

Entrance Antiphon Cf Psalm 16:15

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth.

The word of the Lord.

**A reading from the prophet Amos
Amos 7:12-15**

Go, prophesy to my people.

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets.' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."'

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation Ephesians 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. **Alleluia!**

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark
Mark 6:7-13**

He called the Twelve, and began to send them out.

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 84:9-14

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians
Ephesians 1:3-10**

Before the world was made, God chose us in Christ.

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as

Communion Antiphon John 6:57

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

Next Sunday Readings

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| First Reading | Jeremiah 23:1-6 |
| Responsorial Psalm | Ps 22 |
| Second Reading | Ephesians 2:13-18 |
| Gospel | Mark 6:30-34 |



St. Thomas More Parish, Belgrave

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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 17 Terry Avenue, Belgrave	St. Paul's Church Monbulk 59 Moores Road
MASS TIMES	WEEKEND	Vigil Mass 6.00pm	9.00am	9.00am	11.00am
	WEEKDAY			9.00am	

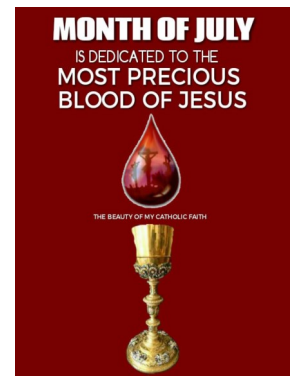
FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B - 13th/14th July, 2024

REFLECTION by Nick Brodie

Reflecting on this Gospel passage, Pope Francis draws our attention to the 'style' of mission Jesus wanted his followers to undertake.

Firstly, the Pope reminds us that this is Jesus' mission. It is Jesus who summons the disciples. He sends them out. He instructs them. Whatever authority they have, they received from him. This means the mission is about service to and for Jesus. As the Pope points out, this means that 'the Apostles have nothing of their own to proclaim, nor any abilities to manifest.' Rather, 'they speak and act as "emissaries", as messengers of Jesus.' Every Christian is called to reflect this style of apostolic mission, 'radiating from a centre, reaffirming the presence and work of Jesus.' We manifest this through the things we do – visiting, helping, healing.

The way we do such works is important too. This is the Pope's second point. The style of Jesus' mission should have the 'face', or look, or feel, of Jesus. Our good work is hindered when we are cloaked in sanctimony or self-concern or when we are burdened by fear of change or failure. We are pilgrims, the Pope says, 'not celebrities on tour'. Our mission will be most effective when it is authentically modest, 'free and unhampered, without reserves and without favours.' Confident in Jesus, we are called to be what the Pope calls 'humble workers of the Kingdom'.



<https://www.liturgyhelp.com/calendar/date/2024Jul14/0/RefNickB>

WE ARE A CHILD SAFETY PARISH AND WE BELIEVE IN CHILD SAFETY.

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REMEMBRANCE IN OUR PRAYERS:

Recent deaths: Robert Daniel Healy, the son of Michael and Jennifer Healy, brother of Laura and Mathew Healy.

Maureen Lyons, the mother of Greg and mother in law of Maree.

Many people across the world who have died due to Covid-19, wars, civil restlessness and natural calamities. May their souls rest in peace.

Anniversaries: Joe Radocaj, Breda Coyne, Ada Olin-da Lyons. Jebamalai Raja, Michael Pete, Lorraine McCart James Stan Moule, Harry Surman, Jim Collins, Ronald Hosie, Tim Shaw, Margaret Sprunhan, Greg Davies, Bella Smith, Les Hill, Bernie Steele, Kit Walsh.

Prayers for the Sick: We pray for all who are ill, but especially the following people: Kate Joy star, John Kuyper , Flynn Kroeger, Verity Loke, Helen Bye, Anne Radocaj, Simon Kuyper John Barber, Dimuthu, Glen Butler, Juhyeon Kim, Peter Hicks, Margaret Campion, Cameron DiCasio, Jack Weir, Ewa Wallis, Jane Schellenbach, Rebecca Jane Atkinson, Daniel, Mason, Hero, Helen Smith, Irene, Debbie Owens, Don Kempster, Pat McCarrick, Justin, Tom Fergus, Josie Walsh, B. O'Connor, Maureen Lyons, Ingyin Collins, David Bourke, Eileen Banyard, Brendan, Martin Fergus, Margaret, Maureen, Patricia Gilchrist, Stephen Mc., Cheryl McInnes, Kate Arnott, Julian Neesham, 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.

- **Sick List: If you are aware that any names on the sick list need to be removed, please contact the Parish Office on 97542141.**

Belgrave church reading roster 14th July

Robert Quirk and Helen Garrick

Next week — 21st July

Eileen Collins and David Atkinson



For details relating to Baptisms, Marriages & Anointing of the Sick, please contact the parish office.

Important dates

16th July Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

25th July St. James, Apostle

Prayer for the Parish

(To be prayed at the end of the mass before the recessional Hymn)

Loving God, you gather us as your people and have formed us into a community of faith, hope and love; a priestly, prophetic and kingly people. Humbly we ask you, make our parish truly a communion of communities.

Help us to turn away from sin and believe the Gospel, so that we may be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, and to be more like Him day by day.

Guide our parish leaders with your wisdom and love. Inspire all our parishioners to offer our time, talents and treasures as stewards of the Gospel, for the growth of your Kingdom.

May the Holy Spirit enlighten and invigorate us to actively participate in the mission you entrusted to us, so that we may be a worshipping, witnessing, evangelizing and serving community.

*May the spirit of collaboration and co-responsibility bring us into a fuller and fruitful communion with you and with one another. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. **Amen.***

St. Joseph, Pray for us.

St. Paul, Pray for us.

St. Claire, Pray for us.

St. Thomas more, Pray for us.



Have you considered the Parish in your Will?

Your Catholic faith is woven through the many milestones in your life, providing guidance, hope and strength. When you confirm a gift in your Will, your legacy of gratitude for the blessings you have received in your lifetime, creates a ripple effect that impacts ministry and mission far into the future.

Your Will is an important legal document and it provides an opportunity for you to recognise loved-ones and to reflect the values closest to your heart: family, community, faith and charity. Making a gift of any size through your Will can support the future of the Church and the faith of generations to come.



Volunteers for St Thomas More's church

Thank you to all those who have responded to the appeal for more volunteers in the Parish to help maintain the church and gardens.

We have had volunteers for all the following:

- People to do for flowers in chapel and church,
- Cleaning of brassware
- Lawn mowing
- Cleaning of the church (twice yearly)
- Readers
- Working bees. (twice yearly) Great when lots of people are available. We do however have a few places to fill:
- A couple of extra people for the cleaning of the church roster.
- A few people to assist with Sunday morning tea. This can be help either before, during or for clean up.

If you could assist with any of the above please contact Maureen Coyne on 0431483963.

God and Beer July

- Topic:** The Armor of God: Prayer and Spiritual Combat
- Speaker:** Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers
- Date:** Monday 15th July
- Time:** 6.30pm dinner available for purchase, 7.30pm for the talk
- Cost:** Free (donations gratefully accepted)
- Venue:** Notting Hill Hotel ([Steakhouse Room](#)), 260-262 Ferntree Gully Rd, Notting Hill
- Register:** Godandbeer.com.au

Stella Maris Sea Sunday Appeal July 21st—28th 2024

Next week is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be an Appeal for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. Funds collected will be used to provide practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. As it is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously. To donate or for more information, visit:

www.stellamarisaustralia.org



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Every married couple deserves this very special weekend.

Time-out to nurture your most precious relationship away from daily distractions.

The two of you will come away from your weekend feeling more deeply connected

and with tools to help keep the passion alive.

No group sharing required.

The weekend is based around Catholic values. Couples of all faiths are welcome.

Please check our website for more details and to book your special weekend:

Our next weekend is: 4 - 6 October 2024 at St Paul's Retreat Centre, Wantirna South.

Starts Friday evening at 7pm and finishes Sunday afternoon around 4:30pm

Information/Bookings: Phone **Mercy & James 0409 183 676** or

Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au

Website: wwme.org.au



The Pope's Monthly Intentions for July 2024

For the pastoral care of the sick

We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.



Have you returned your **THANKSGIVING OFFERING CARD** yet?

Cards are still available in the foyer. Please take one home, complete it and return it to either the Parish office or place it in next week's collection plate.

The Parish thanks you for your generosity

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced people for the positions of:

Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at: [Job vacancies | Melbourne Catholic](#)

