

# SEASONS

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

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

28th October 2018

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

## Diary

- **This Sunday**  
Pizza Night, 5pm, PCC
- **Monday**  
St Vincent de Paul Meeting,  
9.30am, U
- **Tuesday**  
Social Club Liturgy & Meeting,  
10.am, C & U  
40th Anniversary Committee  
Meeting, 7.30pm, PCC
- **Wednesday**  
RCIA, 7.30pm, PCC

# WELCOME

We're So Glad You're Here!

To Our Visiting Priest  
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### Pastoral Leadership Team

Fr. Laurie Pearson (Parish Priest)  
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### Weekday Masses

Monday, funeral for  
Debbie Brown 11.00 am

Tuesday, Liturgy 10.00 am

Wednesday  
No Liturgy at 9.15am

Funeral for David Cubranic 11.00 am

Thursday, All Saints Mass 7.00 pm

Friday, Liturgy 9.15 am

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 6:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am  
10:00 am

### Reconciliation

Saturday 5:00—5:30 pm

## Sight And Insight



Many are familiar with the saying, “There are none so blind as those who will not see”. Few may know that it goes on to say: “The most deluded people are those who choose to ignore what they already know”. It seems to have appeared in 1546, but its origins may well go back to the prophet Jeremiah who said: “Hear this, O foolish and senseless people, who have eyes, but do not see, who have ears but do not hear” (5:21). This would make it a very ancient proverb indeed.

We could turn the saying on its head and declare that there are none so insightful as those who have been deprived of sight. This is certainly the case with the blind beggar of today’s gospel, Bartimaeus, and his unnamed counterpart in the gospel of John (Chapter 9). Each of

these blind men is blessed with insight into the true nature of Jesus, while the sighted people around them failed to see who Jesus really was. In the end such insight is a gift of God, but we can prepare ourselves for it by reading the word of God, reflecting on it, and praying with it.

Be warned: seeing with the heart can open up a path of discipleship that may be more than we’ve bargained for!

*From Break Open the Word 2018*



### Parish Meeting - Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> November

All parishioners are invited and encouraged to come along to this meeting at **7.30pm in the Church** as we make our response to the Plenary Council 2020 question – *What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?* This will be an opportunity for us to make our individual and Parish responses that will help inform the agenda and outcomes of this Council and ultimately the directions for the future of our Church in Australia.

### Morning Tea after 9.15am Friday Mass



The next morning tea will be on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November** (not 2<sup>nd</sup> November, due to School Closure Day). All are welcome to come along to the Parish Community Centre and share in the special hospitality of some of our Year 4 students.



## We pray for...

**Those who have died recently**  
 Debbie Brown, David Cubranic  
**those whose anniversaries fall at**  
**this time...**

John Hooper, David Mitchell, William Ryan, Irene Ryan  
**the sick...**  
 Bernice Prior, Maria Kelly, Linda Rezek, Andrew

Worthington, David Dole, Helen Gibson, Len Crowe, John Pingiaro, Margaret Stone, Elizabeth Ware, Erika Stanek, Althea Greff, Michael Blick, Chloe, Ann Shackleton, Frank Nolan, Marcia Fiume, Judy Pessato, Maureen Anstey, Fr. Michael Walsh, Jake Steyn, 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.**

# 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

**First Reading:** Jeremiah 31:7-9

*I shall lead them back in mercy - both the blind and the lame.*

### Responsorial Psalm

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 5:1-6

*You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek.*

### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Mark 10:46-52

*Master, grant that I may see.*

### Next Week's Roster

	6pm	8am	10am
<b>Lector</b>	K McDonald	C Hurren	L Bracken
<b>Comm.</b>	D Mcloughlin	A Moloney	C Huggard
<b>Min Euch</b>	B. Hunt (B) J Hannan (G) C Gascoigne (G)	D Cleary (B) B Smith (G) J Bourke (G)	L Crowe (B) G Hone (G) A Ferguson (G)
<b>AV</b>	J Collins	L Crowe	A Ryan
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>			None today
<b>Morning Tea</b>			No one needed today
<b>Counters</b>			J Griffin C Landman J McCulloch



### Mass of Remembrance

Our annual Mass of Remembrance will be on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm.**

At this Mass we will remember by name those we know who have died throughout the year, and a special invitation has been sent to their families. It is also an opportunity for all of us to especially remember those we love who have died, and so **we invite everyone to come along to Mass, followed by supper.** You might also like to bring a plate of food to share.

## Financial Matters

### Stewardship

Received last weekend.....\$2,426  
*(Please note that the majority of our contributions are done electronically via Direct Debit & Credit Card Payments)*

Pledged last weekend.....\$2,957  
 September Average.....\$2,566

### Presbytery

Amount received last week.....\$875  
*Thanks to all of you who give so generously to support our parish.*



### 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.



### Morning Tea

Your hosts this week will be Bernice Clutterbuck & Sarah Hyland.

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.

# What's Happening Here...



## St Vincent de Paul Society Victoria

The next meeting of the St Vincent de Paul Society will be held in the Undercroft on Monday 29th October at 9.30am. All parishioners are very welcome to come along and find out more about 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, 30th October - Monthly Meeting** in the Undercroft after 10am Liturgy of the Word. **New members are always most welcome.**

**Sunday, 25th November - Pizza Night** in the Undercroft @ 5pm. BYO nibbles and drinks.

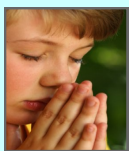
**Due to circumstances, unfortunately F.A.M.E this year has had to be cancelled. Money already paid will be refunded at the Monthly Meeting.**

**Friday, 7th December - Beleura House Christmas Performance "Mikado on the Rocks".** From 5.30pm - 8.30pm - tickets are \$90pp. Bookings and payment at the Monthly Meeting to Colleen.

**Wednesday, 12th December - Christmas Lunch at Norwood House** from 12 noon. Bring a friend if you wish. Bookings and Payment (\$50pp) at the Monthly Meeting. Enquiries to Grevis 0414 527 172.

**Welfare Officers for October are Tom & Maree**

## Children's Liturgy at 10am Mass



Melanie & Brett Paton 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.

## Bunnings Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser - Save The Date!



Please put in your diary the date for our Bunnings Sausage Sizzle at Mornington - **Saturday 29th December**. We will have the roster sign-up sheets available shortly.



## 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. **However, the next one will be on Tuesday 13th November.**

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.



## Antiques & Collectables Fair 2019

After the success of our Antiques and Collectables Fair this year, we are proposing to hold another one next year on **Saturday 30th March**. The committee are in the process of taking Expressions of Interest from all those who were stall-holders last year as well as others. If you, or anybody you know, would like to express your interest in booking a stall, please contact Michael Robinson ASAP on 0409 165 536.

## 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.

The **Summer Edition of Australian Catholics** is available at the back of the Church.

Take a free copy with you today.

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

## Saturday Night Supper Club - Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm.

Unfortunately the Supper Club has been a bit quiet this year, but we are planning another dinner for November and hopefully we will have a lot more evenings together next year.

We are planning to go to Doppiozero Pizzeria, at The Coolstores, 475 Moorooduc Highway, Moorooduc (at the roundabout to Eramosa Road). This Restaurant has a full menu as well as Pizza and Pasta dishes, and is fully licensed. We are confident this will be another successful opportunity to make new friends and catch up with old friends. Each person will pay for their own meal, but please bring cash as the bill may not be split. For more information or to make a reservation please contact:

Mary on [marymartin@live.com.au](mailto:marymartin@live.com.au) 0457 473 807 or Anne-Marie on [amhyde122@gmail.com](mailto:amhyde122@gmail.com) 0409 020 120

We look forward to hearing from you for a very pleasant evening of friendly conversation and good food in a relaxed atmosphere. **ALL WELCOME .**



## Sing Into Spring 2

A lovely afternoon was had by all who attended the afternoon of musical entertainment and delicious afternoon tea last Sunday. Thankyou to our entertainment – Eileen & Peter McIntyre and the Beleura Village Chorus, led by Judy Swann. Special Thanks to Carolyn Gascoigne, on behalf of the PPLT, who organised the whole afternoon.



## Bring And Buy Stall At all Masses This Weekend

Don't forget to stop and have a look at the home made, handmade and home-grown goodies available on the Stall this weekend and see what you can purchase. All proceeds to the Parish.

## 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.

## Catholic Theological College - Open Day Wednesday 7th November 2018

**Where:** 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne VIC 3002

- Study Options, Library and Building Tour, Refreshments
- Two Programs: 4.30pm - 6.30pm or 6.00pm - 8.00pm
- Bookings Essential

RSVP to Jenny Delahunt by Friday, 2nd November



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