

WELCOME TO SACRED HEART PARISH TATURA

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**Sacred
Heart
Parish**
TATURA

Readings -
Year A
Matthew
Weekday Year 1

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.

As we come to worship we remember the Yorta Yorta People, the original custodians of this land We commit ourselves to actively working alongside Aboriginal people for reconciliation and justice.



20th Sunday of Ordinary Time

20 August 2017

Earn and Learn – Woolworths

Sacred Heart Parish always supports shopping local where possible but if you need to also go to Woolworths you can get Earn and Learn stickers for the school.

Earn and Learn begins on Wednesday 26th July and will run until 16th September. A sticker collection box is located in the school foyer.

A box will also be available at the Mooroopna Woolworths. Please tell family members and friends to save their stickers also! Thank you and happy collecting!! Miss Laura Mathieson & Mrs. Irene Sgammotta

LITURGY JOTTINGS 20/8/2017

CONCLUSION OF MASS:

Once we stir from our reflection after Communion we are now ready to face the day, face the world!

The prayer after Communion concludes the theme of the Mass and gives us something to think about while challenging us to witness to Christ.

We came to Mass to give glory and praise to God and to give thanks for so much kindness from God to us.

We have shared in his Word, we have been nourished at the table now we are ready to go forth.

The Blessing and the Dismissal are so important for us at this moment as we prepare. It is nearly like the starter's gun gearing us up for the journey ahead.

When we hear one of the dismissals as in "Let us go forth now to proclaim the Gospel of the Lord." It is appropriate then as a body, a community to leave together with this challenge in mind. Fr Michael



Mini Vinnies Fundraiser for Catholic Mission
PARISHIONERS INVITE TO LEGO
EXHIBITION in Book Week

The Sacred Heart Mini Vinnies team would like to invite parishioners to a Lego Exhibition!

Time: 11am – 12pm with a cup of tea/coffee.

Thursday 24th August in the Mercy Centre

Students will be building something using Lego. All proceeds will be donated to Catholic Mission to support the development of health services in poorer countries.

This event is being led by the Year 5 Mini Vinnies representatives

'Why is that book in the Bible?' Fr Brian Boyle
Tuesday August 22, De Campo Hall, 120
Hargreaves St, BENDIGO

Time: 7.30 – 9.00 pm

Fr Brian will look at issues about inspiration, the canon of Scripture, and why some books are in the Bible and other similar books are not. How do we know the word of God is inspired? Who decided which books go in the Bible? Why is the Bible so important for Catholics?

No Cost.RSVP:

Email: adultfaith@sandhurst.catholic.org.au

Phone: 5441 2544

We pray for



Our recently deceased and those who are grieving	
For those whose anniversary occurs	
Our sick and their carers	Eileen Ryan, Elli Kleindienst, Anne Heathman, Brian O'Meara (Kyabram)

(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	Counters
Sat 26 Aug 6pm	Steph Hicks	Sacha Finlayson	B Miller	M Sgammotta T Palmieri	R Kelly D Bourke T Miller	Denise Woodman
Sun 27 Aug 9.30am	R Miller	A M Nihill	K Stewart	K Nihill T Nihill	D Woodman C Coulston L Cowan	

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

DAY	DATE	
Monday	21 Aug	No Mass
Tuesday	22 Aug	No Mass
Wednesday	23 Aug	9.15am LWWC
Thursday	24 Aug	No Mass
Friday	25 Aug	9.15 LWWC
Saturday	26 Aug	6pm Mass
Sunday	27 Aug	9.30am Mass
Saturday Reconciliation	26 Aug	11.30am
ROSARY	15 Minutes Before weekday Mass	

AUGUST DIARY DATES

Mon	21 Aug	St Pius X Crazy Whist 1.30pm Parish Hall
Tues	22 Aug	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wed	23 Aug	7pm School Board
Thurs	24 Aug	St Bartholomew Apostle
Fri	25 Aug	Fr Michael returns from holidays
Sat	26 Aug	6pm Mass
Sun	27 Aug	9.30 Mass
Mon	28 Aug	St Augustine
Tues	29 Aug	11.40am Reconciliation Year 5
Wed	30 Aug	
Thurs	31 Aug	
Fri	1 Sep	7.30am Father's Day breakfast Mercy Centre 9.15am Father's Day Mass PPR day Sacred Heart
Sat	2 Sep	6pm Mass
Sun	3 Sep	9.30am Father's Day Mass

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2016 Sandhurst Diocese Year in Review

There are a few copies available in the Narthex if anyone would like to read them. The publication has the major milestones and achievements from across the diocese.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS

The Spring 2017 edition of Australian Catholics is in the Naxos.

REFUGEE AND MIGRANT SUNDAY NEXT WEEK – August 27th 2017

With people seeking asylum and refugee status a continuing topic in our news, and a cause of great division among Australians, this will be a wonderful opportunity to spend time in prayer and reflection on this important issue.

This year's theme for the World Day of Migrants & Refugees is **CHILD MIGRANTS, THE VULNERABLE & THE VOICELESS.**

I AM
THE DAUGHTER
OF A KING WHO
IS NOT MOVED
BY THE WORLD
FOR MY GOD
IS WITH ME &
GOES BEFORE ME
I DO NOT FEAR
BECAUSE I AM
HIS

"Coming Home to Our Radiant Self" Patricia deLaney and Noel Davis.

When: Saturday 2nd September 2.00 – 4.00 pm
'Daybreak'

Where: 22 Lawson St, SPRING GULLY
(BENDIGO).

A time to nourish soul through silence, song, reflection and sharing. Patricia and Noel live in Narooma on the far south coast of New South Wales. Both have extensive backgrounds in education and experience in reflection days, personal growth workshops, retreat work and spiritual accompaniment.

ALL ARE WELCOME

Daybreak members: \$10 Visitors \$15

Enquiries: Jenny 0429 175 176.

Blokes' Breakfast

On Friday 1st September all dads, grandfathers and father figures are invited to join us for a BBQ breaky and cuppa before heading off to work. It will start at 7:30am in front of the Mercy Centre. An email will be sent out requesting numbers for catering purposes but again we are looking for helpers who are available to help set up, cook or pack up on the day. The breakfast will be followed by our special Fathers' Day Mass. Everyone is very welcome to join us in the church at 9.15am if you can.

ROME PILGRIMAGES

The Archdiocese of Sydney organises unique parish Rome Pilgrimages throughout the year and all parishes in Australia can participate.

There are a few copies of the **Discover Catholic Rome** magazine in the Narthex for anyone interested in more information.

Lord we pray for peace in our world. We think of all those affected by the terrible terrorist attack in Barcelona this week. We pray that we will all embrace each other with tolerance, love and acceptance just as Christ does for us.

Amen

"Heart Coming Home" by Noel Davis

Where: St Kilian's Parish Church, 161 McCare St BENDIGO

When: Sunday 3rd September

Time: 2.30pm

A book launch with a difference!

'Heart Coming Home' is Noel's eighth book of poems that explore faith and life, often in the context of the Australian bush, acknowledging the loving presence of the Spirit in our lives and landscape. Noel's poems featured in recent Sandhurst Lent and Advent leaflet series. ALL ARE WELCOME to the Victorian launch of this new and inspiring book: RSVP (03) 5441 2544 or adultfaith@sandhurst.catholic.org.au or just come along. *'Heart Coming Home' is also available for purchase.

The Feast of the Assumption was a special Marian feast where the school students commemorated Mary's death and assumption into heaven. Mary has a special place in the Church as the mother of Jesus. She listened to God, loved and trusted in him and her humanity is a wonderful example for us. The school and parish gathered together for a lovely Mass led by Fr Michael. Thank you Mr. Cameron and Year 6 for organising the Mass and a particular thank you to all the children for their participation, listening, responding and signing so beautifully throughout the Liturgy.

MY AUTOBIOGRAPHY

Years ago, in a course on Mark's Gospel, the lecturer reminded us of the importance of choosing words carefully. Mark's Gospel was brief, straight to the point, showing great economy with words, he said. Why? The lecturer explained that writing materials were scarce and expensive so writers in those days had to choose wisely what they wrote, which sayings, stories, events and words were to be included.

Today it is also difficult to get a book published, unless you are famous or have a proven track record as an author. Just as in Mark's day, it is an expensive undertaking.

This is the opening two paragraphs of Along the Track. If you have your name down to receive this they are in the Narthex.



Readings for
this week:

Isaiah 56:1,6-7
Romans 11:13-15,29-32
Matthew 15:21-28



Readings for
next Sunday:

Isaiah 22:19-23
Romans 11:33-36
Matthew 16:13-20



Liturgical Jottings

Singing Psalms

The Christian faithful, who come together as one in expectation of the Lord's coming, are instructed by St Paul to sing together psalms, hymns, and spiritual canticles (cf Col 3:16). Singing is the sign of the heart's joy (cf Acts 2:46). Thus St. Augustine says rightly, 'Singing is for one who loves', and also: 'Whoever sings well prays twice over'. GIRM no.39

Pope Francis on Vocations

If we contemplate the risen Jesus walking alongside the disciples of Emmaus (Luke 24:13-15), we can be filled with new confidence. In that Gospel scene, we have a true "liturgy of the street", preceding that of the word and the breaking of the bread. We see that, at every step of the way, Jesus is at our side!

From his Message for World Day of Prayer for Vocations 2017

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Looking at the Readings

This week's gospel provides a fascinating illustration of Jesus' response to those in need. Jesus has travelled to the area of Tyre and Sidon – part of modern day Lebanon. He was physically removing himself from the place of his very active ministry and taking a break. When the Canaanite woman approaches Jesus and his disciples, she is an interruption; a nuisance. Jesus seems very abrupt with her. He tells her simply that his ministry is to the house of Israel – the Jews – and is not for her. But the woman is persistent and again asks Jesus to help her. Jesus is even more abrupt and tells her that it is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs.

Through this use of metaphor, Jesus refers to the children of Israel (the Jews) and to the gentiles and pagans – sometimes referred to as 'dogs' to reflect their lowly status in the eyes of the Jewish tradition. Still the woman persists and turns Jesus' metaphor back on him, saying that even the dogs get to eat the scraps that fall from the table.

The woman's persistence and faith pay off. Jesus is moved by her faith and through that faith heals the woman's daughter. Despite his initial abruptness and reluctance, Jesus responds with compassion to the woman's request. It is as though she needed to demonstrate that she was really serious and that she did in fact believe that Jesus could make a difference in her life and the life of her daughter. This is an important story in Matthew's gospel. This gospel was written predominantly for Jewish Christians but this story reveals that the ministry of Jesus and the reign of God is open to anyone who believes. © Greg Sunter

Feast of the Week: St Pius X, Monday 21 August

Born in the province of Venice in 1835, as Patriarch of Venice he was elected Pope in 1906. He is noted for his simplicity, poverty and fortitude and worked for renewal of the church, its liturgy and sacraments. He moved the sacraments of confirmation and first communion from 13 to 7 years of age and promoted liturgical music and the praying of the psalms.

Quote

Who is not fired with love by the faithful portrait of Christ the Redeemer whose voice Saint Augustine heard in all the psalms, singing, sorrowing, rejoicing in hope, sighing in distress?' St Pius X



On the Lighter Side

After explaining the commandment to honour your father and mother, the teacher asked her class if there was a commandment that teaches us how to treat our brothers and sisters. One boy, the oldest in his family, immediately answered, "Thou shalt not kill."

May you have the power to know the love of Christ.

Ephesians 3:9