TWELTH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME YrA 25 JUNE 2023PARISH BULLETINSt 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.

ENCOUNTER: Youth Group: Primary school age 3pm-4:45pm before Youth Mass <u>2nd & 4th Sundays</u> of each Month. Community House.

Video Sunday Mass

NEW SETTINGS FOR VIDEO MASS

Watch Mass Live: Every Sun. 9AM https://vimeo.com/event/3513515

Or go to website to copy link: https://www.stmacartansparish.com.au

ALSO: at our regular YouTube link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UCW8lyzEMe20DLyOpptks0Fw/videos

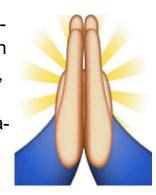
Upcoming Holy days:

- Wed 28th: Irenaeus, Bishop
- Thu 29th: Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles

NOTE: QUINNS PLACE CANCELLED UNTIL AFTER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS MOST LIKELY 14th JULY

WE HOLD IN OUR PRAYERS

Pray for the sick and their Carers: Tony Formosa, Betty Corke, Kevin Paganoni, Fiona Rush, Aaron Eastley, Bruce Reekie, Val Carr, Evan Senn, Adeline Lyn Tilden, Angela Turner, Laurence Turner, Roy Cahill, Poala Solvy, Geoffrey Lane, Terry Said, Joan Watts, Kathleen Rose, Barbara Seymour, Barbara Hent, Collen Steele, Gai Beveridge, Barbara Hunt, Dr Ron Fitzgerald and James Tokarczyk.



Death Anniversary: Dr, Jueney Liang Lecky and Rachel Harper.

First Reading Jer 20:10-13 A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

Jeremiah said:

'I hear so many disparaging me, "Terror from every side! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!"

All those who used to be my friends watched for my downfall,

"Perhaps he will be seduced into error. Then we will master him and take our revenge!"
But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero; my opponents will stumble, mastered, confounded by their failure; everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs.
But you, Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice, who scrutinise the loins and heart, let me see the vengeance you will take on them, for I have committed my cause to you.

Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord, for he has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of evil men.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 68:8-10. 14. 17. 33-35. R. v.14

(R.) Lord, in your great love, answer me.

It is for you that I suffer taunts, that shame covers my face, that I have become a stranger to my brothers, an alien to my own mother's sons. I burn with zeal for your house and taunts against you fall on me. (R.)

This is my prayer to you, my prayer for your favour.

In your great love, answer me, O God, with your help that never fails: Lord, answer, for your love is kind; in your compassion, turn towards me. (R.)

The poor when they see it will be glad and God-seeking hearts will revive; for the Lord listens to the needy and does not spurn his servants in their chains.

Let the heavens and the earth give him praise, the sea and all its living creatures. (R.)

Second Reading

Rom 5:12-15

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Romans

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.

Gospel Acclamation

Jn 15:26. 27

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord, and you also will be my witnesses.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mt 10:26-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the house-tops.

'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.'

Communion Antiphon

Jn 10:1,15 The eyes of all look to you, Lord

Living Bgospel

From the house-tops

One of the messages of Jesus to his disciples and, through him, of Matthew to the original community, is to have courage and to have pride in their belief. No matter what threat or persecution they are to endure, the command is to proclaim the message of Jesus from the house-tops. They are to be proud of what they believe and be prepared to share it with others. In a world today that is not always open to the message of Jesus, we too are called to be proud of what we believe and not whisper it in the darkness.

EXPLORING THE WORD

The people of Matthew's community were being persecuted for their faith. They were mostly Jews who had come to accept Jesus as the awaited Messiah. But not all Jews accepted this, and they did not want the Christians to worship with them in the synagogues, so the Jewish Christians were expelled. Matthew's Christian community was feeling very vulnerable and trying to find a new way of living their faith outside the traditional Jewish practices. In this passage, Matthew comforts them and assures them that they need not fear physical harm, for God knows every hair of their heads and will protect them. Those who are strong in their faith and refuse to recant will be honoured before God. If God extends his care to the sparrows, the cheapest life available, how much more will he extend his care to his faithful people?

Jesus wants to form a community in which each individual is valued. In what ways do you experience God's individual care and concern?

How does you parish reflect God's individual care and concern?

MAKING CONNECTIONS

Opportunities for discussion and personal prayer:

Share stories of people who have 'the strength of their convictions'. What does this mean?

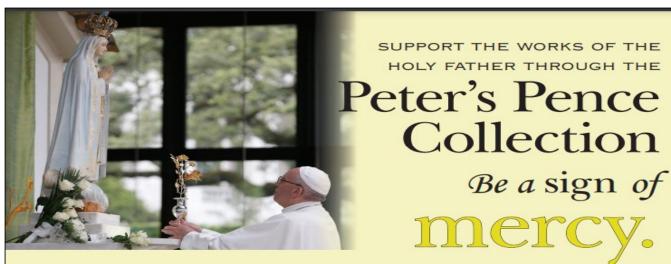
Has there ever been a time when you have had to go against prevailing opinion to stick up for someone or to defend truth or justice? How did it feel? What was the outcome?

What makes you afraid as you move towards committing yourself to Christ and his church?

Do you avoid speaking about your journey to faith in case others may think you are 'odd'?

'Think of times when you may be tempted to deny Christ: by actions that do not reflect what you really believe; by silence when something really needs to be said; by failing to challenge an injustice. Try this week to witness publicly to your faith, even in simple ways, like saying grace before meals.

Repeat this phrase often this week. Do not be afraid; I am with you.



THERE WILL BE A LEAVING COLLECTION FOR PETER'S PENCE THIS WEEKEND.

TEA TROLLEY

PLEASE COME ALONG TO ENJOY A CUPPA AFTER 9AM MASS IN THE COMMUNITY CENTRE. MEET NEW PARISHIONERS AND ENJOY SOME NIBBLES AND SWEETS.







#NotAlone event at Vatican to show that human fraternity is possible

On Saturday afternoon of 10 June Vatican Media will broadcast an event to celebrate the importance of human fraternity. The event will feature music and testimonies with the presence of 30 Nobel Prize winners, marking the first "Not alone" World Meeting giving visibility and support to Pope Francis' dream of a global human family living relationships of dialogue, solidarity and justice. By Adriana Masotti

Saturday's late afternoon "World Meeting on Human Fraternity" in St. Peter's Square has been a great desire of Pope Francis, and much anticipated. The Meeting will begin at 4 pm Rome time and is open to anyone wishing to participate. In the morning, there will be opportunities to discuss the theme of human fraternity, with the event bringing together some 30 Nobel Peace Laureates, together with young people and humanitarian associations, in order to understand what kind of world is possible when the we focus

on the importance of as expressed in Pope cal Fratelli tutti.

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Alone", aims to relaunch Pope Francis' dream of fraternity and also offer a way to express the closeness and prayers of all for the Pope, who was originally expected to be present at the event, but is currently in hospital.

The centre of the event will be in St. Peter's Square, but with a live, worldwide dimension: eight squares in other places around the world will be linked live via television so that participants around the globe can share and promote their own experiences of fraternity. The participating countries and cities are: Italy (Trappani), Congo (Brazzaville), the Central African Republic (Bangui), Ethiopia, Argentina (Buenos Aires), Israel (Jerusalem), Japan (Nagasaki), and Peru (Lima). And giving witness to fraternity will be performing artists including, Andrea Bocelli, Al Bano, Amara Roberto Bolle, Giovanni Caccamo, Cristicchi, Hauser, Carly Paoli, Piccolo Coro dell'Antoniano, Mr. Rain, Amii Stewart, and Paolo Vallesi. Presenters will include Carlo Conti, families, and associations, together with those who live on the margins of society, from the poor and the homeless, to migrants and victims of violence and human trafficking.

Handshake of Russian and Ukrainian youth

Young people from around the world will hold hands, reflecting the embrace of the Bernini colonnade forming St. Peter's Square as a concrete sign of fraternity. The organisers say this gesture came at the suggestion of Argentinian philanthropist Alejandro Roemmers. And at a time when we are experiencing the tragedy of a new war in Europe, "two young men, a Ukrainian and a Russian, will shake hands to express the desire for peace of all humanity", according to Cardinal Mauro Gambetti, the Pope's vicar for Vatican City and president of the Fratelli Tutti Foundation. At the end of the meeting a "Declaration of Fraternity" will be signed to reaffirm before the whole world the Church's "No!" to war and her commitment to dialogue and peacebuilding.

MISSING - TWO WHEELCHAIRS

If anyone has borrowed or knows the whereabouts of the two Church wheelchairs, please let the office know 5975 2200. These wheelchairs were last seen in the foyer of the church and were there for emergency use.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Today Fr Geoff celebrates seven years ordained to the

Priesthood

Fr Geoff asks:

"Please continue to pray for vocations"





Parish Footy Tipping Competition



Although there were only 6 matches last weekend, winners were still tricky to find. 7 clever tippers tipped 6/6 with others scoring from 3 to 5. Our leader board saw a few changes. Lincoln increased her lead after a perfect score followed 4 behind now by Tuttle 2021 and Maree O'Halloran, with one back to HelensBabies and Mr. Franks. The question is whether the last of the split Rounds this week will again see big changes in our quest to find our leading tipper for 2023?

Any competition queries or help <u>james—jflob@bigpond.net</u> au 0418 491781 , <u>spencer---</u> <u>sanddmeier@bigpond.com</u> 0448 602 288 .

DID YOU KNOW?—the most goals kicked in a game was 18 by Fred Fanning in 1947 but do you know who kicked the most behinds in a single game (14 in 1942), or had the most scoring shots (24 in 1978) or the most scoring shots without a goal (11 in 1949) ?

Jokes of the Week



#1) Fear of monster under the bed: A man visited a therapist because he had a fear of monsters living under his bed. The man had been seeing this doctor for months. Every time he would come in, the doctor would ask, "Have you made any progress?" Every time the man would say "No". The man decided to go and see another doctor. When he went back to his first doctor, the doctor asked, "Have you made any progress?" he said "Yes! I

am feeling all better now!" The doctor asked, "What happened?" The man said, "I went to another doctor and he cured me in one session!" The doctor asked, "What did he tell you?" The man said "He just told me to cut off all four legs of my bed and leave no space for the monster!"



#2) Fear of Sunday (Author Unknown) To make it possible for everyone to attend Church next Sunday, we are going to have a special "No Excuse Sunday":

- a) Cots will be placed in the foyer for those who say, "Sunday is my only day to sleep in."
- b) There will be a special section with lounge chairs who feel that our pews are too hard.
- c) Eye drops will be available for those with tired eyes from watching T.V. late Saturday night.
- d) We will have steel helmets for those who say " The roof would cave in if I ever came to Church."
- e) Blankets will be furnished for those who think the church is too cold and fans for those who say it is too hot.
- f) Score cards will be available for those who wish to list the hypocrites present.
- g) Relatives and friends will be in attendance for those who can't go to Church and cook dinner, too.
- h) We will distribute "Stamp Out Stewardship" buttons for those who feel that Church is always asking for money.
- i) One section will be devoted to trees and grass for those who like to seek God in nature.
- k) Doctors and nurses will be in attendance for those who plan to be sick on Sunday.
- I) The sanctuary will be decorated with both Christmas poinsettias and Easter lilies for those who never have seen the Church without them.
- m) We will provide hearing aids for those who can't hear the preacher and cotton for those who say he is too loud.

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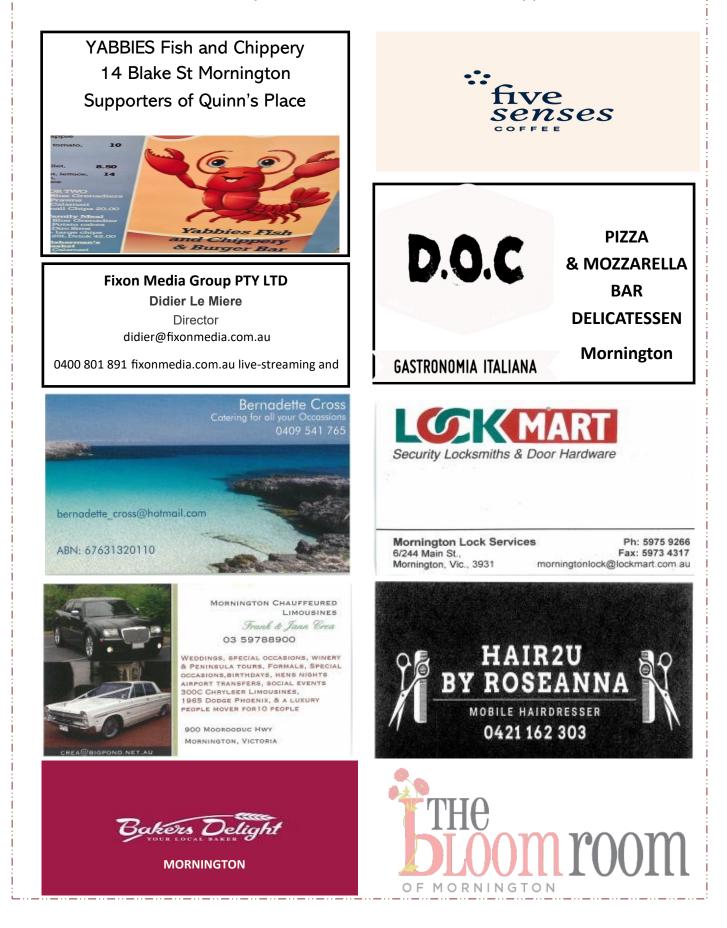
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Rosters for Special Ministers and Commentators - Mass Co-ordinators

<u>6.00pm - Carmel Coles: 5975 3080</u> <u>9.00am - Helen Britton : 0437 279 029</u> <u>11.00am - Patricia Duryea: 0418 139 599</u> <u>5.00pm - Danielle Field: 0410 596 637</u>

12th Sunday of Ordinary Time 24th & 25th June 2023

6.00pm Readers: Carmel McGrath, Kees Duyvestyn Eucharistic Ministers: Mairi Duyvestyn, Alis Fisher

9.00am Readers: Spencer Meier, John Azzopardi Eucharistic Ministers: Delina Frank, Patricia Thomas

11.00am Readers : Joan Clements, Irene Hackett Eucharistic Ministers: Barbara Ensil, Rosina Di Petta

13th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 1st & 2nd July 2023

6.00pm Readers : Brian Scantlebury, Iris Hallinan Eucharistic Ministers: Michael Turner, Joyce Ward

9.00am Readers : Kathleen Ronchi, Michael Kerr Eucharistic Ministers: Marcelle Azzopardi, Frank Crea

11.00am Readers : Gabriella Fialla, Terry Roberts Eucharistic Ministers: Sandra Barrett, Barbara Ensil

14th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 8th & 9th July 2023

6.00pm Readers: Kees Duyvestyn, Carmel McGrath Eucharistic Ministers: Mairi Duyvestyn, Alis Fisher

9.00am Readers : Helen Britton, Don Ziino Eucharistic Ministers: Christina Llopart, Joseph Thoppil

11.00am Readers: Michael Harrison, Joan Clements Eucharistic Ministers: Evelyn Atkins, Sheila Goddard

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