

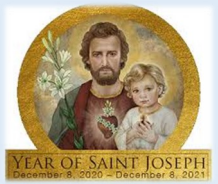


ST THOMAS MORE PARISH, HADFIELD

69 North Street, Hadfield 3046

*St Thomas More Parish is committed to the safety,
wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.*

Our Child Safe Standards policies and information can be viewed on our website



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MASS TIMES

Mon: Church closed
Tues: 9.00am Mass
Wed: Communion Service
Thur: 9.00am Mass
Fri: Communion Service
Sat: 5.00pm Mass
Sun: 9.00am Mass

**CHURCH IS CLOSED
UNTIL 11.59pm
TUESDAY 27 JULY or
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.30pm-4.50pm

BAPTISM

2nd Saturday of the month at 10am

For bookings contact Claudia on 0414 308 019

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

As requested

WEDDING

Contact Parish Office at least six months in advance.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

OUR LADY'S PRAYER GROUP— Rosary after morning weekday Mass

ITALIAN CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP—Wed 10am to 12 noon in the SJP Rooms

MASS INTENTIONS

SICK: Pamela di Giorgio, Carl & Michael Ceddia, Goretty Soares, Iris Dixon, Margaret de Bono, Alex Baglin, Tony Rowlands

RECENTLY DECEASED: Giovanni Marra, Theodoros Koutsouras (in Greece)

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Antonino Michienzi (1 year)

At the heart of who we are is not all the buildings but the person of Jesus Christ, who enters into our lives and who we then share with others.

Archbishop Peter Comensoli

Jesus Christ loves you; he gave his life to save you; and now he is living at your side every day to enlighten, strengthen and free you.

Pope Francis

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B –25 July 2021

FIRST READING

A reading from the second book of the Kings

4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. ‘Give it to the people to eat,’ Elisha said. But his servant replied, ‘How can I serve this to a hundred men?’ ‘Give it to the people to eat’ he insisted for the Lord says this, “They will eat and have some over.” He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. *The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.*

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.

They shall speak of the glory of your reign
and declare your might, O God. **R.**

The eyes of all creatures look to you
and you give them their food in due time.

You open wide your hand,
grant the desires of all who live. **R.**

The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.

He is close to all who call him,
who call on him from their hearts. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

4:1-6

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us;
God has visited his people.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

6:1-15

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee - or of Tiberias - and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.

Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Today's readings invite us to become humble instruments in God's hands by sharing our blessings with our needy brothers and sisters. They focus on hunger and food and about how we can satisfy the deeper hunger of our life.

They remind us that if we and our country are blessed with abundant food supply, we need to share it with the hungry people and poor countries. Once physical hungers are satisfied, then we are challenged to satisfy the deeper hungers, for love, mercy, forgiveness, companionship, peace, and fulfillment.

CHURCH REMAINS CLOSED

**PLEASE NOTE CHURCH (AND PARISH OFFICE) REMAIN CLOSED
UNTIL 11.59pm TUESDAY 27 JULY or UNTIL OTHERWISE NOTIFIED**

In view of the current restrictions, our Church will remain closed. We will keep you informed of any updates or changes as they come to hand.

If you need to make contact with the Fr Giang or the Parish Office, please either ring 9357 1422 and leave a message or email us at hadfield@cam.org.au

Let us pray.....

Living God,
Move among us
And invite us to reach out to your presence revealed
in Jesus.
When we are fearful,
Calm our fears and bring us safe into your presence.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Living God,
Move among us
And invite us to the place of peace.
Where peace seems absent,
Fill the place of absence with your abiding presence.
Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.



THANKS, DAD, FOR SHOWING ME HOW POOR WE ARE.”

One day, a father of a very wealthy family took his son on a trip to the country with the firm purpose of showing his son how poor people live. They spent a couple of days and nights on the farm of what would be considered a very poor family. On their return from their trip, the father asked his son, “How was the trip?” “It was great, Dad.” “Did you see how poor people live?” the father asked. “Oh yeah,” said the son. “So, tell me, what you learned from the trip” asked the father.

The son answered, “I saw that we have one dog and they had four. We have a pool that reaches to the middle of our garden, and they have a creek that has no end. We have imported lanterns in our garden, and they have the stars at night. Our patio reaches to the front yard, and they have the whole horizon. We have a small piece of land to live on, and they have fields that go beyond our sight. We have servants who serve us, but they serve others. We buy our food, but they grow theirs. We have walls around our property to protect us; they have friends to protect them.” The boy’s father was speechless. Then his son added, “Thanks, Dad, for showing me how poor we are.”

(Fr. Bobby). Fr. Tony (cbci homilies)