



**Sunday 13th June 2021**

**Parish Priest:** Fr. Steven Rigo **Assistant Priests:** Fr. Tao Pham & Fr. Dixon George

**Parish Pastoral Associates:** Jacinta Bright & Sr. Margaret Sapsford

**The Partnered Parishes of:**

**St. Mary's**

204 Grimshaw St.,  
Greensborough, 3088

**Parish:** 9435 1543 **Presbytery:** 7036 9329

**Email:** Greensborough@cam.org.au

**Website:** www.cam.org.au/greensborough

**Secretaries:** Frances Olofsson & Sharon Prosser

**Communications Officer:** Denise Chang-Faux

**Mass Times**

**Monday:** Liturgy of the word 9.15am

**Tuesday to Friday:** Mass 9.15am

**Saturday:** Mass 8.30am & Vigil Mass 6.30pm

**Sunday:** Mass 8.00am, 10.00am & 5.00pm

**Reconciliation Times**

**Saturday:** 9.00am & 5.45pm

**Parish School Principal**

Mrs. Marisa Matthys **Ph:** 9433 4000 **or Email**  
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Diamond Creek 3089

**Parish:** 9401 6361

**Email:** DiamondCreek@cam.org.au

**Website:** www.pol.org.au/diamondcreek

**Secretary:** Pat Guatta

**Mass Times**

**Wednesday & Friday:** Mass 9.15am

**Sunday:** Mass 9.00am

**Reconciliation Times**

**Friday:** 9.45am to 10.15am

**Parish School Principal**

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**Parish:** 9434 7373

**Email:** greensboroughnorth@cam.org.au

**Website:** www.pol.org.au/greensboroughnorth

**Secretary:** Lisa Leahy

**Mass Times**

**Tuesday & Thursday:** Mass 9.15am

**Saturday:** Vigil Mass 6.00pm

**Sunday:** Mass 10.30am

**Reconciliation Times**

**Saturday:** 9.30am to 10.00am

**Parish School Principal**

Mr David Delaney **Ph:** 9434 4565 **or Email**  
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**ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 19th & 20th June**

**SACRED HEART 9.00am**

**Special Minister:** P. Leonard, C. Bell

**Reader:** M. Walsh

**ST THOMAS VIGIL 6.00pm & 10.30am**

**Special Minister 6.00pm:** D. Haesler, L. Leahy, K. McMahon

**Special Minister 10.30am:** B. Riordan, C. Riordan, E. Sutherland

**6.00pm: Reader:** Volunteer

**Commentator:** K. Salm

**Set Up:** M. McKenzie

**10.30am: Reader:** T. Williamson

**Commentator:** L. Hobson

**Set Up:** J. Kerr

**Counters:** C. O'Connor, E. Sacchetta

**Cleaners:** B. Iacobucci, V. Vella (12th June)

**Mass will still be recorded and uploaded onto our Websites**

**\*\*\*\*\*NO MASSES AT ST PETER'S UNTIL DISTANCE RESTRICTIONS ARE REMOVED\*\*\*\*\***

**Our prayers have been asked for sick parishioners & friends that they may be healed & comforted during this time:**

Bridie Burke, Bernice Burke, Miran Kasalo, Martin Leonard, Joan Moran, Catherin Leonard,  
Tony Ledda, Sarah Drummond, Margaret Holland, Jacob Draper, Peg Wilcox

**We pray for those who have died including Wimal Piyumsiri and all those whose**

**Anniversaries occur in the month of June that they may enter Joyfully into God's Kingdom**

Carmel & Albert Mowlam, Nicola Nesci, Pauline Georgiades, Ken Parker, Maureen Parker, Michael Cusack, Saviour Camilleri, Joanne Tubb, Antonio Napoleone, Eric Rosario, Leo Campbell, Des Price, Bert Smooker. Gordon Shannon

## WORSHIP & PRAYER

**LOW GLUTEN HOSTS:** There is now a small quantity of Low Gluten Hosts available at our Masses.

These hosts will be available from the main celebrant. If you approach him and let him know you would like to receive the Low Gluten Host.

**NEW VISION, NEW ENERGY, NEW LIFE:** Here is a link to an upcoming virtual conference [Alive in the Spirit](#) 8th -10th July 2021 (Being the Community Christ Calls us to be). Hosted by the Pastoral Ministry Network, Mission Planners Network of Oceania and the Christian Initiation Australia Network.

These groups have worked extremely hard to replace the planned 2020 in person conference, with a stimulating and informative online experience. All the keynotes and workshops will be available for up to six months afterwards for the very small fee.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK WITHIN OUR PARISHES:** If you wish to have someone added or removed from the sick or Anniversaries list for our newsletter could you please notify **Pat 9401 6361** or **Lisa 9434 7373**.

## ALIGHT YOUTH GROUP

Alight Youth Group: This invitation is open to all young people within our Parishes aged between 15 to 30.

Our youth group meets on the 1st Friday of every month at 7.30pm. We come together in friendship, fun and to

become "Alight" in our faith. Our next gathering is scheduled for Friday 4th June. Please contact us for more details if you would like to come along!

Youth Mass will be held every 3rd Sunday of each month, 5pm at St Mary's Church. The next Youth Mass will be held on Sunday 20th June and we look forward to seeing you all there.

If you would like to find out more or register your attendance to come along to our next gathering, please contact Nicole Ridler, 0403 714 045 or Caitlin Jakubik 0455 251 046.



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 2021 WINTER APPEAL

This year's Appeal will be officially launched on the weekend of 3rd /4 th July.

We have always been overwhelmed with the tremendous support of the St. Thomas the Apostle's Community for our local Greensborough Conference and we hope this year, parishioners will once again be in a position to donate in whatever capacity they can afford.

Appeal envelopes will be provided in the Gathering Space, they can then be placed in the Collection Baskets before/after Mass

Credit card donations can be arranged by calling **13 18 12** and stating you are donating to the **Greensborough Conference**

Donations can be made online via [vinnies.org.au](http://vinnies.org.au) – please make sure you include **Greensborough in the 'Comments/Conference Name' section**.

All funds raised locally are spent locally to provide food, clothes and other essentials.

Please consider giving what you can spare to those who have a lot less. Thank you.

**Maureen Lonsdale, Greensborough Conference President**



## VINNIES CEO SLEEPOUT

It's that time of year again. The nights are getting colder and we at the St Vincent De Paul Society increase our efforts for those who have no warm home to go to at the end of each day.

Sleeping rough must be so difficult at any time, but especially in the winter months. Each year Vinnies hold a Sleepout to raise awareness and money so that we can help those who find themselves homeless. As State President of Vinnies, I will be sleeping out again on the 17th June. I have set myself a target of \$5000 and I am almost half way there. Please consider supporting me by making a donation <https://www.ceosleepout.org.au/fundraisers/kevinmcmahon>

I personally will be most grateful but so will the many disadvantaged people who will benefit from your generosity.

**With thanks, Kevin McMahon.**

## EXHIBITION OF FLOW PAINTINGS BY JUDY RACZ

You are all invited to an exhibition of Flow Paintings by Judy Racz at Bridges Restaurant, 1075 Heidelberg-Kinglake Road, Hurstbridge. Please call 9718 0099 before attending, in case there is a function at the restaurant.

Open 9.00am until late. Wednesday to Sunday only, from the 12th of May until 20th June.

## MASK WEARING

Fitted face coverings are now mandatory indoors and should be worn at all times, unless under 12 years of age or have a lawful reason not to.

You will be required to sanitise your hands when entering the Church and before receiving Communion.

## COMMUNITY LIFE

**SENIOR MOMENTS:** Wednesday 16th June, Lunch & Games in Parish Centre 12.00pm.

**MORNING TEA VIA ZOOM:** These Zoom catch ups for morning tea for members of our partnered parishes, have been such a great initiative. Now that we are venturing out and about, the need is not so great for us to be finding ways to see and speak with others. However, the group who has been gathering doesn't want it to simply stop, so we have decided to meet on the first Friday of each month at 10.30. This gives people who go to morning mass, time to get back home and settle in for morning tea. This is a great way to get together with old friends and meet new people.

If you are interested please contact Jacinta Bright at [Jacinta.bright@cam.org.au](mailto:Jacinta.bright@cam.org.au) or call the parish office at St Mary's on 9435 1543.

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:** We wish to advise all community groups that should you wish to have an event listed in our Weekly Newsletter the deadline is the 2.00pm on the Wednesday prior. Should you have any queries please contact Lisa in the Parish Office.



### TRYBOOKING & QR CODES

**UNDER CURRENT RESTRICTIONS 25TH MAY 2021, MASKS MUST BE WORN IN THE CHURCH.**

As part of these changes, electronic record keeping became mandatory for all venues and facilities, including our Places of Worship.

Importantly, activities involving ceremonies and religious gatherings, weddings and funerals within a Place of Worship, **must use an electronic record keeping system that is compatible with the Victorian Government's visitation application programming interface (API).**

- **This density quotient still applies and API compatible electronic record keeping is now mandatory.**
- Everyone entering the Church can scan the QR Code using the camera on their smartphone or tablet device.
- In exceptional circumstances, due to age, disability etc., the Parish has the ability to manually record their attendance (and maintain records for a period of 28 days). This form of record keeping should only be offered as a backstop solution, as it does not provide 'real time' connectivity to the Department of Health's contact tracing system.
- **Sacred Heart & St Thomas Parishes will continue to use the Trybooking system to enable parishioners to book in for Mass so we do not exceed our density quotient.**
- **Social distancing must still be maintained.**
- **Use of the Services Victoria QR code service will still be mandatory.**

### "STORIES FROM OUR COVID-19 BUBBLES"

At the end of May we will be launching our new eBook from the Partnered Parishes of St Mary's, Sacred Heart and St Thomas the Apostle.

In this eBook 45 parishioners have recorded thoughtful stories of their experience of the COVID-19 Melbourne lockdown. Some tales are amusing and others are quietly reflective. While we were 'social distancing' we learnt new ways to be kind and resilient.

See the link Home [\(Ebook Version 8 051921 1.pdf \(cam1.org.au\)\)](#) – also some hard copies will be made available.



**Diamond Valley Refugee Support for the Brigidines Asylum Seeker Project:** Many thanks to all participating parishioners for continuing to support the project even though we have been in isolation on & off. Please ensure all donation envelopes are handed in by the 27th June at the latest. Please drop in your envelopes in the St Thomas or Sacred Heart collection bowls or alternatively place them in the letter box beside the front door of the Presbytery at St Thomas (Not the Front Gate). This will be the last collection for banking before the end of the financial year 2020/2021. The Brigidines' Asylum Seeker Project will be issuing receipts sometime in July. For queries, please ring Lilian Hobson (0402 823 679). Our Parishes will continue to support the Asylum Seeker/Refugee Support project; new envelopes for 2021/2022 will issued in July/August.

**PROJECT COMPASSION 2021:** Thank you to everyone from our Parishes who has contributed to Project Compassion this year. Your support has enable the most vulnerable communities to support themselves during these difficult time.

Totals from Parishes : Sacred Heart \$1,769.00 St Thomas \$3,638.50

### EXPLANATION OF COLLECTIONS

In every Parish, there are two collections and two separate accounts,

The Presbytery collection/account (1<sup>st</sup> coll.) provides the pastoral stipend and living costs of the Priest.

The Church collection/account (2<sup>nd</sup> coll.) provides for the maintenance, office and staff expenses of the Parish.



## Intensive and Semester 2 offerings

At the heart of our worship are the elements of praise and thanksgiving to God for all of God's gifts and above all for the gift of Jesus Christ who is made present in the liturgy through word and sacrament. The liturgy is, of its very nature, both an encounter with the living God and an expression of the faith of the Church. A study of the Church's liturgical practice and tradition reveals how those who engage in worship are not mere passive spectators but rather active participants in the work of redemption. The whole Church celebrates the liturgy for its own sanctification to the glory of God. A theology of the liturgy enables students to see that a study of liturgy is not simply an academic or theoretical exercise but rather an opportunity to more fully understand the very nature of the liturgy as actually "doing theology."

Students can enrol in these units in a range of undergraduate and postgraduate awards.

- **Liturgical and Sacramental Theology**  
Winter Intensive: Monday, Wednesday, Friday for 2 weeks commencing 28 June  
CT2102C, CT3102C, or CT9102C
- **Liturgical Leadership in a Ministry Context**  
Weekend Intensive for three weekends commencing 31 July  
DL2104C or DL3104C
- **Baptism, Confirmation and Penance**  
12 Wednesday afternoon classes commencing 28 July  
DL2131C, DL3131C, or DL9131C
- **Marriage and Orders**  
12 Thursday morning classes commencing 29 July  
DL2141C, DL3141C or DL9141C

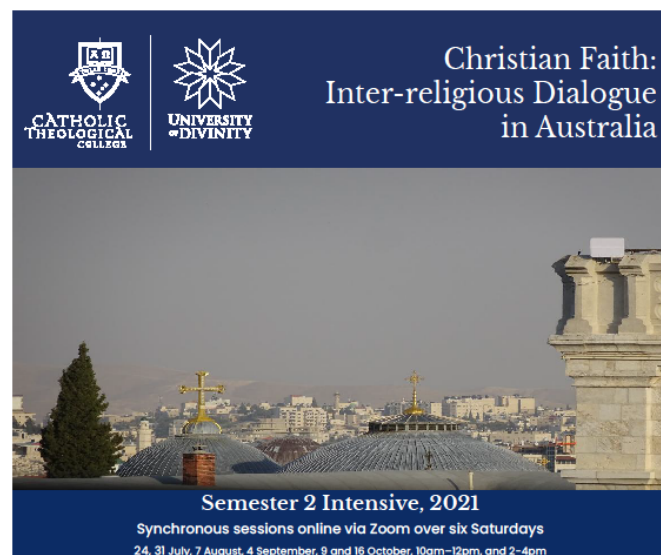
### You can enrol as:

- an audit student (no assessment/credit); fee: \$650
- at undergraduate level; fee: \$1,704
- at postgraduate level; fee: \$2,640

Fees may be paid through **Fee-Help** when units are part of a University of Divinity award.

Contact the Academic Records Office for enrolment information and appointments.  
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## Semester 2 Intensive, 2021

Synchronous sessions online via Zoom over six Saturdays  
24, 31 July, 7 August, 4 September, 9 and 16 October, 10am-12pm, and 2-4pm

Australia has, over many years, undergone far-reaching changes, becoming a multi-cultural and multi-faith society. That is the context in which the Catholic Church in Australia has sought to give witness to the person and message of Jesus Christ. Students will study the magisterial documents which show the advantages and challenges of this situation. They will also be introduced to some major world religions in order to contextualise the discussion. Within this inter-religious context, they will tackle a number of important theological themes such as Christology, grace, and salvation. They will learn the principles and methods of inter-religious dialogue. Finally, they will explore ways in which the Church can more fully become an instrument of peace and harmonious development.

Students can enrol in this unit in a range of undergraduate and postgraduate awards.

### Units

- CT2017C, CT3017C or CT9017C
- crosslisted as DP2017C, DP3017C or DP9017C

### You can enrol as:

- an audit student (no assessment/credit) fee: \$650
- at undergraduate level fee: \$1,704
- at postgraduate level fee: \$2,640

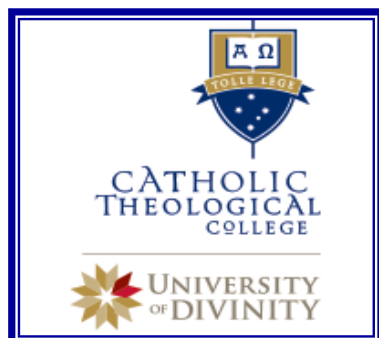
Fees may be paid through Fee-Help when units are part of a University of Divinity award.

### Lecturers

Rev. Assoc. Prof. John Dupuche  
Catholic Theological College  
Very Rev. Denis Stanley  
Catholic Theological College  
Rector of Corpus Christi College

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## CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Free online Open Day Information Sessions "Getting Started in Theology"

Attend one of our 3 Online sessions in June.

Each session will outline how to get started and how to plan study that matches the ministry needs of potential students.

Book via our website: <https://ctc.edu.au/news-and-events/open-days/>

## CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL 19th & 20th JUNE.

For we **CANNOT KEEP FROM SPEAKING** about what we have **SEEN & HEARD**  
ACTS 4:20

Next week Catholic Mission will invite you to partner with Sister Chalaad and the Good Shepherd Sisters in Thailand as they reach out to vulnerable mothers, like Churai\*, and their babies, who would have nowhere to turn when they need support, love and kindness the most.

Next week you will have the opportunity to respond to what you have seen and heard, and the Home, as well as other vital mission programs supporting children and communities in need around the world.

Please come with an open and generous heart.

\*Name and images altered to protect identity



Freecall: 1800 257 296  
[catholicmission.org.au/thailand](http://catholicmission.org.au/thailand)



**Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B**

**13 June 2021**

**First Reading Ez 17:22-24**

*I have made the small tree great.*

The Lord says this:

'From the top of the cedar,  
from the highest branch I will take a  
shoot  
and plant it myself on a very high  
mountain.  
I will plant it on the high mountain of  
Israel.  
It will sprout branches and bear fruit,  
and become a noble cedar.  
Every kind of bird will live beneath it,  
every winged creature rest in the shade  
of its branches.  
And every tree of the field will learn that  
I, the Lord, am the one  
who stunts tall trees and makes the low  
ones grow,  
who withers green trees and makes the  
withered green.  
I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.'

**Responsorial Psalm**

**Ps 91:2-3. 13-16. R. see v.2**

**(R.) Lord it is good to give thanks to you.**

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord  
to make music to your name, O Most  
High,  
to proclaim your love in the morning  
and your truth in the watches of the  
night. (R.)
2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree  
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. (R.)
3. Planted in the house of the Lord  
they will flourish in the courts of our God,  
still bearing fruit when they are old,  
still full of sap, still green,  
to proclaim that the Lord is just.  
In him, my rock, there is no wrong. (R.)

**Second Reading 2 Cor 5:6-10**

*Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are  
intent on pleasing the Lord.*

We are always full of confidence when we  
remember that to live in the body means  
to be exiled from the Lord, going as we  
do by faith and not by sight - we are full of  
confidence, I say, and actually want to be  
exiled from the body and make our home  
with the Lord. Whether we are living in the  
body or exiled from it, we are intent on  
pleasing him. For all the truth about us will  
be brought out in the law court of Christ,  
and each of us will get what he deserves for  
the things he did in the body, good or bad.

**Gospel Acclamation**

***Alleluia, alleluia!***

***The seed is the word of God, Christ is the  
sower;***

***all who come to him will live for ever.***

***Alleluia!***

**Gospel Mk 4:26-34**

*The mustard seed, the smallest of all the seeds, grows into  
the biggest shrub of all.*

Jesus said to the crowds, 'This is what the  
kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed  
on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps,  
when he is awake, the seed is sprouting  
and growing; how, he does not know. Of  
its own accord the land produces first the  
shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the  
ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no  
time; he starts to reap because the harvest  
has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom  
of God is like? What parable can we find for  
it? It is like a mustard seed which at the  
time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest  
of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown  
it grows into the biggest shrub of them all  
and puts out big branches so that the birds  
of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke  
the word to them, so far as they were  
capable of understanding it. He would not  
speak to them except in parables, but he  
explained everything to his disciples when  
they were alone.



**Reflection by Greg Sunter**

This week's gospel is a wonderful  
example of the teaching style of Jesus.  
It even tells us that 'he would not  
speak to them except in parables'.  
Jesus used the parable form almost  
exclusively to share his message. He  
used imagery that was familiar to his  
audience; parables about the everyday  
life of a rural community: seeds,  
planting, growing, harvesting. The  
secret of Jesus' parables, when we  
understand the cultural context, is that  
there was always a 'twist in the tale' -  
what is called a 'discombobulating  
shift' - that turns the expected  
outcome of the story on its head.

This is nowhere more evident than in  
the image of the mustard seed. On the  
surface the parable is about the  
kingdom of God starting from very  
small, humble beginnings and growing  
into something great. However,  
immediately prior to this kingdom  
parable, Jesus has reminded us that  
the community makes a living out of  
growing grain crops like wheat for  
bread, etc. His parable about the  
mustard seed describes a tiny seed  
that grows into a great shrub 'so that  
the birds of the air can shelter in its  
shade'. A farming community that was  
growing grain crops would be greatly  
alarmed at the thought of actually  
attracting birds to their fields or even  
nearby. Jesus' message about the  
kingdom of God is that it is actually  
disruptive and invasive. The kingdom  
brings unrest and disquiet to the  
predictable. The kingdom of God is  
unsettling. This is a much more  
challenging parable than it appears  
from a literal reading.

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