



ST THOMAS MORE PARISH, HADFIELD

69 North Street, Hadfield 3046

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wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.
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**Month of
Our Lady
of Sorrows**

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WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday: 9.00am (Rosary at 8.30am)
Thursday 9.00am (Rosary at 8.30am)

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4.30pm (Rosary at 4.00pm)
Sunday: 9.00am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.00pm - 4.20pm

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

132 Melbourne Ave, Glenroy

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday: 9.00am (Rosary at 8.30am)
Friday: 9.00am (Rosary at 8.30am)

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 6.00pm
Sunday: 10.30am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.00am - 9.20am

BAPTISMS

1st Saturday of the month at 10am at Corpus Christi
2nd Saturday of the month at 10am at STM
For bookings contact Claudia on 0414 308 019

WEDDINGS

Contact Parish Priest at least six months in advance

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

FOR THE SICK: Maurice Sacco, Goretty Soares, Michael & Carl Ceddia,
Lourdes Joaquim, Joaquim & Lidia Quaresma, Chris Buchanan, Stella Sulikowski

ANNIVERSARIES: Gradita Gargano (2 yrs), John & Vince Clemente, Rocco Anile



FAREWELL TO ACTING PRINCIPAL MS GERALDINE DALTON...

This week we farewell Geraldine who has been Acting Principal at St Thomas More School for the last two terms. We sincerely thank Geraldine for her leadership, guidance and hard work and wish her well deserved rest and every happiness for the future.
Fr Giang

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 18 September 2022

FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Amos

8:4-7

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy
and try to suppress the poor people of the country,
you who say, 'When will New Moon be over
so that we can sell our corn,
and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat?
Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel,
by swindling and tampering with the scales,
we can buy up the poor for money,
and the needy for a pair of sandals,
and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.'
The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob,
'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. *Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.*

Praise, O servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord!
May the name of the Lord be blessed
both now and for evermore! **R.**

High above all nations is the Lord,
above the heavens his glory.
Who is like the Lord, our God,
who has risen on high to his throne
yet stoops from the heights to look down,
to look down upon heaven and earth? **R.**

From the dust he lifts up the lowly,
from the dungheap he raises the poor
to set him in the company of princes,
yes, with the princes of his people. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

2:1-8

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers offered for every-
one - petitions, intercessions and thanksgiving - and especially for

kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and - I am telling the truth and no lie - a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,
to make you rich out of his poverty. *Alleluia!*

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

16:10.13

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Good Stewardship....

If we serve God and love him, then we will love and care for all those in need. This means no exploitation of the weak or poor; a real concern in our prayer for the world and those in authority; and a responsible, generous attitude to all money and materials which pass through our hands. Anything less will mean that we attach more value to possessions and power than to God.

Dates to Remember...

Fri 23 September	St Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio) Feast Day
Tues 27 September	St Vincent de Paul Feast Day
Thurs 29 September	Feast of Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael Archangels
Sun 2 October	Daylight Savings Starts Cuppa & Chat in St John Paul Room after 9am Mass
Mon 3 October	School resumes for Term 4.

We welcome the New Principal Mr David Hurn

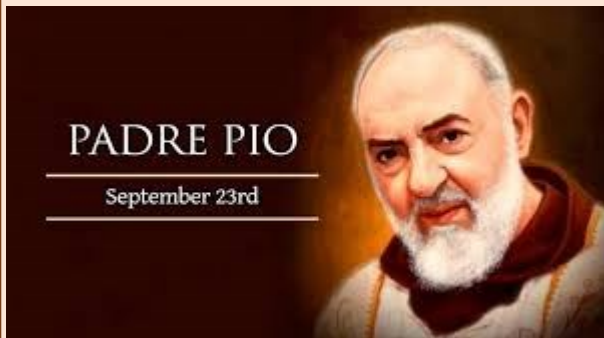
Life message: We need to be faithful in little things of life...

Often we get so caught up in our work that we ignore the little things of life. But let us not ignore these little matters — things like dropping someone an encouraging note or extending people a simple, “Thank you”, sharing in their sorrows and/or offering them help and support in their needs.

Similarly, we ought to take time out of our workday to help others in small things. As Saint John Chrysostom said, **“Faithfulness in little things is a big thing.”** We may not be able to reach millions of people all over the world, but in our own part of the world, we can faithfully do *little* things to point people toward Jesus. Our future opportunities in the eternal service of God largely depend on our stewardship in handling the little opportunities we have had on earth.

As St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa, canonized September 4, 2016 by Pope Francis), used to recommend, **“Do little things with great love.”**

FEAST OF ST PIO OF PIETRELCINA



Padre Pio, whose feast we celebrate on 23rd September, is one of the most famous and beloved saints of the 20th century. As a humble Capuchin priest, he was the recipient of some of the most astonishing spiritual gifts: **the stigmata, bilocation, healing, prophecy, and the ability to read souls**

He described himself as “a poor brother who prays.” **“Prayer is the greatest weapon we have,”** he said. It is **“a key to open the heart of God.”**

The life of Padre Pio also shows an intense commitment to alleviate the sufferings of families. In 1956 he inaugurated the “Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza” (the House of Relief from Suffering), a new state of the art hospital. “It is the apple of my eye,” the friar said when the hospital opened. “This is the creation that Providence, with your help, has created. Gaze at it in wonder, and with me bless the Lord God. He has placed upon the earth a seed that He will warm with the His rays of love.”

When we reflect on Padre Pio’s fascinating life—with its miracles and profound offering of the Sacred Liturgy—let it be an invitation to deeper faith, prayer, and a stronger relationship with the God who loves us. **St. Padre Pio, pray for us!**