



SEASONS

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

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

17th November 2019

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

Diary

- **Wednesday**
PPLT Meeting, 7.30pm, PCC
Choir Practice, 7.30pm, C
- **Thursday**
Rosa Mystica Prayer Group,
7.30pm, C



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Weekday Mass

Monday	Funeral for Brian Marchmont	11.00 am
Tuesday		No Mass
Wednesday		9.15 am
Thursday		7.00 pm
Friday		9.15 am
	School	12.15 pm

Sunday Mass

Saturday	Vigil	6.00 pm
Sunday		8.00 am
		10.00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm



Thankyou

At all Masses on 23rd/24th November
we would like to take the opportunity
to thank all Parishioners for the many and various ways
you contribute to Parish life
whether it's on a Committee or group, or in one of the Liturgical ministries,
or in something that's behind the scenes, or by your support of events,
or your financial support.....
all these ways are needed to make, and keep,
our Parish alive and active,
and so we'd like to thank and celebrate YOU
for your contribution to our Parish.

We will celebrate in the Masses as well as after Mass
with pre-Dinner Nibbles at 6pm Mass
and Morning Tea at 8am and 10am Masses.
All catered for.

Hosted by the Parish Pastoral Leadership Team



Christmas Hamper Raffle Parish Fundraiser

It's that time of the year again when we ask for donations so that we can make up Christmas Hampers which we can raffle during December. For the rest of November we ask you to please bring along donations which have a Christmas theme – craft, decorations, shortbread, food, serviettes etc. There will be a box in the Church to put your donations in, and also one in the Parish Office. Thankyou in anticipation.

Dear parishioners,

Parish/School Working Bee The combined parish and school working bee was very successful. The weather was kind to us (thanks be to God!). A big thank you to our parishioners and school parents who sacrificed their valuable time to participate in the working bee. In particular, I would like to thank Barry Hansen and Chris Todd (Deputy Principal) for their leadership and organisation. I look forward to the next occasion when we as parish and school communities can come together for another working bee. I would like to say sorry that I was only able to put in about an hour of work for the working bee. I had to host a visitor from Geelong last Saturday – this Saturday; I am also hosting another visitor from Geelong.

Presbytery Fence Update We have put up the security fence around the veranda during the working bee last Saturday. We are hoping to put up another fence for the backyard in January 2020. Thank you to Barry Hansen and John Bruitzman who have coordinated this project.

Padua College Finally, I made a visit to Padua College. Two weeks ago, Anthony Banks the Principal at Padua College, invited me to join him and his staff for morning tea at the Mornington Campus. Anthony and I had a brief meeting prior to the morning tea to discuss my involvement with Padua College. The visit finished with a nice tour of Mornington Campus.

Ministry to the Sick I have made several visits to the nursing homes at Frankston and Mornington to administer the Sacrament of the Sick to the relatives of our parishioners and the parishioners of the Mornington Parish (I have been called out to the nursing homes in Mornington because the Mornington Parish is still waiting for a new parish priest to be appointed). In December, I will join Barbara Smith to visit the Catholic residents at Ranelagh Gardens to offer to them the Sacrament of the Sick. Barbara Smith has been taking Communion to the Catholic residents at Ranelagh Gardens each week for the last couple of years. If you have family members / relatives who are sick or homebound and do like a visit from a priest, please give me a call at the parish office.

Fr Joe Truong

We pray for...

Those who have died recently..

Brian Marchmont

Those whose anniversaries fall at

this time.. Antonina Socha, Mark Landman, Margo Moloney, Lauren Kelly, Margaret Carr, Brighty Leneaux-Gale, Kevin Barnes, Gwendaline Pay, Mark Sorensen, Diego Mirabella, Anthony Shannon
the sick... Eleanor Crampton, Eileen O'Beirne,



Helen Steinbach, Raymond Reynolds, Ava Macias, Michael MacKenzie, Luke Carroll, Betty Corke, Chloe, David Dole, Maria Kelly, Helen Gibson, Elizabeth Ware, Althea Greeff, Michael Blick, 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.**

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Malachi 3:19-20

The sun of righteousness will shine on you.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Do not give anyone food who refuses to work.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 21:5-19

Your endurance will win you your life.

Next Week's Roster 23 / 24 November

	6pm	8am	10am
Lector	B Dobson	L-A Gibson	P Griffin
Comm.	A-M Hyde	S Carr	L Bourke
Min Euch	<u>Book</u> K Dobson <u>Gifts</u> M Cameron M Robertson	<u>Book</u> H Grech <u>Gifts</u> T Woods Volunteer	<u>Book</u> P Royal <u>Gifts</u> J Griffin A Ferguson
AV	J Collins	B Ribbons	B Smith
Children's Liturgy			S Anderson H Anderson
Morning Tea			A Davey J Bruitzman
Counters			C Landman B Dickson

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 17th November Film "Blinded by the Light" at 2.30pm at Mornington Cinema. Please buy your own ticket. Coffee afterwards.

Monday 18th November - Christmas Lunch for Poetry Group at Canadian Bay Hotel, Mount Eliza at 12.30pm

Wednesday 20th November - Morning Coffee and a chat at the Boathouse Café, 366-368 Nepean Highway, Frankston at 10.00am Parking in front. Enquiries Ian & Fiona 5976 7064

Tuesday 26th November - Committee Meeting in PCC at 10.00 am.

Tuesday 26th November - Christmas Lunch for Sip 'n Sew Group at 'The Girl & Bull', Mount Eliza at 12.30pm

Tuesday 3rd December - Monthly Meeting in the Undercroft after the 10.00 am Mass in Church. New members always most welcome.

Wednesday 18th December - Christmas Lunch at Norwood House at 12.00 noon \$55pp Enquiries to Brian on 0428 776 202

The Welfare Officer for November is Maree Shelton

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!

Book of the Names of the Dead

During November—the month we especially remember those who have died—we display this Book and everyone is invited to write the names in it of their family and friends who have died. They will then be prayed for at each of the Masses.

Baptism Welcome

At the 10am Mass this weekend we have the Rite of Welcome for **Hamish Egan** (Parents – Timothy and Sandra). Congratulations and Welcome to **Romeo Trudgett** (Parents – James & Eloise) and **Jack Reardon** (Parents – Luke & Marta) who will both be baptised after the 10am Mass.



St Vincent de Paul Society

Giving Tree Appeal

The Giving Tree Appeal is for children's gifts which will be included in the family Christmas Hampers given to disadvantaged families by the St Vincent de Paul Society this Christmas.

There is an image of a Christmas Giving Tree placed on the inside of the front door of the Church with labels attached. The labels define the age and sex

of a children belonging to the families we assist. There is a box placed beneath the tree in which donations of toys and other gifts can be placed.

These should not be wrapped.

Parishioners are invited to take a label and to donate a gift appropriate for the age and sex of the child shown on the label. There are green labels for boys and yellow labels for girls.

The gifts, with the label attached, need to be received by the 8th December 2019 so that they can be delivered with the Christmas the hampers being delivered to the families during the following week.

Morning Tea Your hosts this week will be Bernice Clutterbuck and Sarah Harland. You are all warmly invited after 10am Mass to linger for a cuppa and an opportunity to get to know some other members of your parish



Children's Liturgy at 10am Mass
Ange and Theresa Virgona will lead the children in an exploration of this week's Gospel at the 10am Mass.

What's Happening Here...

Those who are affected by the **BUSHFIRES**:—How can I help?
 Donations can be made through Vinnies Bushfire Appeal
 through www.vinnies.org.au



Bring and Buy Stall - Homemade, Handmade, Homegrown - NEXT WEEKEND

How does it work? - Just bring along anything you have made - could be food or craft - or grown. Donate it to the stall before Mass. After Mass the stall will be open, and people will be encouraged to buy! All proceeds to the Parish. Anything leftover at the end of 10am Mass (except perishable food) will be stored to sell the following month.

Just remember... If you are bringing food of any kind - cakes, jams, chutneys etc, they must be labelled with **all** ingredients used, the **date** they were made, and the **name** of who made it. It would be helpful if you could please price what you donate. Those running the stall have the discretion to lower prices, if need be, in order to sell goods! **Next Weekend's Masses**

Thankyou to those who have volunteered to be on the stall -

6 pm - Marg McCorry & Mary Cameron

8 am - Marilyn Moloney

10 am - Volunteers needed please

Last stall for 2019



Choir Practice

The next Choir practice will be held at **7:30pm** in the Church on **Wednesday 20th November 2019**



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 **Tuesday 3rd December**

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.

Financial Matters

Stewardship

Received last weekend \$2066
 Pledged last weekend..... \$2054
 Church Loose collections.....\$265

Presbytery

Received last weekend\$495

(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.

The Role of the Safeguarding Committee

Each parish, agency and entity is required to establish its own Safeguarding Committee. The membership of the committee must include parish leadership representatives and other relevant stakeholders including: Program coordinators of child/youth related work and ministry, volunteers with child safety expertise (eg: lawyer, teacher/principal, social worker) and parent representatives.

Safeguarding Committees work with the leadership of each parish to ensure policies, processes and practices are in place to protect children and young people. The committee is required to meet four or more times per year and report progress to the relevant governance body within the parish on a quarterly basis.

The committee will ensure that the Safeguarding Children AND Young People Policy is embedded across the parish and compliance requirements are met by:

- * Promoting Child Safety and fostering an understanding of the importance of child safety.
- * Working collaboratively with leadership & participating in and/or delivering child safety information and training.
- * Engaging in and/or reviewing risk management processes to promote the safe participation of children.
- * Implementing, maintaining and /or reviewing child safety processes and procedures to support the wellbeing and safety of children and young people.
- * Ensuring the reporting processes for concerns and/or allegations are well communicated across the parish and act as a first point of contact.

If you are interested and would like more information, please contact Parish Office or Fr Joe.

