



# The Anglican Parish of Glenelg

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

## Weekly News and Pew Sheet



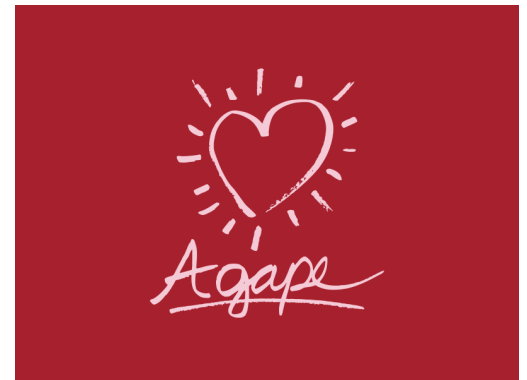
**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**SUNDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2021**

**WORSHIP THEME: The Joy of Love**

### Parish Priest's Message

We talk so much about love in Christianity that it's hard to grasp the novel way in which Jesus spoke of it. The specific term in the Greek New Testament that is attributed to Jesus – Agape – was rarely used in his time and it took on new meaning for the early Christians. This was self-giving love. The love that God shows us in giving of Godself in Jesus. The love that Jesus shows on the cross. The love that Christians are called to show to their neighbours.



The thought struck me during the week: did Jesus really use this word in Greek for didn't he speak in Aramaic? I'm sure we've all heard many sermons on the distinction between the Greek terms for love – Agape (unconditional love), phileo (brotherly or sisterly love) and eros (romantic or erotic love) yet we have probably heard few sermons on the Aramaic words Chav and Racham. An article I read recently suggested that there is no direct Greek parallel for either of these Aramaic words and Agape could equally be a translation for both. Further exploration suggests that Chav is a love that is not necessarily returned, immediately making us think of God's love for us – unconditional love. Racham is love when it is completed and fulfilled, that is, when that love is returned.

This is a long way of getting around to a reflection on John 15:12-14. When our English translation speaks of giving one's life for one's friends – it is speaking of Phileos/Racham the ones in whom the unconditional love of Christ goes both ways – given and returned. We are slaves no longer (those who receive commands) but we are friends (ones who receive unconditional love and give unconditional love in return). Jesus gives us this incredible example of Agape/Chav/self-giving love and invites us to return that love/Racham in the deep bonds of brotherly and sisterly love even to the point of self-sacrifice. That is indeed a powerful invitation on this final Sunday in the Easter season.

## WORSHIP RESOURCES FOR TODAY

### Sentence

Jesus said, 'You did not choose me, but I chose you.

And I appointed you to go and bear fruit.'

**John 15.16**

### Prayer of the Day

Loving God,

your Son has chosen us and called us to be his friends:

give us grace to keep his commandments, to love one another,

and to bear fruit which will abide; through him who is the true vine,

the source of all our life, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### First Reading

**Acts 10.44-48**

#### **A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Hear the word of the Lord,

**Thanks be to God.**

### Psalm 98

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- <sup>1</sup> O sing to the Lord a new song:  
for he has done marvellous things;
- <sup>2</sup> His right hand and his holy arm:  
they have got him the victory.
- <sup>3</sup> The Lord has made known his salvation:  
he has revealed his just deliverance  
in the sight of the nations.
- <sup>4</sup> He has remembered his mercy and faithfulness  
towards the house of Israel:



and all the ends of the earth  
have seen the salvation of our God.  
<sup>5</sup> Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth:  
break into singing and make melody.  
<sup>6</sup> Make melody to the Lord upon the harp:  
upon the harp and with the sounds of praise.  
<sup>7</sup> With trumpets and with horns:  
cry out in triumph before the Lord, the king.  
<sup>8</sup> Let the sea roar, and all that fills it:  
the good earth and those who live upon it.  
<sup>9</sup> Let the rivers clap their hands:  
and let the mountains ring out together before the Lord;  
<sup>10</sup> For he comes to judge the earth:  
he shall judge the world with righteousness,  
and the peoples with equity

## **Second Reading**

**1 John 5:1-6**

### **A reading from the first letter of John**

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?



This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

Hear the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! **Alleluia!**  
I appointed you to go and bear fruit,  
fruit that will last.  
**Alleluia!**

## Gospel

**John 15.9-17**

✠ The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St John  
**Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.



'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

For the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

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**Next Sunday's Readings – Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> May**  
**Sunday After Ascension (Easter 7) – Passing on the Baton**

Acts 1:15–17, 21–26   Psalm 1   1 John 5:9–13   John 17:6–19

## Parish Calendar

<b>Sunday 9<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	<b>7:45am Holy Communion, St. Peter's</b> <b>8:45am Holy Communion, St. Martin's</b> <b>10:00am Sung Eucharist, St. Peter's &amp; Sunday Kids resumes</b> <b>12 noon Baptism of Elena Charlton, St Peter's</b>
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am Playgroup, St Peter's
Thu 13 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am Eucharist in the St Michael's chapel
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup>	1:00pm Private funeral for Lyn Noble
<b>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7:45am Holy Communion, St. Peter's</b> <b>8:45am Holy Communion, St. Martin's</b> <b>10:00am Have a Go Musicians, St. Peter's</b> <b>12 noon Baptism of Bo Roesler, St Peter's</b>
Tue 18 <sup>th</sup>	7:30pm Parish Council
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am Playgroup, St Peter's 10:00am History Tour through St. Peter's Church 3:00pm Wellbeing Class, St Peter's
Thu 13 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am Eucharist in the St Michael's chapel



## PARISH NOTICES

### BAPTISM OF ELENA CHARLTON

We welcome **ELENA CHARLTON** to be baptized at 12 noon. We pray for all her family and friends as Elena is welcomed into the Christian family.

### SUNDAY KIDS RESUMES

'Sunday Kids' resumes TODAY at the 10am service! All children aged 5-12 are welcome to join in (younger children with parental supervision).

### AMBROSE GOLF

Thank you to those who indicated their interest in a game of Ambrose Golf. We have a booked timeslot of 12-12.30pm Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at the North Course of West Beach Parks Golf Course (formerly known as Adelaide Shores). We will play in groups of 4 and will tee off at 6 minute intervals (Maximum 24 people). Cost is \$20 per person on the day and some gold coins for drinks which will come around to you in the buggy. Sign up sheets in church and please see Michele or Andrew for more information.





## **BUSH CHURCH AID**

Thanks for returning your BCA boxes. If you would a collection box to use to donate to BCA, speak to Joyleen Brougham or leave a message at the office.

## **SUPPORT FOR A BELOVED PARISHIONER**

Donations are sought to help a well-known parishioner who had a major fire in their home unit last year. Donations already given have paid to install a hot-water service. If you would like to help by contributing towards window blinds for the lounge room and bedroom windows and for floor coverings. Please talk to Rev'd Andrew if you can assist. Donations can be made through the parish.

## **WE DO STILL HAVE SOME COVID RESTRICTIONS – PLEASE READ**

Thankfully restrictions are not too stringent at present, but we are still operating under a COVID safe plan so... please remember to stay home if you are unwell, sanitise your hands and observe social distancing “where possible”. Importantly, please QR into all parish services and events or register on the sign-in sheet. The situation around the world remains dire and we should keep praying about this as well as being sensibly vigilant here. Current COVID safe plans are on display in our churches.

Let's continue to be a  COVIDSAFE church

## **FOOD CUPBOARD**

Thank you everyone for your continued support of our Food Cupboard. Please hold off on tinned baked beans and spaghetti for the month of May. Other items are still gratefully received – especially breakfast cereal, long life milk, pasta, rice and pasta sauces.

## **PROVINCIAL CLERGY CONFERENCE**

Andrew, Michele and Margaret have spent three days this past week at the Provincial Clergy Conference. 110 members of clergy from Adelaide, Willochra and The Murray dioceses met at the Adelaide Hills Convention Centre. Sharing conference together as three dioceses was significant in itself and the interaction between the three was really great. The main focus of the conference was on Pastoral Supervision. An important recommendation of the Royal Commission into institutional child abuse was that all clergy must be in professional supervision. Much training is being undertaken at present and by the start of 2022 this will be implemented. The Rev'd Dr Geoff Broughton from St Mark's Theological College, Canberra, was our keynote speaker as well as a number of panel discussions.

## PRAYER REFLECTION

*This is the day that God has made.  
We will rejoice and be glad in it.  
Let us worship the One  
who turns our sorrow into joy.  
Our despair into hope.  
Our doubt into faith.  
Let us feel the wind of the Spirit refresh our lives.*

*God, our source of light and life,  
you lead the way to courage, kindness, generosity, and love.  
You call us to be your people  
and to live in community with one another,  
always moving to a place of wholeness.  
God, your love makes us whole.  
Help us to receive your love with open hearts,  
so that we may become attuned to your will and way.  
We ask that you strengthen us as your people,  
gathered to praise and to serve you. Amen.*

## WORDSEARCH FOR TODAY

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COMMAND LIFE    SERVANTS    BUSINESS  
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## PRAYER REQUESTS – PUBLIC AND PRIVATE

Prayer requests for Sunday intercessions can be given to the parish office and added to the Sunday prayer list for a time. Please note that people should give their permission to have their name added to this list. We also appreciate updates on their progress and in the event of good news, people can be removed from the list. If you would like prayers for yourself or someone else but confidentially, rather than on the public list, then please speak to one of the clergy (or Sandy Anderson at St Martin's). There is a dedicated team of prayer people in the parish who will pray for you. If you feel called to this ministry of prayer please speak to one of the clergy.



Kingsley Oakley, Kel Pittman, Rosalie & Phil Brown, Pat Donnelly, Melanie Lyons, Tim Went, Yvonne Thomas, David and Marion McCall, Samuel, Trevor Marker, Tommy, Desley, Nicky, Jean, Peta, Roberta Steele, Richard Forder, Yvonne Curran, James RIP Lyn Noble

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#### OFFICE OPENING HOURS

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## 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 *The Anglican Parish of St Peters Glenelg*. <https://www.nationaltrust.org.au/donate-sa>

**[www.glenelganglican.org.au](http://www.glenelganglican.org.au)**

*The Anglican Parish of Glenelg acknowledges that we are meeting on the traditional country of the Kurna people of the Adelaide Plains. We recognise and respect their cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land. We acknowledge that they are of continuing importance to the Kurna people living today.*