

# SEASONS

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

#### **Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

11th August 2019

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

#### Diary

• Tuesday

Sip 'n Sew, 2pm, PCC

Parish Education Board,

7.30pm, SSR

Wednesday

First Eucharist Mass Practice,

7.00pm C

• Thursday
Social Justice Group, 7.45pm, PCC



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#### Weekday Liturgy

Monday No Mass
Tuesday No Mass
Wednesday Liturgy 9.15 am
Thursday

#### The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(School) 9.15 am 7.00 pm

Friday 9.15 am

#### Sunday Masses

Saturday 6.00 pm Sunday 8.00 am 10.00 am

**Reconciliation** 

Saturday 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm



# Congratulations to all those who are receiving the Eucharist for the first time this weekend....

at the 6pm Mass - Patrick Venegas, Callum
& Isla Scott, Jasmine Hallal, Madeleine Hadley,
Ruby Powell, Marli Parrish

and at the 10am Mass - William Mannering, Amelia Simonis, Marley Parkyn, Annie Rogers, Milla Cater, Alice Latu, Erika Smits

#### CatholicCare Sunday Appeal

**This weekend** there will be a

leaving collection at each Mass for CatholicCare. This collection ensures that those in need in our community can continue to access vital counselling services, emergency relief, transitional housing and education support.



## We pray for...

Those whose anniversaries fall at this time.. Terry Meehan, Tom Cookesley, Simon Ryan, Andrew Pinnuck, Thomas Hansen and Agostino Postregna.

the sick... Helen Steinbach, John Gallagher, Raymond Reynolds, Ava Macias, Michael MacKenzie, Luke Carroll, Betty Corke, Chloe, Bev Johnstone, David Dole, Maria Kelly, Helen Gibson, Len Crowe, Elizabeth Ware, Althea Greeff, Michael Blick, Marcia Fiume, Judy Pessato, Maureen Anstey, Jake Steyn, Fr. Michael Walsh, Adrian Gobel, and all of the sick at the George Vowell Centre & 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.



### **Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

First Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9

Just as you struck our enemies, you made us glorious by calling us to you.

#### Responsorial Psalm

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

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 We will look for the city 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 See that you are prepared.



Next Week's Roster 17 / 18 August				
	6pm	8am	10am	
Lector	<b>2</b>	C Anwyl	2	
Comm.		M Wunder		
Min Euch	First Eucharist	Book M Goss Gifts B Hansen M Hansen	First Eucharist	
AV	J Collins	L Crowe	A Ryan	
Children's Liturgy	Heartfelt		First Eucharist	
Morning Tea			First Eucharist	
Counters	TO OUR VO	DLUNTEERS!	Sandor Egyed David Hunt Zara Hunt	

#### Message from Fr Joe

Dear Parishioners.

I would like to say thank you for the warm welcome that you have given to me. This has helped me to feel less nervous in taking on the role of parish administrator. Thank you to Lys Crowe and to everyone who contributed to the refreshments after each Mass last weekend.



I have now completed the first full week in the parish. During the week I had the opportunity to meet with Pat McConvill and Chris Young who talked to me about the work of the Parish Education Board. Pat McConvill gave me a tour of our parish school and introduced me to the teachers and students (our two Prep classes presented to me two beautiful welcome cards). The school tour ended with a nice morning tea with the staff.

Les Harper also called into the office and informed me about the East Timor project.

Also, I met with our children who are preparing for First Eucharist. First Eucharist Masses are scheduled for the next three weekends. My advice to the children was to relax and enjoy the celebration. First Eucharist is a special occasion because we are privileged to receive Jesus in the form of bread and wine for the first time.

Finally, thank you to Pat McConvill, Chris Young and Les Harper who put aside their valuable time to meet with me at the parish office. All parishioners are welcome always to come and meet with me at the parish office.

(Fr) Joe Truong

# What's Happening Here...

#### STM Social Club Fun & Friendship For All

New members are always most welcome! Membership fee is \$20. All enquiries to: Brian 0428 776 202 or Grevis 0414 527 172

**Today, Sunday 11th August** The 'Lion King 'at 2.25pm at Mornington Cinema,. *Contact: Christine Stewart on 0431 696 084 or 59325473* 

**Tuesday 13th August** - The **Sip 'n Sew Group** will meet in the PCC at 2.00pm



Friday 16th August - The Walking Group will meet at 10.30am in the Car Park opposite Seaford shops (left @ traffic lights at Station street). Free car parking off Station St behind shops. (Mel Ref 99 D3.) Enquiries lan/ Fiona 59767064

**Sunday 18th August** - Lunch and Jazz at the Balnarring Village Bakery, Balnarring Road, (M193 D5), at 12.00 noon. For booking, ring Brian on 0425 776 202.

Monday 19th August - Poetry
Group will meet in PCC at 1.30 pm.



Wednesday 28th August - Morning Coffee and a chat at the Dava Hotel Café, The Esplanade, Mt. Martha at 10.00am (M145 C6). Enquiries to Colleen on 9787 2479

**Upcoming Films** at Mornington Cinema. August 25th Palm Beach Contact: Christine Stewart on 0431 696 084 or 59325473



The Welfare Officer for August is Margo

#### **New Parish Directory**

Our updated 2019 edition of the Parish Directory is available this weekend. Please take a copy home for your household as it contains all the information about all the groups in the Parish. You may find a new one you would like to join!

#### Feast of the Assumption

(Holy Day of Obligation)

Masses will be at 9.15am and 7pm on Thursday 15th August

to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption.



#### **Holy Communion**

During Communion adults or children who are not Catholic or not receiving Holy Communion are welcome to come forward for a

blessing to any of the Eucharistic Ministers. Please indicate your wish for a blessing by crossing both arms in front of you.

Nametags: The PPLT invites and encourages everyone to please wear a nametag to Mass as a way of us all getting to know each other. You can BYO or stick-on ones are available outside the Church each weekend.

This will be a really helpful way for Fr Joe to get to know us all, so even if it hasn't been something you have been used to doing, please consider wearing one now!

#### Bunnings Sausage Sizzle

Thankyou to all those who helped at Bunnings last Saturday, and to all those who came and bought sausages too. Another fantastic Parish fundraising effort, raising \$1935. Special thanks to Maree Taverna and Anne-Marie Hyde who organized it all and were there all day.

#### **Parish Social Justice Group**

The next meeting of the Parish Social Justice Group will be on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August at 7.45pm in the Parish Community Centre.

New members are always welcome.

# What's happening here & elsewhere....

# **Baptisms**

These are held on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month at 11:15 am or at any of the Parish Masses on the 2nd, 4th or 5th Sundays.



A compulsory preparation night for parents takes place on the first Tuesday of each month in the Parish Community Centre at 7:30 pm.

The next one will be on <u>Tuesday 3rd September</u>

Children to be baptised, and their families, are then invited to a Welcome Mass prior to Baptism where they are introduced to the Parish Community and welcomed by them.

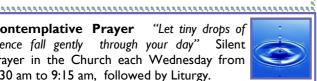
In order for this to happen, preparation needs to begin at least 4 - 6 weeks before the Baptism, with a call to confirm parents' attendance at the Preparation Night. When children of school age are to be baptised an extended preparation time is required. It is important to remember that Baptism is about the initiation of a child into a community of Faith or a community of Disciples. There is no such thing as a 'private' Baptism... it is something done by the whole Church.

#### Are You New to Our Parish?



Please fill in a new parishioner form in the folder in the Church foyer.

Contemplative Prayer "Let tiny drops of silence fall gently through your day" Silent prayer in the Church each Wednesday from 8:30 am to 9:15 am, followed by Liturgy.

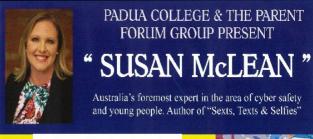


#### **Financial Matters**

#### **Stewardship**

Received last weekend	\$4512
Pledged last weekend	
Church Loose collections	
Presbytery	
Received last week	\$833

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.



CARING FOR KIDS

WEDNESDAY 14 AUGUST, 2019 PADUA COLLEGE, MORNINGTON CAMPUS, WHYTE SENIOR LEARNING CENTRE, **COMMENCING AT 7.30 PM** 

REFRESHMENTS FROM 7.00 PM

THIS IS A FREE TICKETED EVENT WITH ALL BOOKINGS THROUGH

https://www.trybooking.com/528511

**ENTRY FROM OAKBANK ROAD VIA GATE 4** 



#### St Thomas More School— **Promoting Sustainability**



As part of the school's sustainability unit, we are taking part in a whole school recycling project. We are collecting plastic bottle lids, e.g. milk bottle tops. We will forward what we collect onto Envision, a local charity that is collecting bottle top lids to make prosthetic arms for underprivileged children in India. It takes 800 bottle top lids to make one arm, so Envision have set a challenge of collecting one million bottle tops by the end of the year. Please spread the word to family and friends, all bottle top lids are welcome! Bottle tops can be left at the Parish or School

#### Rosa Mystica Prayer Group

is in recess for the month of August. They will resume on Thursday 5th September at 7pm in the Church.

#### Readings for Next Weekend—18th August

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year C

First reading: Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 39:2-4, 18

Second reading: Hebrews 12:1-4

Gospel: Luke 12:49-53