



Sunday 27th 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

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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

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Secretary: Pat Guatta

Mass Times

Wednesday & Friday: Mass 9.15am

Sunday: Mass 9.00am

Reconciliation Times

Friday: 9.45am to 10.15am

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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

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ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 3rd & 4th July

SACRED HEART 9.00am

Special Minister: R. Padget, T. Sirianni

Reader: F. Ledda

ST THOMAS VIGIL 6.00pm & 10.30am

Special Minister 6.00pm: M. McKenzie, K. Salm, T. Holland

Special Minister 10.30am: A. Kerr, B. Riordan, C. Riordan

6.00pm: Reader: D. Haesler

Commentator: K. Salm

Set Up: J. De Carlo

10.30am: Reader: R. Rendina

Commentator: F. Landy

Set Up: C. O'Brien

Counters: M. Loy, B. Klepp, P. Klepp, C. Bell

Cleaners: L. & M Todesco, J. Millar (17th July)

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 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.

WAY OF THE GOSPEL: Last Pentecost the Archbishop released his Pastoral Letter, 'Way of the Gospel'. During the months of June and July evenings of prayer are being held praying God's blessing upon the Melbourne Church at this time. Beginning at 7.30-8.00pm the prayer session will be held via Zoom. See www.melbournecatholic.org.au/mission for the Zoom link.

Alternatively, join with the Melbourne Church praying your favourite prayers. Praying is what is important.

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**.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL 2021 WINTER APPEAL

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

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 /Diamond Creek Conference**

Donations can be made online via vinnies.org.au – please make sure you include **Greensborough/Diamond Creek 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.



VINNIES SLEEPOUT: I would like to personally thank all the wonderful and generous parishioners who supported me in the recent Vinnies Sleepout. Thanks to your generosity and that of many friends and family, I managed to raise \$7,535. That's \$1515 more than last year! It got down to 4 degrees but I managed to sleep thanks to my good sleeping bag and by wearing thermals. Due to COVID restrictions, we had to cancel the original venue and participants slept out at home or some other private space. Our dog came to sleep on top of me, but even she decided it was too cold and went back inside through the doggy door. She's not silly and no one was sponsoring her! Nationally Vinnies have raised \$8868,985 from the Sleepout. This is an amazing effort and will help greatly with our work of helping those most in need. I thank you all most sincerely and ask God to bless you for your generosity and care for others.

Kevin McMahon, Victorian State President of the St Vincent De Paul Society.

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 program-ming 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.***

COMMUNITY LIFE

SENIOR MOMENTS: Wednesday 7th July, 12.00pm at Bridges Restaurant. Contact Margaret, for bookings.

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.

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

Thank you so much for your generous support of Church-run mission programs like the Mother and Babies Home in Thailand through last week's Catholic Mission Appeal.

Your gift helps to continue the work of Sister Chalaad and the Good Shepherd Sisters as they support vulnerable mothers and their babies, as well as many other mission programs around the world.

To learn more about the impact of your support, visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work, where you can also sign-up for our regular newsletter.



Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/thailand



PLENARY COUNCIL

Fan the Flame Prayer Initiative:

Together we continue to pray for the gift of the Holy Spirit for the Australian church.

'Listening to What the Spirit is Saying

FAN THE FLAME

Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021

"Do not be afraid; only have faith."

Mark 5:21-24,35-43



While being conscious of the work to be done, we also have much to be thankful for. There are many signs of hope in that members of the faithful persevere with the practice of the faith... and are living their commitment to love of neighbour in myriad ways.

(Instrumentum Laboris #65)

www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthe flame/

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. Youth Mass will be held every 3rd Sunday of each month, 5pm at St Mary's Church.

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.



"STORIES FROM OUR COVID-19 BUBBLES"

At the end of May we launched 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.

MARY MACKILLOP HERITAGE CENTRE - 362 ALBERT STREET EAST MELBOURNE

The Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre is open for pilgrims, parishioners, and community groups on Monday to Friday from 9 am – 5 pm. Come and have a Cuppa with Mary and: View a dedicated Museum to Mary and the SOSJ's with emphasis on Victoria. Walk the Mary MacKillop Heritage trail (Virtual tour if preferred), which includes Mary's place of birth (Please register). Sit in a very spiritual and sacred space, the chapel, where Mary walked, lived and prayed. Purchase gifts from a wide range of gifts that includes books, cards, and souvenirs, including products from the Peruvian Women's Project.

Parish groups are invited to have a special Cuppa with Mary MacKillop on Wed and Fridays from 2.00pm-3.30 pm (other times by negotiation). For more information visit their website: <https://www.mmhc.org.au/>

EXPLANATION OF COLLECTIONS

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

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

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

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

27 June 2021

First Reading Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24

It was the devil's envy that brought death into the world.

Death was not God's doing,
he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living.
To be – for this he created all;
the world's created things have health in them,
in them no fatal poison can be found,
and Hades holds no power on earth;
for virtue is undying.
Yet God did make man imperishable,
he made him in the image of his own nature;
it was the devil's envy that brought death into the
world,
as those who are his partners will discover.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R. v.2

***(R.) I will praise you, Lord,
for you have rescued me.***

1. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me
And have not let my enemies rejoice over me.
O Lord, you have raised my soul from the
dead,
restored me to life from those who sink into
the grave. (R.)
2. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him,
give thanks to his holy name.
His anger lasts but a moment: his favour
through life.
At night there are tears, but joy comes with
dawn. (R.)
3. The Lord listened and had pity.
The Lord came to my help.
For me you have changed my mourning into
dancing,
O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. (R.)

Second Reading 2 Cor 8:7. 9. 13-15

Your abundance should supply their want.

You always have the most of everything – of faith,
of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for
any cause, and the biggest share of our affection
– so we expect you to put the most into this work
of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord
Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for
your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty.
This does not mean that to give relief to others
you ought to make things difficult for yourselves:
it is a question of balancing what happens to
be your surplus now against their present need,
and one day they may have something to spare
that will supply your own need. That is how we
strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who
gathered much had none too much, the man
who gathered little did not go short.

Gospel Acclamation 2 Tm 1:10

Alleluia, alleluia!

***Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away
with death***

and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!

**Gospel Mk 5:21-43
or shorter form Mk 5:21 1-24. 35-43**

Young girl, I say to you, arise.

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the
other side, a large crowd gathered round him
and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the
synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name,
and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded
with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is
desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on
her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus
went with him and a large crowd followed him;
they were pressing all round him.

Now there was a woman who had suffered
from a haemorrhage for twelve years; after long
and painful treatment under various doctors,
she had spent all she had without being any
the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse.
She had heard about Jesus, and she came up
behind him through the crowd and touched his
cloak. 'If I can touch even his clothes,' she had
told herself 'I will be well again.' And the source
of the bleeding dried up instantly, and she felt
in herself that she was cured of her complaint.
Immediately aware that power had gone out
from him, Jesus turned round in the crowd and
said, 'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples
said to him, 'You see how the crowd is pressing
round you and yet you say, "Who touched me?"'
But he continued to look all round to see who
had done it. Then the woman came forward,
frightened and trembling because she knew
what had happened to her, and she fell at his
feet and told him the whole truth. 'My daughter,'
he said 'your faith has restored you to health; go
in peace and be free from your complaint.'

While he was still speaking some people arrived
from the house of the synagogue official to say,
'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to
any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard
this remark of theirs and he said to the official,
'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he
allowed no one to go with him except Peter and
James and John the brother of James. So they
came to the official's house and Jesus noticed
all the commotion, with people weeping and
wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to
them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The
child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed
at him. So he turned them all out and, taking
with him the child's father and mother and his
own companions, he went into the place where
the child lay. And taking the child by the hand
he said to her, 'Talitha, kumi!' which means,
'little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got
up at once and began to walk about, for she was
twelve years old. At this they were overcome with
astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not
to let anyone know about it, and told them to
give her something to eat.



Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Jesus is on his way to fulfil the request
of a named male synagogue official who
has given voice on behalf of his ill
daughter. Jesus is stopped in his tracks
by an unnamed voiceless female who
has been ostracised from the social and
religious life of the town.

Part of her healing is to get her voice
back. She tells Jesus everything and he
addresses her with the beautiful title,
'Daughter'. Imagine the joy of this
woman hearing such a term of
affectionate relationship. Jesus went on:
'... your faith has made you whole: go in
peace and be healed of your disease.'

Jesus did not regard this as an
interruption to his journey to heal the
daughter of Jairus. Stopping was an
absolute priority subverting the
expectations and power structures of
society. The healing presence of Jesus
was, and is, radically egalitarian.

Perhaps we could take a moment to
pray that we have the courage to touch
the hem of Our Lord's cloak in
Confession. There we can tell him
everything which has left us ill-at-ease
in our relationship with God, our fellow
human beings and in ourselves. With
confidence in his Divine power, we can
ask him to heal the dis-ease in some
part of our personality. Hear him
respond: "Daughter (or son), your faith
has made you whole: go in peace and
be healed of your disease". Then, share
in the joy of the woman of our Gospel
story.

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