



**Love one another
as I have loved you**
John 13:34

ST THOMAS MORE PARISH, HADFIELD



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MASSES

MON: 9.15am Communion Service
TUES-FRI : 9.15am
SAT: 9.15am, 5.00pm (Vigil)
SUNDAY: 9.00am (Italian/English Mass)
10.30am (Children's Liturgy)

MALTESE MASS: 4th Saturday of the month at 6.00pm

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION: 1st Friday of every month 8.45-9.15am

OUR SACRAMENTS

RECONCILIATION: 9.45am Sat or by appointment

BAPTISMS: 2nd Sunday of the month

WEDDINGS: Contact Parish Office at least six months in advance

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: As requested

PARISH ACTIVITIES

OUR LADY'S PRAYER GROUP:

Rosary after morning weekday Masses

NOVENA TO OUR LADY:

Monday 6pm in the Church

ITALIAN CHARISMATIC GROUP:

Monday 10.00am in the Parish Convent

CUPPA & CHAT:

1st Weekend of every month after every Mass

STM CRAFT CLUB:

Meets 1st Monday of every month from 9.45am to 12 noon

PARISH CONTACTS

PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL:

Mrs Marcy De Nardis, Principal
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Contact 1800 305 330

CHILD SAFETY OFFICER:

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PIETY STALL:

For special requests or enquiries ring Theresa on 0407 043 123

4th Sunday of Lent - Year A 21st & 22nd March 2020

My dear parishioners,

We are facing unprecedented times...heartbreaking in fact, in so many ways.

Given the seriousness of COVID-19 and the Government regulations put in place, the Bishops of the Province of Victoria have given prayerful and considered reflection and determined the following actions:

- **Immediate suspension of public liturgies, celebrations of the Mass and all other gatherings until further notice.** In our Parish, this also applies to the Novena group, Our Lady's Prayer Group and the Italian Charismatic Group.

In light of this, all Catholics in Victoria are dispensed from their Sunday obligation until further notice (canon 1248).

* However you are encouraged to continue active participation in the life of the Church, through activities such as personal and family prayer, reflecting on the Scriptures, making a spiritual communion, or participating in a Mass online (<http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand> **OR** <https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass> **OR** www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass). For those without a computer, mass is also screened on Sundays at 6.00am on Channel 10 - *Mass for you at Home*.

* Our Church will be open for private prayer. Please be mindful to follow the precautionary measures already in place especially regarding distancing and sanitizing hands.

* We will keep you informed of updates via the weekly bulletin which will continue to be published and will be available from Saturday mornings in the Foyers of the Church.

* There will also be updates via the Parish webpage at stmhadfield.org.au.

* The Parish Office will be open during parish office hours but if there is no one in attendance please leave a message and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

* I will be offering daily Mass (privately) and will be praying for you all and for your intentions. If you wish for me to pray for a deceased loved one, you may drop your prayer/mass request in the parish letter box. Names will continue to be published in the Parish bulletin.

*These are trying times for everyone, but I request that, where possible, you continue to support your Church. For those contributing to Thanksgiving you may wish to drop your envelopes in the Parish letterbox alternatively a box will be set up in the middle of the Altar to drop off your Thanksgiving envelopes or your donations to the Church. If you wish to contribute on line, please contact the Parish Office.

Let us not panic, nor be anxious, nor think only of ourselves. This is a time to be sensible, practical, prayerful and to share Christ's peace with those who are struggling to feel calm and safe.

Be assured of my prayers for you all. Yours in Christ.....**Fr Raj**

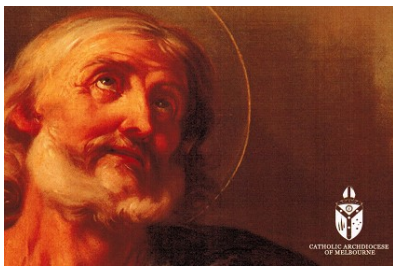
AVVISO IMPORTANTE

SI AVVISA TUTTI I PAROCCHIANI, CHE DOPO DIRETTIVI RICEVUTI DALLA DIOCESI, TUTTE LE MESSE, CELEBRAZIONI LITURGICHE E ASSEMBLE, SONO STATE SOSPESE, FINO A NUOVO AVVISO.

LA CHIESA RIMARRA' APERTA PER VISITA E PER PREGHIERA PERSONALE.

IL BOLLETTINO CONTINUERA' AD ESSERE PUBBLICATO OGNI SETTIMANA, DOVE TROVERETE NOTIZIE CORRENTI. FR RAI CONTINUERA' A PREGARE PER TUTTI NOI E PER I NOSTRI CARI DEFUNTI. PER FAVORE CONTATTARE L'UFFICIO PER ULTERIORI INFORMAZIONI TELEFONANDO 9357 1422

A Prayer to St Joseph



*You were receptive to God working in your life.
Help us by your prayers at this time of trial.
You kept Jesus and Mary under your watchful care:
may your prayers assist our local Church to respond to those in need.*

*You taught the Christ Child your trade and prayers:
help us to follow his example of love.
You were part of God's plan for all humanity:
assist us to be vigilant and responsible this day.*

You spent your life in service: may we be mindful of others, particularly the elderly and vulnerable, caring for them in these difficult days.

You trusted in the clear primacy of God over all history and every situation: help us to grow in faith and pray to the Father, Thy will be done.

Amen.

Easter Raffle



EASTER RAFFLE WILL BE DRAWN NEXT WEEK IN THE PARISH OFFICE AND WINNERS WILL NOTIFIED BY TELEPHONE.

PSALM 91 - ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PROTECTION

You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust."

For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence; he will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.

You will not fear the terror of the night, or the arrow that flies by day, or the pestilence that stalks in darkness, or the destruction that wastes at noonday.

A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you. You will only look with your eyes and see the punishment of the wicked.

Because you have made the LORD your refuge, the Most High your dwelling place, no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.

For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone. You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.

Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honour them. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER.....

THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Pamela di Giorgio, Josie Abela, Carl & Michael Ceddia, Silvinia Santos, Lourdes Joaquim, Palmira Soares, Joaquim & Lidia Quaresma, Joana Barreto, Gorety Soares, John Vandenberg, Pauline Salerno, Lou Formosa, Lisa Hogan, Christine Harris, Tony D'Elia, Vincenzo & Giorgio Pilla, Imelda Sinclair, Christine Harris

ANNIVERSARIES: Rosa Magalotti (27 yrs), John Coletta, Antonio Liberatore, Giovanni, Stefano, Francesco, Anna & Luisa di Giorgio.