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

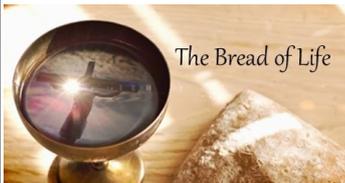
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5th August 2018

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

Diary

- **This Sunday**
Film Group, *Mama Mia Here We Go Again*, Mornington, 2.30pm
- **Monday**
St Vincent de Paul Meeting, 9.30am, U
- **Tuesday**
Social Club Liturgy & Meeting, 10am C & U
First Eucharist Class, 4pm, PCC
Baptism Preparation Meeting, 7.30pm, PCC
- **Thursday**
First Eucharist Retreat Day, 9am - 3.30pm, MPR



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Weekday Masses

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday, Liturgy (Social Club)	10.00 am
Wednesday	9:15 am
Thursday	7:00 pm
Friday	9:15 am
School Mass	12.15 pm

Weekend Masses

Saturday	6:00 pm
Sunday	8:00 am
	10:00 am

Reconciliation

Saturday	5:00—5:30 pm
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Next Friday night some of the STM students and staff will be sleeping out in the gym, to raise awareness of the homeless and how they survive, particularly on these cold nights.

They will be speaking at all masses this weekend and asking for donations to help out the work of the St Vincent de Paul Society.

Child Safety in our Parish

Following on from our Parish Meeting a couple of weeks ago, we include with this week's Seasons a copy of the Archdiocese's 'Commitment Statement to Child Safety' as well as a process of what to do if you need to report an incident, 'If you see something that concerns you, say something'. Both of these are also displayed in the Church foyer.

The PPLT are working on our Parish Code of Conduct and Child Safety Policy, which will be available when finalised.

Also available in the foyer are a list of Support Services available for anyone who may need it.

Thankyou to the small number of people who were able to attend this meeting.

Our Parish 40th Anniversary - We Need A Logo!

Next year we celebrate 40 years since the beginning of our Parish, and various celebrations are being planned. *Our theme is: Celebrating 40 years as a Faith Community.*

The 40th Anniversary Committee invite everyone in our Parish to design a logo for the year. This will be used in all the letterheads, advertising etc as well as featuring on Seasons each week for the whole year. It can be designed using any media you like, but we need the original to be on A3 size paper. Entries need to be submitted at the Parish Office by 31st August 2018. They will then be displayed in the Church during September, and all parishioners will be invited to vote on which one you think should be the logo.



We pray for...

Those who died recently
 Leonie Purcell (sister of Anne Wirth)
those whose anniversaries fall at this time...

Thomas Seymour, Michelle Collins, Agostino Postregna, Edna Oakes, Catherine Vines, James Cameron, Maria Lindner, Dan Dee, Anne Green

and the sick...

Linda Rezek, Andrew Worthington, Del Seletto, David Dole, Len Crowe, Marj Hansen, Helen Gibson,

John Pingiaro, Peter Rampant, Margaret Stone, Elizabeth Ware, Jake Steyn, Erika Stanek, Althea Greff, Michael Blick, Ann Shackleton, Frank Nolan, Marcia Fiume, Gerard Carra, Judy Pessato, Maureen Anstey, Fr. Michael Walsh, Shane Dobson, 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.

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Exodus 16:2-4,12-15

I will rain bread from heaven upon you.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:17,20-24

Put on the new person that has been created in God's image.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia!

Gospel: John 6:24-35

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.



Morning Tea

Your hosts this week will be Beatrice Rodriguez and Irene Owsianka.

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 community better.

No one needed next weekend.

Next Week's Roster

	6pm	8am	10am
Lector	First Eucharist Mass	B Hansen	First Eucharist Mass
Comm.	First Eucharist Mass	Chris Anwyl	First Eucharist Mass
Min Euch	First Eucharist Mass	S Carr (B) D Seletto (G) M Hansen (G)	First Eucharist Mass
AV	Hogan Family	B Ribbons	I Owsianka
Children's Liturgy			
Morning Tea			No one needed First Eucharist
Counters			D Hunt Z Hunt D Cleary



Baptism Welcome

At the 10am Mass this weekend we have the Rite of Welcome for **Arielle Hughes** (Parents – David & Sandra).



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.

What's Happening Here...



St Vincent de Paul Society Victoria

The next meeting of the St Vincent de Paul Society will be held on Monday 6th August at 9.30am in the Undercroft.

All parishioners are welcome to come along and take a look at the work of the Society.

STM Social Club

Fun & Friendship For All

New members are always most welcome!

Membership fee is \$20. All enquiries to: Grevis 0414 527 172 or to Colleen 9787 2479.

Tuesday, 7th August - Monthly Meeting in the Undercroft after the 10am Liturgy of the Word.

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Tuesday, 14th August - The Sip 'n' Sew Group will meet in the Parish Community Centre at 2pm.

Friday, 17th August - STM Walking Group

Meet @ 10am in the parking area opposite Caltex Petrol Station on Nepean Highway, Frankston. Mel 102 B4. Enquiries to Fiona Glasgow.

Sunday, 19th August - Lunch with Jazz music at the Balnarring Bakery (M 193 D5) beginning at 12 noon. Please book and pay a \$10 deposit after meeting. Enquiries to Grevis on 0414 527 172 or grevreid@gmail.com

Film Group

Upcoming Films:

This Sunday, 29th July - Mama Mia Here We Go Again, Mornington Cinema @ 2.30pm.

Any queries call Christine 5975 6687

August **Welfare Officer** is Margo Munro.

Nametags: The Parish Pastoral Leadership Team invites you to wear a nametag to Mass! This is just one way of us getting to know each other better. You can BYO, or we will have some stick-on ones available each week.

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 Mass.

Bring and Buy Stall Last Weekend



Thankyou to everyone who contributed - by bringing and/or buying - to our Bring and Buy (homemade, handmade, home grown) Stall last weekend.

Another great effort, raising \$306 for the Parish. The next stall is on 25/26 August.

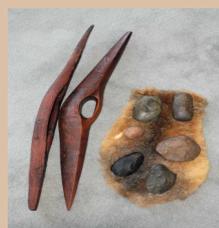


Children's Liturgy at 10am Mass

Elisa & John Natoli will lead the children in an exploration of this week's Gospel at the 10am Mass.

Please encourage your primary school age children to join them in the Undercroft, or you might like to go with your pre-schoolers.

Acknowledgement of Original Owners of this Land



As we do as we do on the first weekend of each month, this weekend at all Masses, we will sing the Aboriginal Lord's Prayer.

As a Parish we acknowledge the original owners of this land, the Bunurong people. We will respect and care for these environs. And we especially remember, and pray for, the communities of Bathurst Island and Alice Springs whom we met on our Pilgrimages.



Parish Office Manager

A very warm welcome to our parish community to Vicki Abbatangelo who will join us as Parish Office Manager on Tuesday 21st August.

Vicki lives in Frankston North and has more recently worked in the office at St Francis Xavier Parish, Frankston. She has good knowledge of the financial practices of the Archdiocese and the needs and workings of the parish.

We look forward to her warm and welcoming presence in the Front Office.

What's happening here & elsewhere....



Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

Invest in your most precious asset.....Your Marriage!

Forget life's tensions and interruptions and rekindle the closeness, intimacy, love and romance that brought you together. Recharge your relationship batteries and explore the precious nature of your marriage, allowing you both to share your feelings, hopes and dreams with each other in ways that normal, daily living tends to inhibit.

There is no group sharing. Couples and a priest present the weekend. It is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.

2018 Melbourne Weekend Dates:

17th - 19th August and 9th - 11th November 2018

Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided.

For more information and Bookings please phone Andre and Maria 0403 569 079 or email vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website: www.wwme.org.au

Are You (Fairly) New To Our Parish?



We would love to invite you to a meal at Fr. Laurie's house to enjoy the company of other parishioners, both old and new.

Just fill in the form in the folder at the Church porch and we will be in touch.

Plenary Council 2020

The PPLT encourages you to keep up-to-date with all the planning for this special event in the life of the Australian Church. Go to <http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/> where you will find interesting and informative video clips and other information. Click on subscribe and you will receive all the updates as they become available.



In 2017, The International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) - was awarded the Nobel Prize for Peace for their "ground-breaking efforts to achieve a treaty-based prohibition of nuclear weapons."

ican
International campaign for abolishing nuclear weapons

Speakers:

- Dr Tilman Ruff
Co-founder ICAN
- Prof. Richard Tanter
Political and Social Studies
University of Melbourne
- Sue Coleman-Haseldine
Nuclear test survivor

Banning Nuclear Weapons? Australia must act!

Monday 6 August 2018
THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE ATOMIC BOMBING OF HIROSHIMA

7.00pm Light refreshments
7.30pm start
Lecture Theatre
Cardinal Knox Centre
383 Albert St
East Melbourne

ALL WELCOME
RSVP / Inquiries: justice@cam.org.au

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Noble Prize Medal will be displayed at this event.

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. 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.