

**OUR LADY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH
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Parish Office Hours: Tuesday 10am-4.30pm; Wednesday & Friday 9am-12pm.
Other times - we respond when able to.

Sunday Mass Times: *English* - Saturday Vigil 5.30pm, Sunday 9am, 10.30am & 5.30pm.
Mass in other languages: *Chin* - 1st, 3rd, 4th Sunday 2.30pm; *Burmese* - 2nd Sunday Jul, Sept, Nov
Vietnamese - Saturday Vigil 7pm, Sunday 12.30pm, Fridays 7pm *Tongan* - TBC
Weekday Mass Times: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 9am; Tuesday 7.30pm, Friday 11am.
Confessions: Saturdays 9.30am (English or Vietnamese)



MASS INTENTIONS 30 July-6 August 2022

Saturday 5.30pm Angelo Mamo RIP
Des & Peg Payne RIP Anniversary
Joe & Peg Hayes RIP Anniversary

Sunday 9am Thanksgiving

Sunday 10.30am Ben La Rive RIP Anniversary
Gita Coelho RIP

Sunday 5.30pm *Pro Populo*

Monday 9am Carl Remedios RIP Anniversary

Tuesday 7.30pm Joseph Loughnan RIP Recently Deceased

Wednesday 9am Parish Intention

Thursday 9am Parish Intention

Friday 11am Yvonne Melder & Family

Saturday 9am Parish Intention

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

*An opportunity to spend a weekend
improving your communication.*

This experience gives you the tools to keep your passion alive in a gentle, nurturing environment, away from pressures and distractions of daily living. The weekend we offer is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.

We have two options:

- On-line / virtual weekend: **19 -21 August 2022**
- Parish based weekend: **22- 23 October** in Niddrie (Book early to avoid disappointment)

Information/Bookings: **Mercy & James 0409 183 676** or
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Please check our website for more details: wwme.org.au

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*Thank you for
assisting the parish.*

COVID-19 UPDATE

Face coverings remain optional
within places of worship.

However parishioners are
encouraged to be sensitive to
the well-being of others when
in close proximity.

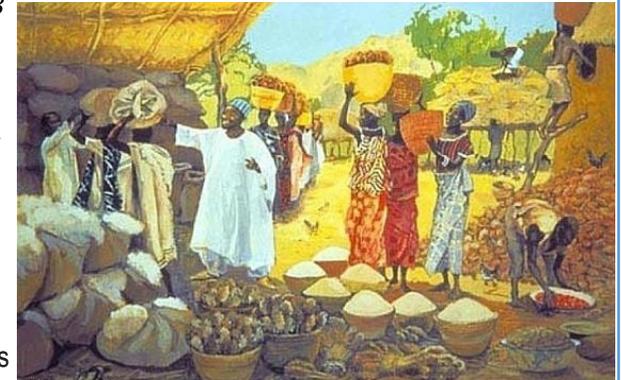
Please pray for the five new
priests, ordained in the
Saint Patrick's Cathedral's of
Melbourne & Ballarat on
the Fridays 15 July & 29 July.

Rev. Andrew Kwiatkowski
Rev. Brian Anthony Muling
Rev. Ignatius Boon Kim Tan
Rev. William Peter Lowry
Rev. Matthew James Restall

The Fool's Vanity

Scott Hahn Reflects on the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: *Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23*
Psalms 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17;
Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11;
Luke 12:13-21



Trust in God—as the Rock of our
salvation, as the Lord who made
us His chosen people, as our
shepherd and guide.

**This should be the mark of our
following of Jesus.**

Like the Israelites we recall in this week's Psalm Response, **we have made an exodus, passing through the waters of Baptism, freeing us from our bondage to sin.** We too are on a pilgrimage to a promised homeland, the Lord in our midst, feeding us heavenly bread, giving us living waters to drink (see 1 Corinthians 10:1-4). We must take care to guard against the folly that befell the Israelites, that led them to quarrel and test God's goodness at Meribah and Massah. We can harden our hearts in ways more subtle but no less ruinous. **We can put our trust in possessions, squabble over earthly inheritances, kid ourselves that what we have we deserve, store up treasures and think they'll afford us security and rest.**

All this is "vanity of vanities," a false and deadly way of living, as this week's First Reading tells us. This is the greed that Jesus warns against in this week's Gospel. The rich man's anxiety and toil expose his lack of faith in God's care and provision. **That's why Paul calls greed "idolatry" in the Second Reading this week.** Mistaking having for being, possession for existence, **we forget that God is the giver of all that we have,** we exalt the things we can make or buy over our Maker (see Romans 1:25).

Jesus calls the rich man a "fool"—a word used in the Old Testament for someone who rebels against God or has forgotten Him (see Psalm 14:1).

We should treasure most the new life we have been given in Christ and seek what is above, the promised inheritance of heaven. We have to see all things in the light of eternity, mindful that He who gives us the breath of life could at any moment—this night even—demand it back from us.

Child Safety Reminders & Important notice for Parents

- Please accompany your child if they need to leave the building.
- Please ensure you know where your child is if not beside you.
- Talk to your children about ways to stay safe.

Our Parish is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children and vulnerable people.