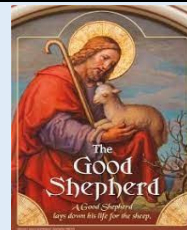




ST THOMAS MORE PARISH, HADFIELD

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

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

1st Friday of the month at 6.30pm

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 Office at least six months in advance.

MASS INTENTIONS

SICK: Pamela di Giorgio, Carl & Michael Ceddia, Goretty Soares, Iris Dixon, Margaret de Bono, Pat John, Jules Sauzier, Alex Baglin, Luigi Bianchi

RECENTLY DECEASED: Orazio Bellofiore, Danny d'Elia, Roger Cremona, Freda Dupon, Anthony Sammut (Funeral Tues 27 April at 11am), Anthony Clark Syndicas (Funeral Wed 28 April at 10.30am), Adele Prosperi-Porta (Funeral Thurs 29 April at 10.30am).

Teresa Marinucci (1st year anniversary mass on Sat 1 May at 11am)

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:

Sunday Mass: Sebastiano Gargano, Concetta Coffa (1 month)

God of love and liberty, we bring our thanks this day for the peace and security we enjoy, which was won for us through the courage and devotion of those who gave their lives in time of war. We pray that their labour and sacrifice may not be in vain, but that their spirit may live on in us and in generations to come. That the liberty, truth and justice which they sought to preserve may be seen and known in all the nations upon earth. This we pray in the name of the one who gave his life for the sake of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old.

Age shall not weary, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we shall remember them. Lest We Forget

Fourth Sunday of Easter – 25 April 2021

First Reading

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

4:8-12

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: ‘Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.’
The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

R: *The stone rejected by the builders has become the corner stone.*

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in men:
it is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in princes. **R.**

I will thank you for you have given answer
and you are my saviour.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord;

I will thank you for you have given answer
and you are my saviour.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;
for his love has no end. **R.**

Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St John.

3:1-2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us,
by letting us be called God’s children;
and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him,
therefore it does not acknowledge us.

My dear people, we are already the children of God
but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed;
all we know is, that when it is revealed
we shall be like him
because we shall see him as he really is.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

10:11-18

Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep. I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock and one shepherd. The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father."

The Gospel of the Lord.

The fourth Sunday of Easter is known as ***Good Shepherd Sunday***.

It is also the ***World Day of Prayer for Vocations***.

The scripture lessons are about shepherds. Each year on this Sunday we reflect on the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd, devotedly taking care of his flock. The title of the parish priest, "pastor," means shepherd. A shepherd leads, feeds, nurtures, comforts, corrects, and protects his flock—responsibilities that belong to every Church leader.

***Today, in a special way, let us remember, give thanks and pray
for our priests...past, present and future.***

IMPORTANT NOTICES - PLEASE TAKE NOTE

REGISTRATION AT MASSES - Effective Friday 23rd April, when attending either weekday or weekend Masses, please use the QR code when registering for Mass. Sign in sheets are provided and must only be used if you do not have a smart phone. Please also remember to sanitise your hands before entering. Thank you.



WELCOME BACK TO OUR SCHOOL FAMILIES - We hope you all had a lovely Easter break and you have a happy term ahead full of learning, friendship and new experiences. Parents please remember to DRIVE SLOWLY in the Church carpark when dropping off and picking up your children. Thank you.

LOST & FOUND Gold ring was found on Palm Sunday and has yet to be claimed.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN – ALL volunteers must have a current Working with Children check to continue their ministry in the Church. Details of how to apply are on our website pol.org.au/hadfield or ring Theresa on 9357 1422 for help.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS - Sunday 2 May at 11.30am (Grade 5's).



MOTHERS DAY is on 9 MAY 2021 therefore we will be having a **SPECIAL MASS AND BLESSING** for all mothers, grandmothers and mother figures on **Thursday 6 May at 9am**, followed by **Morning Tea in the St John Paul Room.**

REFLECTION: Let us become good shepherds and good sheep...

Let us become good shepherds: Everyone who is entrusted with the care of others is a shepherd. Hence pastors, parents, teachers, doctors, nurses, bosses, government officials, and politicians are all shepherds. Since shepherding a diocese, a parish, a civil community, a workplace, or a family is very demanding, the shepherds need dedication, commitment, sacrifice, and vigilance every day. We become good shepherds by loving those entrusted to us, praying for them, spending our time and talents for their welfare, and guarding them from physical and spiritual dangers.

Parents must be especially careful of their duties as shepherds, becoming role models for their children by leading exemplary lives and living out what they are trying to teach their children.

On this World Day of Vocations, Pope Francis tells us: "There can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord! I would like to say this especially to you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him."

You might know of a young person in the parish, in your family or an acquaintance whom you think would make a good priest or religious. Why not pray for them on a regular basis? Carry them with you 'spiritually' to Mass on Sunday and place them on the Altar at the offertory. Sometimes the Lord uses us as his instruments to encourage vocations. May our prayers help them to be open to the Lord's call to consecrated life or priesthood.