ST THOMAS MORE PARISH, HADFIELD

69 North Street, Hadfield 3046



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Tues:

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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



PARISH OFFICE

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MASS TIMES

Communion Service

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Church closed

9.00am Mass

9.00am Mass

5.00pm Mass

9.00am Mass

Please ring or email the

Parish Office to book for the weekend Masses

PRIMARY SCHOOL

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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.

MASS INTENTIONS

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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Paolo Bucello, Brian O'Halloran, John Cleary, Antonino Michienzi

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Lina Cutrale, Carmen La Ferla (2 yrs), Salvatore Rosella (2 yrs) Antonio Fusca (12 yrs), Maria Fusca (3 yrs), Muriel & Jim Laux, Patrick & John Field, Salvatore & Concetta Gervasi, Germana Viti

WEEKEND COLLECTIONS	
1 st COLLECTION SUPPORTS:	2 nd COLLECTION SUPPORTS:
• The Archbishop & Priests	• All parish operating expenses
• Sick and retired Bishops & Priests	
• Priest in parish-Fr Giang	
Donations by Electronic Funds Transfers:	Donations by Electronic Funds Transfers:
Account Name: Presbytery Account	Account Name: Church Account
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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B –1 August 2021

FIRST READING

A reading from the first book of Exodus

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our heart's content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!'

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them in this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.'

'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your heart's content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God."' And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R: *The Lord gave them bread from heaven.*

The things we have heard and understood, the things our fathers have told us, we will tell to the next generation: the glories of the Lord and his might. **R.**

He commanded the clouds above and opened the gates of heaven. He rained down manna for their food, and gave them bread from heaven. **R**.

Mere men ate the bread of angels. He sent them abundance of food. He brought them to his holy land, to the mountain which his right hand had won. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians 4:17.20-24 I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from

16:2-4.12-15

Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth. *The word of the Lord.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. *Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

6:24-35

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered: 'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat. Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' Jesus answered: 'I tell you solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread; for the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' 'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered: 'I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Today's readings challenge us to be more concerned with spiritual food than with physical food and to get our spiritual food regularly from the word of God and from the Holy Eucharist – the Heavenly Bread — because only God can satisfy the various forms of our spiritual hunger.

In the Holy Mass, the Church offers us two types of bread: a) the Bread of Life, contained in God's Word and b) the Bread of Life, contained in the Holy Eucharist. Let us nourish our souls with this Heavenly Manna and carry Jesus to our homes and workplaces, radiating Jesus' love, mercy and compassion all around us.

OUR CHURCH IS OPEN FOR WEEKDAY AND WEEKEND MASSES.. Tuesdays & Thursdays at 9.00 am

(Communion Service on Wednesdays & Fridays at 9.00am)

Saturday Vigil Mass at 5.00 pm & Sunday Morning Mass at 9.00am Please note you must book for the weekend Masses

Please remember to register your attendance preferably by QR code, sanitise your hands, wear masks inside the Church at all times and keep your physical distance... Thank you



NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK 1 - 8 AUGUST

Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Strong families and communities are the place where vocations are first nurtured. In this National Vocations Awareness Week, let us pray for all families in our parish, and for those preparing for marriage. Let us also pray that our parish community may always be welcoming and encouraging of vocations to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life.

CATHOLICCARE VICTORIA SUNDAY APPEAL ...Next weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. As our parish's social service agency, CatholicCare Victoria delivers counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, support for separating families, homelessness support and pastoral care. Donations from our parish community will help to support the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community.

Please donate to the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Your support and generosity will help the vulnerable and marginalised in our community and empower everyone to reach their full potential. You can donate using the appeal envelope available or online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513. Gifts of \$2 and above are tax deductible.

MULTIPLY GOOD WORKS LIKE THE LOAVES AND FISHES...

"Jesus satisfies not only material hunger, but the most profound of hungers, the hunger for meaning in life, the hunger for God. In the face of suffering, loneliness, poverty and difficulties of so many people, what can we do? Complaining, does not solve anything, but we can offer what little we have. We certainly have a few hours of time, some talent, some expertise. ... Who among us, does not have his or her "five loaves and two fish"? If we are willing to put them in the hands of the Lord, we will bring a little more love into the world, a bit more love, peace, justice, and joy. God is able to multiply our small gestures of solidarity and make us partakers of his gift." (*Pope Francis July 26, 2015*)