

First Sunday of Lent

1st March 2020



*Readings for
this week:*

Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7
Romans 5:12-19
Matthew 4:1-11



*Readings for
next Sunday:*

Genesis 12:1-4
2 Timothy 1:8-10
Matthew 17:1-9



Liturgical Jottings Lenten Prefaces

The Liturgy of the Season of Lent in year A presents us with a Preface proper for each and every Sunday. The preface is the prayer before the Holy, Holy, Holy of the Eucharistic Prayer. In years B & C we use common Prefaces.

Each Sunday of Year A the Gospel and the Preface are linked: Jesus temptation in the wilderness (1), the Transfiguration (2), the Samaritan woman (3), the man born blind (4), Lazarus (5) and the Passion of the Lord on Palm (Passion) Sunday. Each has several themes in the text and each point to the Resurrection, five of the six mention it explicitly. Our Lent, of course, is our experience of the death and resurrection of the Lord in our fasting, sacrifice, prayer and giving to the poor.

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Looking at the Readings

The temptation of Christ in the Gospel is recorded in all three of the synoptic Gospels: Matthew 4:1-11, Mark 1:12-13 and Luke 4:1-13. Mark's version is very brief and the temptations in the wilderness are not recording in the Gospel of John.

While Matthew and Luke's account are similar in content, length and message for the reader, there are subtle differences: two of which are order of the temptations by the devil and particularly the last and ominous line in Luke but not in today's Matthean text: "The devil left Jesus to return at the appointed time." Reading and comparing the two versions are worthwhile for a deeper understanding and insight into Christ and his message.

The Preface (see left column) gives a spiritual application for the Christian: to reject the devil temptations' rid ourself of evil, (former translation) and by celebration the Paschal mystery we might pass over to eternal life.

Pope Francis Message for Lent 2020

This year the Lord grants us, once again, a favourable time to prepare to celebrate with renewed hearts the great mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus, the cornerstone of our personal and communal Christian life. We must continually return to this mystery in mind and heart, for it will continue to grow within us in the measure that we are open to its spiritual power and respond with freedom and generosity. (Para 1)

Did You Know?

The readings of the first and second week of Lent, Year A, go back as early as the fourth century in the Roman Liturgy. Temptation by the devil in Genesis and Matthew (week 1) and the call of Abraham in Genesis and the witness of Moses and Elijah in Matthew (week 2) are tenuously but not intentionally connected. Pope Leo (440-461) speaks of Matthew's penitential character of these readings.

On the Lighter Side

I asked the children on Shrove Tuesday to help me answer people's questions: "What can I give up for Lent?" By far the most common answer was: "Cut down on technology: games. Apps, phones ..." and things about which I know nothing. The second most common response didn't answer the question exactly but were excellent responses: "Doing good, show kindness and peace, give to the poor."



	Those who are recently deceased and those who are grieving	
	For those whose anniversary occurs at this time	Archangelina Carrafa
	Our sick and their carers	Cecilia Bannan, Sean Raymond, Rosario Sorbello

Date	Commentator	Reader	Gospel Procession	Presentation of the Gifts	Special Ministers	Counter
Saturday 7 th March 6.00 pm	Mary Gale	Steph Hicks	Seth Hutchison	P Anderson P Newman	A Hicks C Coulston G LoPiccolo	Gwen Ranson
Sunday 8 th March 9.30 am	Robert Miller	Dean Filgate	Debbie Turvey	B & J Lowe	G Ranson A Ciavarella R Kelly	

MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK		
Monday	2 Mar	
Tuesday	3 Mar	5:30 pm Mass
Wednesday	4 Mar	9:15 am Mass
Thursday	5 Mar	9:15 am Mass
Friday	6 Mar	9:15 am Mass
Saturday	7 Mar	6:00 pm Mass
Sunday	8 Mar	9:30 am Mass
Saturday Reconciliation	7 Mar	11:30 am
Rosary	15 minutes Before Weekday Mass	

DIARY DATES		
Mon	2 Mar	7:00 pm Spirituality in the Pub
Tues	3 Mar	
Wed	4 Mar	11.00 am Moyola Anointing Mass 2.00 pm Catholic Women's Chat 7.00 pm PPC meeting
Thur	5 Mar	
Fri	6 Mar	
Sat	7 Mar	
Sun	8 Mar	2 nd Sunday of Lent
Mon	9 Mar	<i>Labour Day Public Holiday</i>
Tues	10 Mar	2.00 pm Italian Rosary 5.15pm Benediction
Wed	11 Mar	9.15 am Anointing Mass
Thur	12 Mar	
Fri	13 Mar	
Sat	14 Mar	
Sun	15 Mar	3 rd Sunday of Lent Installation Mass

ROSTER

The March 2020 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 as soon as possible on 5824 1083 or 0410 094 323.

INSTALLATION MASS

Sunday 15th March, Bishop Shane will be here for an installation Mass for Fr John Paul.

Following Mass the Bishop will join us for a Cuppa in the Mercy Centre.

If you are able to help with the catering on the day you please advise Mary in the Parish Office.

THOMAS HEYWOOD PRE-DINNER CONCERT AT THE SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL, BENDIGO

The Internationally acclaimed Australian organ virtuoso Thomas Heywood enjoys an outstanding reputation as one of the world's finest concert organists. **Friday 13th March**, 6pm to 7pm. Admission at the door includes program. Adults \$30 / Conc \$25 / U18 free. Watch his 'superhuman' hands and feet live on screen.

COULD YOU BE A PERMANENT CARE PARENT?

There are a number of children supported by the Department of Health & Human Services who require a *family for life* as they are unable to live with their birth families. We are seeking committed and motivated people who would be interested in learning more about providing a permanent family for a child.

Information sessions are being held on:

- **Wangaratta:** Wed, 4th March at 6:00pm
- **Shepparton:** Thurs, 5th March at 6:00pm

See church noticeboard for further information.

Bookings are not essential. For further information please contact: Permanent Care Program ☎: 5832 1552



Shirley, 36, is an indigenous Manide woman living in a remote province in the Philippines. Shirley was struggling to support her family and keep their children in school. She faced regular discrimination and disadvantage, limiting her family's access to food, education, employment and healthcare.

With Caritas Australia's support, Shirley trained to become an indigenous health worker. She has learnt to supplement her income and is able to feed her family. The program has also empowered Shirley to send her children to school.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 to help people like Shirley, and her children gain confidence and respect within their community.

Let's Go Further, Together. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB

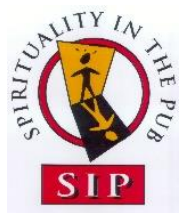
Spirituality in the Pub at the Terminus Hotel, Shepparton on **Monday 2nd March** from 7.30 – 9pm (meals from 6pm optional).

Come and meet our new Bishop and join the conversation as

Bishop Shane Mackinlay shares his thoughts on **Where are we? Where are we heading? In Sandhurst? In the Church?** Then you have an opportunity to share yours!

More information is available on fliers in the Narthex.

Enquiries: Kerry 0408 579904, Frank 5821 4362 or Fran 5829 0301.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The World Day of Prayer (Pray for Zimbabwe) will be held on **Friday, 6th March 2020** at 7.00pm at Generations Church, 295 Dhurringile Road, Tatura.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Worlddayofprayeraustralia.org

THE KINGDOM OF GOD

An exposition of scripture and theology.

What do we know? Why believe it?
All are welcome.

7.30 - 9.00 pm.

February 25. March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31.

Mons Peter Jeffrey Centre, behind St Brendan's Catholic Church.

Coffee and tea provided.

Each night will include teaching about the Kingdom of God with an opportunity for questions and discussions. Bring your bibles!

Contact 0438 071 630 for more information.

LENT 2020 LEAFLETS

Lent Leaflets for reflection and prayer featuring short readings and quotes from spiritual writers, are free from the Sandhurst Diocese. Printed sets are available in the Narthex, or they can be downloaded or read online at:

www.sandhurst.catholic.org.au/item/1622-lent-resources-for-2020-news

PASTORAL CARE

Debbie Worm 5824 1841 ~ Pauline Hindson 5824 1841 ~ Anne Hutchison 5824 3460

SACRED HEART PARISH SCHOOL FETE

Friday 20th March 2020

5.00 – 8.00 pm

This fantastic event brings together our school community, Parish and wider Tatura community for a fun filled evening!

We have some parents & parishioners already preparing for the event but we need loads more help!

We are in desperate need for someone to help Co-Ordinate the Super Spin. The committee can support you in this role please contact Sam Quinlan on 0423611033.

Do you own a business or are associated with a business that could donate goods or services? Prizes for our Super Spin are very welcome.

How can I help in another way?

The school office sent out this to encourage families to sign up to the fete roster. We are trialling an online one this year and of course we would like to extend the invitation to the parishioners to join in and lend a helping hand, as it is a joint effort and the parish does benefit from the fete. If you wanted to use this for the bulletin that would be fine.

Also we need an extra person to help sell raffle tickets down the street on Saturday 14th March from 9-12 pm. See Debbie in the school office or contact Maria Spedding on 0418129528 with any questions.



MINISTER OF THE WORD & MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

For those who were unable to attend the meeting of Readers, Commentators and Special Ministers last Tuesday, following is a recap of the processes that Fr John Paul would like to be followed.

EVERYONE

Before Mass:

- 1) Report to Trish 10 minutes before the start of Mass
- 2) Assemble in the Narthex 5 minutes before the start of Mass

Start of Mass:

Altar Servers, Minister of the Word, Ministers of Eucharist will all process in with the Parish Priest the order will be as follows:

- a. Altar Server/s
 - b. Minister of the Word – carrying the Bible (not the big Gospel book)
 - c. Ministers of the Eucharist
 - d. Parish Priest
- 3) The Minister of the word place the bible on the lectern, wait until the Parish Priest is along side bow and then place the bible (and open at correct page which will be marked) and return to the congregation
 - 4) Ministers of Eucharist will take their seat in the congregation

After Mass:

- 5) Walk out with the Parish Priest
 - a. Altar Server/s
 - b. Minister of the Word – carrying the Bible
 - c. Ministers of the Eucharist
 - d. Parish Priest

MINISTER OF THE WORD

Make sure you Bow when going up to read and when you are returning to your seat. Put bible on the shelf underneath lectern.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

- 1) After the Sign of Peace, go to the front
- 2) Wait for the Parish Priest
- 3) Bow, and all go up together
- 4) Place the Cross around your neck
- 5) Clean hands with sanitiser
- 6) One person to get the Key from Parish Priest, take the Ciborium out of the Tabernacle; at the end return the Ciborium to the Tabernacle, lock it and place the key on paten or side altar.
- 7) Ministers with the Chalices,
 - a) Consume any remaining Precious Blood
 - b) Make sure the paten is free of particles of bread
 - c) Pour water into the Chalice swell and drink (pass one to the other Minister and polish both with the purifier and leave on credence table)
- 8) Clean your Hand
- 9) All Ministers to leave together making sure you bow before you return to seat.