



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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WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday: 9.00am (Rosary at 8.40am)
Thursday 9.00am (Rosary at 8.40am)

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 4.30pm
Sunday: 9.00am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.00pm - 4.20pm

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH

132 Melbourne Ave, Glenroy

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday: 9.00am
Friday: 9.00am

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 Office at least six months in advance.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS...

FOR THE SICK: Iris Dixon, Margaret Roberts, Carl & Michael Ceddia, Roberto Pisano, Maria Joaquim, Lidia & Joaquim Quaresma, Alice Quaresma, Humberto Seixas

RECENTLY DECEASED: Michele & Antonio Trinchi, Cancio Noronha, Lizette Pinheiro

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: Concetta Coffa (1 year), Serafina & Domenico Crea, Giovanni, Dora & Antonino Pacile', Antonino Michienzi, Members of the Trinchi & Michienzi families, Antonio & Ricardo Florindo, Julia & Candido Barros



EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT

CORPUS CHRISTI: After 9.00am Mass

ST THOMAS MORE: 7.00 pm

3rd Sunday of Lent — 20 March 2022

FIRST READING

A reading from the book of Exodus

3:1-8.13-15

Moses was looking after the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, priest of Midian. He led his flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in the shape of a flame of fire, coming from the middle of a bush. Moses looked; there was the bush blazing but it was not being burnt up. 'I must go and look at this strange sight,' Moses said 'and see why the bush is not burnt.' Now the Lord saw him go forward to look, and God called to him from the middle of the bush. 'Moses, Moses!' he said. 'Here I am,' he answered. 'Come no nearer,' he said. 'Take off your shoes, for the place on which you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your father,' he said 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob.' At this Moses covered his face, afraid to look at God.

And the Lord said, 'I have seen the miserable state of my people in Egypt. I have heard their appeal to be free of their slave-drivers. Yes, I am well aware of their sufferings. I mean to deliver them out of the hands of the Egyptians and bring them up out of that land to a land rich and broad, a land where milk and honey flow.'

Then Moses said to God, 'I am to go, then, to the sons of Israel and say to them, "The God of your fathers has sent me to you." But if they ask me what his name is, what am I to tell them?' And God said to Moses, 'I Am who I Am. This' he added 'is what you must say to the sons of Israel: "The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you." This is my name for all time; by this name I shall be invoked for all generations to come.'

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. *The Lord is kind and merciful.*

My soul, give thanks to the Lord,
all my being, bless his holy name.

My soul give thanks to the Lord
and never forget all his blessings. **R.**

It is he who forgives all your guilt,
who heals every one of your ills,
who redeems your life from the grave,
who crowns you with love and compassion. **R.**

The Lord does deeds of justice,
gives judgement for all who are oppressed.
He made known his ways to Moses
and his deeds to Israel's sons. **R.**

The Lord is compassion and love,
slow to anger and rich in mercy.
For as the heavens are high above the earth
so strong is his love for those who fear him. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

10:1-6.10-12

I want to remind you how our fathers were all guided by a cloud above them and how they all passed through the sea. They were all baptised into Moses in this cloud and in this sea; all ate the same spiritual food and all drank the same spiritual drink, since they all drank from the spiritual rock that followed them as they went, and that rock was Christ. In spite of this, most of them failed to please God and their corpses littered the desert.

These things all happened as warnings for us, not to have the wicked lusts for forbidden things that they had. You must never complain: some of them did, and they were killed by the Destroyer.

All this happened to them as a warning, and it was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age. The man who thinks he is safe must be careful that he does not fall.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

Repent, says the Lord;

the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

13:1-9

Some people arrived and told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with that of their sacrifices. At this he said to them, ‘Do you suppose these Galileans who suffered like that were greater sinners than any other Galileans? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did. Or those eighteen on whom the tower at Siloam fell and killed them? Do you suppose that they were more guilty than all the other people living in Jerusalem? They were not, I tell you. No; but unless you repent you will all perish as they did.’

He told this parable: ‘A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard and he came looking for fruit on it but found none. He said to the man who looked after the vineyard, “Look here, for three years now I have been coming to look for fruit on this fig tree and finding none. Cut it down: why should it be taking up the ground?” “Sir,” the man replied “leave it one more year and give me time to dig round it and manure it: it may bear fruit next year; if not, then you can cut it down.”’

The Gospel of the Lord.

All three of today's readings speak of God's mercy and compassion in disciplining His children by occasional punishment while giving them another chance despite their repeated sins. Although God's love for us is constant and consistent, He will not save us without our co-operation. That is why He invites us during Lent to repent of our sins and to renew our lives by producing fruits of love, compassion, forgiveness, and faithful service.

FLOOD APPEAL - ST VINCENT DE PAUL - 3rd Collection next weekend

The floods in Queensland and New South Wales are having a devastating effect on the people living in these regions of Australia.

Next weekend there is a special Collection. Please give generous donations to help our brothers and sisters.

You can donate directly to either state through: www.vinnies.org.au
By calling: Queensland (07) 3010 1000 or New South Wales (02) 9568 0262

SIN AND TRAGEDIES.....We know that tragic events can occur randomly. For example, a tornado that destroys a nightclub also destroys a Church. An earthquake or tsunami kills the saints as well as the sinners in the affected area. Drunk drivers kill innocent people. Ride-by shooters kill children and other innocent bystanders. Religious fanatics, terrorists, and suicide bombers cause the untimely deaths of good as well as of bad people. Violent people, with or without provocation, injure their loved ones. All of us have struggled to understand why tragedy seems to befall innocent people. In all these cases, we need to trust in Divine mercy, believing that God is with us and God is on our side, even in those situations we cannot explain. Jesus' life is the clearest evidence that a person's suffering is not proof of that person's sin. While sin can lead to tragedy, not every tragedy is the result of sin. (Fr Tony-cbci homilies).



HARMONY DAY coincides with the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. **Harmony Week** (Mon 21 to Sun 27 March) celebrates Australia's exciting and diverse cultural reality. It looks to promote inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background, and unity around a core set of values – from the traditional owners of the land to those who have come from around the world to make Australia their home. Our diversity is one of our greatest strengths and Harmony Week celebrates this.



**ST. Joseph
Feast Day**

19 MARCH

Dear St Joseph, to you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. To us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.



Angela Iacobellis (October 28, 1948 – March 27, 1961) was an Italian teenager whose cause for sainthood by the Roman Catholic Church has been initiated. She is therefore titled **Servant of God**.

Mass to be celebrated next weekend Saturday 26 March at 12 noon by Fr Aurelio Fragapane. All welcome.

Santa Messa per il 61esimo anniversario della Serva di Dio, Angela Iacobellis sabato 26 marzo alle 12.00pm celebrata da Padre Aurelio Fragapane. Tutti benvenuti.