

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.



21st Sunday of Ordinary Time – Refugee and Migrant Sunday 27 August 2017

Message of his holiness Pope Francis for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters, "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but him who sent me." (Mk 9:37; cf. Mt 18:5; Lk 9:48; Jn 13:20).

With these words, the Evangelists remind the Christian community of Jesus' teaching, which both inspires and challenges. This phrase traces the sure path which leads to God; it begins with the smallest and, through the grace of our Saviour, it grows into the practice of welcoming others.

To be welcoming is a necessary condition for making this journey a concrete reality: God made himself one of us. In Jesus God became a child, and the openness of faith to God, which nourishes hope, is expressed in loving proximity to the smallest and the weakest.

Charity, faith and hope are all actively present in the spiritual and corporal works of mercy, as we have rediscovered during the recent Extraordinary Jubilee.



FATHERS' DAY COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

The second collection next week is an important one for the retired Priests of Sandhurst. The fund began in 1998 with 13 retired Priests; we now have 14 retired Priests. Your Donations (tax deductible) are essential. Fundraising assists the provision of housing, annual recurrent and everyday expenses.

The Foundation relies on the generosity of the priests and people of the Diocese.

A special collection will be taken on Fathers' Day weekend and is the major fundraiser of the year.

This day is an opportunity to thank God for their ministry and dedication; and to pray for our priests, active and retired. Donations over \$2 are tax deductible. Those requiring receipts of donations over \$10 are to please use the envelopes provided.

BAPTISM

Today we welcome to our Parish Family Violet Mia Borzillo. Daughter of Angelo and Rebecca Borzillo.



ROSTERS

The September Rosters are in the folder in the Narthex.

We
pray for



Our recently deceased and those who are grieving	Kevin Wood (Pat Baldwin's brother)
For those whose anniversary occurs	Fr John Leahy
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 2 Sep 6pm	Carol Coulston	Sheila Gregg	Pat Baldwin	Doreen Corrigan Pauline Moroney	A Ciavarella S Finlayson A Hutchison	G Ranson
Sun 3 Sep 9.30am	Lou Kerrins	Kaye Gaffy	Rob Miller	Joyce Caiafa Delphi Hamilton	B Curtis R Kelly G Ranson	

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

DAY	DATE	
Monday	28 Aug	No Mass
Tuesday	29 Aug	No Mass
Wednesday	30 Aug	9.15am Mass
Thursday	31 Aug	9.15am Mass
Friday	1 Sep	9.15am Father's Day Mass School
Saturday	2 Sep	6pm Mass
Sunday	3 Sep	9.30am Mass
Saturday Reconciliation	2 Sep	11.30am
ROSARY	15 Minutes Before weekday Mass	

AUGUST DIARY DATES

Mon	28 Aug	St Augustine
Tues	29 Aug	11.40am Reconciliation Year 5
Wed	30 Aug	11.40am Reconciliation Year 5 (Stock)
Thurs	31 Aug	
Fri	1 Sep	7.30am Father's Day breakfast Mercy Centre 9.15am Father's Day Mass School PPR day Sacred Heart
Sat	2 Sep	6pm Mass
Sun	3 Sep	9.30am Father's Day Mass
Mon	4 Sep	
Tues	5 Sep	
Wed	6 Sep	2pm CWL Parish Hall 6pm Parish Pastoral Council Staff Room
Thurs	7 Sep	
Fri	8 Sep	11.40am Reco Year 3/4 McKinnon
Sat	9 Sep	6pm Mass
Sun	10 Sep	9.30am Mass

PASTORAL CARE

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

REGISTRATIONS CLOSING SOON

Registrations for the 2017 Stronger Retreat are closing on September 1st. Register now to confirm your place at the Stronger Retreat!
If you're 13-26 years old and would like to join 130 other young people from our diocese having fun, growing in discipleship and learning about your faith with our keynote speakers Fr Rob Galea, Fr Dan Serratore and Sr Bernadette Toohey!
Date: September 15-17
Venue: Kyneton
Cost: \$165

Registrations are now open at strongeryouth.com. Transport may be available.
For more info follow @StrongerYouth on Facebook or contact Danielle at Danielle.sullivan@sandhurst.catholic.org.au

Australian Catholic Youth Festival:

This December the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference is hosting the third Australian Catholic Youth Festival. The festival will be held in Sydney from December 7-9 and is for year 9 students-30 year olds. It will be three full days of spending time with 15,000 young Catholics from right around Australia to celebrate and learn more about the Catholic Faith. If you're in secondary school speak to your RE teacher about attending with the school group, and if you're over 18 and would like to attend email Danielle at Danielle.sullivan@sandhurst.catholic.org.au

"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.

Marian Festival 2017 - Fatima Centenary . . 8th October

Sacred Heart Cathedral, Bendigo
On Sunday October 8th Bishop Leslie and the Sandhurst Diocese will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the final apparition of Our Lady of Fatima which occurred on the 13th October 1917 and culminated with the astounding miracle of the sun. All are cordially invited to join in the celebration commencing with 11.00am Mass.
The guest speaker will be Fr Paschal Corby OFM.

For those who would like to attend the celebrations, St Brendan's Parish Pastoral Council is organizing whole day bus trip to Bendigo .
Places on the bus will be limited, so register and pay for the tickets at St Brendan's or St Mel's Parish office before
22nd September if you wish to attend.
The cost of the whole trip is \$20.
For more information call Bozena 0426 867647.

"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 Plebiscite for same-sex marriage is on this year. The Pastoral Life Secretariat of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference will be distributing various materials to inform voters on the issues involved and actions they may take to present the other side of the debate.

Bishop Les has asked me to coordinate a diocesan team to implement this process across parishes in the diocese of Sandhurst.

Please remember that our most urgent task is to ensure that everyone who supports marriage between a man and a woman is enrolled to vote by Thursday, 24 August.

If you haven't already done so, please enrol to vote as soon as possible and by no later than 24 August. If you have recently moved, ensure your details have been updated with the Australian Electoral Commission. Please ensure that all of your family has done the same. More information and the relevant links are also available at the Coalition's website.

www.coalitionformarriage.com.au/catholic

Fr Andrew Fewings





Readings for
this week:

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



Readings for
next Sunday:

Jeremiah 20:7-9
Romans 12:1-2
Matthew 16:21-27



Liturgical Jottings

The gestures and bodily posture of the Priest, Deacon, ministers, and the people, must be conducive to making the entire celebration resplendent with beauty and noble simplicity, to making clear the true and full meaning of its different parts, and to fostering the participation of all. GIRM 42

Pope Francis on Vocations

We become open to the silent working of the Spirit, which is the basis of mission. There can be no promotion of vocations or Christian mission apart from constant contemplative prayer. The Christian life needs to be nourished by attentive listening to God's word and, above all, by the cultivation of a personal relationship with the Lord in Eucharistic adoration, the privileged "place" for our encounter with God.

From his Message for World Day of Prayer for Vocations 2017

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Looking at the Readings

Like last week's gospel, this week's story takes place in a region that was outside predominantly Jewish territory. Caesarea Philippi (north of Galilee and in the region of modern day Syria) had long been a centre of pagan worship. It was used originally by the Canaanites as a site of worship; the Greeks built a temple to one of their gods there; in 20 BCE Herod the Great built a temple to Caesar Augustus; and after his death, Herod's son, Phillip, renamed the city Caesarea Philippi after Tiberius Caesar and himself. It is intriguing that Matthew's gospel chooses such a site as the location for such a significant revelation of faith.

Jesus asks the disciples who people say he is. They report that people associate Jesus with one of the great prophets of Jewish tradition. By people identifying Jesus with other great prophets they were projecting Jesus into the same mould as that prophet. What they were saying was that Jesus will be a great leader in the style of John the Baptist, or Elijah or even Jeremiah. The expectation of a messiah was running very high at the time of Jesus and everyone had their own idea about what that messiah would be like – usually aligned with some previous leader. They didn't seem to understand that Jesus was breaking the mould and was not going to fit in with any of those expectations. To see him as one of the great prophets come again is always going to be an inadequate understanding of Jesus as messiah.

When Jesus pushes the disciples for their own ideas, it is Simon Peter who speaks up and identifies Jesus as being the Son of the living God. Making a play on Peter's name (in Greek, petros=Peter and petra=rock), Jesus states that hereafter, Simon Peter will be known as Peter and upon the rock of his profession of faith the church will be built. © Greg Sunter

Feast of the Week: St Augustine of Hippo 28 August

Born in Africa in 354, baptised in Milan 387 at the Easter Vigil. He was elected bishop, about 390 of Hippo in modern day Algeria. He became an exemplary bishop to his priests and people and noted author, philosopher, theologian and homilist. He died in 430

Quote of the week

"Late have I loved you, Beauty so ancient and so new, late have I loved you! But, you were within, but I outside, You called, shouted, broke through my deafness ..." St Augustine, Confessions X.27

On the Lighter Side



The teacher said to her class "We have been learning about how powerful the kings and queens were in Biblical times. But there is a higher power. Who can tell me what it is?" Tommy blurted out, "I know, Aces."

Lord help us put down our shovels, stop digging and drink again of the living water that comes only from You.