Sacred Heart Catholic Parish

Yarra Junction & Warburton



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 especially Pauline Bennett.

For those who have died recently, and those whose anniversary occurs 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,

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 Sacred Heart

Parish Priest REV. MICHEL G CORRIVEAU

> Parish Secretary Janine Meades

Parish Office Hours Thursday 9:00am-4:00pm

Weekly Schedule

<u>Sunday Mass</u> Warburton: Saturday—4:30pm Yarra Junction: Sunday—8:30am

Weekday Mass Wednesday—9:00am Yarra Junction First Friday –11:30am Warburton

> <u>Reconciliation</u> Thursday 6:00pm-6:45pm *Thursdays at Yarra Junction First Thursday at Warburton*

Exposition Thursday at 6:00pm Thursdays at Yarra Junction First Thursday at Warburton

Weddings Please contact the office

Baptisms Please see Father after Mass

Parish Primary School Principal: Nick Boyhan

Website: www.sjyarrajunction.catholic.edu.au

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 to the toilets.

Safeguarding Committee

Fr Michel Janine Meades Michael Fahey Paul Latham Mary Ryan Enzo Torresan Nino Troiani

Working With Children

There are a number of parishioners whose Working With Children Check has expired. Could you please check your cards and update if necessary.

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: Wednesday

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

Parish Notices

Solemnity of the Assumption-Monday 15 August

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

9:00 am —Whole School Mass

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

Please note there will be no morning Mass at St Mary's 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.

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 Eucharist Yarra Junction, Thursday nights at 6:00pm except first Thursday (Warburton). Confessions available during Adoration. Mount Evelyn: Friday mornings 8:00am.

Readings Reflection

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.

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—Support Your Parish!

The Parish appreciates the ongoing support, by those parishioners who are formally engaged in the Stewardship Program either using the envelopes or via direct debit. It's not too late to decide to become a regular contributor to the finances of the Parish. Please notify the office if you would like to be part of the Stewardship.

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.

Communion to the Sick and Elderly– Volunteer Required

Volunteers are needed to visit Estia in Yarra Junction and Advent Care in Warburton preferably on a Wednesday. See Fr Michel if you are able to assist.

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.

> Dr. Scott Hahn stpaulcenter.com

Commitment Mass for Parish Religious Education Program

St Joseph Primary school children who are receiving a sacrament this year and their families are here today (Sunday) to show their commitment to the Catholic faith and the parish sacraments program. At the end of Mass, the children, parents and parishioners will express their commitment to each other by reciting the prayers below.

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