as well as the rubber inners.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS - COLOURING MURAL

Colouring pages for Mural No. 2 are now available from the parish office. If you'd like to join in the colouring fun, see Michele or have a look at the mural in the parish office and take a section. Please return any completed sections.

SUNDAY KIDS @ HOME

Sunday Kids is on holidays for the term break but if you are looking for some activities check out our Sunday Kids@home page on the website.

<http://www.glenelganglican.org.au/?cat=38>

DONATING TO OUR PARISH

Regular Planned Giving can be directed to Parish of Glenelg (AFSA) BSB 705-077 Account Number 00041211 (please use your surname and initial SMITHJ PGP).

One off/occasional donations, that are separate to regular PGP, can be made to Anglican Parish of Glenelg BSB 705-077 Account No.00000033

Heritage Conservation Fund (tax deductible): Ensure the donation is designated for *St Peters Anglican Church Glenelg Appeal*. <https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/donate-sa>



Kingsley Oakley, Kel Pittman, Rosalie & Phil Brown, Nicole Cain, Pat Donnelly, Melanie Lyons, Daniel Roach, Nicky Heal, Tim Went, Beryl Nash, Tony Tamblyn, Sarah and Peter Fenech **R.I.P. Peter Hunn**

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer requests for Sunday intercessions can be given to the parish office and private prayers can also be offered by contacting the Parish Prayer People.



Can we help? Contact Prayer People through:
Vi: 8295 5726 / vekeam@bigpond.com
Ros: 8376 9739 / neville.cordes@bigpond.com
St Martin's; see Sandy Anderson

OUR PARISH'S STEPS TO FOLLOWING OUR COVID SAFE PLAN

In compliance with our COVID Safe plan we continue to request: -

attendance records for all services;
physical distancing of 1.5metres;
no hand-shaking for greeting of peace;
not passing the collection plate



(but please use it when you come forward for communion);

having communion with bread only;

No self-service food and drinks or shared utensils
(your morning tea will be joyfully made for you).

Copies of our current COVID safe plan are displayed
in the foyer of both our churches.



Let's continue to be a
COVIDSAFE
church



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May God bless you and keep you today and always.