

# Sacred Heart Parish Tatura

Fr Uday Kumar Marneni – Parish Priest

#### Twenty-fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

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	Sunday

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



Wisdom 2:12, 17-20 James 3:16-4:3 Mark 9:30-37

Sunday 15 September 2024



# *Liturgical Jottings* Rite of Peace

In the Mass and after the Our Father and doxology there follows the Rite of Peace, by which the Church entreats peace and unity for herself and for the whole human family, and the faithful express to each other their ecclesial communion and mutual charity before communicating in the Sacrament. [Unusually the prayer is addressed to Christ and recalls Christ's prayer for peace.]

As for the actual sign of peace to be given, the manner is to be established by the Conferences of Bishops in accordance with the culture and customs of the peoples. However, it is appropriate that each person, in a sober manner, offer the sign of peace only to those who are nearest. GIRM 82. The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference adds: "the most common form of the gesture of peace is the handshake although other forms are not excluded. Focus on the Readings

The four Songs of the Suffering Servant in the book of the prophet Isaiah have captured the imagination of generations and inspired a Chrisitan understanding of suffering as we identify the servant with Christ. The reading today is the third song, the only one in which the servant speaks. He recounts the physical abuse and false accusations he endured but expresses confidence in God his saviour. The fourth song is read on Good Friday as a prelude to the reading of the passion of Jesus Christ.

This third song accompanies Jesus' first prophecy of his passion, the two other prophecies (Mark 9:30-32 and 10:32-34) are read on the 25<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> Sundays in Ordinary Time. But three times the disciples do not understand but they continue to follow him to Jerusalem. This passage is a turning point in Mark's Gospel. Up to now people are asking about Jesus: "Who is he?" Now he asks his disciples: "Who do you say I am?" He begins to reveal who he is by the reality of the cross. Secondly he has completed his mission in Galilee and now turns towards Jerusalem: the city of prophets and martyrs. We are asked to follow him, to believe he is the Christ, our Saviour and to take on his suffering.

# Quote for the Day

"Jesus became the master, not through others' sufferings but through his own sufferings. And he himself has first tasted bitterness for he has explained to us that we do not become disciples through titles, but through suffering." *St Ephrem* 

#### Season of Creation

The whole of creation is caught up in this process of new birth and, in groaning, looks forward to its liberation. This entails an unseen and imperceptible process of growth, like that of "a mustard seed that becomes a great tree" or "leaven in the dough" (cf. Mt 13:31-33). The beginnings are tiny, but the expected results can prove to be infinite in their beauty. Similar to the anticipation of a birth – the revelation of the children of God – hope can be seen as the possibility of remaining steadfast amid adversity, of not losing heart in times of tribulation or in the face of human evil. Christian hope does not disappoint, nor does it deceive. *Pope Francis Message for the Season of Creation 2024, no.3* 

#### Prayer for the Week

My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to me and me to the world. Galatians 6:14

# On the Lighter Side

In the Spring, I have counted 136 different kinds of weather inside of 24 hours. *Mark Twain* 



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Thanks to all of our volunteers Plate Collection and Envelopes Thank you so much for your generosity		s	Saturday evening Masses: 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month Ladies Cuppa & Chat 1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month at 2pm in St Mary's Hall.

Thank you so much for your generosity and support of parish. May God bless you always.



Last week: \$640.80

# **CONFIRMATION & FIRST EUCHARIST 2024**

An information evening for parents will take place in the Mercy Centre at 7pm on Wednesday 18th September. General information about the program and ceremony will be given out at the meeting. Families of students from other local schools who would like to participate are welcome to attend.

Next week we welcome Fr Grace who will celebrate Mass.

Reflecting on the readings for the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B helps us deepen our faith. Listening to God, acting on our faith, and following Jesus are key themes. By focusing on these, we grow closer to God and strengthen our commitment to our faith

For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it. Mark 8:35

**PRIESTS RETIREMENT FOUNDATION APPEAL for retired Priests of Sandhurst** a bucket collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend for the support of the retired priests of our Diocese. The Retired Priests Foundation seeks your generosity in giving to this collection. Donations over \$2 are tax deductible. Those requiring receipts of donations over \$10, please use the envelopes provided. Thank you for your contributions and prayers.

Sunday 15 September 2024 marks **Social Services Sunday** within the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne.

On this day we give thanks for the dedicated work of the thousands of staff and volunteers who stand with and serve the poor, disadvantaged and marginalised. We acknowledge with gratitude all of Catholic Social Services Victoria's 40 member organisations, their 7,000+ staff and 15,000+ volunteers and the important work that they do to serve over 300,000 people.

At this challenging time of a cost of living and housing affordability crisis, the Gospel message of love, care and welcome is needed more than ever. We can all play a role in building a more just and compassionate society.



#### FR UDAY'S HOLIDAY TO INDIA

Father Uday will be on holidays from 17 September until 18 October. There will be no Saturday evening Masses during this time. Sunday Masses will be held at the same time. Weekday Masses will be replaced by Liturgies. We will have visiting priests cover the Masses while Fr Uday is away – Fr Michael Grace, Fr Des Welladsen & Fr Michael Morley. We wish Fr Uday a very happy holiday and we look forward to hearing about your trip when you return. May God bless you and keep you safe.

ADMINISTRATION SUPPORT POSITION AVAILABLE St Brendan's Catholic Church Office,121 Knight Street, Shepparto Permanent Part-time (11hrs/week) 9am - 3pm Thursday and Friday Position Description available 5821 2633 or by Emailing <u>shepparton@sandhurst.catholic.org.au</u> CLOSES September 20th	October 12 <sup>th</sup> from 10am to 3pm. BYO lunch. Tea, coffee, drinks provided. <b>TOPIC:</b> The necessity of Mary our Mother in our Faith Journey.
50TH MARIAN FESTIVAL AT SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL	Bookings: <u>www.trybooking.com/CTOIQ</u>
SUNDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2024 Please join us for the 50th anniversary of our annual Marian Festival to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary and entrust our diocese, our nation and the world to the protection of Her Immaculate Heart. The festival will be led by Bishop Leslie Tomlinson, beginning with Mass at 11am followed by a BBQ, and continuing throughout the day with rosary procession, consecration, Bishop's address, Adoration and Benediction. Afternoon tea will conclude the festival. For more information go to www.bendigofatima.com	110TH WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES – SUNDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER 2024. The theme of Pope Francis' Message for this year's World Day of Migrants and Refugees is "GOD WALKS WITH HIS PEOPLE." The Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office has created online resources to help celebrate This special day. Resources available at: https://acmro.catholic.org.au/wdmr/2024

# PRAYER

Lord, help us to listen to Your voice and follow Your path. Give us the strength to live out our faith through our actions. May we take up our cross and find true life in You. Amen.

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 years. We pay respect to their elders past, present and emerging, and commit to walking alongside First Nation Australians in truth, justice and reconciliation. Sacred Heart Parish, Tatura PO Box 110 Tatura VIC 3616 Phone: 0436 112 232 Email: tatura@sandhurst.catholic.org.au Website: http://www.sacredheartparishtatura.com.au/ Facebook: Sacred Heart Parish Tatura