

# ST. MONICA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Moonee Ponds

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**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7 August 2022

### ORDINARY MASS TIMES

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

Tuesday - Friday : **9.15 am**

Saturday: **8 am** (*followed by Exposition of the Holy Sacrament and Reconciliation*)

**Reconciliation** : Saturday 8.30 am or by appointment

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday to Friday

**9 am - 3 pm**

Dear friends,

All three of our readings this Sunday call us to **faith-filled vigilance**, a **focused** waiting, a **holy patience** if you like. Our **First Reading** from **the Book of Wisdom** urges us to work, to witness, and to worship in this world with our hearts set on the future that God has prepared for us.

To encourage such **perpetual watchfulness**, early monastic rules urged believers to rise during the night, or at least before dawn, to **keep vigil**, reading psalms and scripture in prayerful expectation of Jesus' return. This tradition continues in the daily cycle of prayer of monastic communities today. Those called to the contemplative life rise while the rest of us sleep in order that they might be free and focused to pray for the world. If you like, they're our **spiritual first responders**.

Like first responders, our watchfulness is to be not only prayerful but oriented towards **service**. This is the **active-contemplative balance** so often proposed by Jesus in Luke's Gospel. In today's Gospel, using Luke's favourite image of sharing a meal, Jesus depicts the master **girding** himself, making himself ready for action, just as the disciples have been told to do. True discipleship, in Luke's Gospel, is not settling for the least we can get away with until our master's return, but **getting ready** by always **being ready** for his kingdom to come.

**Rev Anthony J Doran PP**

### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

**Look to your covenant, O Lord,  
and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever.  
Arise, O God, and defend your cause,  
and forget not the cries of those who seek you.**

**FIRST READING | Wisdom 18:6-9**

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**R. Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.**

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;  
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.  
They are happy, whose God is the Lord,  
the people he has chosen as his own. **(R.)**

The Lord looks on those who revere him,  
on those who hope in his love,  
to rescue their souls from death,

to keep them alive in famine. **(R.)**

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.  
The Lord is our help and our shield.  
May your love be upon us, O Lord,  
as we place all our hope in you. **(R.)**

**SECOND READING | Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19**

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Be watchful and ready: You know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL | Luke 12:32-48**

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

**O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord,  
who gives you your fill of finest wheat.**

**Sunday Liturgy @ Home;**

**For adults**

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**For families with young children**

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.

## MINISTERS ROSTER FOR NEXT SUNDAY

<b>!! Please note that it is for 14 August</b>		
MASS	READER	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER
8.30 am	<b>B. Odachowski (Eng.) M. Galioto (Ita.)</b>	<b>T. Pagliarello A. Stivala</b>
10.30 am	<b>M. Baker D. Connors</b>	<b>D. Storage L. Connors</b>
5.30 pm	<b>J. Beckley <i>(please do all readings)</i></b>	<b>R. McMahon M. Passuello</b>

## ROSTER FOR VACUUMING AND LINEN

CHURCH VACUUMING	CHURCH LINEN
<i>Friday, 12 Aug 9.45 am</i>	<i>August</i>
<b>Team 4</b>	<b>J. Trethowan</b>

## RECENTLY DECEASED

**Mother Ellen Marie Quinn OCDM**

**Denzil Hookens**

**Marcelo Braganza (Deceased in India)**

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual  
light shine upon them. May he rest in peace*

## ANNIVERSARIES

In Faith, Love and Hope, we pray for those whose anniversaries occurs at this time:

<b>Tony D'Anna</b>	<b>Caterina Pezzimenti</b>
<b>Eugene Ritossa</b>	<b>Alex Cook</b>
<b>Mario Ritosa</b>	<b>Lily Ritosa</b>
<b>Lucy Ritosa</b>	<b>Luka Brkljadic</b>

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

<b>Marius Fernando</b>	<b>Dantina Frederico</b>
<b>Stella Mammone</b>	<b>Gino Salvo</b>
<b>Rosa Di Pietro</b>	<b>Lucia Bordin</b>
<b>Leo Gillman</b>	<b>Stephanie Jouhari</b>
<b>Jillian Eolzella</b>	<b>Loretta Bastian</b>
<b>Caterina Timpano</b>	<b>Charlie Tiang</b>
<b>Lena Savoia</b>	<b>Anne Ryan</b>
<b>Margaret Whelan</b>	<b>Geraldine MacKen</b>
<b>John Morello Snr</b>	<b>Anna Vogl</b>
<b>Andrew Pike</b>	<b>Anna Henneken</b>
<b>Paul Duffy</b>	<b>Giuseppina Mammone</b>
<b>Dianne Pinnuck</b>	<b>William Llapitan</b>
<b>Antoinette Parrella</b>	<b>Leo &amp; Serafina Lee</b>
<b>Maria Perez</b>	

## RESPECT FOR ALL

*Please treat our Clergy & Staff with respect.*

**The priests of this Parish and our Parish Staff are here to help you. They have the right to work in a safe environment.**

**They will not tolerate acts of verbal violence, aggression, intimidation, or physical abuse.**

**Anyone engaging in such behaviour will be asked to leave immediately, and we will call the police if necessary.**

## !!! WEEKDAYS MASS TIME

**From 9 August (Tue)**, Parishes of St. Monica and St. Vincent de Paul Weekdays Mass time will be back to usual timetable:

*Tuesday to Friday*

**9.15 am Mass at St. Monica's (Moonee Ponds)**

**10 am Mass at St. Vincent de Paul (Strathmore)**

## ANNUAL RAFFLE – TICKETS FOR SALE

Tickets for the Corpus Christ College Parents and Friends Association annual fundraising raffle will be on sale after every Mass this Sunday 7 August.

Tickets are \$10.00 each.

*It's an opportunity to show your practical support for our seminarians and to be in the draw to win a prize.*

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

**Vinnies Winter Appeal**

Please spare a thought for people who are experiencing a tough winter. Go a step further and help Vinnies provide direct assistance.

We need non perishable food, warm clothing and cash! Tax deduction envelopes are available. Please contact our members at the Piety store.

*If you would like to assist with these "GOOD WORKS", please speak to a Vinnies member in the Piety store or visit the website: <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/winter-appeal>.*

***Thank you for your help and support!***

## TRUE NORTH

**Young Adults Gathering**

The gathering will start with a light supper and social, then a short presentation and faith discussion.

- **Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday 6.30 pm at Symons Centre**
- **Next Gathering: Sunday 14 August**

*If you have any enquiries, please see Fr. Andrew or email [truenorth90stable@gmail.com](mailto:truenorth90stable@gmail.com).*

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.



## FEASTS IN AUGUST

- ◆ 6 August - The Transfiguration of the Lord
- ◆ 8 August - St. Mary of the Cross, *Virgin*
- ◆ 9 August - St. Teresa Benedicta of Cross, *Virgin & Martyr*
- ◆ 10 August - St. Laurence, *Deacon & Martyr*
- ◆ 11 August - St. Clare, *Virgin*

## ST. MONICA'S CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

Thursdays at 7.30 pm

at Symons Centre of St. Monica's Parish

All are invited to attend and join in songs of praise and worship and a talk on the Life in the Spirit. Experience the gifts of the Holy Spirit, such as prayers for healing and group sharing.

For More information, please email :

[acommade@bigpond.net.au](mailto:acommade@bigpond.net.au)

## ALPHA CONNECT

*The first Alpha Connect reunion*

- **Thursday 11 August 2022, from 7 pm to 9 pm**
- **at Symons Centre of St. Monica's Parish**

All Alpha participants are most welcome to attend and are invited to bring a guest. There will be a meal, followed by a dramatic presentation by Simon Camilleri of the last few chapters of John Gospel.

The presentation is called: *That you may Believe.*

More information, please contact Adrian on 0403 512 936.

## MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

*An opportunity to spend a weekend improving your communication*

This experience gives you the tools to keep your passion alive in a gentle, nurturing environment, away from pressures and distractions of daily living. The weekend we offer is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome. Please check our website([wwme.org.au](http://wwme.org.au)) for more details.

Two options are available:

- 1) An on-line/virtual weekend on **19 -21 August 2022** in the comfort of your own home or
- 2) a non-residential parish based weekend on **22- 23 October 2022** in Niddrie.

Information/Bookings to contact Mercy & James on 0409 183 676 or [vicbookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:vicbookings@wwme.org.au)

## SCRIPTURES REFLECTION & DISCUSSION

with Fr. Tony Feeney

- Fridays at 7 pm via Zoom
- [Click here for Link](#)
- Meeting ID: 750 3236 9165
- Passcode: 282664



## NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK

**7 - 14 August**

Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Strong families and communities are the place where vocations are first nurtured. In this National Vocations Awareness Week, let us pray for all families in our parish, and for those preparing for marriage. Let us also pray that our parish community may always be welcoming and encouraging of vocations to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life.

***PRAY FOR VOCATIONS EVERYDAY!***

## QUO VADIS?

*Discerning to become a priest*

Are you discerning to become a priest? If then, you are more than welcome to join to the vocations events provided by the Vocations Office of the Archdiocese of Melbourne, such as *Quo Vadis?* reflection evenings and retreats.

*If you have any enquiries, questions and/or if you want to talk about your vocation with a priest, please see or email Fr Tony or Fr Andrew.*

***"God always calls you,  
it is your turn to respond to him."***

## PERMANENT DIACONATE

*Do you feel like being called to serve?*

The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers.

COME & SEE! An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on **Saturday 3 September 2022, 10:00 - 11.45** at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), East Melbourne.

*If you have any enquiries, please contact the Office of the Permanent Diaconate: (Phone) 03 9412 3357 or (Email) [diaconate@cam.org.au](mailto:diaconate@cam.org.au)*

## SIX30 HOLY HOUR

For more than 20 years, young people from all over Melbourne have gathered at St Patrick's Cathedral on Thursday evenings for an hour of Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. We invite all young adults to join us for this weekly evening of prayer.

- **Thursdays 11, 18 and 25 August**
- **at 6.30 - 7.30 pm**
- **at St. Patrick's Cathedral**

*During the Holy Hour, confession is also available.*

*If you have any enquiry, please see or email to Fr Andrew.*

Please take a bulletin home and read though.  
Have a blessed week in Christ.

## READINGS FOR THE NEXT SUNDAY

### 20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings for next Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup> of August for Parishioners to make some time during the week to read and reflect on.

#### FIRST READING | Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10

The king's leading men spoke to the king. 'Let Jeremiah be put to death: he is unquestionably disheartening the remaining soldiers in the city, and all the people too, by talking like this. The fellow does not have the welfare of this people at heart so much as its ruin.' 'He is in your hands as you know,' King Zedekiah answered 'for the king is powerless against you.' So they took Jeremiah and threw him into the well of Prince Malchiah in the Court of the Guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the well, only mud, and into the mud Jeremiah sank.

Ebed-melech came out from the palace and spoke to the king. 'My lord king,' he said 'these men have done a wicked thing by treating the prophet Jeremiah like this: they have thrown him into the well, where he will die.' At this the king gave Ebed-melech the Cushite the following order: 'Take three men with you from here and pull the prophet Jeremiah out of the well before he dies.'

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**R. Lord, come to my aid!**

I waited, I waited for the Lord  
and he stooped down to me;  
he heard my cry. **(R.)**

He drew me from the deadly pit,  
from the miry clay.

He set my feet upon a rock  
and made my footsteps firm. **(R.)**

He put a new song into my mouth,  
praise of our God.

Many shall see and fear  
and shall trust in the Lord. **(R.)**

As for me, wretched and poor,  
the Lord thinks of me.

You are my rescuer, my help,  
O God, do not delay. **(R.)**

#### SECOND READING | Hebrews 12:1-4

With so many witnesses in a great cloud on every side of us, we too, then, should throw off everything that hinders us, especially the sin that clings so easily, and keep running steadily in the race we have started. Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection: for the sake of the joy which was still in the future, he endured the cross, disregarding the shameful-ness of it, and from now on has taken his place at the right of God's throne. Think of the way he stood such opposition from sinners and then you will not give up for want of courage. In the fight against sin, you have not yet had to keep fighting to the point of death.

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;**

**I know them, and they follow me.**

**Alleluia!**

#### GOSPEL | Luke 12:49-53

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!

'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'