

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 generations. We also celebrate their continuing contributions to the life of this region.



**Sacred
Heart
Parish**
TATURA

Readings
Year C
Luke

Weekday Year 1

Parish Pastoral Council
In recess until further notice

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.

1ST Sunday of Lent – 10th March 2019

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

10TH March 2019



PROJECT COMPASSION

Twelve-year-old Thandolwayo would walk seven kilometres each day to collect contaminated water for her family. It looked like she would never realise her hope of finishing her education and becoming a nurse, until a Caritas Australia supported project created access to clean water helping Thandolwayo to stay at school and achieve a future full of hope.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and to provide clean water and a future full of hope for vulnerable communities in Zimbabwe.

Lives change when we all give 100%. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.




Cuppa after Mass today in the Mercy Centre

Come along and have a good chat with your friends.



Catholic Women's League One Day Retreat:

"CWL One Day Retreat for Members and for those interested in coming, at Mary Help Of Christians parish, 61 Ebdon St. Heathcote on Wednesday 27th march, beginning with Mass at 9am and finishing after the Divine Mercy Chaplet at approximately 3.30pm. Light Refreshments provided. Info. Fr. Peter Ferwerda 54332030."

	Those who are recently deceased and those who are grieving	Brian Closter, Palmina Barone
	For those whose anniversary occurs at this time	Bernie McNamara
	Our sick and their carers	Brian Morley, Harley Jones, Diane Mulcahy, Ebony Hamilton

(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 - 9 th Mar 6:00 pm	Trish Miller	Steph Hicks	Seth Hutchison	Joan Cummins Ev Leahy	A Hicks C Coulston A Hutchison	S Cowan
Sun – 10 th Mar 9:30 am	S Cowan	K Gaffy	K Stewart	J Caiafa D Hamilton	R De Lai L Cowan G Ranson	

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK		
DAY	DATE	
Monday	11 Mar	No Mass
Tuesday	12 Mar	No Mass
Wednesday	13 Mar	9:15 am Mass (Anointing Mass)
Thursday	14 Mar	9:15 am Mass
Friday	15 Mar	9:15 am Mass
Saturday	16 Mar	6:00 pm Mass
Sunday	17 Mar	9:30 am Mass
Saturday Reconciliation	16 Mar	11:30 am Reconciliation
ROSARY	15 Minutes Before Weekday Mass	
MARCH DIARY DATES		
Mon	11 Mar	Public Holiday Long Weekend
Tues	12 Mar	2:00 pm Italian Rosary
Wed	13 Mar	9:15 am Anointing Mass 5:30 pm Finance Committee Meeting 7:30 pm Spirituality in the Pub
Thurs	14 Mar	Brian Closter Funeral Kyabram 11.00am
Fri	15 Mar	
Sat	16 Mar	Baptism – Dante Matarese (during Mass)
Sun	17 Mar	2 nd Sunday of Lent
Mon	18 Mar	Feast – St Patrick
Tues	19 Mar	Feast - St Joseph, spouse of Blessed Virgin Mary
Wed	20 Mar	
Thurs	21 Mar	
Fri	22 Mar	Parish/School Fete 5.00pm 11.00am – 1.00pm Heritage Day (Church open for visitors)
Sat	23 Mar	Baptism – Spencer Baker (During Mass)
Sun	24 Mar	3 rd Sunday of Lent

PASTORAL CARE

Debbie Worm 5824 1841
Pauline Hindson 5824 1841;
Anne Hutchison 5824 3460



Spirituality in the Pub

at the Terminus Hotel
Shepparton on

Wednesday 13th March
7.30 – 9 pm (meals from
6 pm optional).

Come and discover life in Zimbabwe where collecting water risks a meeting with a crocodile! Guest Speaker, **Super Dube**, manages Caritas Hwange's Integrated Community Development Program, supported by Caritas Australia. One of the biggest challenges confronting the community is lack of clean water and access to sanitation. And food security is never guaranteed.

Information fliers are at the back of church.
Enquiries: Kerry 0408 579904

Stronger Rally St Mary's, Mooroopna

All young people, aged 15-26, are invited to the first Stronger Rally of the year in Mooroopna. Come along and enjoy some food, games, music, and the chance to further explore your faith.

Special guest appearance from Gen Bryant, a singer/songwriter from Melbourne.

Date: 29th March,
Time: 6-9pm
Venue: Marian Center, Mooroopna.

For more information please contact Ruth 5445 3616 or Samuel 5445 3657, or go to StrongerYouth on Facebook





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Report on the first stage of the Council.
The following is taken from the 1st stage of the report.

Participation in this first stage of the Plenary Council appears to have been a generally positive experience for many people, drawing people together in an atmosphere of welcome and inclusiveness. What participants appear to have enjoyed was the opportunity to dialogue, to express their own opinions and to hear the opinions of others. It is clear that a significant number of participants saw the exercise as worthwhile and positive.

At the same time, several issues of concern have emerged about the implementation of this first phase of the Council in our Diocese. It may be that these concerns emerged in other rural Dioceses as well. Some of these concerns include the following:

The dialogue dynamic in which persons and groups came together to prayerfully discern and discuss issues, rather than make an individual submission, does not appear to have been as widespread as we hoped.

Issues of passivity and disillusionment about the state of Catholicism and the value of such a Plenary meeting may well have effected willingness to be involved.

As a rural Diocese, with the furthest some 5 hours from Bendigo, distance and isolation of communities may well have impacted on the willingness and ability of people to be involved.

There is concern about how accurately the results submitted for this Diocese may represent such groups as the youth, the non-churches, ethnic groups, and persons in special circumstances (eg. Prisons).

Our general impression is that the invitation via the Plenary Council to prayerful discernment and listening has been well received in the Diocese and those interested are eager to be heard and to make submissions.

Key Issues and Responses to the Primary Question. These have been divided into 15 themes.

We will cover these themes on a weekly basis
To be cont....

1st Sunday of Lent

PRAYER

LORD,
 Reach out and take hold of us
 Before our second thoughts
 Have us balk again.
 Focus us now
 As we dare to let go a little
 Of our control and open up in trust to You.
 Focus all our energies so that all of
 scattered us
 May come together as one
 In this moment of praying our Yes to You.
 Yes to who You are inviting us to be in
 You. Amen

Noel Davis, "Praying Yes to You" in Campfire of the Heart, 35

ITALIAN ROSARY

Il Rosario sará recitato ore 2pm Martedi 12 March nella Chiesa.

The Italian Rosary will be recited in the Church on Tuesday 12th March at 2.00pm

ALL WELCOME!

100-Day Bible Reading Plan

Continued from last week

How is your reading going so far? After day 23 we will have an overview of the Bible's message... the beginning of the world and Jesus' ancestors.

Are you following us on Facebook if so you know that each day we list the reading for that day so if for some reason you miss the bulletin you can find out what the reading is via our Facebook page.
<https://www.facebook.com/sacredheartparishtatura/>

Abraham

Day 22 Genesis 21:1-21
 Day 23 Genesis 22:1-19

Some well know Psalms

Day 24 Psalm 1:16
 Day 25 Psalm 8:1-9
 Day 26 Psalm 23:1-6
 Day 27 Psalm 26:1-12
 Day 28 Psalm 27:1-14

To be continued next week



Readings for this week: Deuteronomy 26:4-10
Romans 10:8-13
Luke 4:1-13



Readings for next Sunday: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18
Philippians 3:17-4:1
Luke 9:28-36



Liturgical Jottings
Season of Lent I

Distribution of ashes in Lent originated from Gallican (French) and Mozarabic (Spanish) traditions and connected with the order of penitents. It came popular as many of the penitential practices once reserved for serious public sinners became standard for all Christians. Pope Urban II in 1091 ordered the imposition of ashes on the heads of all the faithful. The day became known as Ash Wednesday and preceded the First Sunday of Lent. Thus, for a time, the primary focus of Lent shifted from baptismal preparation to a penitential one.

Prayer for the Week

Grant, O Lord, that we may begin with holy fasting this campaign of Christian service, so that, as we take up battle against spiritual evils, we may be armed with weapons of self-restraint. *Ash Wednesday Collect Prayer (cf Ephesians 6:12-14)*

Looking at the Readings

The Gospel Acclamation for today is from Matthew 4:4 (cf. Luke 4:4):

“No one Lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God”

is Jesus’ response to the first temptation. Each First Sunday of Lent we read an account of “The Temptations of Christ” from the three Gospels. Each record the experience of Christ in the wilderness, though Mark’s account lacks the three temptations and Luke includes some variations.

Today’s Gospel text from Luke notes that Jesus was not just led by the Spirit but also filled with the Holy Spirit. After the foiled temptations the Devil left but with a warning that he will return. Yet, the devil is foiled again by the victory of the Cross.

Later in the same chapter, Jesus begins his public ministry, again “filled with the Spirit” (4:14). The presence and the power of the Holy Spirit in the life of Jesus should strike a chord with us. Though we may not be tempted in the three ways that Christ was tempted, we do struggle with temptations, the pain and suffering of the world and questions and doubts about our faith.

“God is with me when I am in trouble”, (Responsorial Psalm); “for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved”, (Second Reading); and indeed we are fed by the Word of God for the journey ahead of us this Lenten Season. On a practical level Lent is a time of penance, repentance and preparation but on a deeper level Lent is a time of conversion and commitment to God through personal prayer, works of charity and communal celebrations.

Lenten Quote from the Saints

Our pilgrimage on earth cannot be exempt from trial. We progress by means of trial. No one knows himself except through trial, or receives a crown except after victory, or strives except against an enemy or temptations. *St Augustine, commentary on the Psalm 60.*

Lighter Side

Lenten Jokes are too fast for me, I think I'll have to abstain from them so here is something different and a bit philosophical: Descartes was in a bar at closing time. The barman asked if he'd like one for the road. Descartes said, "I think not" and immediately evaporated.



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Wine and Cheese night St Joseph’s, Quarry Hill

The Sandhurst Youth Ministry Team invites all young adults aged 18-35 to the first social evening of the year. Come along and enjoy some beer, wine and cheese while meeting other young adults from the Bendigo area. Monday March the 18th from 6-8:30pm at St Joseph's Church, 46 Russell Street, Bendigo. For more information please contact Ruth 5445 3616 or Samuel 5445 3657, or go to SandhurstYouth on Facebook.