

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Entrance Antiphon Jer 29:11,12,14

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

A reading from the prophet Daniel Dn 12:1-3

When that time comes your own people will be spared.

‘At that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who mounts guard over your people. There is going to be a time of great distress, unparalleled since nations first came into existence. When that time comes, your own people will be spared, all those whose names are found written in the Book. Of those who lie sleeping in the dust of the earth many will awake, some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting disgrace. The learned will shine as brightly as the vault of heaven, and those who have instructed many in virtue, as bright as stars for all eternity.’

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 15:5. 8-11. R.v.1

(R.) Keep me safe, O God: you are my hope.

O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **(R.)**

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay. **(R.)**

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness forever. **(R.)**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews Heb 10:11-14, 18

By a single offering he has achieved the eternal perfection of those who are sanctified.

All the priests stand at their duties every day, offering over and over again the same sacrifices which are quite incapable of taking sins away. Christ, on the other hand, has offered one single sacrifice for sins, and then taken his place for ever, at the right hand of God, where he is now waiting until his enemies are made into a footstool for him. By virtue of that one single offering, he has achieved the eternal perfection of all whom he is sanctifying. When all sins have been forgiven, there can be no more sin offerings.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Lk 21:36

Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful, and pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man. **Alleluia.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark Mk 13:24-32

He shall gather his elect from the four winds.

Jesus said to his disciples: ‘In those days, after the time of distress, the sun will be darkened, the moon will lose its brightness, the stars will come falling from heaven and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory; then too he will send the angels to gather his chosen from the four winds, from the ends of the world to the ends of heaven.

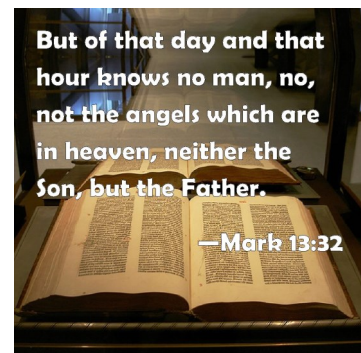
‘Take the fig tree as a parable: as soon as its twigs grow supple and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. So with you, when you see these things happening: know that he is near, at the very gates. I tell you solemnly, before this generation has passed away all these things will have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

‘But as for that day or hour, nobody knows it, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son; no one but the Father.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon Mk 11:23-24

Amen, I say to you: Whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you will receive, and it shall be given to you, says the Lord.



Next week's readings:

First Reading: Dn 7:13-14

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 92:1-2. 5. R.v.1

Second Reading: Rv 1:5-8

Gospel: Jn 18:33-37



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The Parish of St Thomas More and the Archdiocese of Melbourne are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community. May our message be that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: www.catholic.org.au/responseandprevention

Our Parish Vision Statement:
We are called to be a welcoming, compassionate community, empowered for our faith journey for active service.....

| CHURCH CENTRES | | St. Joseph's Church Emerald Cnr. Emerald-Monbulk & Cornish Roads | Sacred Heart Church Gembrook Main Road | St. Thomas More Church Belgrave Reynolds Lane | St. Paul's Church Monbulk 59 Moores Road |
|----------------|---------|--|--|--|--|
| MASS TIMES | WEEKEND | Vigil Mass 6.00pm | 9.00am (on zoom) | 9.am and 5.30pm | 11.00am |
| | WEEKDAY | | | 9.00am + mass on Zoom | |

Homily for the Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B - 14th November, 2021

This Sunday is the second to last Sunday of our liturgical year. As we approach the end of the Church year, our Gospel invites us to consider Jesus' predictions and teaching about the end of the world. In the context of Mark's Gospel, Jesus' words about this are spoken to his disciples as he prepares them for his passion and death.

Before we consider Jesus' words, it is important to note the political backdrop against which many think Mark's Gospel was written. Most scholars concur that Mark wrote his Gospel for Christians living in or near Rome about 30 to 40 years after the death of Jesus. This was a time of political turmoil in Rome. Some Christians experienced persecution by the Romans during the reign of the emperor Nero (about 64 A.D.). Jewish revolutionaries rebelled against the Romans, which led the Romans to destroy the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 A.D. In this time of political turmoil and persecution, many in Mark's community might have wondered if the end times predicted by Jesus were in fact quite near.

Last Sunday we heard Jesus' observation about the contributions being made to the temple treasury and the example of sacrificial giving that he saw in the poor widow's offering. If we had been reading Mark's Gospel continuously, we would have heard Jesus predict the destruction of the Temple, his teaching about the costs of discipleship, and the woes that will accompany the end times. Finally, we would have heard Jesus instruct his disciples about the need for watchfulness so that they will not be caught unprepared for this final day of judgment.

In today's Gospel, Jesus continues this teaching by offering his disciples signs to look for that will indicate that the coming of the Son of Man is near. His words and images draw upon Old Testament imagery, especially images found in the Book of Daniel. Next, Jesus offers the lesson of the fig tree, a parable that teaches that if one knows how to read the signs, one can be prepared for the end times. Jesus also teaches, however, that no one knows when the end time will come, except the Father. In the verses that follow this reading in Mark's Gospel, Jesus continues to warn his disciples to be on watch for this end time.

Jesus' words are not spoken to frighten his disciples, nor should they frighten us. Rather, they are offered to prepare us for the changes we will experience during our lifetimes and at the end times. Our consolation and hope is found in the lasting nature of Jesus' words and God's never-ending love for us.

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REMEMBRANCE IN OUR PRAYERS:

Recent deaths: Many people across the world who have died due to corona virus and natural calamities.

Anniversaries:

Jim Goodie , James Perry, Paul Gatley, Therese Hope, Robert, Coroal Ring, Frances Lee, John Ruigrok, Marianne Janssen, Trudy Francis.

Prayer for the deceased:

Lord open wide the doors of your Mercy to all those who have passed away in the parish of St. Thomas More, Belgrave. In your compassion grant eternal bliss to all of them.

Prayers for the Sick: We pray for all who are ill, but especially the following people: Ewa Wallis, Jane Schellenbach, Deanne Atkinson, Damien Van der Linden, Fiona, Margaret Gilhooly, Daniel, Mason, Hero, Helen Smith, Irene and Kevin Ryan, Debbie Owens, Don Kempster. Pat McCarrick, Joan Newman, Justin, Tom Fergus, Leo and Josie Walsh, Father Noel MacKay, B. O'Connor, Linda Bullivant, Maureen Lyons, Laurie Fitton, Ingyin Collins, David Bourke, Eileen Banyard, Brendan, Martin Fergus, Margaret & Fiona Gilhooly, Maureen, Patricia Gilchrist, Stephen Mc., Cheryl McInnes, Kate Arnott, Julian Neesham, Robert Drake, Joan Munday, Fa Perisipi, John Reid, Dieter Farmer, Margaret Sheanon, Dianne Zidek, Mark Pickthall, Terry Schubert, Neil Weatherill, Margaret Herbert, Rob Zwagerman, Joshua McQuade, Lanie Brereton, Sandra Dowling, Francesca, Neil Holland, Maureen Hughes, Marilyn Ward, Isabelle Henry, Phillis Willoughby.

Divine Worship

Monday –Saturday: 9am Holy Mass, followed by Holy Rosary (**30 caps who's vaccination status is unknown + on zoom as well**).

Saturday : 6pm Holy Mass (Vigil Mass)

Sunday : 8am and 9am masses

5.30 pm Holy Rosary

Join the parish community on zoom in praying together as one family of God for the end the pandemic Covid-19.

Zoom Link below

Topic: Father Cruz' Holy Mass and Holy Rosary on Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://zoom.us/j/7504645976?](https://zoom.us/j/7504645976?pwd=S0YwS3FiQndpMlZ0STY0TFRRYXJGQT09)

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Meeting ID: 750 464 5976..

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CARLEI WINES

Order form



Carlei Wines is excited to give back to the community!

To Celebrate The Sacred Heart Church of Gembrook's 100th Birthday celebrations, Carlei Wines will be running a fundraiser; donating a percentage of all sales to the church!

Simply fill out the attached order form by 10/12/2021 Your order will be packed and ready for collection at the church.

The Parish will contact everyone once the orders are ready.

For more information on any of the wines listed, please email gettinglocalsbackontrack@gmail.com



Extra Special Winery Offer!!

Spend over \$60 in one order and go into the draw to WIN a \$100 Voucher to be used at The Pine Grove Hotel!!

The link to our Facebook page for promoting the wine drive.

<https://fb.me/e/1cRHah8RP>

Wood 'n' Food Raffle

\$1 per ticket

Return your ticket sheet to gettinglocalsbackontrack@gmail.com

PAYMENT details: OR DONATIONS
 Name of Account: Getting locals back on track
 Bendigo Bank
 BSB: 633 000
 Account: 187 292 313
 Reference: Wood(Last name)

1st Prize: \$440

Return your ticket sheet to gettinglocalsbackontrack@gmail.com

Gift Vouchers
2nd \$150 and
3rd \$50

All money raised goes to the Giulieri family to help raise a little girl Sis towards a brighter future, after the loss of her mother, Maureen.



**The Sacrament of Confirmation
13th November, 2021**

Our Confirmation Candidates (children) have been well-prepared to receive this important Sacrament this Saturday afternoon at 12pm at St. Thomas More church, Belgrave and 2pm at St. Paul's church, Monbulk. Please pray for them, their parents and families, and their sponsors.

Bishop Les Tomlinson will confirm the children. We thank Bishop Leslie Tomlinson for his availability.

Thank you to Fr. Cruz, Marcia Janky, Irene Haritos, Marg Waldeck , teachers and parents for your work in teaching these children the ways of our faith.

" A huge thankyou to everyone who came to assist with the "Spring Clean" working bee last Saturday.

21 people including 2 budding gardeners trimmed tress, weeded, removed blackberries, cleaned windows, removed cobwebs and gave part of the outside and inside the church a substantial spring clean. We even managed to repaint the front doors of the church which look wonderful.

Due to more work to be done we invite you to another working bee on Saturday the 11th of December from 10.30 and enjoy again the great feeling of accomplishment and a lovely lunch that we all enjoyed last Saturday.



Patrick and Maureen

COLUMBAN CALENDARS 2022

The Columban Calendar is available for purchase from the Parish Office.

Calendar can be purchased for \$10.00 during office hours Tuesday-Friday 10am to 2pm or from the parish Priest on weekend.



Mass Times and mass booking

Mass bookings via '**try booking**' those who are unable to book by try booking, please contact respective person:

- **Vaccination status: unknown**
- **Places of worship must use electronic record keeping through the Victoria Services QR App.**

Sacred Heart Church, Gembrook— Sunday 9am

(30 People DQ4) Vaccination status unknown

Mass bookings:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BVEXP>

Try booking or contact Christine Borg on 0409 142 364.

St Joseph's Church, Emerald - Saturday 6pm

(30 People DQ4)Vaccination status unknown

Mass Bookings :

<https://www.trybooking.com/BVEXH>

Try booking or Contact Parish Office on 97542141 **before Saturday 12noon.**

St Paul's Church, Monbulk - Sunday 11.00am

(30 People DQ4) Vaccination status unknown

Mass Bookings :

<https://www.trybooking.com/BVEXJ>

Try booking or Contact Mim Van Haaster on 0409 005 176.

St Thomas More, Belgrave 9am and 5.30pm mass

Mass Booking

9am mass (**65 people DQ4) Fully Vaccinated**

<https://www.trybooking.com/BVEXR>

5.30pm (**30 people DQ4) Vaccination status unknown**

Mass bookings :

<https://www.trybooking.com/BVOYW>

Bookings: Try booking or contact Parish office on 97542141 before **Saturday 12 noon.**