

# ST. MONICA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Moonee Ponds

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8th Sunday of Ordinary Time

28th February

We respectfully acknowledge the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation, as the traditional caretakers of the land which is the St. Monica's Catholic Parish. We acknowledge the Elders, past & present. May we, too, be good stewards of this land.

### ORDINARY MASS TIMES

Saturday: 8am 6pm (from 1st March Saturday 8am only)

Sunday : 8.30am (Italian & English); 10.30am; 5.30pm

Tue-Fri : 9.15am

Reconciliation on Saturday: 10am or 5.30pm or by Appointment

**WELCOME  
BACK TO  
CHURCH**

**WE ARE SO  
GLAD TO SEE  
YOU**



*with love and thanks*

FOR FATHER TONY FEENEY

**SUNDAY LITURGY @ *Home*;**

*For Adults:*

*For Families with Young Children:*

Read the latest COVID-19 guidelines from the Archdiocese [here](#)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR: *our elders and the sick***

*Marius Fernando; Dantina Frederico; Stella Mammone; Gino Salvo; Rosa Di Pietro; Lucia Bordin; Stephanie Jouhari; Anna & Garry Henneken; Leo Gillman; Jillian Eolzella; Loretta Bastian; Sally O'Farrell; Caterina Timpano; Charlie Tiang; Lena Savoia; Anne Ryan; Margaret Whelan; Geraldine Macken; Giuseppina Mammone; John Morello Snr; Lou Cursio; Dominic and Anna Vogl*

### RECENTLY DECEASED

*We remember in prayer,  
Rocco Demasi  
May he rest in peace.*

### ANNIVERSARIES

*In Faith, Hope and Love, let us pray for repose of the souls of  
Milena Vivoda; Antonia Giofre; Domenci Giofre; Annunziata Demaria;  
Pasquale Demaria; Brian Campisi; Anne Majewski; Sr. Mary Monaghan;  
Gianni Scapuzzi; Frank & Vera Ellis; Elisa Bartolo  
whose anniversary occurs at this time*

## BAPTISMS



This weekend we welcome  
into our Parish Community  
*Leo Peter Joseph*

## Weddings this week

*Simon Colosimo & Daniela Carlino*

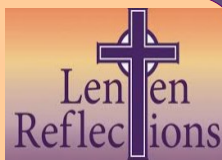
*We pray for them as they begin their  
married life together.*



## Lenten Reflection

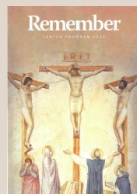
in the Symons Centre  
after 9.15 am Mass  
Wednesdays in Lent beginning on  
9 March 2022.

Please join in Breaking Open the Gospels of Lent in  
preparation for the Resurrection of the Lord.



## Remember—Lenten Program 2022

**Remember** short daily reflections  
(from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday)  
perfect for individual devotional reading in  
addition to the longer-form Sunday  
Scripture readings and reflections, prayers  
and questions that traditionally form part of  
Lenten group gatherings. **Remember** is available for  
purchase for \$10 from the piety stall at the back of the  
Church or the Parish House at 22 Robinson Street.



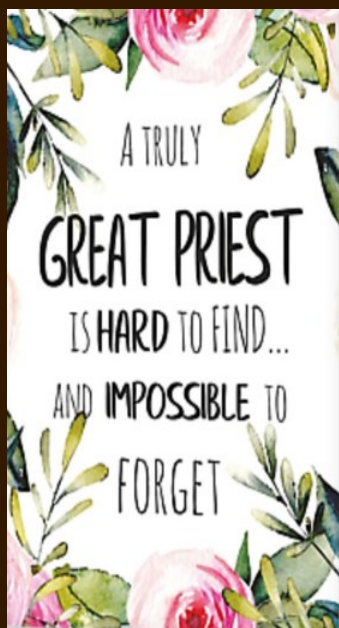
## Current Job Vacancies

- Parish Secretary, St Mark's Catholic Parish, Fawkner
- Continuous Improvement Specialist – Client Services Group, CDF
- Communications Admin Support Officer, E Melb.
- Payroll Operations Officer, East Melbourne
- Parish Administration Coordinator, St Albans

<https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>  
[hadmin@cam.org.au](mailto:hadmin@cam.org.au)

## FAREWELL

Dear Fr. Tony Feeney,  
We are sad to bid you  
farewell and you will be  
really missed.  
We appreciate your tireless  
devotion and Service to the  
Lord and our community.  
We feel blessed by  
knowing you. You have  
made a difference in the  
lives of so many here at  
St. Monica's Parish.  
As you retire, may the Lord  
continue to richly bless you  
and keep you in His loving  
care.



## Fr Tony's Thanksgiving Mass and Farewell

You are warmly invited to Fr Tony's thanksgiving  
Mass and farewell celebration. Join us to celebrate  
and honour our Parish Priest Fr Tony. It will be a  
great opportunity to wish him the very best and to  
thank him for his priestly life and for all he has done  
for our parish.

The thanksgiving Mass will commence at 10:30 am,  
Sunday, 27th of February followed by a farewell  
celebration in the Symons Centre from 11.30 am to  
2.30 pm. Formalities will begin at 12 pm. Stay  
longer or drop in between these times to chat and  
enjoy the hospitality.

If you wish to contribute in any way including  
financially to a wider Parish organised present,  
please contact us via email: [forfrfeeney@gmail.com](mailto:forfrfeeney@gmail.com)  
You may also send him a message via our Parish  
e-card. Please click the link below and then click  
"Add to board":

<https://www.kudoboard.com/boards/XL1pbtUn>

We look forward to seeing you Sunday.

## SCAFFOLDING

There will be scaffolding going up on the  
south side of the Church for a few days  
from 28th February for Church roof  
repairs.



## Parish Council discussions - Mass times

At the last Parish Council meeting, we welcomed  
Fr Tony Doran as the new parish priest for St Monica's,  
as well as PP for St Vincent de Paul Strathmore. The  
workload of the 2 parishes that will now be shared  
between 2 priests, (previously been shared between 3)  
was discussed. Council members agreed adjustments to  
Mass times would be necessary to ensure our priests are  
not overwhelmed, working across both parishes.  
Taking into account the existing Mass times at the 2  
parishes, the number of funeral masses held at  
St Monica's and Mass times at neighbouring parishes, the  
following adjustments were agreed :

- **Sunday Mass times at St Monica's to remain at 8:30am; 10:30am; 5:30pm and St Vincent de Paul at 9:30am.**
- **Saturday vigil masses to be combined and held at St Vincent de Paul at 6pm**
- **No change to Saturday morning Mass time at St Monica's at 8am**
- **Weekday masses at St Monica's to be combined and held at 9.15am only**

**\*\*\* These changes are to start as of the 1<sup>st</sup> of March \*\*\***

The Parish Council, Fr Tony D and Fr Andrew, will  
continue to monitor attendance at all Masses and remain  
open to the possibility of further changes in the future,  
after a period of review. Any concerns can be expressed to  
the Parish Council.

*St. Monica's is a Child Safe Parish. We hold the care, safety and well-being of children, young people and vulnerable adults as a central and fundamental responsibility of our community.*



## Preparazioni per il Mercoledì delle Ceneri

Questo weekend si prega di lasciare in chiesa o nel presbiterio le palme degli ultimi anni che poi verranno bruciate il 2 marzo per ottenere le ceneri per il Mercoledì delle Ceneri.

Mercoledì delle Ceneri – il 2 marzo 2022

Un giorno di digiuno e di astinenza Orario delle messe 9.15 am e alle 7pm.



**March**    **1st**    Shrove Tuesday  
                  **2nd**    Ash Wednesday  
                  **4th**    Ember Day  
                  **6th**    1st Sunday of Lent



### PARISH ZOOM MOBILE SCRIPTURES REFLECTION & DISCUSSION

with Fr. Tony Friday at 7pm

**Please note change of details:**

[Click here for Link](#)

(Meeting ID: 750 3236 9165 )

Passcode: 282664 Accessing Zoom via landline  
 (in Melbourne): call (03) 7018 2005



**2nd March 2022**

(Day of Fast and Abstinence)  
 Please bring last years Palms  
 to the Church or Presbytery  
 for burning to make ashes  
 for Ash Wednesday



**MASS TIMES: 9.15AM & 7PM**  
*All Welcome*



Please take home a Project Compassion box and a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and For All Future Generations. With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au), or by calling 1800 024 413.

#### MINISTERS ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

MASS	READER	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
8.30am Sun 6/3	Sylvia Letcher Vincenza Pizzichetta	Tim Mitchell
10.30am Sun 6/3	Lynn Besterwitch Jennifer Trethowan	Les Butler
5.30 pm Sun 6/3	Jacinta Beckley Volunteer please	Barbara Clancy

#### CHURCH VACUUMING

Team 1

Thursday 3rd March

#### CHURCH LINEN

March

Concetta Munafo

### Support My Parish

CDFpay for Parishes enables you to make quick and easy online thanksgiving payments – you can set-up a recurring payment or you can choose a one-off offering. The Moonee Ponds site is live and found at <https://melbourne.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=96>  
 We thank you in advance for supporting our parish.

### True North, Young Adults Gathering

We are thrilled to announce that True North Young Adults will recommence this year . It will start with a light supper and social, then a short presentation and faith discussion. You are more than welcome to join!  
 Every 2nd Sunday of the Month after 5.30pm Mass

- at Symons Centre.
- Opening Night will be 27 February. It will be a relaxed night of social and a light supper.

Any enquiries? Please see Fr Andrew or email via [truenorth90stable@gmail.com](mailto:truenorth90stable@gmail.com)

### ST. MONICA'S

### Charismatic Prayer Group

Every Thursday

7.30 to 9 pm in the Symons Centre.

Anyone who wishes to return after Covid to pray and reflect on the purpose and meaning of our Christian life is most welcome. Enquiries 0403 512 936.

### STAZIONI DI LA CROCE

Durante il Periodo Quaresimale ci saranno stazioni della Croce Ogni venerdi a 7.00pm in inglesi ed a 3.00pm ( in italiano) nella Chiesa.



**Stations of the Cross: Fridays during Lent**  
 3.00pm ( in Italian) 7.00pm (in English)

### St. Monica's Catholic Church



*Wherever you are on your journey with God, you are invited and welcome here.*

This week we have the readings for next Sunday the 6th March for Parishioners to make some time during the week to read and reflect on.

**A reading from the book of Deuteronomy  
Dt 26:4-10**

Moses said to the people: "The priest shall take the panner from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement:

"My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, Lord, have given me." You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

**The word of the Lord.**

*Thanks be to God.*

**Responsorial Psalm**

**(R.) Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.**

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord: 'My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!' **(R.)**

Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell. For you has he commanded his angels, to keep you in all your ways. **(R.)**

They shall bear you upon their hands lest you strike your foot against a stone. On the lion and the viper you will tread and trample the young lion and the dragon. **(R.)**

His love he set on me, so I will rescue him; protect him for he knows my name. When he calls I shall answer: 'I am with you.' I will save him in distress and give him glory. **(R.)**

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans  
Rom 10:8-13**

Scripture says: The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then

you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough, however many ask for his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

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**Gospel Acclamation**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!  
No one lives on bread alone,  
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke  
Lk 4:1-13**

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.' Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.' But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says:

You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God', he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says:

He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you,

and again:

They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said:

You must not put the Lord your God to the test.' Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

*Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ*

**PLEASE TAKE THE  
BULLETIN HOME**

