Saint Mary's Catholic Church

Mount Evelyn



Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

7 August 2022

readings

Next Week Jer 38:4-6, 8-10 Ps 39: 2-4, 18 Heb 12:1-4

Lk 12:49-53

in a nutshell

Keep awake until he comes. The early Christians applied this teaching to Jesus and their expectation of his second coming. More generally speaking, today's Gospel parables should encourage us to be morally vigilant at all times and ever ready to encounter, in the midst of daily life, the 'God of surprises'. Paul has similar advice for us: 'Keep alert, stand firm in your faith' (1 Cor 16:13)

we pray for

all who are sick or suffering and those parishioners unable to be among us this weekend.

For those who have died recently and those whose anniversary occur at this time.

of special note

Monday, August 15th, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a holy day of obligation

More information inside

Raise Your Voices

Entrance Antiphon

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever.

Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. They are happy, whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his own. (R.)

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. (R.)

Our soul is waiting for the Lord. The Lord is our help and our shield. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. (R.)

Gospel acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready: You know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

The bread that I will give, says the Lord, is my flesh for the life of the world.

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

<u>Weekday Mass & Rosary</u> 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

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Child Safety

Parish Notices

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: https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies

Parish Meetings: Tuesday

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

Solemnity of the Assumption—Monday 15 August

This day is a holy day of obligation which means everyone is required to attend Mass on this day.

11:40am — Whole School Mass

6:00pm Warburton and 7:30pm Mount Evelyn

Please note there will be no morning Mass on Tuesday 16 August.

National Vocations Awareness Week – August 7-14

Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Strong families and communities are the place where vocations are first nurtured. In this National Vocations Awareness Week, let us pray for all families in our parish, and for those preparing for marriage. Let us also pray that our parish community may always be welcoming and encouraging of vocations to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life.

CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal – 13/14 August

Next weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. As our parish's social service agency, CatholicCare Victoria delivers over 60 programs and services including counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, pastoral care in hospitals and prisons, support for separating families, social housing and homelessness support. Donations from our parish community help CatholicCare Victoria support the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community and empower everyone to live life to the full. Please donate to the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Your support and generosity will help provide caring support for people when they are at their most broken. You can donate using the appeal envelope available or online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513. Envelopes are available to take home and return next week.

Stewardship/Thanksgiving Envelopes

The next set of envelopes are available this weekend. Apologies that they were not available last week. If you are currently using direct debit and no longer wish to receive envelopes please contact the office.

Stewardship Corner

"For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." Luke 12:34

Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in heaven. The world encourages us to build up our treasure in real estate, investments, and material goods. How much time are you investing in building up a worldly treasure? How much time are you investing in building up a heavenly treasure? To invest more in the things of heaven, you must let go of some of the things of this world.

Nominations for Safeguarding Committee

There are a number of positions open on the Safeguarding Committee, please contact the Parish office or Fr Michel if you are interested.

Readings Reflection

Regular Gardening/Working Bee

On the first and third Fridays of the month you are invited to put some time aside between 4-6pm to assist with maintaining the gardens etc. BYO PPE, gloves, tools/ equipment etc. **Next one: 19 August**

Adoration of the Eucharist

Adoration: Faith is the fundamental virtue on which depends our whole relationship with God. It is itself a gift, an initiative of God. To this very personal invitation to believe comes a very personal response, a leap into the hands of God, something you can only do on your own, in the depth of your soul. ("The Mass in Close-Up" by Father Antony Jones) Confession: When you consider that Christ came among us principally to reconcile mankind to God, the neglect of the Sacrament of Penance is amazing. The Penitential Rite at Mass should remind us of the need for that special encounter with Christ, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, which sends us away walking on air. ("The Mass in Close-Up" by Father Antony Jones)

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.

Coffee After 10:30 Mass to Resume Soon

We will be offering tea and coffee after the morning Mass again! We are seeking volunteers to serve and wash up once a month or so. 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

Something to Make You Smile

Sister Hildegard had worked for a home health care agency for 40 years checking on the elderly and infirmed. One Sunday night she was making her rounds when she ran out of petrol. As luck would have it, a petrol station was just 200 metres away. She walked to the station to borrow a can and buy some petrol.

Noticing a cross on her lapel, the attendant politely told her that he had run out of cans but one was likely to be returned in the next hour. Since she was on her way to see a patient, Sister Hildegard decided not to wait and walked back to her car. She searched the vehicle for something that would be a good substitute for a petrol can and found a bed pan on the back seat. Always resourceful she made her way back to the petrol station, filled the bed pan with petrol and carefully carried it back to her car.

As she was pouring the petrol into the tank two eagle-eyed men were watching from across the street.

Amazed, one turned to the other and said, "If her car starts then I'm turning Catholic."

Faith of Our Fathers

We are born of the faith of our fathers, descending from a great cloud of witnesses whose faith is attested to on every page of Scripture (see Hebrews 12:1). We have been made His people, chosen for His own inheritance, as we sing in this Sunday's Psalm.

The Liturgy this week sings the praises of our fathers, recalling the defining moments in our "family history." In the Epistle, we remember the calling of Abraham; in the First Reading we relive the night of the Exodus and the summons of the holy children of Israel.

Our fathers, we are told, trusted in the Word of God, put their faith in His oaths. They were convinced that what He promised, He would do.

None of them lived to see His promises made good. For it was not until Christ and His Church that Abraham's descendants were made as countless as the stars and sands (see Galatians 3:16–17, 29). It was not until His Last Supper and the Eucharist that "the sacrifice . . . the divine institution" of that first Passover was truly fulfilled.

And now we too await the final fulfillment of what God has promised us in Christ. As Jesus tells us in this week's Gospel, we should live with our loins girded—as the Israelites tightened their belts, cinched up their long robes and ate their Passover standing, vigilant and ready to do His will (see Exodus 12:11; 2 Kings 4:29).

The Lord will come at an hour we do not expect. He will knock on our door (see Revelation 3:20), inviting us to the wedding feast in the better homeland, the heavenly one that our fathers saw from afar, and which we begin to taste in each Eucharist.

As they did, we can wait with "sure knowledge," His Word like a lamp lighting our path (see Psalm 119:105). Our God is faithful, and if we wait in faith, hope in His kindness, and love as we have been loved, we will receive His promised blessing and be delivered from death.

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Commitment Mass for Parish Religious Education Program

Child's Commitment Prayer

(to be read aloud at the end of the commitment mass as lead by the school staff member present).Dear God,I ask you to bless me as I start my sacrament journey.Open my ears to hear your voice.Open my eyes to see your face.Open my heart to love like you.Help me to pray to you every day. Amen

Parents' Commitment Prayer

(to be read aloud at the end of the commitment mass as lead by the school staff member present).
Dear God,
I ask you to bless my child/ren as (he/she/they) begin their sacrament journey.
I promise to support them as guided by You.
Open my ears to hear your voice.
Open my eyes to see your face.
Open my heart to love like you.
Help us to pray to you every day. Amen

Parishioners' Commitment Prayer

(to be read aloud at the end of the commitment mass as lead by the school staff member present). Dear God,

I ask you to bless these children as they begin their sacrament journey.

I promise to support their families as guided by You.

Open my ears to hear your voice.

Open my eyes to see your face.

Open my heart to love like you.

Help us to pray for these children every day. Amen