



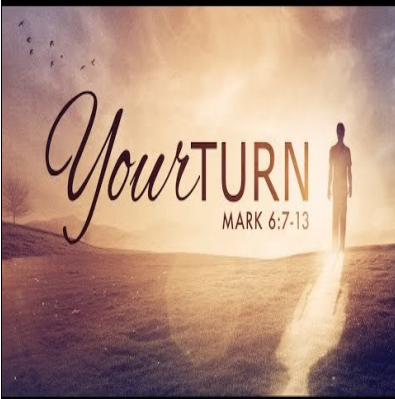
SEASONS

Newsletter of the Catholic Parish of St. Thomas More, Mount Eliza

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time— Year B

11th July 2021

PCC=Parish Community Centre U=Undercroft
C=Church MPR=School Multipurpose Room
SSR=School Staff Room



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During the Week

Tuesday	7.00 pm
Wednesday	9.15 am
Thursday	9.15 am
Friday	9.15 am

Sunday Mass

Saturday Vigil	6.00 pm
Sunday	8.00 am
	& 10.00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday	5:30 - 6:00 pm
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St Thomas More acknowledges the Traditional Land owners, the Bunurong people on which we live, work and worship. We pay our respects to the Elders, past, present and emerging.

‘Take nothing for the journey except a staff’

O God, who show the light of your truth to those who go astray,
so that they may return to the right path,
give all who for the faith they profess are accounted Christians
the grace to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ
and to strive after all that does it honour.



Dear Friends,

This week’s readings tell of people who receive a mission. It has always been God’s plan from the beginning to choose ordinary people like us to help spread the Good News. Jesus asks us to listen, and really come to know him. All we need do is trust him, and we will be blessed with all we need to follow his way.

Amos, a shepherd, has simply listened and responded with courage and faith to God’s call. He has spoken up for the poor of Bethel. Today, the royal priest tells Amos to mind his own business and leave. (First Reading)

The Psalmist, too, listens to the Lord’s ‘voice ... of peace for his people’. He sings praise to God’s promise of faithfulness, mercy, justice and help to all who trust in him.

Paul’s letter to the Ephesians begins with a long prayer of praise and blessing to God. We have always been part of God’s plan: ‘Before the world was made, God chose us.’ Through the gifts of Christ and our faith, we are God’s loved and forgiven sons and daughters. (Second Reading)

In the Gospel, Jesus sends out the apostles in pairs to support one another, teaching others the message of love and repentance they have seen and learnt from him. They are to carry nothing other than their staff, but to trust in God’s love and rely on the hospitality of others. If they are not welcomed, they are not to make a scene, but simply ‘shake off the dust from under their feet’, then move on.

Let’s pray this week that we show Jesus’s message in our love for those we encounter each day. We ask to be witnesses to the joy of our faith in the way in which we live our lives.

(Reflection from Pathways to God UK)

We pray for..

Those who have passed away recently...

Those whose anniversaries fall at this time....

William Underwood, Alice Vino, Nanette O'Connell, Muriel Fulton.

The sick... Tom Shelton, Len Crowe, John Xavier Clifton, Shirley Spry, Dennis Mirrabella, Michael Leonard, Liz Spurdle, John Spurdle, Evonne Paddison, Maree Bracken, Bill Luscombe, Brigitte Rohner, Eileen O'Beirne, Helen Steinbach, Ava Macias, Michael MacKenzie, Luke Carroll, Betty Corke, Chloe, David Dole, Maria Kelly, Elizabeth Ware, Althea Greeff, Michael Blick, Maureen Anstey, Jake Steyn, Adrian Gobel, and all of the sick at the George Vowell Centre and Chronos / Ranelagh Gardens Nursing home *and the parishioners of St Thomas More Parish, Tequinomata, East Timor, St Therese Parish, Bathurst Island and Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish, Alice Springs.*



Sacramental Program Enquiries:

Reconciliation, First Eucharist & Confirmation



Baptism Enquiries:

Infant and older Children



Please send an email to the Parish Office

STM Social Club

New members are most welcome!

Membership fee is \$30 Please contact :

Carolyn Gascoigne on 0448 871 970

Committee positions from 2020 will remain, except for Brian and Carmel who are retiring.

Membership fees from 2020 will carry into 2021. Those with fees outstanding from last year, or anyone who would like to join the Club, can contact Treasurer Julian Collins on 0473 474 559. All activities will be advertised in SEASONS.

The Welfare Officers for June are Gui Hone and Helen Grech

Stewardship

Received weekend 27 June	\$ 857
Pledged weekend 27 June	\$ 1,154
June Weekly Average	\$ 1,879

Presbytery

Received weekend 27 June	\$ 467
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(Please note that the majority of our contributions are done electronically via Direct Debit & Credit Card Payments)
Thanks to all of you who give so generously to support our parish.

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'Discernment Seminar' via Zoom & in-person,

**14 x Tuesdays, 9.15am-11am (AEST),
20 Jul - 16 Nov 2021.**

This seminar focuses on the movements of God's Spirit and spirits not-of-God in our lives and in our ministries. Discernment of spirits and discernment of God's will are explored. The series is led by Paul Beirne (MA, MDiv, DMin, PhD, Cert Spir Dir, Supervisor: Australasian Assoc of Supervision), Director of Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Cost \$450. Book and pay via <https://www.trybooking.com/BSUVX> ,

or tel (03) 9890 1101.

Appeal monies raised and forwarded:

Peter's Pence Appeal \$ 367.60

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this appeal.



Safeguarding Committee

For information: Julie Carter 0420 923 859



Existing Volunteers are asked to provide to the Parish Office :

1. A copy of their Working With Children Card and
2. Sign the Code of Conduct Declaration Form after reading the Code of Conduct.

[Code of Conduct Document](#) to read

[Code of Conduct Declaration Form](#) to sign

[How to apply for WWCC Card instructions](#)

QR CODES

New regulations from the State Government mean that all parishioners will need to be registered before entering the Church by scanning a QR CODE through the Service Victoria app. In practice, this won't make much difference for parishioners who have already been scanning the QR code on their phones. As all organisations now require signing in via this app. eg supermarkets, petrol stations, cafes, etc, it is likely that the majority of Victorians will be end up needing feature on their phone. If you have not yet downloaded the app, you can do so via the Service Victoria Website: www.vic.gov.au

We are aware there will be a few parishioners who may need assistance to register their entry to Church. We will ensure that newcomers will be able to register your visit through a parish device within the foyer.
Fr Patrick



Musicians

In the coming weeks you'll notice musicians accompanying the Masses at the 6pm Vigil and 10am Masses on Sunday. You're most welcome to sing boldly with the lyrics provided!

We are blessed to have within our community a number of skilled pianists, organists, guitarists and vocalists. We're very grateful for anyone who might be able to sing or play an instrument for the glory of God at Mass. You might be able to play on your own, or accompany those who play an instrument.

I know many in our community have previously been involved in choirs or contributed at the special feasts such as Easter or Christmas. If you feel called to help in this way, please speak with Fr Patrick after Mass or contact the parish office by email mounteliza@cam.org.au or phone 03 97877777.



Stewardship Receipts and Envelope Sets (6 months)

are available for collection from the church—near the Exit Door this last weekend prior to mail out.

Please collect yours today

We have emailed receipts to those who contribute electronically (Direct Debit or Credit Card). If you received a *printed* credit/direct debit receipt, please let us know your email address, so we can correspond via email in the future. Thank you!

Next Week's Readings 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



1st Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6
2nd Reading: Ephesians 2:13-18
Gospel: Mark 6:30-34

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Penitential Act:

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and
in what I have failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say:
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God. Amen

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest and on earth
peace to people of good will.

we praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,

We give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty
Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First Reading: Amos 7:12-15

'Go, shepherd, and prophesy to my people Israel'

Responsorial Psalm

**Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.**

I will hear what the Lord God has to say,
a voice that speaks of peace,
peace for his people.

His help is near for those who fear him
and his glory will dwell in our land.

**Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.**

Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have embraced.

Faithfulness shall spring from the earth
and justice look down from heaven.

**Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.**

The Lord will make us prosper
and our earth shall yield its fruit.

Justice shall march before him
and peace shall follow his steps.

**Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.**

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

God chose us in Christ before the world was made.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our heart
that we might see how great is the hope to
which we are called. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 6:7-13

'Take nothing with you'

Apostles Creed

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just.

Hosanna

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

**Communion Rite**

The sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for
her young: by your altars, O
Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they who dwell in your
house, for ever singing your praise.