

# ST. MONICA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Moonee Ponds

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4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

8<sup>th</sup> May 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

From the 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2022,  
the Parish of St. Monica (Moonee Ponds) and the  
Parish of St. Vincent de Paul (Strathmore)  
are walking together and working together.

*St. Monica, pray for us!*  
*St. Vincent de Paul, pray for us!*

Dear friends,

This Sunday is known as Good Shepherd Sunday as our Gospel reading come the tenth chapter of John's Gospel in which Jesus identifies himself as the Good Shepherd. This Sunday is also the 59th World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Here in Moonee Ponds, we know well how urgent is this need to pray for vocations. 19 years ago when I first came to Moonee Ponds, there were three full time priests, and one full time priest at Strathmore. Now, these two parishes are cared for jointly by two priests. This brings many challenges about what we are able to do and what we have to do differently. And we need to have further challenging discussions about how we may best move forward to become a more missionary oriented community of disciples. Please join me in praying that some of the young men of our parish may have the courage to embrace the possibility of being called to the priesthood so that our parish and our local church may continue to grow and thrive in the years and decades ahead.

**Rev Anthony J Doran PP**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** | Cf. Ps 32:5-6

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

Indeed, how good is the Lord,  
eternal his merciful love.

He is faithful from age to age. (R.)

**FIRST READING** | Acts 13:14,43-52

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*R. We are his people, the sheep of his flock.*

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.  
Come before him, singing for joy. (R.)

Know that he, the Lord, is God.  
He made us, we belong to him,  
we are his people, the sheep of his flock. (R.)

**SECOND READING** | Apocalypse 7:9,14-17

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** | John 10:14

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep, and mine know me.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL** | John 10:27-30

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life  
for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

**Sunday Liturgy @ Home;**

**For adults**

**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 WEEKEND

(for Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> of May)

MASS	READER	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
8.30am	<b>Bernard Healey (E) Domenica Caridi (I)</b>	<b>Stella Maurici</b>
10.30am	<b>Dermot Connors Linda Connors</b>	<b>Les Butler</b>
5.30pm	<b>Anthony Mathews Michelle Christians</b>	<b>Pauline Duggan Brian Mathews</b>

## ROSTER FOR VACUUMING AND LINEN

CHURCH VACUUMING	CHURCH LINEN
<i>Thursday 12 May, 9.45 am</i>	<i>May</i>
<b>Team 3</b>	<b>Rosa Farfalla</b>

## RECENTLY DECEASED

**Matteo D'Antuono**

(Funeral: 11 May, 12pm, at St. Monica's Church)

**Maria Alvaro**

(Funeral: 12 May, 11am, at St. Monica's Church)

## ANNIVERSARIES

In Faith, Hope and Love, let us pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time:

<b>Giuseppina D'Andrea;</b>	<b>Dominic Maggio;</b>
<b>Angela Cefala;</b>	<b>Pasquale Cefala;</b>
<b>Caterina Rullo;</b>	<b>Caterina Falvo;</b>
<b>Maria Pileggi;</b>	<b>Maria Spinelli</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>Paul Duffy;</b>
<b>Giuseppina Mammone;</b>	
<b>Anna &amp; Garry Henneken</b>	

## STAFF NEWS

In recent weeks, our Parish Secretary **Sonya Bading** has tendered her resignation in order to become a full-time carer for her aging parents. We thank Sonya for her innumerable contributions to our Parish and wish her every blessing for the future.

Our Parish Accountant, **Bernard Angel**, has also tendered his resignation as he prepares for some significant surgery. We wish Bernard a very speedy recovery and return to full health very soon.

*It goes without saying that these two departures leave a significant hole in our administrative team. In the coming weeks, Fr. Tony will be working with the Human Resources Unit of the Archdiocese to work out the best way forward.*

## EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST:

### PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK

Our parish has a number of people who are no longer able to come to Mass and are ministered to by fellow parishioners, but we need more! Would you like to become an Extraordinary Minister of Communion to the Sick?

*We are seeking expressions of interest to become part of this ministry. Please see Fr. Tony or Fr. Andrew.*

### SEEKING VOLUNTEERS: CHURCH VACUUMING

Our rostered vacuuming groups are in need of additional members. The commitment is once a month for maybe 60 to 90 mins at a time. There are groups at different times and days of the week.

*If you would like to know more, please email your details to [Abygaile.Cukavac@cam.org.au](mailto:Abygaile.Cukavac@cam.org.au) and Abygaile will get in touched with you.*

### REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR VOLUNTEERS

All volunteers will be asked to provide their WWCC and Covid Vaccination Certificate. In some Ministry, we will also need a valid Police Check.

*Further information will follow after you initial expression of interest to volunteer.*



## SAINTS IN MAY

- ◆ 9/May - St. George Preca, *Priest*
  - ◆ 10/May - St. John of Avila, *Priest/Doctor*
  - ◆ 12/May - Sts. Nereus & Achilleus, *Martyrs*
  - ◆ 13/May - Our Lady of Fatima
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## 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.*

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## TRUE NORTH

### **Young Adults Gathering**

- Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, after 5.30 pm Mass
- Symons Centre
- Next Gathering: **Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> of June**

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

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

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## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

**Interested in volunteering? Moonee Ponds Conference is looking for new members.**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society's members and volunteers provide practical support, advocacy and friendship to the most vulnerable in our community by providing hope, comfort and dignity to disadvantaged people, trapped by their circumstances due to sickness, job loss, mental illness and family breakdown. The majority of assistance provided by the Society is through local groups, known as conferences.

*For more information, contact the Parish office on 9370 5035 or [mooneeponds@cam.org.au](mailto:mooneeponds@cam.org.au).*

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## ALPHA IS HERE!

**What is Alpha all about?**

**Why do 20 million people recommend it?**

**How is it relevant to me?**

- St. Monica's Symons Centre, Moonee Ponds
- Thursdays, from 5<sup>th</sup> of May to 7<sup>th</sup> of July 2022
- 7 pm – 9.15 pm

*You are more than welcome to join us. If you have any enquiries and/or want to register, please contact Adrian Commadeur (0403 512 936) or email via [mooneeponds@cam.org.au](mailto:mooneeponds@cam.org.au).*



## GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY APPEAL



This Sunday we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday – the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. During this week, perhaps you may like to make a prayer each day for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Perhaps there is a young person you may know to pray for by name this week.

**Support the training of priests for tomorrow's Church. Your (tax deductible) donation will support the living arrangements and education for the Corpus Christi College seminarians.**

*Donate via our website: <https://ctc.edu.au/community/good-shepherd-sunday-appeal/>*

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## MASS TO COMMEMORATE THOSE WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE COVID PANDEMIC

**Sunday 22 May, 11am / St Patrick's Cathedral**

In recognition of the significant impact of COVID in our families and communities, Archbishop Comensoli will celebrate a memorial Mass for all those who have died during the COVID pandemic and could not be mourned properly due to pandemic restrictions. Parishes and individuals are invited to submit the name(s) of those you would like remembered during the Mass by visiting the Holy Souls Chapel (inside St Patrick's Cathedral) during May or online <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GZKP7QF> The names will be placed in a book on the Sanctuary, to be prayed for during all Masses over the weekend of 21–22 May.

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## ENGAGING YOUR FAITH

**Catholic Theological College**

**Series of short sessions: online via Zoom**

Choose one, choose all, choose what interests you and all for just \$25 per session, running 3 to 28 May 2022. *Booking, payment and further information: [ctc.edu.au/engaging-your-faith/](https://ctc.edu.au/engaging-your-faith/).*

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## SCRIPTURES REFLECTION & DISCUSSION

**with Fr. Tony Feeney**

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



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

## READINGS FOR THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

*This week we have the readings for next Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup> of May for Parishioners to make some time during the week to read and reflect on.*

### FIRST READING | Acts 14:21-27

Paul and Barnabas went back through Lystra and Iconium to Antioch. They put fresh heart into the disciples, encouraging them to persevere in the faith. 'We all have to experience many hardships' they said 'before we enter the kingdom of God.' In each of these churches they appointed elders, and with prayer and fasting they commended them to the Lord in whom they had come to believe.

They passed through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. Then after proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia and from there sailed for Antioch, where they had originally been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now completed.

On their arrival they assembled the church and gave an account of all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith to the pagans.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*R. I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.*

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,  
slow to anger, abounding in love.

How good is the Lord to all,  
compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,  
and your friends shall repeat their blessing.

They shall speak of the glory of your reign  
and declare your might, O God,  
to make known to men your mighty deeds  
and the glorious splendour of your reign. (R.)

Yours is an everlasting kingdom;  
your rule lasts from age to age. (R.)

### SECOND READING | Apocalypse 21:1-5

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; the first heaven and the first earth had disappeared now, and

there was no longer any sea. I saw the holy city, and the new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, as beautiful as a bride all dressed for her husband. Then I heard a loud voice call from the throne, 'You see this city? Here God lives among men. He will make his home among them; they shall be his people, and he will be their God; his name is God-with-them. He will wipe away all tears from their eyes; there will be no more death, and no more mourning or sadness. The world of the past has gone.' Then the One sitting on the throne spoke: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new.'

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:

love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

### GOSPEL | John 13:31-33,34-35

When Judas had gone Jesus said:

'Now has the Son of Man been glorified,  
and in him God has been glorified.

If God has been glorified in him,  
God will in turn glorify him in himself,  
and will glorify him very soon.

'My little children,

I shall not be with you much longer.

I give you a new commandment:

love one another;

just as I have loved you,

you also must love one another.

By this love you have for one another,

everyone will know that you are my disciples.'