



Sunday 10th June 2018

Parish Priest: Fr. Steven Rigo

Assistant Priests: Fr. Dong Tran & Fr. Tao Pham

Pastoral Associate: Jacinta Bright

Pastoral Worker: Sr. Margaret Sapsford

Pastoral Worker: Christina O'Connor

The Partnered Parishes of:

St. Mary's

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Secretaries: Frances Olofsson & Sharon Prosser

Communications Officer: Denise Chang-Faux

Mass Times

Monday: Liturgy of the word 9.15am

Tuesday to Friday: Mass 9.15am

Saturday: Mass 8.30am & Vigil Mass 6.30pm

Sunday: Mass 8.00am, 10.00am & 5.00pm

Reconciliation Times

Saturday: 9.00am & 5.45pm

Parish School Principal

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Mass Times

Monday: Communion Service 9.15am

Wednesday & Friday: Mass 9.15am

1st Saturday of the month: Vigil Mass at
St. Peters Hurstbridge 7.15pm

Sunday: Mass 9.00am

Reconciliation Times

Friday: 9.45am to 10.15am

Parish School Principal

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Secretaries: Mary Gargan & Lisa Leahy

Mass Times

Tuesday & Thursday: Mass 9.15am

Saturday: Vigil Mass 6.00pm

Sunday: Mass 10.30am

Reconciliation Times

Saturday: 9.30am to 10.00am

Parish School Principal

Mr David Delaney **Ph:** 9434 4565 **or Email**
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ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 16th & 17th June

SACRED HEART 9:00am:

Special Ministers: P. Leonard, C. Bell, T. Sirianni, Y. O'Brien, J. Pittle

Reader: J. Hoyne

Commentator: C. Fernando

Welcoming: P. Thomas

Set-Up: P. Leonard

Counters: C. Bell, F. Peckham, Y. O'Brien

Cleaners: M. Dunn

ST. PETER'S 7:15pm: Next Mass Saturday 7th July, 2018

Special Ministers: Y. O'Brien, H. Edmonds, R. Nicolaisen

Reader: P. Keenan

Commentator: E. Gittens

Set-Up: R. Nicolaisen

ST. THOMAS the APOSTLE Vigil 6.00pm & 10:30am:

Special Minsters 6.00pm: M. Bedford, D. & D. Haesler, L. Carty, A. McCarthy

Special Minsters 10:30am: R. Rendina, J. Millar, D. Nixon, E. Sutherland, R. Piccolo

6.00pm: Reader: T. Holland

Commentator: K. Salm

Set-Up: K. Salm

10:30am: Reader: R. Rendina

Commentator: S. Millar

Set-Up: J. Kerr

Counters: J. Bohan, B. Riordan, A. McCarthy

Cleaners: 16th June L. Carty, J. De Carlo

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday 20th June

Lunch & Games at Parish Centre Sacred Heart

Wednesday 4th July

Winter Celebration in Sacred Heart Parish Centre

Saturday 21st July

Fr Michael Golden Jubilee Mass. 6.00pm St Thomas the Apostle

Our prayers have been asked for sick parishioners & friends that they may be healed & comforted during this time:

Diamond Creek: Angela Caccetta, Thelma Gill, Lyn Stark, Novan Nguyen, Kay Christian, Catherine Leonard, Di Galea, Les Gale, June Saunders, Marjana Susec, Lucy Cassin, Paul Croft, Julia Liddard

Greensborough North: Jo Herbert, Helene Grech, Marg Dobson, Gordon Shannon, Maurita Munro, Nathan Zuzic, Doug Armstrong, Beling Dasilda

We pray for those whose Anniversaries occur in the month of June that they may enter joyfully into God's Kingdom

Carmel & Albert Mowlam, Nicola Nesci, Pauline Georgiades, Ken Parker, Maureen Parker Michael Cusack, Saviour Camilleri, Joanne Tubb, Antonio Napoleone, Eric Rosario, Leo Campbell, Des Price, Bert Smooker

COMMUNITY LIFE

SENIORS MOMENTS: Wednesday 20th June Lunch & Games at parish Centre sacred Heart BYO Light Lunch.

Wednesday 4th July Winter Celebration Lunch in Parish Centre. For catering Purposes, please contact Margaret with bookings by Sunday 1st July.

CHAPLAINCY SUNDAY APPEAL: Thank you to all those who contributed to this appeal. In total across the Parishes of Sacred Heart & St. Thomas we contributed \$426.90.

PROJECT COMPASSION: Thanks to all that contributed to this annual Lenten Appeal. In total across the Parishes of Sacred Heart & St. Thomas we contributed \$4,972.70

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS: Thank you to those parishioners who have purchased 2018 Entertainment Books. We have purchased another box (including Geelong area) or we can arrange for the electronic version. Please contact Sacred Heart Parish Centre.

FORMATION IN FAITH

RCIA: If you are interested in learning more about your Catholic faith or perhaps looking at becoming a member of the Catholic Church please contact Mandy through either of the Parish Offices

MELBOURNE CATHOLIC MAGAZINE: Melbourne Catholic provides a simple and contemporary expression of the Catholic Faith in Melbourne and beyond The June edition is available now in the Gathering Space at \$4.00 per copy.

WORSHIP & PRAYER

SAINTS OF THE WEEK: Tuesday: St Boniface Wednesday: St Norbert, St Marcellin

RECONCILIATION: There will be no reconciliation at St Thomas Parish on both Saturday the 16th and 23rd of June as all our Priests will be attending Ordinations at St Patricks Cathedral.

GLUTEN FREE COMMUNION HOSTS: Gluten, Wheat, Dairy & Corn Free Communion Hosts are available for those who require them. These Hosts can be found on the Offertory Table prior to Mass, please feel free to place a Host in the Pict provided.

FUNERAL MINISTRY TEAMS

Both Sacred Heart & St. Thomas are seeking any parishioners who may like to assist with the important ministry of assisting with the preparations of funerals in each parish. Currently St. Thomas have a small team which and are hoping to add members and Sacred Heart are looking to establish a team. This important Ministry assists with the preparation of all funerals within each Parish and liaises with the Families, Priest and Parish Office to ensure everything runs smoothly. If anyone is interested in sharing their talents by contributing to the Ministry of your Parish please feel free to contact either the Sacred Heart or St. Thomas Parish Office.

DIAMOND VALLEY REFUGE SUPPORT: – Thanks to all parishioners for continuing to support this project. Could you possibly please ensure all your donation envelopes are returned by the **17th June**. This will be the last collection for banking before the end of the financial year. Lentara Uniting Care will be issuing receipts sometime in July. If you have any queries, please feel free to call Lilian Hobson (0402 823 679). Our Parishes will continue to support the Asylum Seeker/Refugee Support project; new envelopes for 2018/19 will be provided in July.

BIG GROUP HUG

Based in Rosanna, the Big Group Hug is a grassroots charity supporting struggling families in our community. They provide donated goods to assist parents in caring for their children aged newborn to 12 years old. Big Group Hug wants to ensure all kids are warm this winter by including pyjamas, singlets, socks & underwear in all their donated packs of clothing this year.

They are seeking donations of NEW Pyjamas, Singlets Socks & Underwear for both Boys & Girls in sizes 2 to 16. For more information on how you can assist this very worthwhile organisation please visit www.biggroupug.org or contact Carly in the St. Thomas School Office or email: carly@biggroupug.org



EXPLANATION OF COLLECTIONS

In every Parish, there are two collections and two separate accounts,

The Presbytery collection/account (1st coll.) provides the pastoral stipend and living costs of the Priest.

The Church collection/account (2nd coll.) provides for the maintenance, office and staff expenses of the Parish.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE OBTAINED THEIR WWCC

If you perform any voluntary work in the parish you are required to obtain a WWCC. Anyone who hasn't obtained one as yet we ask that you do so as soon as possible. To obtain your card go to www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au

Many thanks Pat and Mary.

EVENTS SACRED HEART.

DIAMOND CREEK ST. VINCENT SOCIETY ANNUAL WINTER APPEAL: There will be a leaving collection after 9.00am Mass on Sunday 17th June. Envelopes are available for cash or Credit card donations, which can be placed in collection bags or left at the Parish Centre during June. Donations of non-perishable food, toiletries, or blankets would be most appreciated.

SVdP Diamond Creek Conference.

VINNIES DIAMOND VALLEY COMMUNITY SLEEPOUT: Breeda O'Regan (President of Diamond Creek ST Vincent de Paul) and Pat Guatta are participating in the Overnight Sleepout at Watermarc carpark on Saturday 7th July. If you would like to sponsor, go to:

<https://vinniescommunitysleepout.gofundraise.com.au/page/PatGuatta> or Breeda O' Regan or ring Sacred Heart Parish Thank you.

GOLDEN JUBILEE MASS FOR FR. MICHAEL McENTEE

On the 13th July 2018 I will celebrate my Golden Anniversary, 50 Years, of my ordination. In thanks to God for a long life and for fifty years of exercising the ministry of a priest, I cordially invite you all to join me in celebrating my Golden Jubilee Mass at St Thomas the Apostle Church, Greensborough North, on Saturday 21st July at 6.00pm.

Along with my sister and her family, my extended family, my brother priests and all the companions on this journey of faith, your encouragement helped me to stay the course in good health and contentment. I was very happy throughout the twelve years among the community at St Thomas the Apostle and the five years among the Sacred Heart and St Peter's communities hence my decision to celebrate this milestone in my life with you all.

I would also be very pleased if you are able to stay for refreshments after Mass as hot finger food, tea, coffee and soft drinks will be available. If you are able to attend please RSVP to St Thomas the Apostle Parish Office, greensboroughnorth@cam.org.au or phone 9434 7373 by 12th July.

In lieu of personal gifts, please consider assisting one of these charities:

- Melbourne Overseas Mission,
- CARITAS Australia,
- Asylum Seekers Resource Centre or
- Cookhouses and Tanks a Lot (Sister of Mercy Australia in rural villages of Papua New Guinea) ctal.png@gmail.com

I look forward to celebrating my thanks to God with you,
Michael McEntee

2018 St VINCENT de PAUL WINTER APPEAL

The **Winter Appeal to be conducted over the weekend of 16th & 17th June** is Vinnies' major mid-year appeal. Your donations in past years have been distributed to support local families in need – donations for which those families and we, the Greensborough Conference, are extremely grateful.

Once again this year we are seeking financial donations, either cash or credit card, so as to provide direct financial support to families to meet their immediate needs. Envelopes will be provided at each Mass on this weekend for your donations which will be taken up during the leaving collection. Additional envelopes will also be provided in the gathering space if required. Collection bins will also be available in the Gathering Space for any donations of non-perishable food items.

Thank you
SVdP Greensborough Conference

For any further information on some items in today's newsletter please feel free to visit your Parish Website

First Reading Gen 3:9-15

I will make you enemies of each other: your offspring and her offspring.

The Lord God called to the man after he had eaten of the tree. 'Where are you?' he asked. 'I heard the sound of you in the garden,' he replied. 'I was afraid because I was naked, so I hid.' 'Who told you that you were naked?' he asked. 'Have you been eating of the tree I forbade you to eat?' The man replied, 'It was the woman you put with me; she gave me the fruit, and I ate it.' Then the Lord God asked the woman, 'What is this you have done?' The woman replied, 'The serpent tempted me and I ate.'

Then the Lord God said to the serpent, '

Because you have done this,
'Be accursed beyond all cattle,
all wild beasts.
You shall crawl on your belly and eat dust
every day of your life.
I will make you enemies of each other:
you and the woman,
your offspring and her offspring.
It will crush your head
and you will strike its heel.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 129. R. v.7

*(R.) With the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption.*

1. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,
Lord, hear my voice!
O let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleading. (R.)
2. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,
Lord, who would survive?
But with you is found forgiveness:
for this we revere you. (R.)
3. My soul is waiting for the Lord,
I count on his word.
My soul is longing for the Lord
more than watchman for daybreak. (R.)
4. Because with the Lord there is mercy,
and fullness of redemption,
Israel indeed he will redeem
from all its iniquity. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Cor 4:13-5:1

We believe, and therefore we speak.

As we have the same spirit of faith that is mentioned in scripture – I believed, therefore I spoke - we too believe and therefore we too speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus to life will raise us with Jesus in our turn, and put us by his side and you with us. You see, all this is for your benefit, so that the more grace is multiplied among people, the more thanksgiving there will be, to the glory of God.

That is why there is no weakening on our part, and instead, though this outer man of ours may

be falling into decay, the inner man is renewed day by day. Yes, the troubles which are soon over, though they weigh little, train us for the carrying of a weight of eternal glory which is out of all proportion to them. And so we have no eyes for things that are visible, but only for things that are invisible; for visible things last only for a time, and the invisible things are eternal.

For we know that when the tent that we live in on earth is folded up, there is a house built by God for us, an everlasting home not made by human hands, in the heavens.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 12:31. 32

Alleluia, alleluia!

*The prince of this world will now be cast out,
and when I am lifted up from the earth
I will draw all to myself, says the Lord.
Alleluia!*

Gospel Mk 3:20-35

It is the end of Satan.

Jesus went home with his disciples, and such a crowd collected that they could not even have a meal. When his relatives heard of this, they set out to take charge of him, convinced he was out of his mind.

The scribes who had come down from Jerusalem were saying, 'Beelzebul is in him,' and, 'It is through the prince of devils that he casts devils out.' So he called them to him and spoke to them in parables, 'How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot last. And if a household is divided against itself, that household can never stand. Now if Satan has rebelled against himself and is divided, he cannot stand either - it is the end of him. But no one can make his way into a strong man's house and burgle his property unless he has tied up the strong man first. Only then can he burgle his house.

'I tell you solemnly, all men's sins will be forgiven, and all their blasphemies; but let anyone blaspheme against the Holy Spirit and he will never have forgiveness: he is guilty of an eternal sin.' This was because they were saying, 'An unclean spirit is in him.'

His mother and brothers now arrived and, standing outside, sent in a message asking for him. A crowd was sitting round him at the time the message was passed to him, 'Your mother and brothers and sisters are outside asking for you.' He replied, 'Who are my mother and my brothers?' And looking round at those sitting in a circle about him, he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers. Anyone who does the will of God, that person is my brother and sister and mother.'



Reflection by Greg Sunter

Family members are often the last ones to allow us to change from who we have been to who we want to become. Unintentionally, family will sometimes continue to treat us as the child we were growing up in the family environment, despite our various accomplishments and changes in direction. Sometimes it's easier to continue to treat someone we love as we have always treated them, rather than learning to adjust and accommodate a new way of relating. When you're the one seeking to establish a new life or a new way of operating, family can appear to be 'keeping you in a box'. Today's gospel paints a picture of Jesus' family wanting him to play safe and remain the person they've known him to be, rather than growing into his ministry and preaching his challenging message. They can see that his actions are causing the authorities to pay attention and their reaction is to try to get Jesus to stay under the radar; to live small. In a style typical of the Gospel of Mark, the two incidents with Jesus' family 'sandwich' and focus attention on the interaction with the Scribes who accuse Jesus of being under the influence of Satan. Like the family of Jesus who don't want to see him for who he really is becoming, or has become, the Scribes misunderstand Jesus' fight against evil. Jesus dismisses their claims through his use of the image of binding the strong man before entering the strong man's house. Jesus has 'bound' Satan – the strong man – proving himself the stronger and has set about undoing the work of evil in the world.

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