Sacred Heart Catholic Parish

Yarra Junction & Warburton



Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)

9 October 2022

readings

Next Week

Ex 17:8-13 Ps 120 2 Tim 3:14 – 4:2 Lk 18: 1-8

in a nutshell

We come to give thanks. After being cured by Jesus, nine lepers immediately went to show themselves to the temple priests in fulfilment of the law. Their primary concern was to satisfy legal requirements. Only one, a foreigner, thought first to thank Jesus. Hopefully our primary purpose in coming to Sunday Mass is not to meet some legal requirement but to give thanks to God for the many blessings we have received in Christ and in the community.

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: Bishop Emeritus Hilton Forrest Deakin and those whose anniversary occurs at this time.

of special note

This year marks the 175th anniversary of the archdiocese and the 125th anniversary of our cathedral.

More Information Inside!

Raise Your Voices

Entrance Antiphon

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. (R.)

The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. (R.)

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. (R.)

Gospel acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! For all things give thanks to God, because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

When the Lord appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

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

Sunday Mass

Warburton: Saturday—4:30pm Yarra Junction: Sunday—8:30am

Weekday Mass

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

Reconciliation

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

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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 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, 26 October

Finance Committee 7:00pm

Parish Safeguarding 7:30pm

Parish Council 8:00pm

Parish Notices

Adoration of the Eucharist

Benediction is the service of adoration where the Blessed Sacrament is put on view so that the faithful may spend time before it in worship and enter into its mystery. Many people, to my knowledge, first felt the call to become a Catholic Christian because of the extraordinary sense of the presence of God they experienced while attending Benediction. (from The Mass in Close-Up by Fr. 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.

Stewardship Corner

"Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Luke 17:18

Most of us live relatively "easy" lives. We have food, shelter, clothing and money. We go on vacation every year and own a car or two. Most of us take this all for granted. Did you ever notice that people with the least amount of possessions are usually the most grateful? Shouldn't this be the other way around? Take time every day and thank God for all He has given you and discern how He is calling you to share your gifts.

Thanksgiving/Stewardship Report

Weekly pledge amount: \$ 504.15 Average weekly given: \$387.50

Catholic Mission

In two weeks' time, in celebration of World Mission Month, Catholic Mission will share with us the life-changing work of Fr Habte, the Church and community as they work to expand the current Deberety Farm to include a goat rearing centre, providing agricultural training and employment for the local community.

In walking with his community and experiencing their challenges, he is compelled to respond and invites us to join him in that mission.

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

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.

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

Funeral Service Bishop Emeritus, Hilton Forrest Deakin

On behalf of Most Rev Peter A Comensoli, you are invited to the Pontifical Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of the late Bishop Emeritus, Hilton Forrest Deakin AM DD at St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne on Thursday 13 October, 2022 at 10.30am.

A vigil for Bishop Deakin will be held on the Tuesday, 11 October at 7.30pm, St Thomas More's Church - 313 Canadian Bay Rd, Mt Eliza commencing at 7.30pm. All are also most welcomed to attend.

Please keep Bishop Deakin, his family, and all the communities he worked so tirelessly for in his many years of ministry in your prayers.

World Youth Day

Upcoming World Youth Day Information Sessions in October. A life-changing trip to Lisbon, Portugal: Join 500 other young Catholics from around Melbourne on an epic journey to World Youth Day in 2023. Find out more at https://udisciple.melbournecatholic.org/wyd

A Message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia

ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church.

In response to the devastating floods in Pakistan, ACN is sending emergency help by providing emergency aid to over 5000 families, in the form of food packages for one month, cash grants for the most vulnerable families, mobile health units, temporary shelters and even basic — but essential — items such as mosquito nets and repellent. Damaged churches and community infrastructure must be repaired to shelter victims of the flooding. To make an offering to the Church in Pakistan. Visit www.aidtochurch.org/pakistan

Something to Make You Smile

On Monday morning in the first class of the day the teacher asked her grade one students what they did for the weekend.

One little boy shot up his hand and said, "I did some cooking with mum." "Lovely," said the teacher, "What did you bake?" The student replied, "Synonym rolls just like grammar used to make."

Said the teacher to one of his pupils, "If I had 8 oranges in one hand and 10 apples in the other hand, what would I have?" The student thought for a few seconds then replied, "Big hands!"

"What is the most common phrase used in school?" asked the teacher. "I don't know!" said little Johnny.

"That's correct!"

Readings Reflection

Returning Thanks

A foreign leper is cleansed and in thanksgiving returns to offer homage to the God of Israel. We hear this same story in both the First Reading and Gospel today.

There were many lepers in Israel in Elisha's time, but only Naaman the Syrian trusted in God's Word and was cleansed (see Luke 5:12–14). Today's Gospel likewise implies that most of the ten lepers healed by Jesus were Israelites—but only a foreigner, the Samaritan, returned.

In a dramatic way, we're being shown today how faith has been made the way to salvation, the road by which all nations will join themselves to the Lord, becoming His servants, gathered with the Israelites into one chosen people of God, the Church (see Isaiah 56:3–8).

Today's Psalm also looks forward to the day when all peoples will see what Naaman sees—that there is no God in all the earth except the God of Israel.

We see this day arriving in today's Gospel. The Samaritan leper is the only person in the New Testament who personally thanks Jesus. The Greek word used to describe his "giving thanks" is the word we translate as "Eucharist."

And these lepers today reveal to us the inner dimensions of the Eucharist and sacramental life.

We, too have been healed by our faith in Jesus. As Naaman's flesh is made again like that of a little child, our souls have been cleansed of sin in the waters of Baptism. We experience this cleansing again and again in the Sacrament of Penance—as we repent our sins, beg and receive mercy from our Master, Jesus.

We return to glorify God in each Mass, to offer ourselves in sacrifice—falling on our knees before our Lord, giving thanks for our salvation.

In this Eucharist, we remember "Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David," Israel's covenant king. And we pray, as Paul does in today's Epistle, to persevere in this faith—that we too may live and reign with Him in eternal glory.

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

Harmonizing the voice with the praying heart

What is the Liturgy of the Hours?

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your merciful love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night (Ps 92:1-2)

From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to be praised! (Ps 113:3)

Seven times a day I praise you for your righteous ordinances. (Ps 119:164)

The Liturgy of the Hours is a cycle of psalms, prayers, litanies, hymns, and readings that is prayed at various times of the day and night.

The ancient Israelites developed the custom of praying psalms in the morning and evening and at the third, sixth, and ninth hours of the day, i.e., mid-morning, midday, and mid afternoon, a custom that was continued by the first Christians. By the fifth century the Liturgy of the Hours had become standardised in roughly the form that we have today: the Office of Readings (to be prayed at any time), Morning Prayer (Lauds, Midmorning Prayer, Midday Prayer, Mid-afternoon Prayer, Evening Prayer (Vespers), and Night Prayer (Compline).

The Liturgy of the Hours, also called the Divine Office, is the public prayer of the Church: "[Christ Jesus] continues His priestly work through the agency of his Church" (*Sacrosanctum Concilium*, 83). It comprises the reciting or singing of psalms, prayers, litanies, hymns, and various readings, both from Scripture and from the Church Fathers and saints, which help take the participant deeper in meditation on the mystery of Christ. Its purpose is to sanctify the day (cf. SC 88), and its celebration at various times throughout the day makes the whole course of the day holy.

The Second Vatican Council reemphasised the Church's encouragement that the laity pray the Liturgy of the Hours either with their pastors, among groups of laity, or even individually. Pope St. John Paul II and Pope Benedict XVI both strongly promoted the Liturgy of the Hours throughout their pontificates. In the words of Pope Benedict:

I would like to renew my call to everyone to pray the Psalms, to become accustomed to using the Liturgy of the Hours, Lauds, Vespers, and Compline. Our relationship with God can only be enriched by our journeying towards him day after day. (Pope Benedict XVI, Wednesday Audience, November 16, 2011)

From the Didache Bible

- 1174 The mystery of Christ, his Incarnation and Passover, which we celebrate in the Eucharist especially at the Sunday assembly, permeates and transfigures the time of each day, through the celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours, "the divine office." This celebration, faithful to the apostolic exhortations to "pray constantly," is "so devised that the whole course of the day and night is made holy by the praise of God." In this "public prayer of the Church," the faithful (clergy, religious, and lay people) exercise the royal priesthood of the baptized. Celebrated in "the form approved" by the Church, the Liturgy of the Hours "is truly the voice of the Bride herself addressed to her Bridegroom. It is the very prayer which Christ himself together with his Body addresses to the Father."
- 1175 The Liturgy of the Hours is intended to become the prayer of the whole People of God. In it Christ himself "continues his priestly work through his Church." His members participate according to their own place in the Church and the circumstances of their lives: priests devoted to the pastoral ministry, because they are called to remain diligent in prayer and the service of the word; religious, by the charism of their consecrated lives; all the faithful as much as possible: "Pastors of souls should see to it that the principal hours, especially Vespers, are celebrated in common in church on Sundays and on the more solemn feasts. The laity, too, are encouraged to recite the divine office, either with the priests, or among themselves, or even individually."
- **1176** The celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours demands not only harmonizing the voice with the praying heart, but also a deeper "understanding of the liturgy and of the Bible, especially of the Psalms."
- **1177** The hymns and litanies of the Liturgy of the Hours integrate the prayer of the psalms into the age of the Church, expressing the symbolism of the time of day, the liturgical season, or the feast being celebrated. Moreover, the reading from the Word of God at each Hour (with the subsequent responses or *troparia*) and readings from the Fathers and spiritual masters at certain Hours, reveal more deeply the meaning of the mystery being celebrated, assist in understanding the psalms, and prepare for silent prayer. The *lectio divina*, where the Word of God is so read and meditated that it becomes prayer, is thus rooted in the liturgical celebration.
- **1178** The Liturgy of the Hours, which is like an extension of the Eucharistic celebration, does not exclude but rather in a complementary way calls forth the various devotions of the People of God, especially adoration and worship of the Blessed Sacrament.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church