

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 region.



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TATURA

Readings -

Year B

Mark

Weekday Year 2

Parish Pastoral Council

In recess until further notice 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.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5th AUGUST 2018

WHAT COULD THE CHURCH LOOK LIKE IF WE LISTEN TO EACH OTHER?

You are invited to join an eConference group to talk about it! 'Synodality in Practice - Listening to the Spirit and Leading Change' ACBC - BBI eConference 2018

Time: 10am - 2:30pm

When: Wednesday 8 August

Speakers: Archbp Mark Coleridge, Mrs Lana Turvey-Collins, Prof Massimo Faggioli, Prof Richard Lennan, Dr Gemma Cruz. Cost: free. Join us or watch online:

www.bbi.catholic.edu.au/short-courses/2018/eConference.

*This year's eConference is part of preparations for Plenary 2020 – 2021.

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PARISH MASS

Sunday 12th August 9:30am

Followed by Morning Tea in the Mercy Centre

All school and parish families are very welcome and encouraged to come to this special Mass.

Please join us on the 12th August in helping to make this Mass a truly wonderful celebration in the life of our children and our parish.



Dear Prime Minister,

Confessional privilege on our legal tradition

It is important to note that confessional privilege was recognised in common law and civil legislation in many jurisdictions through history. Following some uncertainty about the position in Australian common law, confessional privilege was formally recognised in the Evidence Acts of Victoria, Tasmania and the Northern Territory and New Zealand from early in the twentieth century. In 1989, it was thought necessary formally to include it in the New South Wales Evidence Act; the Commonwealth followed suit in 1995.

Amongst the arguments made for recognising confessional privilege in civil law are:

- that cultures and policies like Australia's rightly recognise clear distinctions between Church and State (their fields of operation, goals, methods, leaders); while the two necessarily intersect at various points, even collaborate, they rightly give each other a wide berth at other times; to require priests (etc.) to break the seal of Confession would be overreach by the state into the domain of the 'sacred'.
- that freedoms of conscience, thought, speech, assembly, religious belief and practice are basic human rights, long recognised in international law, to some extent in Australian domestic law, and more broadly in Australian culture; not to recognise confessional privilege would go against these long standing philosophical, legal and cultural commitments and well recognised norms; to force a priest (etc.) to breach the seal would be to force him to act against the fundamental tenets of his faith.
- that many people left totalitarian regimes and came to Australia (or remain here) precisely because of Australia's record of respecting such freedoms; to deny confessional privilege would be to leave them in fear of surveillance and prosecution for their religion as commonly occurred in their country of origin..... (to be continued)

Archbishop Mark Coleridge

We pray
for



Our recently deceased and those who are grieving	
For those whose anniversary occurs at this time	
Our sick and their carers	Marli Kelly, Sister Stephanie Christian RSM, Denise Woodman, Terry White, Ben Warnett, Lisa Wagner, John Harford, Brian O'Meara

(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 Aug 11 th 6pm	Mary Gale	Trish Miller	Seth Hutchison	Joyce Caiafa Delphi Hamilton	Anne Hutchison Joan Webster Carol Coulston	Trish Warnett
Sun Aug 12 th 9.30am	FIRST EUCHARIST				Marli Kelly Ross Kelly Debbie Worm	

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK:		
DAY	DATE	
Monday	6 Aug	No Mass
Tuesday	7 Aug	No Mass
Wednesday	8 Aug	5.00pm Mass - St Mary MacKillop
Thursday	9 Aug	9.15am Mass
Friday	10 Aug	9.15am Mass
Saturday	11 Aug	Mass 6pm
Sunday	12 Aug	9.30am Mass
Saturday Reconciliation	13 Aug	11.30am Reconciliation
ROSARY	15 Minutes Before weekday Mass	

JULY / AUGUST DIARY DATES		
Mon	6 Aug	The Transfiguration of the Lord
Tues	7 Aug	Clergy Dinner and Night - Moama
Wed	8 Aug	St Mary of the Cross Virgin eConference - Shepparton
Thurs	9 Aug	
Fri	10 Aug	
Sat	11 Aug	Baptism during Mass-Tessa McCready
Sun	12 Aug	First Holy Communion – 8 children
Mon	13 Aug	
Tues	14 Aug	Vigil Mass 5.45pm
Wed	15 Aug	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Finance Meeting Parish Hall 5.30pm School Board Meeting
Thurs	16 Aug	Pupil-free Day
Fri	17 Aug	Pupil-free Day
Sat	18 Aug	
Sun	19 Aug	

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

FINAL MASS AT UNDERA

Since the Undera Church has been de-commissioned, there will be a final Mass on Sunday 26th August at 1:00pm. Following the Mass there will be refreshments in the Undera Hotel.

FEAST OF MARY OF THE CROSS (MACKILLOP)

Next Wednesday is her feast day and she is our own Australian saint. I will say Mass at 5.00pm; this may give a few more parishioners the opportunity to honour her and particularly to petition her for any request. We will certainly ask her to look after our country and help the drought situation in NSW and Queensland. *Fr. Michael*

SENATE EUTHANASIA DEBATE LOOMS Bishop Leslie Tomlinson has asked that we be very mindful of this euthanasia debate

The Senate will debate euthanasia in August, asking you to consider writing to your senator. You may recall the Senate has decided to debate the Restoring Territory Rights (Assisted Suicide Legislation) Bill 2015 on 14, 15 and 16 August, to allow territories the right to make laws on euthanasia. If the bill passes, it will effectively mean euthanasia will be legalised in the ACT and perhaps also in the Northern Territory. **PLEASE -**

- Write to senators to oppose euthanasia. The Senate will soon vote on a Bill which would allow territories to legalise euthanasia and assisted suicide. Please contact your senators TODAY and ask them to protect vulnerable people by voting against the Bill.

Visit the HOPE website to send your message <http://www.no euthanasia.org.au/sign>

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We congratulate Aria Lucy Lagozzino, daughter of Michael and Krystal, on her Baptism this weekend and welcome her into our parish community.

Repeat Notices

Divine Will Meeting at Holy Rosary Church

Divine Will Meeting at Holy Rosary Church, Hamelin Street, White Hills commencing with Mass at 9am, Thursday 9th August. The day will conclude with Divine Mercy Chaplet 3pm to 3:30pm. B.Y.O. Lunch. Tea and coffee provided.

Celebration of Fr Peter Taylor's 30th Anniversary of Ordination:

CHANGE OF DATE!!! Father Peter Taylor's 30th Anniversary of Ordination Celebration.

We have to change the of date for Fr Peter's Celebrations to the 16th September 2018.

Please join St Joseph's Parish Benalla.

Commencing after the completion of 10.30am Mass. A light lunch and beverages will be provided.

Please RSVP to the Parish Office by Friday 24th August for Catering Purposes.

St Joseph's Parish of Benalla 42 Arundel Street, Benalla 3672.

Phone 03 5762 2060 or Email; benalla@cdos.org.au

ALONG THE TRACK – Please pick up your copy from the Narthex.

This is a great article about “busyness”, and how we measure our self-worth!

Lessons from chooks!

.....I recently watched six bantam silky hens being gently herded around a back lawn. It was a novel and very calming experience. The owner of the hens told me that she does it every day for half an hour or so. “This is how the hens know I love them”, she told me, “so they give me an egg every day”.....



PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 – 2021

“Curiosity Corner” - Lana Turvey-Collins

The question for today is....

How is a Plenary Council different from a Synod?

Both gatherings can be influential for the Church. A Plenary Council is the highest form of gathering of a local Church and has legislative and governance authority. The decisions made at the Council become binding for the Catholic Church in Australia. A Synod does not have this legislative and governance authority.

Plenary Council offers a chance for the Church to rediscover its relevance. By Sr. Mary Fermio RSJ and Sr. Audrey Thomson RSJ

The invitation to take part in the Plenary Council offers all in the Church a wonderful opportunity to be in dialogue with all Catholics-lay, Religious and clerics-across Australia. It can enable all to have a voice in determining how we can restore relevance to the Church in our society-a relevance which has been tarnished and greatly diminished by scandals, cover-ups and other factors which have caused many to feel alienated and without hope.

By Sr. Mary Fermio RSJ and Sr. Audrey Thomson RSJ

GOOD NEWS FROM BISHOP LESLIE!

This morning I received a letter from Archbishop Jose Palma, the Archbishop of Cebu, in response to Father Novelito Lim's request to be incardinated into the Diocese of Sandhurst. Archbishop Palma has kindly agreed to this request and I have today incardinated Father Novelito into the Diocese of Sandhurst. A very warm welcome to Father Novi as an incardinated priest of Sandhurst! Next week we will welcome Fr Shibu Joseph Pezhumthottathil who will arrive from Hyderabad in India. Fr Shibu Joseph is priest of the Apostolic Life Community of Priests in the Opus Spiritus Sancti (ALCP/OSS) the same community as Fr Vijay Bandanadam who arrived in March this year. Fr Shibu was ordained a Priest in the Syro Malabar Rite on 19th April 2004 in the Diocese of Kanjirapally in his native state of Kerala. He has been a Parish Priest since 2004 and has experience in four parishes, the latest being the Holy Spirit Church in Hyderabad

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM – AIRS 12 August 2018

Just a reminder, that all Journey Catholic Radio information is always a week in advance

This week on The Journey, we have invited the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle to share with us their reflection from the Gospel of John. Trish McCarthy joins us in her Milk & Honey segment and reminds us that Life is Fragile, and Bruce Downes, The Catholic Guy talks to us about Trusting is a Better Life. Christian Music is an integral part of our show and together with our God Spots, this is the Journey Catholic Radio, where faith, hope, love and life come together. Go to WWW.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.



Readings for
this Sunday Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15
Ephesians 4:17, 20-24
John 6:24-35



Readings for
next week: 1 Kings 19:4-8
Ephesians 4:30-5:2
John 6:41-51



Liturgical Jottings

Baptismal Water

The symbols of Baptism carry many meanings which are negotiated by culture, experience and use. The symbol of the water of baptism is understood primarily through the experience of salvation history and the actions and teaching of Christ. Water conveys meanings of birth, life, refreshment, washing, power and even death. The Blessing of the Baptismal Water alludes to creation, the great flood, crossing the Red Sea, River Jordan, and Christ at the well and on his cross. (Rite n 91)

The Water used at baptism must be natural, clean, fresh and pure. It is blessed at the Easter Vigil or at the rite of baptism. The Rite gives two methods: immersion into or pouring of water with the words "{Name}, I baptise you in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit." (Rite n. 97)

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Focus on the Readings

I think of the Polynesians canoeing to New Zealand in the thirteenth century. It must have been very daring and dangerous. How did they calculate the weather and oceans conditions, distance, direction, supplies needed and social dynamics and then arrive safely to establish the Maori nation? Similarly with Moses and the Israelite crossing the Red Sea and the Desert. How did they make the necessary arrangements and calculations? Scripture attests to God's interventions, guidance and promises and the people's grumblings and repentances. Today's first reading gives an account of their grumbling faced with starvation and thirst. Did they think it was a waste of time and effort to embark on the journey (of faith)? God provided; they survived for another day!

Christians are faced with a similar question: "Is it a waste of time following Jesus Christ, being faithful to him and the church's teaching? Cannot we be like the other people? The aftermath of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes answers the quest of the people then and the questions we have today. Christ offers food to satisfy, not physical hunger, but spiritual hunger: the quest for the meaning of life and relationships, happiness in ourselves and with others. The journey requires faith, God's Word, the Bread of Life and prayer.

St Paul's last words in the second reading today are most apt: "Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth."

Feast Days this Week

Transfiguration of the Lord, Monday 6 Aug;
St Sixtus II and companions; St Cajetan, Tuesday 7 Aug;
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Wednesday 8 Aug;
St Teresa Benedicta (Edith Stein), Thursday 9 Aug;
St Laurence (Deacon to St Pope Sixtus II), Friday 10 Aug;
St Clare of Assisi (Foundress of the Poor Clares), Saturday 11 Aug.

Words of Pope Francis

To recognize the word that the Lord wishes to speak to us through one of his saints, we do not need to get caught up in details, ... What we need to contemplate is the totality of their life, their entire journey of growth in holiness, the reflection of Jesus that emerges when we grasp their overall meaning as a person. This is a powerful summons to all of us. You too need to see the entirety of your life as a mission. *Pope Francis, Gaudete Et Exsultate (2018) para 22-23)*

On the Lighter Side

Ever stop to think, and forget to start again?

My life has a superb cast, but I can't figure out the plot.

I don't have a problem with willpower. It's with won't power!



Sandhurst Youth Ministry & Stronger Youth Rally

Stronger Rally which takes place in Wodonga Catholic Parish, (Sacred Heart Church), Beechworth Road Wodonga, on August 17th 2018 from 6pm to 9pm.

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