

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.



22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Father's Day 3 September 2017

LOUD FENCE

This will begin the start of National Child Protection Week – 3rd to 9th September 2017. Sacred Heart Parish is showing support for the victims of child abuse by adopting the "Loud Fence" program.

"Loud Fence" means tying coloured ribbons on the fence, showing support for survivors of child sexual abuse and standing in solidarity with victims. It is not a protest or a blame game. A ribbon on a fence does not necessarily mean abuse happened in that place, it simply means that a person or organisation cares.

So we encourage anyone to come along and tie a ribbon on the fence at the front of Sacred Heart Church in Hogan Street during September 2017. Coloured ribbons will be available in the Narthex (foyer) of the Church. The ribbons will remain on the fence until the end of September. We can see evidence of the strength of our community providing support, protection and opportunities to help keep our children safe through very visible posters alerting people to the rights of children and telling children and other vulnerable people how to report abuse of any kind, appointing Anne Hutchison as our Child Safety Officer for this parish and working diligently through the Child Safety Standards.

We encourage everyone in the community to join with our parishioners in tying a coloured ribbon to our fence and showing support for all victims of abuse.

FATHERS' DAY COLLECTION THIS WEEK

The second collection this 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 today, Fathers' Day. This 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.

ROSTERS

The September Rosters are in the folder in the Narthex.

PLANNED GIVING LETTERS

By now you would have received a letter advising you that the parish intend to roll over the Planned Giving Program for a further 12 months. If you would like to change your pledge or implement a Direct Debit or Credit Card pledge, there are Planned Giving cards in the narthex or they can be obtained at the Parish Office. You can hand the cards in at the Parish Office or put them on the collection Plate. For further information please contact the Parish Office on 58241049.

We pray for



Our recently deceased and those who are grieving	Salvatore 'Sam' Cocca, Teresa Pewtress, Maria 'Mary' Sorbello
For those whose anniversary occurs	Carmel Sier, Alice Noonan, Mick Noonan, Nell Mulcahy, Bernard Thomson, James Barrett
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 9 Sep 6pm	Sacha Finlayson	Ross Kelly	Doreen Corrigan	Phyllis Newnam Margaret Corrigan	T Miller J Webster D Woodman	Trish Warnett
Sun 10 Sep 9.30am	CHILDREN'S MASS				D Worm L Kerrins P Kerrins	

MASSSES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

DAY	DATE	
Monday	4 Sep	No Mass
Tuesday	5 Sep	No Mass
Wednesday	6 Sep	9.15am Mass intention for Carmel Sier
Thursday	7 Sep	No Mass
Friday	8 Sep	9.15am Mass
Saturday	9 Sep	6pm Mass
Sunday	10 Sep	9.30am Mass Child Protection Sunday
Saturday Reconciliation	9 Sep	11.30am
ROSARY	15 Minutes Before weekday Mass	

AUGUST DIARY DATES

Mon	4Sep	
Tues	5 Sep	
Wed	6 Sep	6pm Parish Pastoral Council Staff Room
Thurs	7 Sep	9am Steps in Faith Reco preparation for parents 6pm Session
Fri	8 Sep	11.40am Reconciliation 3/4 AM
Sat	9 Sep	6pm Mass
Sun	10 Sep	9.30am Child Protection Sunday
Mon	11 Sep	
Tues	12Sep	St Vincent de Paul 7pm at the Centre
Wed	13 Sep	9.15am Anointing Mass 5.30pm Finance Meeting Parish Hall
Thurs	14 Sep	AGM Priest Retirement Foundation and Sick Priest Fund Tatura 6.30pm School Concert
Frid	15 Sep	11.40am Reconciliation Yr 6 Basile
Sat	16 Sep	6pm Mass
Sun	17 Sep	9.30am Mass

PASTORAL CARE

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

Space Rocket Ride

School Production 2017

Date: Wed 13th September
Matinee 2:00pm
Evening 6:30pm



We encourage Grandparents, young children or friends to come to the Matinee!

Cost: Tickets are \$5 per person paid at the door Kinder/Toddler children are FREE

Corpus Christi Raffle Prize Winners

- 1st Ticket no 3690 Brenda Beveridge
- 2nd Ticket no 4322 Bernard Jordan
- 3rd Ticket no 2550 Ron Stobas
- 4th Ticket no 2462 Sisters of St Joseph

SACRED DESTINATIONS IN SPAIN PILGRIMAGE with BISHOP LES

TOMLINSON 19th September – 6/8/9th October 2018. Visit sacred sites associated with Saints Teresa of Avila, John of the Cross, Ignatius of Loyola, Francis Xavier and John of God – and much more. Estimated cost: for main pilgrimage in Spain: \$7190 (Single supplement \$995). Organisers: Adult Faith Education Sandhurst, the Sandhurst Catholic Education Office and Olive Tree Travel. Contact: Jake Warren CEO Sandhurst T: 03 5443 23 77 E: jwarren@ceosand.catholic.edu.au OR Olive Tree Travel T:03 8488 9696, 1300 550 830 E: info@olivetreetravel.com.au

FATHER'S DAY PRAYER

Dads are special people
No home should be without,
For every family will agree
They're 'SO NICE TO HAVE ABOUT'
They are a happy mixture
Of a 'SMALL BOY' and a 'MAN'
And they're very necessary
In every 'FAMILY PLAN'
Sometimes they're most demanding
And stern, and firm and tough
But underneath they're 'soft as silk'
For this is just a 'BLUFF'
But in any kind of trouble
Dad reaches out his hand,
And you can always count on him
To help and understand
And while we do not praise Dad
As often as we should,
We love him and admire him,
And while that's understood,
It's only fair to emphasise
His importance and his worth
For if there were no loving Dads
This would be a 'LOVELESS EARTH!'

Helen Steiner Rice

Marian Festival 2017 - Fatima Centenary 8th Oct

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. All are cordially invited to join in the celebration commencing with 11am Mass followed by lunch in the Cathedral hall (bring your own).
1.15pm Cathedral bells welcome all to the Marian Festival then procession outside the Cathedral, confessions, crowning of Our Lady's statue, Rosary.
2.30pm Guest speaker will be Fr Paschal Corby OFM,
3pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction. 3.40pm Cathedral bells ring to end the Marian Festival then afternoon tea in the hall. For enquiries, phone John or Wilma on 5439 6283. For those who would like to attend the celebrations, St Brendan's Parish Pastoral Council is organising 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.

Sandhurst Catholic Charismatic Renewal Annual Conference

Sandhurst Catholic Charismatic Renewal Annual Conference coming up 23rd & 24th September in Shepparton. A response to Pope Francis' call "to share with everyone the grace of Baptism in the Holy Spirit".

Please see posters or phone Brigita Hore
0412 042 196 for more details.

THE GIFT OF IMAGINATION – ALONG THE TRACK

It is a delight to spend time with small children. Sometimes it seems as if their imagination knows no limits. They can see heroes or monsters or all things magic, even in the most mundane. Books and films which explore and stretch children's imagination (and our own) have become popular again in recent years. We can think of imagination as something for kids, an optional extra as it were, but it is a precious and enduring gift from God for people of all ages.

Along the Track article is in the Narthex for those who put their name down to receive it.

LITURGY JOTTINGS cont.

Blessings:

It is good to take time to reflect on the blessing and what it means to us. I wonder whether we put as much importance on a blessing as we should?

It also depends on how we use the word. I will give a blessing to all the Dads at Mass this Father's Day.

I would say we were blessed with the life of our father. It is important that we don't underestimate the importance or the significance or the power in a blessing.

We have a beautiful book called, 'The Book of Blessings' and in the General Introduction in the first paragraph it speaks of its history.

Blessings in the History of Salvation

1. The source from whom every good gift comes is God, who is above all, blessed for ever. He who is all good has made all things good, so that he might fill his creatures with blessings and even after the Fall he has continued his blessings as sign of his merciful love.

TBC Fr Michael



Readings for
this week:

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



Readings for
next Sunday:

Ezekiel 33:7-9
Roman 13:8-10
Matthew 18:15-20



Liturgical Jottings

Season of Creation

From 1 September to 4 October, Christians around the world are praying and caring for creation in this **Season of Creation**. September 1 is proclaimed as a day of prayer for creation. It ends on 4 October, the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi (author of the Canticle of the Creatures).

Pope Francis on Creation

The day of prayer for the care of creation gives individuals and communities an opportunity to implore God's help in protecting creation and an opportunity to ask God's forgiveness "for sins committed against the world in which we live". Message 2015

Prayer for Father's Day

God our Heavenly Father, in your wisdom and love you made all things. Bless our dads, that they may be strengthened as Christian fathers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Amen

Looking at the Readings

Last week's and this week's Gospel form a unity featuring a dialogue between Christ and St Peter. Matthew Chapter 16 is the first time Peter stands out from the gathering of disciples. First he acclaims of Jesus: 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.' and now today: 'Heaven preserve you, Lord, this [suffering and death] must not happen to you. Jesus praised him for his faith, granted to him by God the Father and later rebuked him for following man's way not God's way.

Peter is emerging as a leader of the apostles and later as the leader of the Church keeping its unity and peace and encouraging the early Christians in their faith in the Risen Christ. Peter knows the difficulties of life and faith. He experienced Jesus saving him from drowning, and forgiving him his denials. Peter stands as a symbol of the church: both human and graced with the divine life of God.

Our church today continues with human failings, conflicts of faith and society, splitting communities and challenges in structures. At the same time we also have the same graced experiences of Peter: Jesus firm grasp to hold us in time of doubt, his mercy and his promise to be with when we pray and til the end of time.

Featured Feast of the Week

St Peter Claver (Saturday 9 September), Born in Spain, studied at University of Barcelona, entered the Jesuits, then left his homeland to go to the missions in Colombia, He became a servant to the African slaves who entered via the port at Cartagena to work in mines and plantations. After a long debilitating illness during a plague he died on 8 September 1654, canonised in 1888 and proclaimed patron saint of Colombia and the Mission to the slaves.

Quote of the week

"We must speak to them with our hands before we try to speak to them with our lips" *St Peter Claver while giving out food, medicine, brandy and tobacco to the slaves in the holding yards at Cartagena.*

On the Lighter Side

I once bought a pair of shoes. One day while wearing them, I fell and broke my wrist. Some time later while wearing them, I slipped, fell, and broke my knee. Those shoes cost me an arm and a leg! A Pun from Robyn Anon



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God our Father, we give you thanks and praise for fathers young and old. We pray for all of them this Father's day. Amen