



# SEASONS

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

Twenty-eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year B

October 13th 2024

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**Church Services from  
11.10.2024**

**Sundays**

Saturday Vigil Mass	5.00pm
Sunday Mass	8.00am
Sunday Mass	10.00am
Tuesday Mass	5:30pm
Wednesday Mass*	10:00am
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
Friday Mass*	10.00am

\*Rosary prayed before this Mass.

**Reconciliation times**

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>No Reconciliation</b>
Friday	9.30am — 10.00am
Saturday	4.30pm — 5.00pm

**Adoration**

**Tuesday** No Adoration

**Rosary**

Monday 12 noon

**Father Patrick will be away  
from Sunday 13.10 to Thursday  
17.10 inclusive so kindly  
NOTE THE CHANGES TO  
MASS TIMES ABOVE.**

Dear Friends

In today's Gospel, an unnamed man approaches Jesus and inquires about what he must do to inherit eternal life. Jesus replies that one must follow the commandments of the Law of Moses. The man acknowledges that he has observed all of these since his childhood. Jesus then says that only one thing is lacking: he must give his possessions to the poor and follow Jesus. The man leaves in sadness, and Mark tells us that this is because he had many possessions.

The belief in resurrection and eternal life was a relatively recent development in Jewish thought at Jesus' time, and it wasn't shared by everyone. The Pharisees taught that there would be a resurrection from the dead; the Sadducees did not share this belief. Jesus taught that there would be a final judgment for everyone and eternal life (the Kingdom of God) for believers.

Jesus makes two requirements of the wealthy man who approaches him. First, he must give up his possessions. Throughout history, some Christians have taken this literally. Their example witnesses to us a radical commitment to the Gospel of Jesus. Some have read this as a particular requirement directed to this specific individual. Still others have sought to explain the meaning intended by the word *possessions* as those things that prevent one from following Jesus. Christians have generally understood that at the least, following Jesus requires that believers hold material possessions loosely and remain vigilant against seeking security in accumulating possessions.

The second requirement Jesus makes of this man is the invitation that Jesus extends to all would-be disciples: "follow me." Jesus very much wants this man to be his disciple. We believe that the Christian faith is one in which each believer is in a personal relationship with Jesus. Just as this Gospel tells us that Jesus loves the man and is sad when he departs, so too, Jesus loves us and is saddened when we are unable to follow him.

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**We pray for:**

**Those who have passed away recently:**



**Those whose anniversaries fall at this time:**

Joy Morrison, John Deighton, Maria Torcaso

**The sick...** Charlie Ebsworth, Nicole Buchanan Dawn Daff, Maggie Campbell, Sr Elizabeth Brown-Russell, John Miller, Fiona Leyden, Annette O'Brien, Maree Bracken,

*Names of the sick will be published for one month, unless otherwise requested. If you would like a Mass to be offered a loved one's intentions, envelopes are available at the back of the church.*

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We see in this Gospel reading another example of Mark's pattern, which shows Jesus offering further elaboration about his message and meaning to his disciples. To his disciples, Jesus laments the challenges faced by those who are rich in following him and entering the Kingdom of God. In reply to the disciples' astonishment at the strictness of the standard that Jesus speaks about today, Jesus reminds his disciples that nothing is impossible with God. Salvation is determined by our ability to rely completely upon God.

Peter replies to Jesus by boasting that the disciples have already given up everything. Jesus acknowledges that those who have given up everything for the sake of the Gospel will be rewarded. This reward begins now, in the new community that one will gain in this life, and will continue in the eternal age to come. Our personal relationship with Jesus is also an invitation to the community of faith, the Church.

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*The Annual **March for the Babies** 2024 will be held in Melbourne this coming Saturday 12 October 2024 starting at 1pm at Treasury Gardens, Corner Spring St and Wellington Parade, Melbourne. This year marks the 16th anniversary of the passage of the Abortion Law Reform Act 2008 in Victoria, effectively legalising abortion up to birth - for any reason. The annual March is held to commemorate the lives of unborn babies destroyed by abortion and show our commitment to opposing the destruction of human life by abortion. The March also recognises the many mothers, fathers, grandparents and others who are devastated by the grief and loss of their children. A flyer is available in the foyer with further information.*

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP**

After a short break, the group is back up and running!

Next Event:

**Friday 11th October at 6:30pm**

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Dromana.

Adoration, Benediction, Dinner and Games

**ALL YOUNG ADULTS WELCOME**

For more information about upcoming events contact:

John Florio

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**Faith Formation for Adults**

**Held each Thursday night in Parish Community Centre 7pm - 8:15pm. All are welcome**

Date	Topic
BREAK for two weeks: October 8th and October 16th	
24/10/24	10 Commandments 1-4—Love of God
31/10/24	10 Commandments 5-10 Love of neighbour
7/11/24	10 Commandments 5-10 Love of neighbour 2
14/11/24	The Saints and Mary
21/11/24	World without end

**WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP**

Please note there will be no catchup in October.

**The next get together will be on Friday 1st November.**

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**Healing Mass will be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month @ 7pm.**

*'Heal me, LORD, that I may be healed; save me, that I may be saved, for you are my praise.'* Jeremiah 17:14

**COME AND JOIN US**  
at St Francis Xavier Parish,  
60 Davey St, Frankston Vic.

*'Healing Mass' on Friday,  
11<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at 7pm.*

**Includes:**  
**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration/Benediction, Washing of Hands, Lighting of Candles, Anointing with Holy Oil, Prayers of Healing of the Sick, Family Tree, Intergenerational and Spiritual Warfare.**

*Thank you for supporting our parish*

**Presbytery Account:** Supports our Parish Priest, other priests of the Archdiocese, sick and retired clergy and the Archbishop

**Church Account:** Covers regular parish expenses including loan repayments insurance, rates, utilities, staff, repairs / maintenance, cleaning and groundskeeping. **Payment terminal in the Foyer of the Church supports this account**

You can also support the Parish by electronic transfer into our NAB Bank Account for both accounts:

**BSB 083-347**

**Church Account no. 638 078 704**

**Presbytery Account no 637 953 335**

**Alternatively you can scan the QR code below and make your donation this way.**



**40 Days for Life** is campaigning from 25th September to 3rd November. We are still looking for on-site volunteers especially after 2pm weekdays and all hours on weekends. For location, calendar bookings and other information, or to sign up visit [www.40daysforlife.com/en/melbourne](http://www.40daysforlife.com/en/melbourne).

### **TIP VOUCHERS**

If anyone can spare any Tip Vouchers, the Parish would greatly appreciate them for our Spring Cleanup! Please drop off to the Parish Office, or in the letterbox if office is unattended.

Thankyou for your support.

### **READERS NEEDED**

Our beautiful team of volunteers who read at each of our Masses could use your help! You only need to be able to commit to reading at one Mass per month to help our current volunteers. If you think you can help, please email the Parish Office at [mounteliza@cam.org.au](mailto:mounteliza@cam.org.au) with your name, phone number, and preferred Mass: 5pm Saturday, 8am Sunday or 10am Sunday.

**THANKYOU!**

### **MINISTER UNTO GOD PRAYER GROUP**

Our prayer group is a Catholic Charismatic prayer group; "Charismatic" meaning it emphasises the gifts and power of the Holy Spirit, present in all believers.

We have been meeting for the past 41 years and have members from parishes around the Peninsula, and other Christian churches.

We praise and worship, we discover through scripture the will and love of God, and we pray for the needs of the wider community.

You are invited to join us every Tuesday morning from 10:00am-12noon at St Macartan's Community Centre (next to the church) at 4 Drake Street Mornington.

All very welcome.

Contact Josie for more information: 0405 380 841

Children are to be supervised by a parent/guardian at all times.

# Sunday 13th October

## 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time

### Entrance Antiphon

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,  
Lord, who could stand?  
But with you is found forgiveness,  
O God of Israel.

### 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 7:7-11**

I esteemed Wisdom more than sceptres or  
thrones

### Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 89(90):12-17**

Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for  
joy!

### Second reading **Hebrews 4:12-13**

The word of God cuts more finely than a double-  
edged sword

### Gospel Acclamation **Matthew 5:3**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Happy are the poor in spirit;  
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!  
Alleluia!

### Gospel **Mark 10:17-30**

Give everything you own to the poor, and follow  
me

### Nicean Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of  
heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only  
Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all  
ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God  
from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial  
with the Father; through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation he came down  
from heaven,

*(At the words that follow up to and including and  
became man, all bow)*

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin  
Mary, and became man. For our sake he was  
crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death  
and was buried, and rose again on the third day in  
accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into  
heaven and is seated at the right hand of the  
Father. He will come again in glory to judge the  
living and the dead and his kingdom will have no  
end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of  
life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and  
glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I  
believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### The mystery of faith

When we eat this bread and drink this cup we  
proclaim your death O Lord, until you come again

### Communion Antiphon **Cf.Ps 33:11**

The rich suffer want and go hungry,  
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.