

WELCOME TO SACRED HEART PARISH TATURA

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We acknowledge the Yorta Yorta nation, the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today, as they have occupied and cared for this country for many generations. We also celebrate their continuing contributions to the life of region.



**Sacred
Heart
Parish**
TATURA

Readings -
Year A
Matthew
Weekday Year 1

Parish Pastoral Council

In recess until March 2018

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.

32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

12th November 2017

NEW PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE THIS WEEKEND.

They are listed in alphabetical name order. Please note that the commencement date for these new envelopes is the 19th November 2017. Please ensure you collect your new envelopes or letters for credit card and direct debit contributors, from the Narthex Mass this weekend - this will save on unnecessary postage.

THERE IS A LETTER FOR EVERY GIVER

Pledge Cards are available at the back of the church if you have been away or have not as yet had a chance to complete one. The completed cards may be returned to the Parish Office during the week or placed on the collection plate any weekend.

GOD'S WORD 2018 DAILY REFLECTIONS

Cost: \$20

CHOSEN – ADVENT & CHRISTMAS DAILY REFLECTIONS

Cost: \$4

Money tins are in the Narthex.

CALENDARS AND CHRISTMAS CARDS

We have Columban Calendars available for \$9 and Majellan Christmas Cards – pack of 10 for \$7- in the Narthex. Please put your money in the relevant honesty box.

PRISON SUNDAY

During his homily to prisoners the Holy Father said: "I ask that if you can perform a help or a service for your companion here in prison, do it. This is love, this is like washing the feet. It means being the servant of the other."

As Advent and the feast of Christmas draw near, through support from dioceses and parishes the Australian Catholic Prisoners Pastoral Care Council seeks to assure prisoners and their families that the Church cares about them and has not forgotten them.

CUPPA AFTER MASS TODAY



This weekend we welcome into our faith family: Amelia Grace Gaffy, James Maxwell Gaffy, Joshua Patrick Gaffy, William Majella Gaffy and Olivia Grace Worm.

We pray for



Our recently deceased and those who are grieving	
For those whose anniversary occurs	Caterina Salsone
Our sick and their carers	Eileen Ryan, Anne Heathman, John Harford

(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 Nov 18 th 6pm	Carol Coulston	Debbie Turvey	Ev Leahy	P Baldwin D Woodman	L McGrath G Ranson A Ciavarella	Simon Cowan
Sun Nov 19 th 9.30am	Simon Cowan	Ross Kelly	Fiona Cowan	B Curtis M O'Meara	L Cowan K Gaffy S Nihill	

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

DAY	DATE	
Monday	13 Nov	No Mass
Tuesday	14 Nov	No Mass
Wednesday	15 Nov	9.15am Mass
Thursday	16 Nov	9.15am Mass
Friday	17 Nov	9.15am Mass
Saturday	18 Nov	6pm Mass
Sunday	19 Nov	9.30am Mass
Saturday Reconciliation	18 Nov	11.30am
ROSARY	15 Minutes Before weekday Mass	

NOVEMBER DIARY DATES

Mon	13 Nov	Diocesan Golf Day for Victorian Priests – Tatura
Tues	14 Nov	10am Council of Priests – Shepparton 2pm Italian Rosary in the Church 7pm St Vincent de Paul at the Centre
Wed	15 Nov	Albert the Great
Thurs	16 Nov	Margaret of Scotland
Fri	17 Nov	11.40am Reco Jane Stock
Sat	18 Nov	8.30am Cemetery Mass 6pm Mass
Sun	19 Nov	9.30am Mass
Mon	20 Nov	In Service Clergy Dinner 6pm
Tues	21 Nov	In Service Shepparton 9.30am – 3.30pm
Wed	22 Nov	School Board 7pm Staff Room
Thurs	23 Nov	First reconciliation 7pm
Fri	24 Nov	Report writing day
Sat	25 Nov	6pm Mass
Sun	26 Nov	9.30am Mass

PASTORAL CARE

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

PLEASE NOTE: FIRST RECONCILIATION

First Reconciliation for our 9 candidates will now take place on **Thursday 23rd November** starting at 7pm.

St Vincent De Paul Village Bendigo Unit Vacancies

SVDP Village Bendigo – Expressions of interest are called for current vacancies at SVDP Village Bendigo. These are one bedroom units for persons of pensionable age who are able to live independently. For further information, please contact Mr Tony Ryan on 0407235130.

Spirituality in the Pub at the Terminus Hotel, Shepparton on **Monday 27th Nov 7.30 – 9 pm** (meals from 6 pm optional). Pope Francis recently delivered his first video TED talk **WHY THE ONLY FUTURE WORTH BUILDING INCLUDES EVERYONE!** We present this for discussion along with Francis' fellow Jesuit, Andrew Hamilton sj, theologian, editorial consultant of online magazine, *Eureka Street*, and policy officer with Jesuit Social Services, who will open up the topic from his perspective. Information fliers are at the back of church. Enquiries: Kerry 0408 579904 Frank 5821 4362



One More Chance to Stop Assisted Suicide

If you have been following the Assisted Suicide debate and are interested in having your local members hear your opinion you can phone Upper House Members before 14 November, and encourage them to focus government policy on palliative care and compassion at the end of our lives. State-sanctioned suicide/euthanasia fails to protect vulnerable people from coercion.

Mark Gepp	Tel: 03 5427 2444
Jaclyn Symes	Tel: 03 5783 2000
Wendy Lovell	Tel: 03 5821 6668
Luke O'Sullivan	Tel: 03 5443 6277
Daniel Young	Tel: 03 5799 1331

MANUS ISLAND CRISIS WHAT YOU CAN DO

A week after the official closure of the Manus Island detention centre, more than 600 refugees and people seeking asylum languish inside, unsafe and uncertain about their futures.

After forcibly transferring the men to Manus Island in 2013-2014, the Australian government and its sub-contractors have now abandoned the centre and the island, leaving vulnerable people seeking asylum without access to medical care, psychiatric treatment, food, water, or electricity.

1. Read and share the work of Behrouz Boochani -

Behrouz is a Kurdish journalist who has been detained on Manus Island by the Australian government since August 2013. He gives first hand accounts of what is happening on Manus and speaks truth to our politicians. You can find him on Twitter [@BehrouzBoochani](https://twitter.com/BehrouzBoochani)

2. Write a letter to your local MP -

Getup is calling on its members to write to local MPs, so they are aware of the broad public support to #BringThemHere.

3. Attend a local action -

across the country people are organising rallies, vigils and other actions to stand with the men on Manus.

4. You can read the joint catholic statement on the following link:

<https://capsa.org.au/catholic-statement>

ETHICAL CHRISTMAS GIFTS – FOOD WASTE

As Australians we can do more to cut back on the waste created as part of Christmas celebrations.

Australians are asked to consider the environmental impact of presents they gave their loved ones as per Pope Francis' Care of the Common Home publication.

1. Organisations such as Oxfam source products from a global community of ethical artisans and farmers.
2. You buy beautiful, unique, handmade pieces from around the globe.
3. Together, we empower communities to earn a living and lift themselves out of poverty.

Also shopping locally to support our local businesses is important. There's also local markets in the greater Shepparton area that have a huge range of wonderful gifts to purchase.

Tatura's next community market is on Saturday 25th November 2017.

<http://www.ethicalgifts.net.au/>

<https://shop.oxfam.org.au/christmas>

FOOD WASTE

Another area to consider is how much food is wasted over the Christmas period. Food waste in Australia each year totals nearly \$10 billion with the average Australian household loses more than \$1,000 annually.

When preparing for Christmas do a meal plan and write a list of what is needed to avoid having to throw out food that is not used.

CEMETERY MASS 2017

The Cemetery Mass will be held on Saturday 18th November at 8.30am. Please bring a chair.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMETABLE 2017

Reconciliation: Thursday 21st December 7.30pm

Saturday 23rd December	Mass	6.00pm
Sunday 24th December	Mass	9.30am

Christmas Eve

Sunday 24th December	Carols	6.00pm
Sunday 24th December	Mass	6.30pm

Christmas Day

Monday 25th December	Mass	9.00am
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Readings for
this week:

Wisdom 6:12-16
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 25:1-13



Readings for
next Sunday:

Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31
1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
Matthew 25:14-30



Liturgical Jottings

True Worship II

From the liturgy, therefore, and especially from the Eucharist, as from a font, grace is poured forth upon us; and the sanctification of men and women in Christ and the glorification of God, to which all other activities of the Church are directed as toward their end, is achieved in the most efficacious possible way.

Constitution on the Liturgy art.10

Pope Francis

The "immediate time" between the first and final coming of Christ, is the time we are living now. The parable of the ten maidens speaks to us now: He gives to us time for mercy and patience, a time of watchfulness; a time in which we must keep alight the lamps of faith, hope and charity, a time in which to keep our heart open to goodness, beauty and truth. *Pope Francis, in General Audience Wednesday, 24 April 2013*

Looking at the Readings

There are so many improbable features in the parable of today's gospel we must assume they are intentional by the storyteller, Christ, and to the listeners, we, ourselves should not be fooled by them. The improbables are: the lateness of the bridegroom; coming in the middle of the night; the lack of generosity the sensible ones; the futile attempt to find a shop open to buy oil; the locking of the door; the bridegrooms response to the five girls left out in the cold; Things don't happen like this. Yet we are asked to see beyond these improbables to reflect on its real message.

The last three Sundays of the liturgical year present us with three parables on the coming of Christ at the end of time. Today the Lord, like the bridegroom, will come suddenly and at an unexpected time; next week the parable of the talents with the final reckoning, again at a time unexpected, on the master's return and finally on the Feast of Christ the King, the last Sunday, the parable of the sheep and goats - the Last Judgment when our actions or inactions are judged.

"The fool says in his heart, 'There is no God' " but the wise, who do not know the day or hour of the Lord's coming are faithful, watchful and ready for the joyful coming of Christ.

Saint of the Week: St Albert the Great November 15

He was born in Lauingen on the Danube, studied at the University of Padua and taught first at the University of Paris, where he gathered around him a small band of budding theologians, including fellow Dominican Thomas Aquinas. In 1260, he was appointed bishop of Regensburg and he excelled as pastor, theologian, scientist and writer. He was friend and adviser to popes, bishops, kings, and statesmen. He died 15 November 1280, He a doctor of the Church and patron saint of scientists.

Quote of the Week

Natural science does not consist in ratifying what others have said, but in seeking the causes of phenomena. *St Albert the Great*

On the Lighter Side



In a moment of creative inspiration, an entrepreneur who opened a Laundromat beside a church in a new outer suburban area commissioned this sign for his window: "Where cleanliness really is next to Godliness!"

Forget EPA estimates! Per kilometre, the most expensive vehicle to operate is the shopping cart!

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Pope Francis [Twitter](#) @Pontifex Oct 16

Ensuring everyone's right to food and nourishment is an imperative we cannot ignore. It is a right to which there are no exceptions!