



SEASONS

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

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year C

7th August 2022

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

Diary:

Monday 15th August
SVdP Meeting
9.30 am, Undercroft



We Welcome
Fr. Geoff Baron

who will be
celebrating
with us this
weekend.



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9am to 5pm Tuesday & Thursday
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Pastoral Leadership Team

Fr Patrick Bradford Emma Chapple
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Church Services:

Wednesday 10.00 am
Friday 10.00 am

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm
Sunday 8.00 am
Sunday 10.00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30 - 5:00 pm

St Thomas More acknowledges
the Traditional Land owners, the Bunurong
people on which we live, work and wor-
ship. We pay our respects to the Elders,
past, present and emerging.

Dear friends,

I am on leave until Saturday 13th August.
While I'm away, I will continue to pray for you all
and for our community.

For weekdays, parishioners may like to check the
Mass times at neighbouring parishes: Mornington,
Somerville and Frankston.

Fr Patrick



Gospel Reading

Luke 12:32-48

You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of
Man will come.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Jesus' instructions on how to be ready for the coming judgment continue
in the stories and sayings found in today's Gospel. We are not to be like
the greedy rich man in last Sunday's Gospel who planned to store his great
harvest in barns rather than share it. We are, rather, to share our wealth
with those in need. The antidote for the anxiety brought on by the coming
judgment is to relinquish our possessions and provide for the needs of
others. Our treasure will be in heaven where it will not wear out or be
destroyed.

The other major way to be ready for the coming judgment is to be
watchful. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable about watchfulness to
begin making this point. We must be like servants waiting for the master's
return from a wedding banquet, which, even now, can last for a few days
in the Middle East. We must be watchful so that even if the master comes
after midnight, we will be ready for him. This is what the coming of the
Son of Man will be like.

Peter asks if this parable is meant for the apostles or for the large crowd
that has gathered to listen to Jesus. Without answering Peter's question,
Jesus responds with another parable about servants awaiting the return of
their master. It begins with a question: "Who, then, is the faithful and
prudent steward whom the master will put in charge of his servants to
distribute the food allowance at the proper time?" This parable adds to
the theme of watchfulness; it explains how to wait and reminds us of the
reward for the faithful follower at the heavenly banquet after the judg-
ment. If it is addressed to the apostles, then it could also be addressed to
leadership in the early Church. Either way, the parables reminds us that
we should be found doing our jobs when the master arrives. If we are
doing our jobs, our reward will be great. But if we relax, neglect our
duties, and begin to act like the greedy rich man—eating, drinking, and
making merry—we will not have a place in the kingdom. Watchfulness
means living in such a consistently moral and obedient way that we are
always ready to give an account to God of how we have lived.

Loyola Press.

**We
pray
for.....**

Those who have passed away recently...

Those whose anniversaries fall at this time..

Edna Oakes, Catherine Vines, James Pullar Cameron, Maria Lindner,
Dan Dee, Anne Green, Terry Meehan, George Alsop, and Tom Cookesley.



The sick... Les Harper, Adrian Gobel, Caroline Herbert, April Morrissey, Kerrie Milne, John Spirason, Thomas Parrish, Rodney Abbatangelo, Bev Johnstone, Kate Matheson, John Xavier Clifton, Dennis Mirabella, Michael Leonard, Liz Spurdle, John Spurdle, Evonne Paddison, Maree Bracken, Bill Luscombe, Brigitte Rohner, Eileen O'Beirne, Ava Macias, Michael MacKenzie, Betty Corke, Maria Kelly, Elizabeth Ware, Althea Greeff, Michael Blick, Maureen Anstey, and all of the sick at the George Vowell Centre *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.*

We collected 52 pairs of Spectacles during the month of July.

These have been passed onto Edithvale Optometrist who will prepare and donate them to low income earners.



**Notice:
Covid is back in our midst.**

Please take all safety precautions as you go about your lives.

ie: wear a mask, social distance, hand sanitise etc.

Safeguarding Committee

For information: Julie Carter 0420 923 859



Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. In the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne, we consider the safety and wellbeing of all persons to be our highest priority.

STM Social Club

The next scheduled event has been cancelled due to maintenance/repairs to the Gallery over winter.

Please continue to watch this space for upcoming social events.

The Welfare Officer is Margo Munro

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

Baptism - Reconciliation & First Eucharist - Confirmation.

Check our WEBSITE for more details

Parish MISSION Discussion 6th October 2021 Meeting minutes and information can be located on our Website Home Page or follow this link. [STM Parish MISSION Discussion](#)



The next meeting of the St Vincent de Paul Society will be held on Monday the 15th August in the Undercroft at 9.30am.

Thank you Marilyn Moloney



FINANCES

	Stewardship		Presbytery
	Actual	Pledge	
July 24th	\$ 768	\$ 792	\$ 555
July 31st	\$ 472	\$ 687	\$ 616

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

**Next Sunday's Readings
14th August — 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10
2nd Reading: Hebrews 12:1-4
Gospel: Luke 12:49-53



Monday 8 August 2022

Saint Mary of the Cross (1842 - 1909)

Mary MacKillop was born in Melbourne and worked as a governess and a teacher to support her family. In 1866 she founded St Joseph's School, the first free Catholic school in Australia. With Father Julian Tenison Woods she founded an order of nuns, the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart. They opened many schools and other charitable institutions, and continue to this day. She was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on 17 October 2010: the first Australian saint.


Let us pray..


O God, source of all goodness, who have shown us in Saint Mary a woman of faith living by the power of the Cross, teach us, we pray, by her example to live the Gospel in changing times and to respect and defend the human dignity of all in our land. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, (one) God, for ever and ever. Amen.



Archbishop's letter

Archbishop Peter has sent a letter following his return from the Fifth Plenary Council. You can find the printed letter in the foyer of the Church or on the link in our Website home page. It is titled : Archbishops Letter to Christ's Faithful






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WHAT IS HOMELESSNESS ON THE MORNINGTON PENINSULA?

Homelessness effects us all. Join us in this 1st of 3 free public community forums to empower and drive solutions.

Date:	Wednesday 24th August, 2022
Venue:	Peninsula Community Theatre Cnr Wilsons Rd and Nepean Hwy, Mornington
Time:	6.30pm
Close:	8.30 pm
Refreshments at conclusion	

[REGISTER HERE](#)



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Treasuring Our Later Years, Saturday 20 Aug 2022, 10am -4pm, an in-person event. Our ageing offers us opportunities to be awake to the new possibilities offered daily. During our time together, we will consider themes that have special significance in our later years: *awakening to new possibilities in my life now; spirituality; what is giving my life meaning?; relationships; gratitude; death – mystery; intimacy and delight in God's presence.* This popular reflection day is led by Nicole Rotaru rsm (BA, GDEd, CPE, B Social Work, GD Arts Therapy, M Supervision (MIECAT), Cert Supervision (UD)). Cost \$60 (BYO lunch). Book and pay by 12/8/22 via www.heartoflife.melbourne Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Rear 41 Stanhope Street, Malvern VIC, email info@heartoflife.melbourne or tel (03) 9890 1101.

I acknowledge the Boonwurrung and Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation as the traditional custodians of the land on which I live and work. I pay my respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging and extend that respect to the First Nations Peoples of other communities with whom I connect.



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INFORMATION SESSION FOR THE PERMANENT DIACONATE DO YOU FEEL LIKE BEING CALLED TO SERVE?

The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. COME & SEE! An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on Saturday 3 September 2022, 10:00 - 11.45 at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), East Melbourne. For more information: A new Vocations website for the Archdiocese is now available. <https://www.cam1.org.au/permanent-diaconate> Contact: Office of the Permanent Diaconate (Phone) 03 9412 3357 (Email) diaconate@cam.org.au

National Vocations Awareness Week 7 - 14 August 2022

National Vocations Awareness Week – Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Strong families and communities are the place where vocations are first nurtured. In this National Vocations Awareness Week, let us pray for all families in our parish, and for those preparing for marriage. Let us also pray that our parish community may always be welcoming and encouraging of vocations to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life.

Filipino Community

Peninsula Association of Filipino-Australian Inc (PAFA)

[MASS -Every 1st Sunday of the Month - Time 4pm](#)

Filipino Catholic Chaplaincy of Melbourne
Fr Joselito C Asis

EVERYONE
IS
welcome!

Next Weekend..

CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

Your support and generosity will help provide caring support for people when they are at their most broken.

Envelopes in Church Foyer next Weekend.

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 Wisdom 18:6-9

You made us glorious by calling us to you

Responsorial Psalm 32(33):1,12,18-20,22

*Happy the people the Lord has chosen
to be his own.*

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
They are happy, whose God is the Lord,
the people he has chosen as his own.

*Happy the people the Lord has chosen
to be his own.*

The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine.

*Happy the people the Lord has chosen
to be his own.*

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you.

*Happy the people the Lord has chosen
to be his own.*

Second reading Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19

Abraham looked forward to a city founded,
designed and built by God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready:
You know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 12:32-48

You too must stand
ready

**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.

The mystery of faith

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your
Resurrection until you come again.

Or:

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,
we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come
again.

Or:

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross
and Resurrection you have set us free.