

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

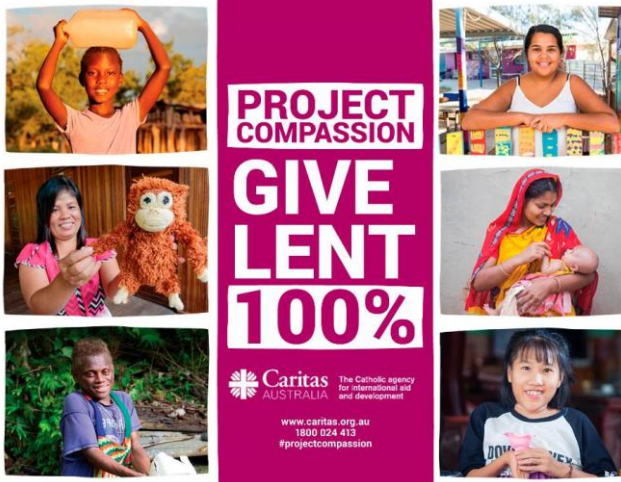


Parish Pastoral Council
In recess until further notice

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.

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 24th February 2019



Next Sunday is Project Compassion Sunday and we will have envelopes and boxes for collection after Mass.

The theme for Project Compassion 2019 is based around Hope and giving Lent 100% in the name of hope.

Hope enables us to rise above our fears and helps those in great need to shape a better future for their communities. Through your generous support of Caritas Australia you are demonstrating the power of hope.

For the past 55 years, Caritas Australia has worked together with our neighbours in Australia and around the world helping those most in need.

Throughout Lent we will be featuring an article from Project Compassion about a child and how Project Compassion has made a difference in their life.



Shrove Tuesday 5th March Can you help cook pancakes? Do you like to eat pancakes?

You are most welcome to come along and help cook the pancakes and meet other members of Sacred Heart community.

Please come to the school between 10-11am
You can bring an egg flip, apron, bowl etc or just yourself.

Donations of pancake mix, lemons, butter, syrup etc would be greatly appreciated and can be sent to school by Tuesday, March 5th.

Anyone who would like a pancake can come along to school and share in the fun for a gold coin donation.

All money raised will be go to CARITAS.

If you can help please contact the school office on
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What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self control. Galatians 5:22

	Those who are recently deceased and those who are grieving	Coral Reilly, Ray Wardle, Terence Walsh, Filomena Moro – One Month
	For those whose anniversary occurs at this time	Betty Curtis, Gerard Edward Morley, Mons Patrick Collins, Anthony Kelly, Arc Angelina Carrafa
	Our sick and their carers	Brian Morley, 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 2 nd March 6:00 pm	Denise Bourke	Shelia Gregg	Doreen Corrigan	P Newman P Anderson	J Webster A Ciavarella C Coulston	Simon Cowan
Sunday 3 rd March 9:30 am	Debbie Worm	Ross Kelly	Carmel White	R Miller B Mahar	E Worm C Serra K Gaffy	

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK		
DAY	DATE	
Monday	25 Feb	No Mass
Tuesday	26 Feb	No Mass
Wednesday	27 Feb	9:15 am Mass 1:00 pm Funeral Mass
Thursday	28 Feb	9:15 am Mass
Friday	1 st Mar	9:15 am School Mass
Saturday	2 nd Mar	6:00 pm Mass
Sunday	3 rd Mar	9:30 am Mass
Saturday Reconciliation	2 nd Mar	11:30 am Reconciliation
ROSARY	15 Minutes Before Weekday Mass	
FEBRUARY/MARCH DIARY DATES		
Mon	25 Feb	
Tues	26 Feb	10:00 am Council of Priest - Bendigo
Wed	27 Feb	No School 7:00 pm School Board Meeting
Thurs	28 Feb	
Fri	1 Mar	7:30 pm World Day of Pray St Andrew's Presbyterian Church Tatura
Sat	2 Mar	
Sun	3 Mar	Project Compassion Sunday
Mon	4 Mar	
Tues	5 Mar	Strove Tuesday 10:00 am Pancake at the School
Wed	6 Mar	Ash Wednesday 9:15 am School Mass 5:45 pm Mass
Thurs	7 Mar	11:00 am Notre Dame College Opening Mass Twilight Sports
Fri	8 Mar	
Sat	9 Mar	Long weekend
Sun	10 Mar	Long Weekend

CHANGE OF DATE FOR CONFIRMATION

The Bishop has contacted me regarding the date for Confirmation. He needs to change the date of Saturday 14th September. So we have decided to accept the Wednesday before which will be Wednesday 11th September and the time will be at 6:30 pm. It may be difficult for some being a weekday but it is out of our control.

Remember that the date for the children's First Holy Communion is Sunday 11th August, 9:30 am.

"They word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path" Psalm 119:105

February 24, 2019 - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

"But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend without expecting anything back." (Luke 6:35)

Easier said than done, right? But, if we are to imitate Christ, most of us need to practice mercy and compassion more frequently. Start with the little daily annoyances that we experience, the unkind word or hateful glance we receive. Instead of plotting revenge on that person, try saying a quick prayer for that person. Mercy and compassion will put us on the path to holiness.

ROSTER

The March 2019 rosters are now available. Copies are in the Narthex and also on the website. if you are unable to attend on your rostered day please contact Trish Warnett on as soon as possible on 5824 1083 or 0410 094 323.



In the 14th edition of the Plenary Council 2020 Plenary Post Lana Tuvey-Collins talks about how some people think that it is “a feel-good” exercise without teeth or that it doesn’t address the issues or problems they feel are critical.

She said “We are very good at listing ‘issues’ or telling others what ‘the problems’ are – and this is important, but it doesn’t help us to understand one another.

I want to emphasise that everyone is invited to respond to three questions:

1. What do you think God is asking of us in Australia?
2. What questions do you have about the future of the Church that you would like the Council to consider?
3. What are your stories of your experience of faith, or of the Church in Australia, that you would like to share?

The first question is about casting a vision for what might be possible for our future, trying to connect with God’s voice in your heart. What do you think about for our future? What do you imagine? What could be possible for us all, with God? What are we being called to? It’s a challenging question because it asks each of us to stretch our imaginations beyond anything we have lived or experienced in the past.

The second question invites everyone to name the priority issues and topics for the future of the Church in Australia as part of Australian society.

The third question is an invitation to share stories, because the story gives context -- a human encounter and lived reality to accompany any person’s responses to the first two questions. It helps others reading your response to understand a little more about you, giving insight to your sense of faith and your lived faith experience.

As a Church, if we are to “meet the unmet need”, then we cannot do this apart from one another. We must be connected, and this requires crossing borders, breaking through barriers and actively dismantling silos. Sharing stories is one of the best ways to connect with one another and then we can build upon the foundation of relationship and understanding.”

Don’t forget that there are postcards in the Narthex that you can complete and address these three questions.

Along the Track

The latest edition of Along the Track is now available in the Narthex. Here is a small exert from this edition.

Being and Building Community

Throughout the writings of the Hebrew Scriptures, there is a strong religious challenge to always welcome the stranger, the foreigner. Why? Because the Jewish people themselves had once been foreigners, immigrants and exiles. Their scriptures kept reminding them not to forget that. Second, they believed that God’s revelation very often, comes to us through the stranger, in what’s foreign to us. That belief was integral to their faith.



Spirituality in the Pub

at the Terminus Hotel
Shepparton on

Wednesday 13th March
7.30 – 9 pm (meals from 6 pm optional).

Come and discover life in Zimbabwe where collecting water risks a meeting with a crocodile! Guest Speaker, **Super Dube**, manages Caritas Hwange’s Integrated Community Development Program, supported by Caritas Australia. One of the biggest challenges confronting the community is lack of clean water and access to sanitation. And food security is never guaranteed.

Information fliers are at the back of church.
Enquiries: Kerry 0408 579904

100-Day Bible Reading Plan

Continued from last week

We hope you are enjoying reading the Bible, if you are following us on Facebook then each day we list the reading for that day so if for some reason you miss the bulletin you can find out what the reading is via our Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/sacredheartparishtatura/>

In the Beginning

Day 15 Genesis 4:1-16
Day 16 Genesis 6:1-22
Day 17 Genesis 7:1-24
Day 18 Genesis 8:1-22

Abraham

Day 19 Genesis 12:1-20
Day 20 Genesis 15:1-21
Day 21 Genesis 18:1-15

To be continued next week



Readings for
this week:

1 Samuel 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Luke 6:27-38



Readings for
next Sunday

Sirach 27:4-7

1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Luke 6:39-45



Liturgical Jottings RCIA STEP 1 (cont.)

Several rites are celebrated during the Period of the Catechumenate:

- Celebrations of the Word of God
As part of the Sunday Mass and at meetings for instruction and prayer

- Minor Exorcisms

These prayers of intercession for the catechumens focus on conversion to Christian life, self-denial for reaching the blessedness of God and asking for God's help.

- Anointing of the Catechumens
Anointing with the Catechumenate oil may be celebrated once or several times symbolising the need for God's help and strengthening.

The following rites may be celebrated during this period or the next depending on the time now or during the season of Lent:

- Presentation of the Creed
- Presentation of the Lord's Prayer
- Ephphetha Rite

Looking at the Readings

Perhaps one of the most difficult lessons to learn is forgiveness of those whom we consider our enemies, those who have wronged us. As challenging as this may be, the Gospel calls us to a very high standard: we must be merciful as God is merciful. If such perfection can become a reality in our lives, we will be able to forgive. Paul assures us that we can indeed attain such perfection, not by ourselves, but through the power of the risen Lord whose image we bear.

Paul plays with the theology of creation. In the beginning, we were made like the first Adam, earthly, limited, weak, concerned about the things of this world, and committed to our own well being. Through baptism we have been fashioned after the image of the second Adam, Christ the risen Lord. Being like Christ, we become godlike, empowered with his saving power, transformed with him into new beings. It is now in our power, which is really the power of the resurrection, to be merciful as God is merciful. In the risen Lord we experience a mystical transformation. From now on, all of our actions can flow from this new reality.

Transformed by the power of the resurrection, we are capable of unprecedented good works. We can live without retaliation; we can render good for evil. We can be prodigal in our generosity toward others; we can relinquish any rights of proprietorship that we might enjoy. We can live with others without unfairly judging them. We can be like God, boundless in our forgiveness. © Dianne Bergant CSA

Word from Pope Francis

Pray for those who want to destroy you. Pray for those who hurt you. Pray for your enemies and ask God to bless them. It is difficult to do so and perhaps even more difficult to understand, yet Christians are called to this "mystery" according to the glorious example of Jesus Christ. *Pope Francis, homily 19 June 2018*

Quotable Quote

"Keep your friends close and your enemies closer." *Michael Corleone in The Godfather II (1974), by Mario Puzo and Francis Ford Coppola:*

On the Lighter Side

Woman at church said: "I am really blest, I have no enemies." "That's very good news," said the new Parish Priest. "Yes," she replied, "I am 94 and outlived them all!"

Billboard: "Love your enemies; After all, you made them."

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World Day of Pray – March 2019

Slovenia 'Come – Everything is Ready'

Friday 1st March, 7:30 pm St Andrew's Presbyterian Church Tatura (Supper to follow)