

SEASONS

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

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year C

23rd October 2022

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

Diary:

First Eucharist Masses:

Saturday October 22 5.00pm

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Office Days/Hours:

Tuesday 10.00am to 4pm Wednesday 9.30am to 4pm Friday 9.30am to 4pm

Pastoral Leadership Team

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Church Services:

This Week from 24 Oct

Tuesday	Adoration	6.00 pm
	Mass	7.00 pm
Wednesday*	Mass	10.00am
Thursday*	Mass	10.00 am
Friday	Exposition	9.00 am
	Mass	10.00 am

*The Rosary will be prayed before these Masses

Sunday Mass

Saturday Vigil Sunday	5.00 pm
	8.00 am
Sunday	10.00 am

Reconciliation

 Tuesday
 6.30 - 7.00 pm

 Saturday
 4:30 - 5:00 pm

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. Dear Friends.

A Reflection: True Righteousness

Jesus addressed this parable to those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised

everyone else. Luke 18:9



This Scripture passage is the introduction to the Parable of the Pharisee and Tax Collector. This parable offers quite a contrast between two general attitudes. First, the Pharisee's attitude reveals that he is very impressed with himself, thinking highly of his public image, and is unaware of his own sin. Second, the tax collector's attitude reveals that he is deeply aware of his own sin, is sorry for it and knows he is in need of God's mercy. The result of these two very different attitudes is that the tax collector went home justified whereas the Pharisee did not.

What does it mean to be justified? It means that the tax collector had a clear conscience and was grounded in the truth. He knew his need for mercy, begged for it and received it. He did not lie to himself, to others or to God. He knew who he was and it is this truth that allowed God to exalt him. The tax collector's justification came through the forgiveness of his sins and the bestowal of the mercy of God in his life. The Pharisee may have felt good about himself to a certain extent in that he elevated himself for all to see. He was convinced of his own self-righteousness but, in truth, was not righteous. He was only self-righteous. He was living a lie and most likely believed that lie and even may have convinced others of that lie. But the fact remained, the Pharisee was not righteous and he was not truly justified. What we must take from this passage is a profound realization of the importance of living in the truth. Those who paint a false image of themselves may fool themselves and may even fool others. But they will never fool God and they will never be able to achieve true peace in their soul. We each must realize the humble truth of our sin and weakness and, in that realization, beg for the only remedy – the mercy of God.

Reflect, today, upon the prayer of this tax collector: "O God, be merciful to me a sinner" (Luke 18:13). Make it your prayer. Admit your sin. Acknowledge your need for the mercy of God and allow that mercy to exalt you within the righteousness of God.

Lord of all righteousness, Jesus Christ, please be merciful to me, for I am a sinner. I acknowledge my sin and my weakness and I beg for Your abundant mercy. Please pour forth Your mercy and help me to open my heart to all that You wish to bestow. Help me to live in the humble truth, dear Lord. Jesus, I trust in You.

We pray Those who have passed away recently...



for....

Those whose anniversaries fall at this time..

John Pierce, Ronald Taylor, Bruce Wright, Beverley Smith, John Hooper

The sick... Margaret Grace, Maureen Mirabella, Adrian Gobel, Caroline Herbert, April Morrissey, Kerrie Milne, John Spirason, Thomas Parrish, Rodney Abbatangelo (kidney transplant 18/8/22), Bev Johnstone, Kate Matheson, John Xavier Clifton, 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, Rosalie McKiernan, Julian Collins, Sue Emerton 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.

The Welfare Officer is Margo Munro

STM Social Club — November

Let us remember all those friends who have gone before us, at 11am Mass at STM on Tuesday 8th November.

This will be followed by a Spring Racing Carnival luncheon at Steeples Bistro

Cnr. Racecourse and Mornington/Tyabb Rds. Mornington

Join in the spirit of the occasion and perhaps wear a hat, fascinator or flower.

Newcomers most welcome

Please book with Tom & Maree Shelton on 0418 337 950 before 6th November.



Triumph 22

St Kevin's Parish, Hampton Park would like to invite you to Triumph 22. It is a program for youth aged 14+ to learn more and deepen their spirituality as young Australian Catholics. It will be a weekend filled with inspirational talks, activities, sacraments, prayer and most of all an intimate encounter with Our Lord and Our Lady, pillars of our Catholic faith.

Entry fee: \$20

October 29 - 9am to 8.30pm (Registration from 8.30am)

October 30 - 9am to 6.30pm

Register via Try Booking: https://www.trybooking.com/CDIXF

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS

 $Baptism-Reconciliation\ \&\ First\ Eucharist-Confirmation.$

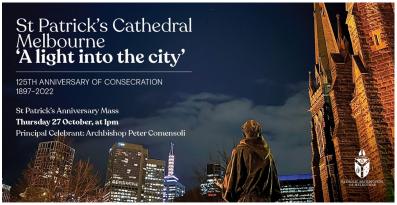
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125th Anniversary of Consecration - St Patrick's Cathedral



Archbishop Comensoli warmly invites you to join him for Mass to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the Consecration of St Patrick's.

Thursday 27 October 2022, commencing at 1pm. This is a beautiful opportunity to come together in the house of the Lord – built by the faithful and generous people from every part of our Archdiocese, and home for all. Mass will be followed by the Launch of the Catholic Precinct Walking Tour App, an initiative of the Mary Glowrey Museum.

Theology at the Pub Catholic Event Ages 18-35 7th November 2022

Guest Speaker:

Charbel Raish— founder of Parousia Media

Talk: "How Islam led me back to Christ."

Location:

Lvl 1 European Bier Café 120 Exhibition St

Doors open 6pm **Talk starts: 7.30pm**





Pregnancy Assistance Frankston

Cup Day Lunch for Fun and Fundraising

St Francis Xavier Parish Hall, 60 Davey St. Frankston

Tuesday 1st November 2022 at 12.30 Entry: \$10; Under 5 years free.

Games – horse shoe quoits, pin the tail on the racehorse, coin toss

Prizes for best hat, lady's, gentleman's and children's outfits

Sweeps - \$2, \$5, \$10. Please invite your family and friends Dress up. RSVP Katrina 0434 265 802 by 28th October

Today is Mission Sunday.

A collection will be taken up after Communion

Entrance Antiphon

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice: Turn to the Lord and his strength; Constantly seek his face.

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 Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14, 16-19 A humble man's prayer pierces the clouds.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 33(34)2-3,17-19 The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

Second reading 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18
All there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.

Gospel Acclamation 2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 18:9-14

The tax collector, not the Pharisee, went home justified.

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.

Communion Antiphon

We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.



Next Sunday's Readings

30th October - 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wisdom 11: 22-12:22nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2

Gospel: John 3:16