Twenty-seventh SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME YrC 2 October 2022

PARISH BULLETIN

St Macartan's Catholic Parish



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Mass Times:

- Weekdays: Tuesday to Saturday 9:15am
- Saturday night: 6pm
- Sunday: 9am, 11am
- Anointing/Healing Mass: 915am
 [1st Friday of each Month]

YOUTH MASS 2nd & 4th Sunday each Month 5pm.

HOLY HOUR / ADORATION:

- Every Friday after 9:15 Mass
- 1st Saturdays each month after 9:15am Mass
- 3:30pm 2nd & 4th Sundays

RECONCILIATION:

After 9:15am Mass Wed & Saturday

YOUTH GROUPS: QUINN'S PLACE: Year 7+ Friday's 6pm-10pm Community House / Hall / Church. NOT during school holidays

ENCOUNTER Youth Group: Primary school age 3pm-4:45pm before Youth Mass 2nd & 4th Sundays of each Month.

Video Sunday Mass

NEW SETTINGS FOR VIDEO MASS

Watch Mass Live: Every Sunday 9AM I ink.

https://vimeo.com/event/2463525

Or go to website to copy link:

our regular YouTube link:

https://www.stmacartansparish.com.au ALSO: Recorded/watch later Mass at

https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UCW8lyzEMe20DLyOpptks0Fw/videos

Upcoming Holy Days:

- Tue 4th: St Francis of Assisi
- Fri 7th: Our Lady of the Rosary
- Sat 1st: St Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor

Next School Grade Mass:

• Friday 14th October: 9.15 (Yr. 3)

WE HOLD IN OUR PRAYERS

<u>Pray for the sick and their Carers:</u> Tony Formosa, Betty Corke, Wilma McCoy, Kevin Paganoni, Fiona Rush, Aaron Eastley, Bruce Reekie, Val Carr, Dennis Sullivan, Evan Senn, Athan Loucas, Adeline Lyn Tilden, Raymond Cope, Angela Turner, Laurence Turner, Roy Cahill, Lauren Evans, Sarah-Jane Sharp, Cinzia Coboche and Leo



Death Anniversaries: Anthony Grundy.

Falzon.

<u>Recently Deceased:</u> Francis Guglielmi. Also - Bishop Emeritus Hilton Forrest Deakin passed away peacefully on Wednesday 28 September 2022 at Justin Villa Aged Care,

First Reading

Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4

A reading from the prophet Habakkuk

The just will live by faithfulness.

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help while you will not listen; to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear and you will not save?
Why do you set injustice before me, why do you look on where there is tyranny?
Outrage and violence, this is all I see, all is contention, and discord flourishes.
Then the Lord answered and said.

'Write the vision down,

inscribe it on tablets to be easily read, since this vision is for its own time only:
eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive;
if it comes slowly, wait, for come it will, without fail.

See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights, but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8

- (R.) If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.
- Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us.
 Let us come before him, giving thanks, with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)
- 2. Come in; let us bow and bend low; let us kneel before the God who made us for he is our God and we the people who belong to his pasture, the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)
- 3. O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as on that day at Massah in the desert when your fathers put me to the test; when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (R.)

Second Reading 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

Never be ashamed of witnessing the Lord.

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

Gospel Acclamation 1 Pt 1:25

Alleluia, alleluia!
The word of the Lord stands for ever;
it is the word given to you, the Good News.
Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 17:5-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

If you had faith!

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you.

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately"? Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty."

Communion Antiphon Lam 3:25

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

125th Anniversary of Consecration – St Patrick's Cathedral

As we celebrate our 175th Anniversary year as a diocese – we also mark a significant milestone for our Cathedral. Archbishop Comensoli warmly invites you to join him for Mass to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the Consecration of St Patrick's

Thursday 27 October 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral, commencing at 1pm.

This is a beautiful opportunity to come together in the house of the Lord – built by the faithful and generous people from every part of our Archdiocese, and home for all. Mass will be followed by the Launch of the Catholic Precinct Walking Tour App, an initiative of the Mary Glowrey Museum.

gospel focus

Faith

The disciples ask Jesus to increase their faith, but their question – and the reply given by Jesus – does not make clear the faith that they want increased. Is it their faith in God; their faith in themselves; or their faith in the people they are called to serve? The response by Jesus suggests that, in fact, it is faith in all these things. Faith in God and faith in self are intrinsically linked and Jesus makes plain to the disciples that this faith must find its expression in selfless service to others.

EXPLORING THE WORD

This text comes as Jesus is journeying towards Jerusalem, and he has already informed his disciples that he will suffer many things there (Luke 9:44–45). In the verses just prior to this text, Jesus has told the disciples that they must constantly forgive wrongs that are done to them. It is little wonder that the disciples are confused and beg Jesus to increase their faith. They want to believe in him, but some of the things he teaches are very difficult. Jesus explains that even a little faith can work miracles.

The second part of this text is confusing. The servant in question is probably very grateful that he has a field to plough or sheep to tend and a home to return to. He is utterly de-

pendent on the master, and it would be a disorder if the master served the servant! We too are dependent on God, who provides for all our needs. Our task in return is to serve faithfully. When we have done our best in this, we have done our duty.

- Share stories of people you may have known who have been committed to their faith. What was it that inspired them? Has this been part of what inspires you in your journey to faith?
- Who are some of the great saints who showed commitment to their faith?
 Share their stories. What inspiration can we take from their witness?

MAKING CONNECTIONS

- 'Lord, increase my faith.' What more can you do to nurture your faith?
- We are merely servants.' How is God calling you to serve?
- What do you see as your duty?
- Share stories of a time when you felt that you 'did your duty'. Are there times
 when 'duty' is tedious and becomes an unwelcome chore? Have there been
 times when performing your duty was joyous or stimulating? What is 'your duty' at this point in your life?
- Perform as many small acts of service as you can this week.

DID YOU KNOW?

- The mustard seed is one of the smallest of seeds. Even a little faith is able to achieve wondrous things.
- A mulberry tree has a complicated root system, which makes it very difficult to move.
- In the New Testament period, servants were totally reliant on the master to provide everything they needed in return for their labour. Their status was really that of a slave.
- Jesus always presents the call to discipleship and belief as a call to service of others.

SHARING THE TRADITION

'Faith is first of all a personal adherence to God. At the same time it is a free assent to the whole truth that God has revealed' (CCC, §150). Faith is both a gift from God through divine grace (§153) and a human act, in which the intellect and will freely assent to and accept God's revealed truth (§156). St Anselm once defined theology as 'faith seeking understanding', because, in faith, one seeks to know better the One who is revealed and to understand better what is revealed; to penetrate the mystery ever more deeply so that faith can become even stronger (§159). Faith cannot be forced; it must be a free human response to God. But faith can be fostered and nurtured. Without care, it can wither and die. The Church provides assistance in keeping our faith alive or, as the letter to Timothy says, of fanning our faith into a flame.

- Discuss how the flame of faith is being fanned in the catechumen's journey to baptism. Invite the catechumens to offer suggestions on ways you can improve your program. Is there more that they need? What further supports could be offered?
- You might explore other practices that can help do this: meditation, prayer, liturgy, devotional reading, group discussion and so on.
- How can we continue to nourish faith in the lifelong journey to God?

SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

Two key concepts are linked in this short gospel passage: faith and service. To be a person of faith is to be a person of service, and faithful service to others in the name of the Gospel will have its own reward. This gift of faith is precious. Read to-day's second reading (Timothy 1:6–8, 13–14) and contemplate how you can guard this precious gift.



Pope: 'Difficult to dialogue with those who started a war, but it must be done'

On the flight back to Rome from Kazakhstan on Thursday, Pope Francis tells reporters that "the decadent West breeds populism; in politics we must start again from values.... With China, we need the patience of dialogue."

By Vatican News

We must dialogue, always. On the flight back to Rome on Thursday, Pope Francis answers questions from journalists who accompanied him to Kazakhstan, discussing the war in Ukraine, the right of a nation to defend itself, and arms trafficking. He also talks about the role of politics and the West in a crisis of values which risks generating populism. Responding to a question about the situation in Germany, Pope Francis explains that the Church needs pastors, not pastoral plans.

At the beginning of the press conference, the Pope wished a happy birthday to Avvenire journalist Stefania Falasca and then had a cake served to celebrate her.

Here is an unofficial translation of the press conference:

Zhanat Akhmetova, TV
"Good day, Holy Father.
your visit to Kazakhstan.
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Also, it is such a large country, with nineteen million people – unbelievable. Very disciplined, and beautiful. With so much beauty: the architecture of the city is well-balanced, well-arranged. A modern city, a city I would perhaps say "of the future." That's what impressed me so much: the desire to move forward not only in industry, in economic and material development, but also in cultural development. It was a surprise I did not expect. Then, the Congress was a very important event. It is in its seventh edition. This means it's a country with foresight, bringing into dialogue those who are usually discarded. Because there is a progressive perception of the world for which religious values are the first thing to be discarded. It is a country that offers the world such a proposal – already seven times now; it is wonderful! If there is time I will come back to this interfaith meeting. You can be proud of the country and the homeland you have.

Alexey Gotovskiy, EWTN

"Thank you Holy Father for visiting our country. I would like to ask: for Catholics living in Kazakhstan, where the context is predominantly Muslim, how can evangelization be carried out in this context? And is there something that inspired you by seeing Catholics in Kazakhstan?" Inspired, I don't know... but I was happy today in the cathedral to see Catholics so enthusiastic, happy, joyful. This is the impression of Kazakh Catholics. Then, coexistence with Muslims: this is something that is being worked on quite a bit and we are going forward, not only in Kazakhstan. Let's think about some North African countries, there is a good coexistence... in Morocco for example. In Morocco, there is quite a good dialogue. Indeed, let me pause to consider the religious meeting [the Congress that took place in these days, ed.]. Someone was criticizing and they said to me: 'this is fomenting; this is causing relativism to grow.' There's nothing of relativism! Everyone had their say, everyone respected each other's position, but we dialogue as brothers. Because if there is no dialogue there is either ignorance or war. Better to live as brothers, we have one thing in common, we are all human. Let's live as humans, with good manners: what do you think, what do I think? Let's agree, let's talk, let's get to know each other. So many times these misunderstood "religious" wars come because of a lack of knowledge. And this is not relativism, I don't give up my faith if I speak to another's faith. On the contrary. I honor my faith because another listens to it and I listen to theirs. I was so impressed that such a young country, with so many problems – the climate for example – has been able to have seven editions of such a meeting: a world meeting, with Jews, Christians, Muslims, Eastern religions... At the table, you could see that everyone was talking and listening to each other with respect.



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At the Parish of St Macartan's Mornington. New sessions begin with an information night.

There is no obligation – come and find out more:

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Parish Footy Tipping Finale

What an end to the AFL Season. It is amazing what can change in 12 months. This time last year, Geelong walked from the ground at the end of the Preliminary Final, having lost to Melbourne by over 80 points. Last Saturday they walked off the ground having defeated Sydney by 81 points in the 2022 Grand Final. The poster shown in the crowd during the second half was a good summation * Too Old Too Slow Too Good". Most of our tippers favoured Geelong but to win by lesser margins except for two of our tippers. Peter K and Spencer M, two voices from the Phew both thought they would win by over 70 points. They are both Bomber supporters, so should have great knowledge of how to access winning /losing margins. The winner of the Knockout Final Comp. was Mick Barden (Dynasty) who was equal 2nd in the H&A Comp. Thanks to The Grand Hotel for the support of 14 years in providing Prizes and to our regular anonymous prize giver. Thanks also to Fr. Geoff and our Parish Secretary, Cynthia, for their support. The winner of GF Day was Spencer Meier. We are now equal and hopefully we will all be back again in 2023. Let us get out the bat and ball, enjoy the Cricket Season. Best wishes and God Bless, Geoffrey Lane.

<u>HISTORY:</u> In the history of Geelong, the name Hawkins is relevant. Three brothers. Jack. known as "Jumping Jack" 1973-81, 182 games, 20 goals, rep Victoria. Michael 1973, 2 games, 0 goals, ex Finley. Robb, 1984, 3 games, 0 goals, ex Sth. Aust. Then there was Tom 207-10, ex Finley (NSW), Melbourne Grammar. He was part of the flag side in 2009. The name still relevant today.



St Mac's Cafe

URGENT.....URGENT.....URGENT

St Mac's Café is seeking a Team Leader to run the Café.

The work consists of planning for, leading and directing a team of enthusiastic volunteers who see this Ministry as a way of giving something back.

The Wednesday work, as it is set up now, takes up most of the day and serves people who need some company, a good meal, a few laughs and some warmth all in a caring and friendly atmosphere.

Interested? Call the Parish Office on 5975 2200.

Public Rosary

Saturday 15th October 2022

October is traditionally dedicated to Mary,

Our Mother and the Rosary. A nationwide chain of Rosaries will be held on Saturday 15th October and our Parish will be united with hundreds of Parishes and Rosary Groups throughout Australia.

Pope John Paul II urged that the Rosary is the greatest hope to peace today and for a world facing the gravest threats and challenges.

We shall gather at 10am (weather permitting!) in the Memorial Garden under Our Lady's statue. If the weather is inclement, we shall move into the Church.

At the conclusion of our Rosary, everyone is invited for a 'cuppa' in the Community Centre.

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.

Date: Wednesday 12 October Time: 7.30pm Venue: Catholic Leadership Centre Corner Victoria Parade and Hoddle Street East Melbourne Enter via Victoria Parade Street Parking is available on Victoria Parade Booking: Click here to book or visit our website: ctc.edu.au/knox-public-lecture Light refreshments Will be provided after the lecture.





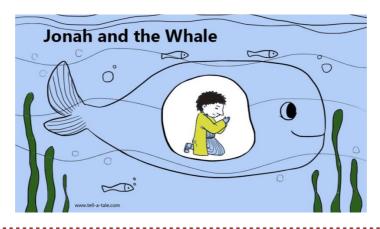




Jokes of the Week



- 1) Faith of a little boy: An American little boy wanted \$100 very much, and his mother told him to pray to God with Faith. He prayed and prayed for two weeks, but nothing turned up. Then he decided perhaps he should write God a letter requesting the \$100. When the postal authorities received the letter addressed to God, they opened it up and decided to send it to the President. The President was so impressed and touched that he instructed his secretary to send the little boy a check for \$5. He thought that this would appear to be a lot of money to a little boy. The little boy was delighted with the \$5 and sat down to write a thank-you letter to God, which ran as follows:" "Dear God: Thank you very much for the money. I noticed that you had to send it through Washington. Dad said that, as usual, they deducted \$95 for themselves in the name of 'Homeland Security' to save our country from terrorists."
- 2) **Faith of a little girl:** "Whales can't swallow people," the teacher said. "Even though they are large mammals, their throats are very small." "But the Bible teaches us that Jonah was swallowed by a whale," the little girl replied. "My mom says Bible is God's words, and it must be correct." "That just can't be," the teacher said. "It's physically impossible." "If so, when I get to Heaven, I will ask Jonah," said the little girl. The teacher looked down at her, smiled and asked, "What if Jonah went to Hell?" The little girl replied, "Then you can ask him yourself when you get there."



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11.00am - Patricia Duryea: 0418 139 599 5.00pm - Marino Casamento: 0408 394 792

26th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 24th & 25th September 2022

6.00pm Readers: Brian Scantlebury, Iris Hallinan Eucharistic Ministers: Joyce Ward, Fay Murphy

9.00am Readers: Michael Kerr, Don Ziino

Eucharistic Ministers: Patricia Thomas, Marcelle Azzopardi

11.00am Readers: Joan Clements, Patricia Duryea Eucharistic Ministers: John Spaziani, Sandra Barrett

27th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 1st & 2nd October 2022

6.00pm Readers: Carmel Coles, Iris Hallinan

Eucharistic Ministers: Joyce ward

9.00am Readers: Paul Girolami, Don Ziino Eucharistic Ministers: John and Mary Lewis

11.00am Readers: Bernard Butler, Terry Roberts Eucharistic Ministers: John Spaziani, Bridie Sexton

28th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 8/9 October 2022

6.00pm Readers: Faye Murphy, Kees Duyvestyn Eucharistic Ministers: Tricia Hird, Michael Turner

9.00am Readers: Spencer Meier, John Azzopardi

Eucharistic Ministers: Joseph Thoppil, Marcelle Azzopardi

11.00am Readers: Joan Clements, Trish Duryea

Eucharistic Ministers: Evelyn Atkins, Sheila Goddard

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