# Saint Mary's Catholic Church

Mount Evelyn



## Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

2 October 2022

## readings

#### **Next Week**

2 Kg 5:14-17 Ps 97:1-4 2 Tim 2:8-13 Lk 17:11-19

#### in a nutshell

Doing our duty. Advertisements sometimes suggest that our lives should be always fun-filled, exciting and glamorous. For most of the time, however, our lives have a mundane character—doing our daily chores, caring for our loved ones, going to work. By faithfully attending to these tasks, we express our belief that the sacred is present in the ordinary, that our simple acts are precious to God.

## we pray for

all who are sick or suffering and those parishioners unable to be among us this weekend: Mary Nolet, Maureen O'Kane, Helen O'Kane. For those who have died recently: Bishop Emeritus Hilton Forrest Deakin and those whose anniversary occurs at this time.

## of special note

Daylight savings time is this Sunday. The Vigil Mass time will change to the summer schedule beginning 8 October.

More Information Inside!

Website: http://pol.org.au/mountevelyn

## **Raise Your Voices**

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

#### **Responsorial Psalm**

(R.) If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)

Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)

O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (R.)

#### **Gospel acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia! The word of the Lord stands for ever; it is the word given to you, the Good News. Alleluia!

#### **Communion Antiphon**

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

## The Parish of St Mary's

#### **Parish Priest**

**REV. MICHEL G CORRIVEAU** 

Parish Secretary
Janine Meades

**Parish Office Hours** 

Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm

## **Weekly Schedule**

Sunday Mass
Saturday—6:30pm
Sunday—10:30am & 5:00pm

Weekday Mass & Rosary

Tuesday—9:00am Thursday—9:00am Friday—9:00am Rosary prayed before morning Mass

#### Reconciliation

Saturday—11:30am-12:30pm Friday—8:10am-8:40am

> Exposition Friday at 8:00am

### Weddings

Please contact the office

#### **Baptisms**

Please see Father after Mass

## **Parish Primary School**

Principal: Angela Glennie

Website:

smmountevelyn.catholic.edu.au

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## **Child Safety**

Child Safety is everyone's responsibility. Our Parish is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, and vulnerable people in our community.

Remember children should be accompanied by an adult family member to the toilet.

#### **Safeguarding Committee**

Fr Michel
Janine Meades
Alan Somers
Karen Somers
Sue Van der Linden
Karla Zmegac

#### **Car Parking – Weekend Masses**

In the interests of safety please park in the official carparks rather than on the grassy areas around the picnic tables. Keep this area for people to gather and chat after mass.

#### Tap and Go-Located Near Kitchen Window

Donations given using Tap and Go are considered the same as cash in the basket or "Presbytery Offering" through envelopes therefore contributes to the support of the Parish Priest. A percentage of the Presbytery collection is also required to be sent quarterly to support the Archdiocese.

#### Do you need a Helping Hand?

Ring the St Vinnies Call Centre 1800 305 330 Monday - Friday 10am to 3pm, St Mary's Conference 0427 874 374 or John Bird 0407 848 192

Bulletin notices: by 12:00 noon Thursday please: mountevelyn@cam.org.au

For positions vacant within the Diocese visit: <a href="https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies">https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies</a>

#### Parish Meetings: Tuesday, 11 October

Finance Committee 7:00pm
Parish Safeguarding 7:30pm
Parish Council 8:00pm

## **Parish Notices**

#### Vigil 'Summer' timetable

This weekend Daylight Saving in Victoria begins therefore the Saturday Vigil will be at 5:00pm from <u>Saturday 8 October</u>.

#### Regular Gardening/Working Bee

You are invited to put some time aside between 4-6pm to assist with maintaining the gardens etc at one of our regular working bees. BYO PPE, gloves, tools/equipment etc. Next one: 7 October

#### Stay for a Cuppa!

Stay after 10:30 Mass, have a cuppa and a chat to fellow parishioners. If you'd like to be on the roster, please put your name and number on the sign up sheet at the kitchen window or contact Rachael O'Shea ph. 0437123802

N.B. Morning tea after 9:00am Mass on the first Tuesday of the month will begin in November.

#### **Stewardship Corner**

"For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control." 2 Timothy 1:7

Many of us compartmentalize our Faith, we bring it out only when we attend Mass or when we attend a parish event. Being a good steward requires discipline and striving to put God first in everything - all the time. The next time you are at a neighbourhood party or at work or out shopping, would your words and actions signal to others that you are a good and faithful servant of our Lord?

#### September Thanksgiving/Stewardship Report

Weekly pledge amount:: \$834.31 Average weekly given: \$738.00 Total income: \$3352.00 Total Expenditure: \$4239.00

#### **Adoration of the Eucharist**

St. John Paul II wrote that 'Since the Eucharistic mystery was instituted out of love, and makes Christ sacramentally present, it is worthy of thanksgiving and worship." Adoration and benediction is an example of Eucharistic devotion, and a way for Catholics to deepen their personal encounter with the Lord. In the silence and simplicity of being in the presence of God, the Holy Hour offers a life-changing opportunity to stay close to the Eucharistic Christ.

Adoration, spend time in the presence of the Holy Eucharist: Friday mornings 8:00am. Yarra Junction, Thursday nights at 6:00pm except first Thursday (Warburton). Confessions available during Adoration.

#### **Catholic Mission**

In three weeks' time, in celebration of World Mission Month, Catholic Mission will share with us Fr Habte and the Church's vision of supporting their community by expanding their current farm to include a goat rearing centre in Emdibir, Ethiopia.

The construction of the Goat Rearing Centre can make a difference for people seeking skills and employment, so that they can provide for themselves and their families. However, it is not possible without the generous support of people like you.

We hope you will join us in supporting this life-changing program.

#### **2022 Knox Public Lecture**

Wednesday 12th October at 7.30pm "50 Years of Theological Education in Context: Then, Now, What Next?"

Bookings and Info: ctc.edu.au/knox-public-lecture Enq: sarah.styring@ctc.edu.au or Ph 9412 3333 Venue: Celtic Hall, Catholic Leadership Centre.

#### 125th Anniversary of Consecration – St Patrick's Cathedral

As we celebrate our 175th Anniversary year as a diocese – we also mark a significant milestone for our Cathedral. Archbishop Comensoli warmly invites you to join him for Mass to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the Consecration of St Patrick's – Thursday 27 October 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral, commencing at 1pm. This is a beautiful opportunity to come together in the house of the Lord – built by the faithful and generous people from every part of our Archdiocese, and home for all. Mass will be followed by the Launch of the Catholic Precinct Walking Tour App, an initiative of the Mary Glowrey Museum.

#### **Advent Resource**

Orders for Incarnate—Daily Advent and Christmas Reflections 2022 are now being taken. Incarnate is a 86-page pocket-size book containing short spiritually rich, yet accessible, daily reflections from the beginning of Advent (27 November 2022) through to the Baptism of the Lord (9 January 2023).

https://www.dow.org.au/media-resources/advent-program/

#### **Annual Peace Walk 8th of October**

We'll be gathering in Treasury Gardens at 12:30 and walking to Parliament House at 1:00.

https://www.marchforthebabies.com/

#### 'Walking with Wisdom Series' (in person or via Zoom)

4 x Thursdays, 6-27 October 2022, 10am-12.30pm.

This series offers a time to explore the depths of wisdom in our own heart, to recognise wisdom in the encounter with another ... to dwell in the Heart of Contemplation. Led by spiritual directors Carole Carmody rsm and Julie Adam. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Rear 41 Stanhope St, Malvern VIC. Cost \$30 per session or \$100 for the series. Book and pay via <a href="www.heartoflife.melbourne">www.heartoflife.melbourne</a>, email <a href="mailto:office@heartoflife.melbourne">office@heartoflife.melbourne</a>, or tel (03) 9890 1101.

#### Something to Make You Smile

Father Michael and his friend Pete were fans of rival NRL teams. They were due to play each other in the grand final, so the two made a gentleman's agreement **not** to pray for their respective teams.

Father Michael's team ended up losing quite badly, so he decided to tease his friend about the loss while delivering his homily at Mass on Sunday.

"My dear friends, you know that Pete and I back different footy teams. We agreed not to pray for our team to win, but obviously Pete cheated," he grinned at his friend who was sitting in the front pew and the congregation chuckled. "Father, I didn't pray," Pete yelled out. "I just asked God to let the best team win!"

## **Readings Reflection**

#### Life by Faith

Because of his faith, the just man shall live. We hear in today's First Reading the original prophetic line made so central by St. Paul (see Romans 1:17; Galatians 3:11; Hebrews 10:38).

We are to live by faith in Christ who loved us and gave Himself on the Cross for us (see Galatians 2:20).

The world, though, can seem to us as seventh-century Judah seemed to Habakkuk—in the control of God's enemies. The strife and discord we face in our own lives can sometimes cause us to wonder, as the prophet does, why God doesn't seem to hear or intervene when we cry for help.

We can't let our hearts be hardened by the trials we undergo. As today's Psalm reminds us: Israel forgot His mighty works, lost faith in the sound words of His promise. They tested God in the desert, demanding a sign.

But God didn't redeem Israel from Egypt only to let them die in the desert. And He didn't ransom us from futility only to abandon us in our trials. He is our God and we are the people He shepherds always—though at times His mercy and justice seem long delayed.

If we call on the Lord, as the Apostles do in today's Gospel, He will increase our faith, will stir to a flame the Holy Spirit who has dwelt within us since Baptism.

As Paul tells us in today's Epistle, the Lord will always give us the love and self-control we need to bear our share of hardship for the Gospel—with a strength that can come from God alone.

Our task is to continue doing what He has commanded—to love and to build up His kingdom—trusting that His vision still presses on to its fulfillment.

For His vision still has its time. One day, though we are but "unprofitable servants," we will be invited to eat and drink at our Master's table. It is that day we anticipate with each celebration of the Eucharist.

<u>Dr. Scott Hahn</u> <u>stpaulcenter.com</u>

## "Pray the Rosary every day" Our Lady of Fatima

[Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated on Friday, 7 October]

How did the Rosary develop, and is it a scriptural prayer?

Rooted firmly in Christian tradition, the private devotion known as the Holy Rosary comprises prayers and meditations on an entire series of events in the lives of Jesus Christ and the Blessed Virgin Mary that are explicit or implicit in Scripture.

The Rosary is one of the most recognised Catholic symbols. The Dominican Order helped to popularise devotion to the Rosary. It had long been the practice of people in the consecrated life to recite the 150 Psalms in the Liturgy of the Hours, but many of the faithful who were illiterate began the practice of reciting 150 Our Fathers (cf Mt 6:9-13) to substitute for the Psalms. As devotion to Our Lady increased, some of the Our Fathers were changed to Hail Marys. Later, a meditation on the life of Christ accompanied the recitation of the prayers. The Rosary became a wonderful tool of faith and prayer, a simple means for people to pray throughout the day and to meditate on the events of our salvation in the life of Christ.

Although the Holy Rosary is associated with most closely the Blessed Virgin Mary and is indeed a Marian devotion, it points us directly to Christ. The Rosary is sometimes called the "epitome of the whole Gospel" because its meditations call to mind the key events and truths of the Gospel message.

The Holy Rosary is a form of meditative prayer. It is among the forms of piety and popular devotion that extend the liturgical life of the Church.

The Joyful Mysteries	The Sorrowful Mysteries
The Annunciation (Lk 1:26-38)	The Agony in the Garden
The Visitation	The Scourging at the Pillar
The Nativity	The Crowning with Thorns
The Presentation	The Carrying of the Cross
The finding of Jesus in the Temple	The Crucifixion
The Luminous Mysteries	The Glorious Mysteries
The Luminous Mysteries The Baptism of Christ	The Glorious Mysteries The Resurrection
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The Baptism of Christ The Wedding of Cana Proclamation of the Kingdom and call to conversion	The Resurrection The Ascension The Descent of the Holy Spirit

From the Didache Bible

**971** "All generations will call me blessed": "The Church's devotion to the Blessed Virgin is intrinsic to Christian worship" (Pope Paul VI). The Church rightly honors "the Blessed Virgin with special devotion. From the most ancient times the Blessed Virgin has been honored with the title of 'Mother of God,' to whose protection the faithful fly in all their dangers and needs.... This very special devotion ... differs essentially from the adoration which is given to the incarnate Word and equally to the Father and the Holy Spirit, and greatly fosters this adoration" (Lumen Gentium 66). The liturgical feasts dedicated to the Mother of God and Marian prayer, such as the rosary, an "epitome of the whole Gospel," express this devotion to the Virgin Mary (*Sacrosanctum Concilium* 103).

**2679** Mary is the perfect *Orans* (prayer), a figure of the Church. When we pray to her, we are adhering with her to the plan of the Father, who sends his Son to save all men. Like the beloved disciple we welcome Jesus' mother into our homes, for she has become the mother of all the living. We can pray with and to her. The prayer of the Church is sustained by the prayer of Mary and united with it in hope.

**2708** Meditation engages thought, imagination, emotion, and desire. This mobilization of faculties is necessary in order to deepen our convictions of faith, prompt the conversion of our heart, and strengthen our will to follow Christ. Christian prayer tries above all to meditate on the mysteries of Christ, as in *lectio divina* or the rosary. This form of prayerful reflection is of great value, but Christian prayer should go further: to the knowledge of the love of the Lord Jesus, to union with him.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church

<sup>&</sup>quot;Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!" (Lk 1:28)

<sup>&</sup>quot;Blessed are you among woman, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!" (Lk 1:42)

<sup>&</sup>quot;Henceforth all generations will call me blessed." (Lk 1:48)