

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 104:3-4

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;
turn to the Lord and his strength;
constantly seek his face.

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus
Sir 35:12-14, 16-18***The prayer of the humble will penetrate the heavens.***

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man, he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication, nor the widow's as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted, his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him, acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement. And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

The word of the Lord.**Responsorial Psalm**

Ps 32:2-3, 17-19, 23. R. v.7

The Lord hears the cry of the poor.**A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy** 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18***All that remains is the crown of righteousness reserved for me.***

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring

me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.**Gospel Acclamation** 2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia! God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. **Alleluia!**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
Lk 18:9-14***The publican returned to his home justified; the pharisee did not.***

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else, "Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.'

The Gospel of the Lord.**Communion Antiphon** Eph 5:2

Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, as a fragrant offering to God.

**Next week's readings****First Reading:** Wis 11:22 – 12:2**Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14. R. see v.1**Second Reading:** 2 Thes 1:11 – 2:2**Gospel:** Lk 19:1-10



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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	9.00am	11.00am
	WEEKDAY			9.00am (from 25th October)	

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C - 22nd / 23rd October, 2022

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

It is very easy for religious people to fall into a kind of self-righteousness. Their very enthusiasm and generosity can plant the seeds of religious arrogance. They know what commitment demands of them; they experience relative success in their endeavors to be faithful; they distance themselves from what they think might threaten their resolve; and then they pass judgment on those who do not share their values or experience their success. This kind of arrogance is often imperceptible, because there is enough truth in every step along the way that it is difficult to recognise when one is veering off the track.

Jesus extols the humility of the one who admits being a sinner, and can accept the implications of that admission. This is the kind of prayer that is described in the reading from Sirach and the psalm response. It is those who can admit that they are needy who turn to God in that need. It is those who trust that God will be their strength in the face of their weaknesses who are strengthened.

Paul's own prayer demonstrates the attitudes that should be ours as we pray. Like the Pharisee, he acknowledges his success. He has competed well; he has finished the course; he has kept the faith. However, unlike the Pharisee, he acknowledges that God is the source of any good he has been able to accomplish. The Lord stood by him and gave him strength. If there is any glory, it belongs to God. Paul's confident prayer springs from a humble heart.

Source: [Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C \(liturgyhelp.com\)](http://liturgyhelp.com)

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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 and ongoing War in Ukraine. May their souls rest in peace.

Anniversaries:

Lucia Pepi , Patricia Grace Corcoran, Katrina Champions, Ray Talintyre, Lilian Onley, Ruby Johnson, Fr. Anthony Guelen, Thiruthuva Nathan.

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: Juhyeon Kim, Peter Hicks, Margaret Champion, Diane Kamoen, Cameron DiCasio, Jack Weir, Ewa Wallis, Jane Schellenbach, Deanne Atkinson, Damien Van der Linden, Margaret Gilhooly, Daniel, Mason, Hero, Helen Smith, Irene, Debbie Owens, Don Kempster, Pat McCarrick, Joan Newman, 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, 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.

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

Information Session for studying theology in 2023

Yarra Theological Union (YTU) is holding its annual Information Session via Zoom on Wednesday 9th November 2022, from 5.30pm - 6.30pm.

This event will be a great opportunity for anyone interested in studying Theology to meet the Lecturers and find out about our courses and pathways.

Link to join Zoom on Wed 9th November: <https://divinity.zoom.us/j/85121739377?pwd=cjVqZk9TL3NuZ2FoNk9Fd1JwU0daQT09>

All prospective students are very welcome. No need to register. For further information or enquiries, please email the Registrar - registrar@ytu.edu.au or

Admin admin@ytu.edu.au

Thanksgiving Envelopes are now available for collection in four churches.

Important Dates

28th October	Feast of Simon and Jude, Apostles
1st November	All saints day
2nd November	All souls day



Catholic Mission Sunday 2022

The World Mission Sunday, 23 October. Envelopes are available in the church foyer. Kindly support and help to build brighter futures for communities in Ethiopia.



HOLY SPIRIT PILGRIMAGE (2023)

HOLY SPIRIT PILGRIMAGE TO HOLY LAND AND/OR ITALY (1May-23May, 2023): Caesarea Maritime, Haifa; Mt Carmel; Nazareth Village; Basilica of Annunciation; Masada, Mount of Beatitudes, Tabgha, Mensa Christi, Capernaum, Sea Of Galilee, River Jordan (Yardenit); Cana of Galilee, Local Winery, Mt Tabor, Mt of Temptation, Caesarea Philippi; Mt Olives, Pater Noster, Chapel of Ascension, Garden of Gethsemane, Blessed Virgin Mary's Tomb, Mount Zion, Bethany & Bethphage; Old City, Wailing Wall, Pool of Bethesda, Antonia Fortress, Via Dolorosa, Mount Calvary, Cenacle, St Peter in Gallicantu; Basilica of Nativity, Shepherds' Field, Ein Karem; Turin, Milan, Verona, Padua, Venice, Florence, Assisi, Loretto, Lanciano, Manoppelo, Rome. **CONTACT-US ASAP for detail/ itinerary:**

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Thank You God For The Wonders of My Being. You Have a Plan for Me (Jer.29:11).

Here I am Lord, I Have Come to Do Your Will. Choose Me, Crush Me, Mould Me,

Inspire Me, and Use Me for Your Greater Glory, Amen.

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



CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF MELBOURNE

Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

<https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

Catholic Development Fund

- Account Executive – Bunbury WA
- Integration Engineer
- Risk & Compliance Analyst

Parish Positions

- Pastoral Worker - Westernport Parish, Hastings
- Outside of School Hours Care (OSHC) Educator – St Peter Apostles Parish, Hoppers Crossing
- Outside of School Hours Care (OSHC) Program Coordinator - St Peter Apostles Parish, Hoppers Crossing
- Parish Secretary - St Dominic's Parish, Camberwell East
- Evangelisation Coordinator - St Catherine of Siena Parish, Caroline Springs
- Parish Secretary/Finance Administrator - St Kevin's Parish, Templestowe
- Parish Secretary – St Kevin's Parish, Hampton Park
- Parish Secretary - St Joseph's Parish, Chelsea
- Pastoral Worker – St Luke's Lalor

Other Positions

- Wellbeing Support Worker - Sisters of St Joseph
- Chef – Newman College
- Administrative Assistant – Catholic Theological College

Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at: <https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

Should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact Human Resources at

hradmin@cam.org.au



You are invited to attend a public conversation hosted by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli, featuring internationally renowned speaker and author Mary Eberstadt discussing the topic: The future of humanity passes by way of the family. The conversation will be held on Tuesday 25 October, 12.30-2pm at the Catholic Leadership Centre in East Melbourne.

Tickets are free; however, bookings are essential with a light lunch provided.

Tickets can be booked via: www.trybooking.com/CDKKN or 9926 5612.

Dear Parishioners,

We would be honoured if you could join us to celebrate the Sacred Heart Gembrook Church turning 100 years old on Sunday, **November the 13th!**

We want to give back to the community, past and new families, by celebrating history together, so we invite you to a

*Mass celebration: 9-10am

From 10am - 1pm:

- * Free morning tea
- * Free entertainment
- * Free Jumping castle
- * Free Sausage sizzle
- * A photo collage

And to view the history of our Church building and parish community.

A Marquee will help this exciting event continue no matter the weather and we would love people to be involved. If you have a story to tell, a historic photo to show, or just want to be involved please contact Sam on gettinglocalsbackontrack@gmail.com

*** If you need disabled parking close to the church please contact us to book a spot.**

***RSVP on gettinglocalsbackontrack@gmail.com**

As this famous song says:

*Come as you are, that's how I want you
Come as you are, feel quite at home
Close to my heart, loved and forgiven
Come as you are, why stand alone?*

Hope to see you in Gembrook!

Sacred Heart Church Volunteers

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.