



# SEASONS

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

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

30th September 2018

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

**Diary**

- **Monday**  
St Vincent de Paul Meeting  
9.30am, U
- **Tuesday**  
Social Club Liturgy & Meeting,  
10am, C & U  
  
Baptism Preparation Meeting  
7.30pm, PCC

**Social Justice Sunday**

Please take home a Social Justice Statement from Church Foyer

*Titled:*  
A Place to call Home: Making a Home for Everyone in Our Land.

116,000 people on any given night in Australia are homeless.



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**Weekday Masses**

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	Liturgy 10.00 am
Wednesday	9:15 am
Thursday	7:00 pm
Friday	9.15 am

**Weekend Masses**

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

**Reconciliation**

Saturday 5:00—5:30 pm

**Prayer for people who are homeless**

Lord our God,  
You who so mysteriously call upon us to share in the sufferings of Christ, fill our hearts with compassion for those who lack the warmth of a home.

We commend to you in prayer this day all men, women and children who suffer because they have no shelter; those who sleep in our streets and public spaces, who have nowhere safe to lay their heads, and who wander from place to place as a way of life.

We pray for broken families who cannot pay the rent, for those who are the lost and abandoned, for those on the streets whose minds have been touched by illness or whose bodies are sorely affected by disabilities.

We ask that your merciful Grace be poured out upon those with addictions, those who have given up in the face of enormous tribulations, and those driven into a homeless life by crushing poverty.

God of Compassion, your love for us is revealed in your beloved son Jesus, who was born into homelessness, lived with nowhere to lay his head, and died for us in agony on the cross.

Inspire us to act in justice, by all means at our disposal, to right the wrongs of peoples who are suffering the deprivations of homelessness, and to see in them the dignity of a brother and sister redeemed by Jesus Christ.

Let us have the commitment, as people of the Gospel, to be ever mindful of our obligations we have to the poor and marginalised, to work in your name, O God, to turn sorrow into joy and to bring all those who live in darkness into your own wonderful light. Amen.





# We pray for...

**Those who have died recently**  
 Monica O'Brien

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

Edward Mast, Eileen Redfern, Dr. Francis J. McCoy, Edna Margaret Pearson, Edward Horrigan, John Hill, Keith Marshall, Gracie Scicluna and Kerrie Dash

**the sick...**

Bernice Prior, Maria Kelly, Linda Rezek, Andrew Worthington, David Dole, Helen Gibson, Len

Crowe, John Pingiario, Margaret Stone, Elizabeth Ware, Erika Stanek, Althea Greff, Michael Blick, 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.**

## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

**First Reading:** Numbers 11:25-29

*Are you jealous on my account? Who decrees that all people may prophesy?*

**Responsorial Psalm**

The Precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

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

*Your wealth is rotting.*

**Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
 Your word, O Lord, is truth:  
 make us holy in the truth.  
 Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

*Anyone who is not against us is for us. If your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off.*

Next Week's Roster			
	6pm	8am	10am
Lector			
Comm.			
Min Euch			
AV			
Children's Liturgy			School Holidays
Morning Tea			
Counters			J Collins M Hutchinson I Owsiana

New Roster  
will be  
distributed this  
week



Next Week's Readings:  
 1st Reading: Genesis 2:18-24  
 2nd Reading: Hebrews 2:9-11  
 Gospel: Mark 10:2-16



## Financial Matters

**Stewardship**

Received last weekend.....\$1956  
 Pledged last weekend.....\$1712  
 August Average.....\$3013

**Presbytery**

Amount received last week.....\$898

**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.



**Baptism Welcome**

Congratulations and Welcome to **Angus Whitecunas** (Parents - Keegan & Kylie) and **Ezra Calabrese** (Parents— Lee & Nicola) who will be baptized after the 10am Mass this weekend.

# What's Happening Here...

## 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, 2nd October - Monthly Meeting** in the Undercroft after **10 am** Liturgy of the Word.

**New members are most welcome to join us.**

**Tuesday, 9th October - The Sip'n'Sew Group** will meet in the PCC at **2 pm**

**Wednesday, 17th October - Visit to Motor Cycle Museum at Cheltenham at 10 am.** \$7 per head, lunch at café to follow. Enquiries to Brian on 0428 776 202 or Grevis on 0414 527 172

**Sunday, 28th October - Pizza Night** in PCC at **5 pm.** BY.O. Nibbles and drinks

**Wednesday, 31st October - The Melbourne Cup** will be at Wilson Street, Mornington. This is a **C.W.A. fund-raiser for Drought Relief 12-4 pm.** \$20 per head. Enquiries to Barbara Hunt on 5975 2818 or Judi Hannan on 0418 843 170

Booking and payment for F.A.M.E. on 6th November may be made at the Monthly Meeting. \$40 per head.

## Film Group

### Films in the next few weeks

Sunday 30 September- Christopher Robyn at 2.15pm Mornington Cinema.

This week just turn up at the cinema and buy your ticket to see this film with friends.

Then: Sunday 7 October. Ladies in Black

## Celebrating Carers Week

**Music Through the Ages** at Mornington Estate, 1 Sunnyside Rd, Mt Eliza, **Monday, 15th October** 10am (10.30am start) - 2pm. Join us for show, lunch, complimentary drink, tea or coffee. Cost \$45pp. For enquiries and bookings contact Jim and Betty Bourke 9775 4507.

**Welfare Officers for October** are

**Mercia and Catharina.**



## St Vincent de Paul Society

The next meeting of the St Vincent de Paul Society will be held on **Monday 1st of October in the Undercroft at 9.30am**. All parishioners are welcome to come along and learn more about the work of the Society.



Sincere thanks to all who helped out with the Parish Working Bee last Saturday. Once again a good turn out and a fine clean up resulted. Thanks to those who donated food for morning tea as well. Barry Hansen was co-coordinator once again and did a lot of work in planning and preparation even before the event. Thanks to everyone.  
Fr Laurie

## LAST CHANCE TO VOTE

### 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Logo Voting

We have 7 designs submitted for our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Parish Logo.

Thankyou to those talented people. **Now it's up to all of us to choose which one we think is best!** All the designs are displayed on the windows (facing to the outside) near where the tea/coffee is served. You will find voting forms there too!

Please have a look on your way in or out of the church and cast your vote.



## 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 30<sup>th</sup> 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.

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

**Bring and Buy Stall THIS WEEKEND at 8 am & 10 am Masses only**



Make sure you stop and have a look at the Stall this weekend and see what you can buy from the many choices of our creative and talented fellow parishioners. All proceeds to the Parish.

## Bunnings Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser



**- Save The Date!**

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

## 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.

Victoria's Annual March for the Babies Assembles in the Treasury Gardens, Corner Spring Street and Wellington Parade at **1 pm Saturday October 13**.

The March concludes with speeches in front of Parliament House commemorating the 100,000 Australian lives a year lost through abortion in our country.



## Bush Dance hosted by Pregnancy Assistance Frankston (PAF)

on 6th October between 5.30—11pm at Seaford Community Centre, 6 Broughton St., Seaford. Contact: Liz 0430 533 377 or Sue 0408 547 791

Public Square Rosary (as part of a nation-wide Rosary Chain) will be held on Saturday 13th October at 10am at St Francis Xavier Church (Frankston) and 3pm at Holy Family Hall (Frankston North). Please spread the word and invite others to join us to pray for Our Blessed Mothers intercession for PEACE in Australia and the world.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY ASSISTING REFUGEE STUDENTS

MERCY CONNECT MELBOURNE – Mercy Works Ltd. is currently recruiting volunteers to support Refugee Students and Asylum Seekers in Primary and Secondary schools across the Melbourne Archdiocese. The volunteer commitment is approximately half a day per week for four school terms. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred but not limited to. Please contact Sr Mary Lewis RSM for an application form and further information.

Email: [somml@bigpond.com](mailto:somml@bigpond.com)

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## Would you like to advertise your business in this space in Seasons?

- In colour
- Business card size
- \$50 for one week

We print 200 copies per week, and distribute to all STM School families by email. It is also available on the Parish website for six months. Please contact the Parish Office on 9787 7777 for further details.



## 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.