

ST. MONICA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Moonee Ponds

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TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)

25 September 2022

ORDINARY MASS TIMES

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

Tuesday - Friday: **9.15 am**

Saturday: **8 am**

Reconciliation: Saturday 8.30 am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Moonee Ponds Parish Office:

Tue - Thu, 9 am - 3.30 pm

Strathmore Parish Office:

Fri, 9 am - 3.30 pm

Dear friends,

Dogs even came and licked his sores...there can hardly be a sadder picture painted than the one painted by Luke in today's Gospel Reading. Jesus, in response to the Pharisees, tells the parable we hear today. First there is the rich man who used to feast magnificently every day. And we know that the man in this parable truly is rich. For purple and fine linen could only be afforded by the very, very wealthy. And then there is Lazarus. The poor man, covered with sores, who could have feasted on the scraps that fell from the rich man's table.

One of the great themes of Luke's Gospel is the in-break of the Kingdom into this world. And in the Kingdom, the rich are sent away empty while the poor are fed. The mighty are cast from their thrones, while the lowly are raised up. Lazarus is in the bosom of Abraham, the rich man in torment in Hades.

The challenge for us, as Christians in today's world, is not only to hear the Word of God, but to act on it, before it is too late. It is not enough to simply hear the Word of God. We must act on that faith and love. And when we act as faith-filled and love-filled people, the Lazaruses of our world sitting at our gates have more than enough to eat and there is no danger that we will be eating and drinking and forgetting about exile.

But, we cannot wait until the final judgement. By then it will be too late – because the gulf is too wide, and there is no crossing over. We must put into practice now the faith which we profess today.

Rev Anthony J Doran PP

MINISTERS ROSTER FOR THE NEXT SUNDAY

!! Please note that it is for 2 October.

MASS	READER	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER
8.30 am	B. Odachowski (<i>Eng.</i>) D. Caridi (<i>Ita.</i>)	S. Maurici T. Pagliarello
10.30 am	L. Besterwitch (<i>please do all readings</i>)	A. Briggs L. Connors
5.30 pm	T. Wilson (<i>please do all readings</i>)	J. Dobson M. Passuello

CHURCH VACCUMING

TEAM 3

Thursday, 29 September, at 9.45 am

CHURCH LINEN

in September

Sr. Loretta

***We are grateful for your volunteering works
for our parish community.***

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.

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.

PRAY FOR: OUR ELDERS AND THE SICK

Marius Fernando	Dantina Frederico
Stella Mammone	Gino Salvo
Rosa Di Pietro	Lucia Bordin
Leo Gillman	Stephanie Jouhari
Jillian Eolzella	Loretta Bastian
Caterina Timpano	Charlie Tiang
Lena Savoia	Anne Ryan
Margaret Whelan	Geraldine MacKen
John Morello Snr	Anna Vogl
Andrew Pike	Anna Henneken
Paul Duffy	Giuseppina Mammone
Serafina Lee	Antoinette Parrella
Peter Lee	Giovanni Galioto

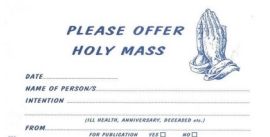
ANNIVERSARY

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

David Dobson
Jack Dobson
Jim Foster
John Murphy
Terre Rossiter
Anne Elizabeth Bernardi
Max Penno
Colleen Duffey

MASS OFFERINGS

If you wish to have a Mass offered for a specific intention, special Mass offering envelopes are available in the church and from the Parish Office.



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.

CLICK HERE

We thank you for supporting our parish.

!! PARISH CONTACT LIST

The Parish is in the process on transitioning to a new administration and communication package provided by the Archdiocese. As a result, the old system will be phased out over time. Which means that the current system which we use to send the Parish Bulletin will become obsolete. Until the old system is finally 'turned off', we are seeking to create a new Parish Contact List.

If you would like to subscribe to the new Parish Contact List, please send an email to MooneePonds@cam.org.au with **Parish Contact List** in the subject line and we will add you to the new list.

!! COUNTERS

As our Parish continues to move cautiously through COVID, we are seeking to restart our Counters Roster. Due to changes in banking procedures, it is likely that counting will take place on a weekday in the Parish Office. If you were a counter or would like to become one, please let us know by email: MooneePonds@cam.org.au

The normal requirements for all parish volunteers apply to counters i.e. you need to have a Working with Children Check. In addition, you also need to have a Police Record Check – the Parish will be able to help you with this if you do not have a current check. For further information, please speak to one of the priests.

TRUE NORTH

Young Adults Gathering

Last Sunday, 13 young Catholics gathered together and had a fruitful and meaningful discussion about the Bible. Thank you for joining us and sharing your story.

Normally, the gathering commences with a light supper and social, then a short presentation and faith discussion.

- **Every 2nd Sunday 6.30 pm**
- **at Symons Centre**
- **Next Gathering: Sunday 9 October**

Please encourage young people in your family to join us.

If you have any enquiries, please see

Fr. Andrew or scan the Facebook page

QR code on the right-bottom corner or

email truenorth90stable@gmail.com.



FEASTS IN SEPTEMBER

- ♦ 23Sep - St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), *Priest*
- ♦ 26Sep - Sts. Cosmos and Damian, *Martyrs*
- ♦ 27Sep - St. Vincent de Paul, *Priest*
- ♦ 28Sep - St. Wenceslaus, *Martyr*
Sts. Laurence Ruiz and his Companions, *Martyrs*
- ♦ 29Sep - Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, *Archangels*
- ♦ 30Sep - St. Jerome, *Priest & Doctor*

CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

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.

Thursdays at 7.30 pm at Symons Centre

For more information: acommade@bigpond.net.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

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.

- **Every Thursday at 6.30 - 7.30 pm**
- **at St. Patrick's Cathedral**
- **Consecutive dates: 22 and 29 September**
6, 13, 20 and 27 October
- During the Holy Hour, confession is also available.

If you have any enquiries, please contact Fr Andrew or email udisciple@cam.org.au.

WALKING WITH WISDOM SERIES

This series offers a time to explore the depths of wisdom in our own heart, to recognise wisdom in the encounter with another... to dwell in the Heart of Contemplation. Led by spiritual directors Carole Carmody RSM and Julie Adam.

- **4 x Thursdays, 6 - 27 October 2022**
- **10 am - 12.30 pm** (in person or via Zoom)
- **Heart of Life Centre, Rear 41 Stanhope St, Malvern VIC**
- **Cost \$30 per session or \$100 for the series**
- **Book and pay:** www.heartoflife.melbourne
- **Enq:** office@heartoflife.melbourne or 9890 1101

CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Engaging Your Faith

(Series of short sessions: online via Zoom)

- 12 sessions during October 2022
- Choose what interests you for just \$25 per session.

Booking, payment & more information:

ctc.edu.au/engaging-your-faith/



KNOX PUBLIC LECTURE 2022

50 Years of Theological Education in Context:

Then, Now, What Next?

As Catholic Theological College marks its 50th anniversary as a College and a member of the ecumenical University of Divinity, we have invited a panel of speakers to reflect on CTC's achievements and challenges, and to consider future directions in theological education and ministry formation. You are warmly invited to join us for the conversation.



- **Wednesday 12 October, 7.30 pm**
- **Catholic Leadership Centre**
Corner Victoria Parade and Hoddle Street
East Melbourne
Enter via Victoria Parade
Street Parking is available on Victoria Parade
- **Bookings and Info:** ctc.edu.au/knox-public-lecture
- **Enq:** sarah.styring@ctc.edu.au or 9412 3333

Light refreshments will be provided after the lecture.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED AUSTRALIA

ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church.

Please consider leaving an eternal legacy by remembering Aid to the Church in Need in your will. This gift will ensure that the light of faith continues to shine brightly throughout the world and that persecuted, and suffering Christians will be cared for and given a voice. *When you leave a gift in your will to ACN you can also rest assured that ACN will arrange Masses for the eternal repose of your soul. Further information is available on the website. Visit: www.aidtochurch.org/legacies*



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

This weekend's Readings at Mass
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON | Dn 3: 31, 29, 30, 43, 42
All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

FIRST READING | Amos 6:1,4-7

The almighty Lord says this:
Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion
and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of Samaria,
those famous men of this first of nations
to whom the House of Israel goes as client.
Lying on ivory beds
and sprawling on their divans,
they dine on lambs from the flock,
and stall-fattened veal;
they bawl to the sound of the harp,
they invent new instruments of music like David,
they drink wine by the bowlful,
and use the finest oil for anointing themselves,
but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all.
That is why they will be the first to be exiled;
the sprawlers' revelry is over.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R.**

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down.
It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord, who protects the stranger. **R.**

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God, from age to age. **R.**

SECOND READING | 1 Timothy 6:11-16

As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults or failures,

until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL | Luke 16:19-31

Jesus said to the Pharisees: "There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. 'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames." "My son," Abraham replied "remember that during your life good things came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to, crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing from your side to ours." "The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead."

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope.
This is my comfort when I am brought low.