

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday 31 July 2022



Readings for
this week:

Ecclesiastes 1:2,2:21-23
Colossians 3:1-5,9-11
Luke 12:13-21



Readings for
next Sunday

Wisdom 18:6-9
Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19
Luke 12:32-48



Liturgical Jottings

The Great Amen

All great and ancient prayers end with a doxology, an acclamation of praise to God. Thus the Eucharistic prayer ends with: "Through Him, with Him and in Him, ..." and then all the people join in to affirm and collaborate with all that the celebrant has said and done by acclaiming the Great Amen. Justin Martyr attests its prominence in the mid second century (1 Apologia 65). It is described as the people's signature and it was shouted aloud often with trumpet blasts and arms out stretched in medieval times.

The 2010 General Instruction to the Roman Missal (GIRM, 79h) is more moderate: "The concluding doxology by which the glorification of God is expressed and which is affirmed and concluded by the people's acclamation Amen."

Text of Today

Happy the poor is spirit,
the kingdom of heaven is theirs.

(Gospel Acclamation)

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Looking at the Readings

Qoheleth (the Preacher) the author of Ecclesiastes begins this Old Testament book with "Vanities of vanities (Eccl 1:2) and ends his work with "Vanities of vanities. All is vanity" (Eccl 12:8). He is not a killjoy or even a pessimist, he does not write to shock or discourage his listeners. He has a burning desire for the Absolute. Earthly life is temporary, heavenly life is eternal. The believer is called from fear, darkness and death to freedom, light and life.

We hear the fourth and last instalment from St Paul's letter to the Colossians as the second reading this Sunday. It seems especially chosen to compliment the first reading and the Gospel as he warns against greed and asks the people to "let your thoughts be on heavenly things."

Jesus reply to the question from the man in the crowd is in fact addressed to the whole crowd lest they or their following generations are consumed by greed. Today we can see a small child doing the littlest act, to a world leader perpetrate the greatest atrocities to sate their greed for possessions or power. Qoheleth and Christ present us with an alternative way of life.

Quote of the Week

The means by which we live have superseded the ends for which we live. Our scientific power has outdistanced our spiritual strength. We have guided missiles and misguided men. ... Like the rich man before us, we have foolishly minimized what is interior in our lives and maximized what is exterior. We have reduced life to life style ... Our generation will not find peace so long as we do not relearn that life does not consist of possessions but of the wealth of spiritual treasure. —Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. 1968

Prayer for the Day


O God, the giver of every gift that endures, only by your grace can we rightly understand the wonder of life and why it is given. By the word of your Son challenge our foolishness, confront our greed, and shape our lives to the wisdom of the gospel. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

On the Lighter Side

A middle-aged person confesses "I am guilty of the sin of vanity," the priest asks "Why do you think that?"



"Well every morning I look at myself in the mirror and think about how beautiful I am" He tells the penitent: "Oh! Don't worry, that's not a sin, that's just a mistake."

	Those who are recently deceased and those who are grieving	
	For those whose anniversary occurs at this time	Antonio (Tony) Ciavarella, Giovanna Sepe, Michael Carney, James Carney, Eileen O'Donovan
	Our sick and their carers	

DAY, TIME, DATE	COMMENTATOR	READER	GOSPEL PROCESSION	GIFT PRESENTATION	SPECIAL MINISTERS	SCREEN OPERATOR/ORGAN
Sun 6:00 pm 6 th Aug	Carol Coulston	Mary Vraca	Peter Crombie	Joyce Caiafa Delphi Hamilton	Not Required	Trish Warnett
Sun 10:30 am 7 th Aug	Debbie Worm	Ross Kelly	Bernie Maher	M Normington N Basile	Steve De Lai Anna Ciavarella	T Smith Trish Warnett

Mass Timetable
Week commencing 1st August

Weekday Mass
 Mon 1st August No Mass
 Tue 2nd August No Mass
 Wed 3rd August 9:15 am Mass
 Thu 4th August No Mass
 Fri 5th August 9:15 am Mass

Weekend Mass
 Sat 6th August 10:00 am St Donato Mass
 6:00 pm Mass
 Sun 7th August 10:30 am Mass

Reconciliation No reconciliation in August

Diary Dates for August

August
 Wed 3rd 2pm Ladies Chat
 Fri 5th 9:15am School Mass
 Grandparent's Day
 Sat 6th 10am Italian Mass
 St Donato
 Fri 12th 2pm Italian Rosary
 Sun 21st Presentation of Sacramental
 Candidate
 Cuppa After Mass

Ladies Chat and Cuppa

Everyone is welcome to come along to the Ladies Chat and Cuppa

Date: Wednesday, 3rd August
 Time: 2pm.
 Venue: St Mary's Hall

Please bring you own snacks

This weekend the following children will commence their sacramental program for reconciliation. Please pray for

Annie Aikman	Albert Borzillo
Blake Bunfield	Mietta Crawford
Anabella Cricelli	Sophia Cricelli
Eva Hernandez	Harlow Jones
Nate Jones	Tyrelle Marquez
Lucia Marquina	Evie Maskell
Kate McCarthy	Luca Mercuri
Leo Nihill	Kane Organ
Kallan Organ	Paige Sanford
Sebastian Tedesco	Belle Tracey-Glover
Alfio Trazzera	Harrison Whitford
Hamish Worm	Lucas Worm

We thank their families and the school staff for their preparation of this next step in their faith journey.

ITALIAN ROSARY

Il Rosario italiano sarà recitato in Chiesa venerdì 12 agosto alle ore 14.00.

The Italian Rosary will be recited in the Church on Friday 12th August at 2.00pm.

All Welcome

Acknowledgement to Country

We turn our hearts and minds to the people of the Yorta Yorta nation, who have occupied this country for thousands of year. We pay respect to their elders past, present and emerging, and commit to walking alongside Aboriginal Australians in truth and justice

Peter's Pence Collection

Next weekend there will be a bucket collection at the end of each Mass for Peter's Pence. This collection in support of the Holy Father (known as Peter's Pence). This is one of the appeals that are listed as an annual collection on the Diocesan Fundraising Policy/ It is an opportunity for us to show in a very practical way our support and appreciation for the Pope's ministry in the Church and for his powerful witness in the world.

This collection is used for two primary purposes:

- to support the Pope's service of the universal Church, carried out by the Dicasteries that assist him in evangelization, the promotion of integral human development, education, communication, etc.;
- to contribute to numerous charitable works directly assisting the most in need (people and families in distress, populations hit by natural disasters or war, or who are in need of humanitarian assistance or development support).

Can you undertake an Overseas Mission?

Our sister churches in Africa, Asia and the Pacific are requesting Australian Catholics to join them to build the skills of those in their community who have had less opportunity than ourselves. Please consider these **Mission opportunities abroad**.

Bishop Mackinlay and the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference provide support. **Palms Australia**, who have prepared Australian Catholics for global mission since 1961, will provide accommodation and a living allowance during your time away. **Enquire online or Ph: 0422 742 567** to find out about a placement to engage your skills.

You can also **Register** for a Webinar on **Monday August 1st at 7:00 pm** to talk directly with a Palms' partner community in Timor Leste and two Australians recently posted to work with them. Invite your friends. **The stories will inspire.**

Project Support Officer - Mission and Pastoral Life (Fixed-term / Part-time)

An exciting opportunity to contribute to the Mission and Pastoral life of the Diocese. We are seeking a suitably qualified person to provide administrative and operational support to the Director of Mission and Pastoral Life and the Coordinator of Youth Ministry to deliver a number of key goals and objectives.

For more information, a copy of the position description and how to apply go to **Employment Catholic Diocese of Sandhurst** website:

<https://www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au/positions-vacant/project-support-officer-mission-and-pastoral-life>

APPLICATIONS CLOSE: 8 August 2022

Pre Orders

We are taking pre-orders for, God's Word 2023 \$20, Christmas Card \$10, 2024 Columbia Calendars \$10

Order form in the Narthex



Like our parish Facebook page. Lots of important links and information is found there.

ST DONATO FESTA

Saturday, 6th August

Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 am in Sacred Heart Church Tatura

Mass will be followed delicious 4 course meal will be served at the Tatura Italian Social Club at 12:00 pm. The cost is \$50 for adults and \$20 for youth (between 5 and 12 years). A feast of fine Italian inspired food and entertainment by Mick Tenace. So, come along and celebrate this great day – the feast of St Donato.

For more information call Nick Lagozzino (0412 726 481) Pino Lagozzino (0427 677 943), Anthony Lagozzino (0408 553 931), Mary Zobec (0427 190 282) Frank De Palma (0427 552 686) Joe Gagliardi (0438 579 989)

Parish Website

<http://www.sacredheartparishtatura.com.au>



Programs & Services

SHEPPARTON



At CatholicCare Victoria we empower communities and build strength and resilience, to enable everyone to reach their full potential and live life to the full.

We offer over 60 programs and services across Victoria.

Our services are offered to everyone in the community, regardless of race, religious beliefs or economic status.

Family Support

Family and Property Dispute Resolution

Divorce, separation or family breakdown can be difficult and stressful for everyone involved. Dispute resolution provides mediation for separated or separating parents to reach agreement on parenting plans, division of property and finances.

Resolving issues through mediation reduces the conflict that families experience. It also helps separating or separated parents to focus on the best interests of their children.

Mental Health & Wellbeing Support

Children and young people are particularly vulnerable to the stress of life transitions. During challenging times, children can begin showing signs of emotional and/or behavioural difficulties which can lead to poor mental health outcomes later in life.

Our Family Mental Health Support Service is an early intervention program that aims to enhance the resilience, mental health and wellbeing of children and young people by helping families to improve communication and strengthen relationships, manage stress and anxiety, and resolve conflict.

ParentsNext

Our ParentsNext employment program assist parents to plan and prepare for employment by the time their youngest child reaches school age. If you have not worked in paid employment within the last six months, and your youngest child is aged under six, ParentsNext can help get you work ready.

Our ParentsNext team can help you develop your pathway to employment by working with you to set and reach your goals.

Counselling

When you or a loved one is going through a tough time, it's okay to ask for help.

Speaking to a counsellor can improve your quality of life, reduce stress, help strengthen or rebuild relationships with others, and help you feel more in control of your life.

Counselling provides one-on-one support to help deal with mental health issues, stressful or traumatic events, relationship problems and any other personal challenges or problems.

We provide affordable and confidential counselling to people of all ages, cultures and religious backgrounds.

Counselling for Children and Teens

While it's natural for children and teenagers to display some challenging or moody behaviours, if you feel like something just isn't right or if you notice your child has been behaving out of character, seeking support early can prevent issues from becoming overwhelming.

Talking to a counsellor can help your child to modify negative or unwanted behaviours, ease stress and anxiety, and to improve their relationships and social skills.

Victorian Family Law Network

The Victorian Family Law Pathways Network provides networking opportunities, professional development, and information for professionals working in the family law system.

Communities for Children

The Greater Shepparton Communities for Children program identifies and funds local projects for children and families. Visit www.sheppartoncfc.com.au to view available programs.