

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 this region.



Readings
Year C
Luke

Weekday Year 1

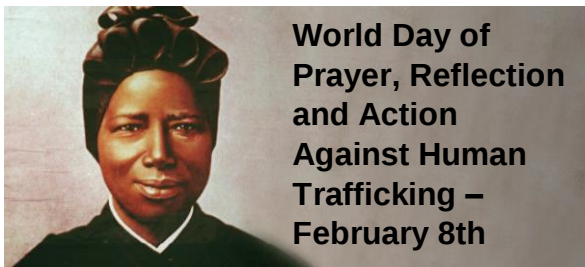


Parish Pastoral Council
In recess until further notice

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.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 10th February 2019



Pope Francis has declared the feast of St Josephine Bakhita (patron saint of victims of slavery) 8th February, we are being urged to work together, through grass roots action and corporate governance, to end slavery around the world. This special day gives us an opportunity to reflect on what we do and what we buy and if necessary, to commit to act differently in order to work towards the elimination of slavery. Australia's Modern Slavery Act came into effect on 1st Jan. To learn more, go to <https://acrath.org.au/>

St Josephine Bakhita is one of the most recently canonized saints being canonized in 2000. She is honoured as the patron saint of Sudan, South Sudan and of people who are trafficked or held in slave-like conditions.

Born in Olgossa in the Darfur region of southern Sudan in 1869, she was kidnapped and sold into slavery as a little girl and forced to work. She later told how her slave owner gave her the name Bakhita, which means fortunate. As a young girl, she was resold several times, until finally in 1883 she was sold to the Italian consul in Sudan.

Two years later, he took his slave, Bakhita, to Italy and gave her to his friend as a babysitter. One of her tasks was to accompany her charges to a school run by the Canossian Sisters in Venice. Over time,

Bakhita felt drawn to the Good News of Jesus. She was baptized and confirmed in the Catholic Church in 1890, taking the name Josephine.

When the Italian slave owner and his family wanted to take their slave, Josephine, back to Africa, she refused to go. During the ensuing court case, the Canossian Sisters and the patriarch of Venice intervened on Josephine's behalf and the judge eventually concluded that since slavery was illegal in Italy, Josephine had to be released from the bonds of slavery and given her freedom.

Josephine later joined the Canossian Sisters in 1893 and made her profession three years later. She spent the rest of her life living in her religious community, cooking, sewing and kindly welcoming visitors at the door. Her life as a Sister became one of 'service freely given' and the children and local citizens grew to love her.

Josephine once said, "Be good, love the Lord, pray for those who do not know God, for what a great grace it is to know God!" Josephine Bakhita died in 1947.

So let's take a few moments to reflect on how we will each take the challenge of the Gospel to heart and be prepared, whatever the cost, to help bring the good news of freedom and justice to all.

Cuppa After Mass

Thank you to Anne Hutchinson & Sue Worm who have volunteered to be the hosts for this Month.

We are still needing hosts for Mar, Apr, Oct & Dec.



	Those who are recently deceased and those who are grieving	John Shanks
	For those whose anniversary occurs at this time	Terry Krahe, Margaret Kearney, Angelo Serra
	Our sick and their carers	Coral Reilly, Harley Jones, Diane Mulcahy, Ebony Hamilton

(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	Counter
Saturday 16 th February 6:00 pm	Trish Miller	Steph Hicks	Seth Hutchinson	J Cummins E Leahy	A Hutchinson A Hicks J Webster	Gwen Ranson
Sunday 17 th February 9:30 am	Simon Cowan	Maria Spedding	Luc	Barry & Jan Lowe	G Ranson L Cowan S Nihill	

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK		
DAY	DATE	
Monday	11 Feb	No Mass
Tuesday	12 Feb	No Mass
Wednesday	13 Feb	9:15 am Anointing Mass
Thursday	14 Feb	9:15 am Mass
Friday	15 Feb	9:15 am Mass
Saturday	16 Feb	6:00 pm Mass
Sunday	17 Feb	9:30 am Mass
Saturday Reconciliation	16 Feb	11:30 am Reconciliation
ROSARY	15 Minutes Before Weekday Mass	
JANUARY/FEBRUARY DIARY DATES		
Mon	11 Feb	Our Lady of Lourdes
Tues	12 Feb	2:00 pm Italian Rosary 7:00 pm St Vincent de Paul meeting
Wed	13 Feb	5:00 pm Project Compassion - Shep 5:30 pm Finance Committee 7:00 pm Fete Committee
Thurs	14 Feb	11:00 am Prison Chaplains – Benalla
Fri	15 Feb	
Sat	16 Feb	
Sun	17 Feb	
Mon	18 Feb	
Tues	19 Feb	6:00 pm Mass & Dinner for CEO –Shep
Wed	20 Feb	
Thurs	21 Feb	5:00 pm BBQ – School
Fri	22 Feb	Chair of Peter
Sat	23 Feb	
Sun	24 Feb	
Pauline Hindson 5824 1841; Anne Hutchison 5824 3460; Debbie Worm 5824 1841		

Fr Jake Mudge

The Bishop has received the wonderful news from Father Jake Mudge, that he has been awarded his Doctorate in Sacred Theology, *Magna cum Laude* by the Gregorian University, Rome. I am sure you all share the deep joy of this achievement of Father Jake. It seems that the last priest of Sandhurst to achieve a doctorate was Monsignor Otto Francis Meyer who was born in Lockwood in 1880 and gained a PhD in 1904 and a Doctorate of Divinity in 1907 in Rome.

We offer our heartfelt congratulations to Doctor Jake and pray that God will continue to richly bless him in his priestly ministry in the Church and for the Diocese of Sandhurst. Well done!

February 10, 2019 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?' 'Here I am,' I said, 'send me!'" (Isaiah 6:8)

Every day, in little ways and in big ways, God asks, "Whom shall I send?" Whether it is someone to take on a new ministry, to give a friendly smile to a stranger or say a word of encouragement to a friend, God constantly provides opportunities to help someone in need. The next time you hear God calling, have the courage to walk through the door and say "Here I am, Lord."

ORDINARY TIME TRIVIA

It Wasn't Always Ordinary

During much of the Church's history, Ordinary Time was referred to as the "Season after Epiphany" and the "Season after Pentecost." It wasn't until the new Catholic calendar took effect in 1969 after the Second Vatican Council that the term "Ordinary Time" came into common use in the liturgical calendar



Broken Bay to use 2019 as Year of Discernment

by Daniel Ang, director of the Broken Bay Office for Evangelisation

This Year of Discernment will invite us to become sensitive to the presence and guidance of the Holy Spirit – the Spirit who enables us to be faithful to Jesus in the present and who continually invites greater life in our future, abundance where there is poverty, communion where there is division, hope where there is despair, possibility where there is seeming limitation.

As it has been said, when the Spirit breaks in there comes the hope of a new day and the courage and strength to move toward it.

Our dedication to dialogue and discernment as a part of Plenary Council 2020 will express our conviction that God is at work in world history, in the events of our life, in the people we encounter and those who share life with us.

[W]e are called to listen to what the Spirit suggests to us and to discern the movement of God, so we can choose and accomplish the good that God wants.

To view the whole article go to
https://gallery.mailchimp.com/9d4348a071b7eaca33e0f72a7/files/3a654d3d-bede-4c62-84d3-222b9390efc9/Daniel_Ang_BBN_February.pdf
Plenary Post, Edition 13 – pages 3-4

100-Day Bible Reading Plan

One of our Parishioners received a Good New Bible recently and within is a wonderful guide for reading the Bible and wanted to share it with us. Over the next 15 weeks' we will outline the 100-day reading plan.

The Bible is not just one book – it's a whole library. Like any library, it is often helpful to have some guidance on where to find the information we want, easily and quickly. ... In just 100 days you will discover the core of the Bible's message.

Here is a guide to discovering what the Bible has to say as you open it each day.

Pray: Ask God to help you understand and respond to what you read.

Read: Read the passage carefully, and ask: What is the main point of this Passage? What does it teach me about God, or Jesus or the Holy Spirit?

Think: Is there a promise or a command, a warning or an example to take special notice of? How does the passage help me to understand myself, my situation or my relationships?

Pray: Use the reading to help you worship God and to pray for yourself and others.

Share: Think of how you could share what you have learnt with other people – in words and in practical action.

The birth of the Saviour

1. Matthew 1:18-25
2. Luke 2:1-20
3. Matthew 2:1-12
4. John 1:1-18

Jesus Christ Son of God

5. Mark 1:1-13
6. Mark 1:14-28
7. Mark 1:29-45

To be continued next week

Expressions of Interest for a 12 month position for School Chaplain

funded by the National School Chaplaincy
Program [NSCP]

**We are seeking a dynamic team player to
work in our school community to support
wellbeing, safety and inclusion of all
children**

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN WORKING IN A TEAM TO:

- support students and families through education [eg grief and loss program]
- connect students and families to resources [eg counselling, mediation, finance]
- build community partnerships [eg Men's Shed, Playgroup]

REQUIRED:

- Valid Working With Children's Check
- Certificate IV in Community Service Work, Social Work, or
- Certificate IV in Chaplaincy and Pastoral Care;
- Or equivalent qualification that is listed on, or consistent with, the requirements for membership of, or registration with, one of the following professional bodies:
the Psychology Board of Australia (PBA) or the Australian Association of Social Workers (AASW)
- 20 hours per fortnight during school terms

Please call for an application package or for further information

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**Expressions of Interest close:
4pm Wednesday 13th February**

Along the Track – A Better World

Copies of the latest Along the Track are in the Narthex, or visit www2.ceosale.catholic.edu.au/Along_the_Tracks.aspx

Here is an excerpt from the full article.

How beautiful would it be to leave the world a better place than the way we found it.

Although this statement has been attributed to Pope Francis, many famous people have expressed a similar wish. ... Although we might like to leave the world a better place, that doesn't happen automatically. We can - if we work at it little by little, step by step, hour by hour, day by day. And we start with ourselves.



Readings for
this week:

Isaiah 6:1-8
1 Corinthians 15:1-11
Luke 5:1-11



Readings for
next Sunday

Jeremiah 17:5-8
1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20
Luke 6:17,20-26



Liturgical Jottings

RCIA Periods and Steps

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults as restored in the Western Church since 1972 is, in fact, many rites. Firstly we must acknowledge that the early church (first 500 years) had an extended period for Catechumens and the Missionary Churches a form of preparation for adults in 1800's to 1970's

The restored RCIA is extended into three periods each with several steps, rites and other celebrations. The first period, called Evangelisation and pre-Catechumenate, It is a time to hear the Word of Christ, to seek a relationship with the living God, and inquiry into the faith. For some people this may take a long time, even unconsciously taking in the witness and prayers of Christians. For others, by invitation or prompting by the Spirit they actively start this inquiry period.

Looking at the Readings

The theme that comes through this week's readings is one of 'being called'. The first reading is the call of the prophet Isaiah (Is 6:1-8). Isaiah experiences a vision of the glory of God and is humbly reminded of his own deficiencies: he believes himself to be 'a man of unclean lips'. As such, he is certainly unfit to speak on behalf of God as his unclean lips would taint whatever message he may speak. But his lips are cleansed by God who then asks, 'Whom shall I send?' Demonstrating a complete conversion of heart and mind, Isaiah immediately replies, 'Here I am, send me!'

This first reading provides a perfect balance to the gospel. Jesus is being closely pressed by the crowd when he asks a nearby fisherman to take him just off shore to preach without being overwhelmed by the crowd. Seemingly at random, he has selected the boat of the fisherman Peter. Having finished preaching for the day, Jesus tells Peter to set out into deeper water and pay out his fishing nets. Peter is certainly not keen on the idea! Out of some interest or good nature he had agreed to allow this preacher to use his boat for a while, but now this country bumpkin is trying to tell him how to fish! Just to prove Jesus wrong, Peter agrees to go through the futile exercise and is overwhelmed by the enormous catch of fish. Like Isaiah in the first reading, Peter is suddenly acutely aware of his own deficiencies – 'Leave me Lord; I am a sinful man'. Like Isaiah, he recognises that he has just seen the glory of God revealed and he feels unworthy to be part of the experience. But Jesus reassures him, 'Do not be afraid,' and calls Peter to follow. © Greg Sunte

Ss Cyril and Methodius, and St Valentine

These saints share 14 February as their feast day. Ss Cyril and Methodius, brothers, were sent as missionaries to Slavonic and Moravian peoples, developed the glagolitic and Cyrillic alphabets and translated the Scriptures and Liturgies into the vernacular. They are patron saints of Eastern Europe. St Valentine, a Roman martyr, is patron saint of engaged couples. Their feast day was omitted last year because it fell on Ash Wednesday.

On the Lighter Side

Q. What kind of music should you listen to while fishing?

A. Something catchy! Q. Why didn't Noah do much fishing on the ark? A. He had only two worms. Q. Where do goldfish go on vacation? A. Around the globe! Q. How do you communicate with a fish? A. Drop it a line!



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Do not be afraid: from now on you will be catching men.

Luke 5:10