

WELCOME TO SACRED HEART PARISH TATURA

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We acknowledge the Yorta Yorta nation, the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today, as they have occupied and cared for this country for many years. We also celebrate their continuing contributions to the region.



**Sacred
Heart
Parish**
TATURA

Readings -
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Weekday Year 2

*Parish Pastoral Council
In recess until further notice 2018*

As Christ's disciples our mission is:

- * to be inspired by Christ
- * to actively live out Christ's message and the Gospel values by respecting, celebrating and honouring our Catholic traditions
- * to provide welcome and sanctuary for all
- * to foster a sense of social justice and to protect, nurture and support our Catholic community and the wider community by respecting life, self, others and the environment.

TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 9TH SEPTEMBER 2018



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Tonight we welcome Bishop Leslie Tomlinson to Sacred Heart Parish to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with our candidates.

We congratulate Amelia Rosella, Amelie Crawford, Gerry McCarthy, Remmi Webster, Seth Hutchison, Chiara Colombi, Reuben Saddler and Cadel Nicholson on receiving the Gift of the Holy Spirit.

Thank you Fr Michael and Mr Cameron for all your work in supporting the children and their families during their Sacramental preparation.

PRAYER FOR CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES:

Lord, You send out Your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people, so that they may believe in You and in Jesus whom You sent.

Look kindly on all candidates for Confirmation as they listen to Your voice. Open their hearts to Your Spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work that You have begun in them. As we prepare these children for Confirmation, make each of us an instrument of Your love.

Teach us to appreciate what is holy in others, and to be patient with what we do not understand. Deepen our faith in the Gospel and help us to pass it on by our example. We pray that You will continue to guide us and sustain us. Through Christ our Lord,

Amen.

LONE PINE RECOMMISSIONING

The Lone Pine Recommissioning Service 7th September was a wonderful celebration.

On the 1st September 1918, north of Peronne, Robert Mactier won his battalion's only Victoria Cross. On Saturday 1st September this year it was 100 years since Mactier's heroic efforts on the battlefields of France. Originally planted on Monday 1st September 2008 to commemorate the 90th Anniversary of the highest medal for Valour, the Victoria Cross to Private Robert Mactier, born and raised in the Tatura area, the Lone Pine is a living memorial to those who paid the ultimate sacrifice in times of war. Fr Michael blesses the pine below.





Those who are recently deceased and those who are grieving	
For those whose anniversary occurs at this time	
Our sick and their carers	Marli Kelly, Denise Woodman, Carmel Warren

(Our practice is to leave the names on the sick list for a month. To extend the time, please contact the parish office.)

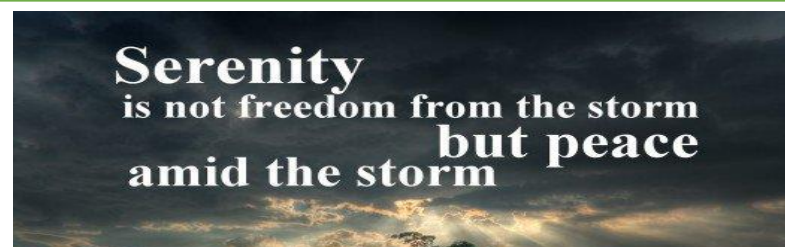
Date	Commentator	Reader	Gospel Procession	Presentation of the Gifts	Special Ministers	Counter
Sat 15 th Sep 6pm	Trish Miller	Carol Coulston	Ev Leahy	Joyce Caiafa Delphi Hamilton	A Ciavarella J Webster P Baldwin	Bill Woods
Sun 16 th Sep 9.30am	Simon Cowan	Kaye Gaffy	Keith Stewart	Barry & Jan Lowe	L Cowan D Turvey R Kelly	

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK:		
DAY	DATE	
Monday	10 Sep	No Mass
Tuesday	11 Sep	No Mass
Wednesday	12 Sep	9.15am Mass
Thursday	13 Sep	9.15am Mass
Friday	14 Sep	9.15am Mass
Saturday	15 Sep	6pm Mass
Sunday	16 Sep	9.30am Mass
Saturday Reconciliation	15 Sep	11.30am Reconciliation
ROSARY	15 Minutes Before weekday Mass	

AUGUST / SEPTEMBER DIARY DATES		
Mon	10 Sep	
Tues	11 Sep	2pm Italian Rosary in the Church 7pm St Vincent de Paul at the Centre
Wed	12 Sep	9.15am Anointing Mass 5.30pm Finance Committee
Thurs	13 Sep	St John Chrysostom
Fri	14 Sep	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Sat	15 Sep	Our Lady of Sorrows 11am Ordinations at the Cathedral – Bendigo 6pm Mass
Sun	16 Sep	9.30am Mass
Mon	17 Sep	1.30pm Crazy Whist Parish Hall
Tues	18 Sep	
Wed	19 Sep	
Thurs	20 Sep	
Fri	21 Sep	End of Term Three
Sat	22 Sep	10.00 am Companion of the Dying, Mercy Centre 6pm Mass
Sun	23 Sep	9.30am Mass

PASTORAL CARE

- Pauline Hindson 5824 1841; Marli Kelly 0457 772 869
- Anne Hutchison 5824 3460 Debbie Worm 5824 1841



**FATHER'S DAY SPECIAL
COLLECTION 2018
RETIRED PRIESTS OF THE
SANDHURST DIOCESE**

Thank you we raised \$498.70 for the Retired Priests Fund in our diocese. The collections that are taken up throughout the diocese are vital for helping all 16 of our retired priests.

Fr Michael

90th

A very happy birthday to Monica Tagliabue who turned 90 last weekend. We hope you had a wonderful birthday.

ITALIAN ROSARY IN THE CHURCH

The Italian Rosary will be recited in the Church on Tuesday 11th September at 2pm.

CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY



Today is Child Protection Sunday and as you know our parish and Diocese of Sandhurst is committed to child safety. All children who come to Sacred Heart parish have a right to feel and be safe. The welfare of the children in our care will always be our first priority and we have a zero tolerance to child abuse.

There are many requirements under the Child Standards in Victoria we have to ensure we comply with. Such as maintaining a register of "Working With Children Card" and "National Police Check". You may not realise this, but if there is a chance you may come into contact with a child while carrying out a volunteer role for the Parish then we need to ensure you have the right checks in place. This applies, but is not limited to Ministers of the Eucharist, Special Ministers for Communion to the Sick, Pastoral Care and also those working on a stall at the annual fete.

We are slowly ticking off all the requirements, but we do need help. We have a small committee at the moment but it is lacking a male perspective, we would love to have a dad who has young children, or teenager to consider joining our committee. It is not an onerous task and it is an important role for our Parish. If you are interested in finding out more about how you could help us create a child safe and child friendly environment where children feel safe and have fun, please call Mary at the Parish Office on 5824 1049.

Leaning on the Heart of God - Companionship the Dying:

'Leaning on the Heart of God - Companionship the Dying' Saturday Morning 'Coffee & Conversation' with Sr Helen Glasheen RSM & Mrs Loretta Lilford.

What might we expect, and what can we do, when someone we care about is dying? How may we accompany them on during this precious final journey?

When: 10.00 am – 12.00 pm

Date: Saturday 22 Sept - Mercy Centre

RSVP: (for catering): Sacred Heart Parish Tatura

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Plenary Council 2020

Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

The Catholic Church in Australia, like many in the western world, has been undergoing a quite radical transformation in recent years. The history of the Church here was largely forged by people with British, Irish and European heritage – just as the nation's history was influenced by those cultures.

A look into the pews of most churches today, though, reflects a diversity that has been a source of great vibrancy for the Catholic community. The Plenary Council 2020 journey is being enriched by the insights of people from all backgrounds, including ethnic backgrounds. Their stories will help us understand their hopes and fears, their prayers and their challenges, as the Church considers what God is asking of it in Australia at this time.

These comments from the Plenary Post make us realise that there will be many issues we will need to consider and the influence of other ethnic groups on parish life in Australia. We are aware of the Italian influence after the Second World War.

PRIVATE ROBERT MACTIER VC



Last Saturday Tatura RSL had an official commemoration service for Robert Mactier's VC award with the unveiling of a plaque, recognizing the 100th anniversary of his outstanding bravery. It was a very proud moment for the Tatura community, our local RSL and the Mactier family. Thank you to Oliver Mathieson who represented Sacred Heart and placed a wreath on the Robert Mactier statue on our behalf.

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM –

This week on The Journey, Sr Hilda Scott shares Wisdom from the Abbey with her reflection on Cardinal Basil Hume, Bruce Downes, The Catholic Guy encourages us to "Surrender To God", and Francine Pirolas shares her vision and "Willingness to Grow". We are blessed to have amazing talented musicians sharing their gifts with us, it is also where faith, hope, love and life live together in the Journey Catholic Radio Program. Tune into LIFE 105.1 FM Sunday 11am and 3pm Wednesday 3pm or go to WWW.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.



Readings for
this Sunday

Isaiah 35:4-7
James 2:1-5
Mark 7:31-37



Readings for
next week:

Isaiah 50:5-9
James 2:14-18
Mark 8:27-35



Liturgical Jottings

Season of Creation

From 1st September (the first day of Spring to 4th October, feast of St Francis of Assisi, patron saint of the environment) Christians around the world unite to pray and care for creation. The "Season of Creation" is celebrated from Paris to Pittsburgh, Pretoria to La Paz. The theme this year is "**Walking Together**". There are many ways to show the community it is on a journey toward better care of our common home. Visit the website: www.catholicearthcare.org.au

Prayer for Creation

O Lord,
as Christians we affirm
that Your creation is a sacred gift.
You have called us
to safeguard life.
We pray Christians come together
to respect, care and protect
all God's people and creatures.

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Focus on the Readings

Jesus opens our eyes to the reality of God's presence in our midst, in the goodness of people and in the tenderness of life, even in its vulnerability. He opens our ears to hear the word of God spoken to us by others, revealed to us through the created world.

There is an eschatological dimension to being open to the word of God, because we are opened to hear something from the future. The prophets always speak about this future in the present tense. They see it happening already. Isaiah proclaims, 'Here is your God!' and the world is transformed. Jesus says 'Be open.' The good news always opens us to future possibilities, to personal and communal transformation, to a new creation. With the word of God, the future invades our present.

Although the eschatological future is already present to us, it is only unfolding, it has not yet opened completely. We still judge each other by appearances. We still miss the presence of God in the poor and the dispossessed, in those who suffer from disease or war or loneliness. We still shun those of another race, or those who have been shaped by another culture, or those who worship God in a different way. Although the eschatological future is already present, we have not yet put aside all of the biases of the past, we have not yet been fully transformed. But God has spoken, God has come to save us. God is trustworthy; God keeps faith forever. © *Dianne Bergant CSS.*

Words of Pope Francis

We do well to keep reminding ourselves that there is a hierarchy of virtues that bids us seek what is essential. The primacy belongs to the theological virtues, which have God as their object and motive. At the centre is charity. St Paul says that what truly counts is "faith working through love" (Gal 5:6).

Pope Francis, Gaudete Et Exsultate (2018) para 60.

On the Lighter Side

A poor man finds a wallet with \$1000. He sees a notice for a lost wallet with \$100 reward. He locates the man and gives him the wallet. The rich man counts the money and says, "I see you have already taken your reward. It had \$1100 when I lost it." They argue and eventually come to a wise Rabbi. Both men present their case. The poor man first, then the wealthy man who says, "Rabbi, I trust you believe me." the Rabbi gives the wallet to the poor man and says, "Of course, you are an honest man, and if you say that your missing wallet had \$1100 in it, I'm sure it did. So this wallet must belong to somebody else. If that man steps forward, he'll get his money. Otherwise, it stays with the man who found it. So you must wait for your wallet to be found."



Psalm 91

Whoever goes to the Lord for safety, whoever remains under the protection of the Almighty, can say to him, "You are my defender and protector. You are my God; in you I trust."