

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 the region.



**Sacred
Heart
Parish**
TATURA

Readings -
Year B
Mark
Weekday Year 2

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.

4th Sunday of Ordinary Time

28th January 2018

PRAYER FOR 2018

Loving Father.
May we live 2018 with
Compassion of heart
Clarity of word
Graciousness in our awareness
Courage in action
Generosity in love,
With Jesus always at our side.

Amen



WELCOME BACK TO THE TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

We welcome back our teachers and students for the start of the new school year.

Parishioners please be aware of children in the church grounds and on the crossing and in the carpark.



MORNING TEA THANK YOU

On Wednesday Fr Michael hosted a morning tea to thank the parishioners who faithfully attend weekday Mass. This wonderful team pray for our parish and the health of all our parishioners. A group of them also support our Baptismal program in God's Family by sending out cards on the anniversary of the children's baptism for four years.

Thank you to everybody.

ROSTERS IN THE NARTHEX

Please take a new roster there was an error with some of the Mass times which has now been amended.

We pray for



Our recently deceased and those who are grieving	Maria in Ceniti Chimirri (in Italy), Anna Frescher
For those whose anniversary occurs	Bob Warnett, Peter Warnett
Our sick and their carers	Eileen Ryan, Anne Heathman, John Harford, Terry White, Betty Curtis, Margot Kerrins, Lisa Wagner

(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 Feb 3 rd 6pm	Trish Miller	S Finlayson	B Miller	Joyce Caifa Delphi Hamilton	L McGrath A Ciavarella C Coulston	S Cowan
Sun Feb 4 th 9.30am	Simon Cowan	A M Nihill	D Turvey	Hutchison Family	E Worm A Hutchison C Serra	

MASSSES FOR THE COMING WEEK:

DAY	DATE	
Monday	29 Jan	No Mass
Tuesday	30 Jan	No Mass
Wednesday	31 Jan	9.15am Mass
Thursday	1 Feb	9.15am Mass
Friday	2 Feb	9.15am Mass
Saturday	3 Feb	6pm Mass
Sunday	4 Feb	9.30am Mass
Saturday Reconciliation	3 Feb	11.30am
ROSARY	15 Minutes Before weekday Mass	

AUSTRALIA DAY MASS

On Friday we celebrated a lovely Australia Day Mass. Thank you to those parishioners who came to celebrate the Mass. We have much in Australia to be thankful for.

JANUARY / FEBRUARY DIARY DATES

Mon	29 Jan	Teaching staff return
Tues	30 Jan	Students return to Term 1
Wed	31 Jan	5pm Caritas Meeting Shepparton Project Compassion
Thurs	1 Feb	
Fri	2 Feb	<i>The Presentation of the Lord</i>
Sat	3 Feb	
Sun	4 Feb	
Mon	5 Feb	<i>St Agatha</i>
Tues	6 Feb	<i>St Paul Miki and companions</i>
Wed	7 Feb	2pm CWL Parish Hall
Thurs	8 Feb	11am Prison Chaplains Benalla
Fri	9 Feb	9.15am Opening School Mass
Sat	10 Feb	6pm Mass
Sun	11 Feb	9.30am Children's Mass

PASTORAL CARE

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

January 28, 2018 - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties." - 1 Corinthians 7:32

How much anxiety do we bring upon ourselves by constantly worrying about not having enough or attaining more things? God won't necessarily give you everything you want, but He will provide everything you need. Try this – use the word "pray" instead of the word "worry" in the future.

"I found the one my heart loves." ~ [Song of Solomon 3:4](#)

POPE FRANCIS' 'CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME':

"I urgently appeal... for a new dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet..."
(Pope Francis).

HEATHCOTE PARISH WORKSHOP with Sr Cecilia Merrigan csb & Lyn Breen AFE Sandhurst
Wednesday 7TH February 2018 Presbytery next to Mary Help of Christians Church, 61 Ebdon St Heathcote. 11.45 am – 1.15 pm (following 11.00 am Mass and morning tea).

ALL WELCOME. NO COST. RSVP or welcome to just come along: Mary Help of Christians Parish
Heathcote@sandhurst.catholic.org.au OR
Sandhurst Diocese Chancery
adultfaith@sandhurst.catholic.org.au 'Ph (03) 5441 2544

GV Deanery **Wednesday 31st Jan**

St Brendan's Parish Centre, Shepparton
(behind church)

Cuppa at 5.00pm Meeting begins 5.20 pm Concludes by 7.00 pm

Does your parish have a Caritas/Justice Representative/s who can prepare displays, promote materials, work with your liturgists & preparers of bulletins, show films & powerpoints, photocopy materials, prepare handouts, identify ways of raising the profile of Campaigns and Justice issues....? The start of this new year would be a good time to speak with someone who has an interest in justice issues, local & global. These meetings in each deanery are a great starting point for new Parish Reps. Project Compassion materials will be distributed and workshopped, followed by discussion of the year's Social Justice agenda.

AUSTRALIA DAY AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to Kevin 'Gunna' Ryan who was awarded the Citizen of the Year.

Congratulations to Matt Miller who received the Tatura Australia Day Sports Award.

Congratulations to Katherine Wagner who received the Tatura Young Australian Citizen of the Year Award.

Congratulations to all the winners.



St Vincent's College Bendigo Race day and Dinner Reunion:

Saturday 17th February 2018.

All past students/partners/friends are invited to attend the Marong Cup at the Bendigo Racecourse. A reserved hospitality area will be provided.

A counter tea at the Bendigo Club, Park Street, Strathdale will follow at 7pm.

For more details contact Kevin McGrath phone 0408 124 829

Did you know?

- It is impossible for most people to lick their own elbow.
- A crocodile cannot stick its tongue out.
- A shrimp's heart is in its head.
- It is physically impossible for pigs to look up into the sky.
- The "sixth sick sheik's sixth sheep's sick" is believed to be the toughest tongue twister in the English language.

CUPPA AFTER MASS WILL BEGIN AGAIN IN FEBRUARY 11th Children's Mass

Karen Nihill and Ged Pollard are rostered on to bring refreshments for Cuppa after Mass.



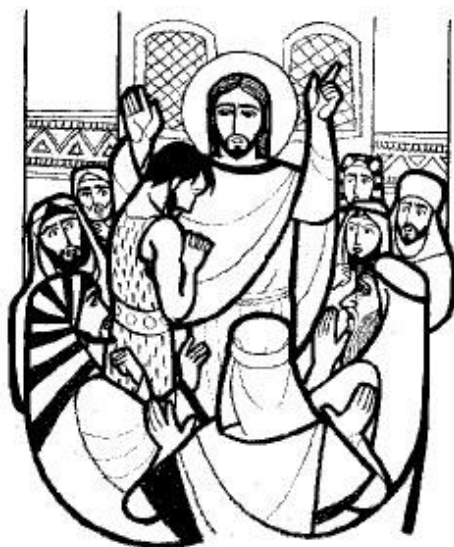
Readings for
this week:

Deuteronomy 18:15-20
1 Corinthians 7:32-35
Mark 1:21-28



Readings for
next Sunday:

Job 7:1-4,6-7
1 Cor 9: 16-19,22-23
Mark 1:29-39



Liturgical Jottings

Gospel Sequence

The Gospels from today to the end of this season before Lent, namely Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time form a 24 hour sequence in the life of Christ and his disciples at Capernaum (Mark 1:21-45). The day includes going to the synagogue, teaching, healing, visiting Peter's mother-in-law at home and dining with them, sleeping and praying the next morning.

Candles

Candles do not appear in the bible. True wax candles were invented in the middle ages and then quickly came in use at Mass. At least two or four or six candles (depending on the occasion) are placed on or near the altar. Candles may also be carried in the Entrance, Gospel and Recessional processions. On the feast of the Presentation of the Lord (2 February) candles are blessed for use in churches and homes.

Looking at the Readings

The Gospel of Mark, more than the other three Gospels invites the reader or listener into the very action scenes, which he describes both simply and promptly. We seem to be invited into the synagogue to witness his teaching and his healing of the possessed man. Then we are invited to believe in him and follow him.

Unlike the unclean spirit that called: "I know who you are, the Holy One of God!" we want to recognise Jesus in faith. This declaration of the spirit was not an act of faith. Faith involves recognition of God and oneself, prayer and worship, praise and thanksgiving, love and commitment and a participation in the cross and resurrection of Christ.

We discover from the first chapter of Mark's gospel that we, the readers, are on the journey with Christ, gradually learning who he is. From the first call we are slowly progressing towards the truth of faith. Jesus does not want our faith to stop at his miracles of healing. He asked the healed persons, their families and the observers to be quiet about the healings at least six times in the gospel. After the resurrection he wants us to say: "You are the saviour, the Son of God, truly I believe!"

Fifty ways to live the Joy of the Gospel (1-5)

These 50 ways will be serialised over the next several weeks

1. Hold or touch a cross, take a deep breath, and say 'yes' to living this day with hope.
2. Start and end each day with a prayer of praise.
3. Be grateful for a difficult challenge. How is the Lord teaching you?
4. During the Easter season, throw a resurrection party.
5. Extend a hand in friendship to a little-known neighbour.

Prayer for the Week

Word of a self-revealing God, Surprising Word, Decisive Word, Jesus, fear seizes all who meet you: Who are you, Lord, that we may believe in you? I am the prophet, God's voice among you. I am the truth, God's strength that frees you. I am love beyond all fear, God's gift that transfigures. *Tropaires for Sundays 56*

On the Lighter Side

Candlemas Day is 2 February. In France, known as La Chandeleur, crêpes are served at supper, also the Mexicans enjoy a local delicacy Tamales. Celts in general and the Irish in particular call Candlemas: "Imbolc". In America it is also Groundhog Day based on an old German saying: 'If Candlemas Day is bright and clear, there'll be two winters in the year.'

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THANKFUL
to God for a brand new year!
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