

PARISH BULLETIN

St Macartan's Catholic Parish



4 Drake St, Mornington VIC 3931

Parish Office: 9.30am-3pm Tuesday to Friday; Ph: 5975 2200

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Parish Priest: Fr Minh Tran SJ

Secretaries: Annette Wales, Francesca McLoughlin, Catherine Larken



hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand.

WEEKLY MASS TIMES

Weekdays: Mon-Sat :9:15am

Saturday: Vigil 6pm.

Sunday: 9am , 11am & 5pm

1st Sun of the Month: 3:30pm Filipino Mass.

RECONCILIATION: After 9:15am Mass Monday to Saturday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday after 9.15am mass till 12pm,

Sunday 4pm-4.45pm except 1st Sunday.

Baptism (1st&3rd Sunday), Wedding, Funeral
please contact Parish Office or on Parish web site

PARISH INFORMATION

St Macartan's Primary School Ph: 5979 9200

Principal: Colleen McGreal

Deputy: Philip Hills

Padua College Ph: 5976 0100

Parish Pastoral Council: Craig Nugent

Email: craig.nugent@opteonsolutions.com

Pastoral Cordinator: Eileen Marchmont

Finance Committee: Frank Crea (0417 104 041)

High Spirits Co-Ord. Dorinnia Burns

Email: highspiritsmornington@gmail.com

Children's Liturgy Co-Ordinator: TBA

Little Macs Playgroup: Justine 0448 679 461 /
Sarah 0402 493 680

Email: littlemacsplaygroup@gmail.com

Dec. Caretaker : John Spaziani: 0419 598 911

Parish Care Contacts: Parish Office (5975 2200)

Music Co-Ordinator-

Veronica Ryan (5975 6981/ 0418 358 213)

Baptism Preparation: Kathy Raccanello

Next Baptismal Meeting —

8pm Wednesday 5th December 2018 (PH)

Recently Deceased:

Anniversaries:

Pray for the sick and their Carers: Carly Guy, Kevin O'Brien, Bernadette Robertson, Elizabeth Brennan, Myna Barlow, Bob Barrett, Ally Roe, Colleen & Jim Husin, Maryanne Husin, Rodelia Pordeux, Phyllis Harvey, Eileen Young, Stuart Poustie, Peter Hingston, Dave Mortby, Lynne Anderson, Naomi Andrews, Peter Atkinson, Kevin Paganoni, Jeannie Fox, Phyllis Molloy, Carly Coulter, Anne Wilson, Terry Lyons, Renee Barker, Courtney Stevens, Lyn McGain, Mary Cattermole, Stuart O'Connell SM, Joseph Aquilina, Cinzia Caboche, Helen & Denis Chambers, Pauline Achermann, Jorge Ramirez

Mass Intentions

First Reading: A reading from the prophet Jeremiah; Jer 33:14-16

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I am going to fulfil the promise I made to the House of Israel and the House of Judah: 'In those days and at that time, I will make a virtuous Branch grow for David, who shall practise honesty and integrity in the land.

In those days Judah shall be saved and Israel shall dwell in confidence.

And this is the name the city will be called: 'The Lord-our-integrity.' *The Word of the Lord*

Responsorial Psalm Ps 24:4-5. 8-9. 10. 14. R. v.1

(R.) To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

1. Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour. (R.)

2. The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray,
he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. (R.)

3. His ways are faithfulness and love for those who keep his covenant and will.

The Lord's friendship is for those who revere him; to them he reveals his covenant. (R.)

(R.) To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

Second Reading: A reading from first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians . 1 Thes 3:12 – 4:2

May the Lord be generous in increasing your love and make you love one another and the whole human race as much as we love you. And may he so confirm your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless in the sight of our God and Father when our Lord Jesus Christ comes with all his saints.

Finally, brothers, we urge you and appeal to you in the Lord Jesus to make more and more progress in the kind of life that you are meant to live: the life that God wants, as you learnt from us, and as you are already living it. You have not forgotten the instructions we gave you on the authority of the Lord Jesus. *The Word of the Lord*

Gospel Acclamation Ps 84:8

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation. Alleluia!

Gospel: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke; Lk 21:25-28. 34-36

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamour of the ocean and its waves; men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand.

'Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coarsened with debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap. For it will come down on

every living man on the face of the earth. Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen, and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.

The Gospel of the Lord

**Baptism
Celebration**

This weekend, we welcome...

Ethan Adams, Timothy Lowry, Luka Mimmo, Cora Pollett, Jack Renouf, into our Parish community as they receive the Sacrament of Baptism.



THE PARISH IS IN URGENT NEED OF VOLUNTEERS.

Readers, Cleaners, Children Liturgy, Communion Ministers & Others

If you are able to volunteer for a few hours each week or a year on a rostered basis, please let the Parish Office know on 5975 2200 or email mornington@cam.org.au

Also, if you are currently on the roster and no longer wish to volunteer, please let the Parish Office know



Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project

BASP - Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project

We're filling their pantry for those in need

Christmas in Melbourne is a time of celebration,

both religious and secular. Let's help our asylum-seeking guests join in the fun!

Our December collection will be held over the weekend 1st and 2nd.

Let's give them what they will really enjoy -

SWEET BISCUITS - fruit-filled, shortbread, ones with nuts...

UNSALTED NUTS - especially pistachios, almonds, cashews...

DRIED FRUIT - especially eating dates, apricots, figs, currants...

If you want to give a Christmas present, please make it a gift card - Woolworths, Coles, Myer, or a MYKI card, or a pre-paid phone card. Sorry but we can't take toys or clothes as we don't know the age, size, sex or interests of any who will receive your presents.

BLESSINGS AND THANKS

Social Justice Group

Plenary Council 2020—Listen to what the Spirit is saying - "Listening and Dialogue"

What do you think God is asking of you at this time?

What do you think God is asking of us at St Macartan's, Mornington Parish at this time? What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?



REFLECT: In silence, reflect on your personal experience of faith up to this point in your life. Faith journey is about one's own experience of the Holy Spirit guiding and nurturing one's life in the community or one's life and (or in) the Church. How has the Gospel, the Church's teaching, ministry in which you are involved, influenced your faith? (You might want to choose a gospel passage to pray with). You may want to write your thoughts down.

SHARE AND LISTEN: Tell a story of my experience in this area. Take turns to share aloud with each other your personal experience of faith, life and the Church. When others are speaking, remember to listen with an open and humble heart.

RECOLLECTING: How has another perspective influenced my own? After each person has shared, in silence, reflect on how stories shared by other people have influenced your own perspective. You may want to write your thoughts down, or simply sit quietly with your thoughts.

SHARING: I would like to encourage group and public sharing, which means, you can represent your group to share at mass, or you can share your own faith journey at Mass. I am open to suggestions.

Continuing at St Macartan's Community Centre this Wednesday 10th October - 7.30 to 8.30pm. This is a 14 part series that deals with different experiences of the Holy Spirit presented by Fr. Dave Pivonka. Each DVD is separate and not in any order so join us whenever you are free. The first segment is 'God's love poured out'. For further details contact Patrick Guest 0425 163 713 or Jacinta Jolly - 0400 79 1971. **EVERYBODY IS WELCOME.**

THE MINISTRY OF
THE WILD GOOSE

LITTLE MAC'S PLAYGROUP—We are looking for two or more people to help run our energetic Playgroup in 2019. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please email littlemacsplaygroup@gmail.com
A current Working with Children Check is essential.



PIETY STALL - Christmas Stock is now in the Piety Stall. For those early shoppers who want to get ahead of the crowds and not be disappointed, we have Nativity sets in varying sizes and price range, plus beautiful decorations to add to the festive season and bring a truly meaningful Christmas atmosphere to the home.

Majellan Christmas Cards - packs of 10 for \$10.00



Just arrived - Artisan jewellery - Handcrafted imaginative designs of pressed flowers in sterling silver surrounds either necklaces or large and small crosses, plus Virgin Mary Rings and pendants. All come with gift pouches for gift giving:



Comfort Crosses have arrived - these small wooden crosses that fit easily in the palm of the hand are a wonderful comfort for the sick and elderly.

November edition
of Melbourne
Catholic Magazine
is now available.



Feast of Immaculate Conception—Sat 8th Dec.

Hour of Grace 12pm—1pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Psalm 51 — Rosary

Consecration to Our Blessed Mother—All Welcome

Christmas 2018 Christmas Eve Children's Mass 5pm

We are very excited to be preparing all children for this beautiful Mass. If you will be attending this Mass, we would love for You to come along and be part of the preparations. This is open to all children who will be attending the Mass. PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD. Parents can contact Dorinnia on 0428872393 or Lisa on 0433110202 for further information or to sign up. We will be retelling the story of the First Christmas and there will be lots of



singers and helpers needed. Preparations will take place Tuesday afternoons: Tuesday Dec 4th, 11th and 18th @ 4 pm 5 pm; arrive early for refreshments!

Where : St. Macartan's Community House. If You will be at the Christmas Eve Mass, and would like to fake part, please take the form on your way out and complete and return. Thank you

St Vincent De Paul Christmas Appeal on the weekend of December 8/9

What does Christmas mean to you?

For many people, Christmas is all about family. Spending time together, sharing a meal and creating meaningful memories.

These moments are precious.

But what if you couldn't provide a meal for your family, or even a home? This is the reality many Australian families face this Christmas.



Please give generously "Appeal Envelopes" and "leaving collection"

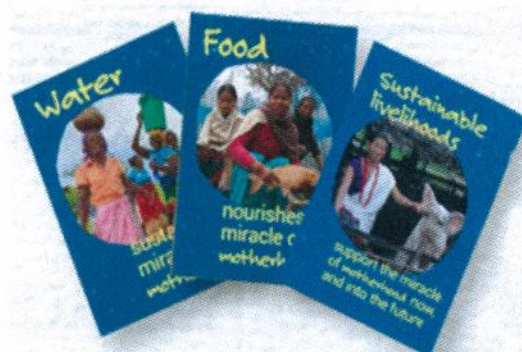


As we welcome the season of Advent, the season of waiting and preparing our hearts for the birth of Child Jesus. May we, as individuals, schools and parishes, act and pray for a more just and fair world, a world where every woman could give birth safely and cherish the miracle of motherhood.

When you choose a Global Gift card to give to family or friends this Christmas, you are providing **Water, Food and Sustainable Livelihoods** for women and children around the world.

Order Global Gift cards online at www.globalgifts.org.au or call us on 1800 024 413.

Send a Christmas message to those you love, and help save the lives of mothers and babies in the most vulnerable communities.



Chamber Philharmonia Cologne ARE COMING BACK TO MORNINGTON!!!

Performing here at St Macartan's with a powerful and lovely new programme on WEDNESDAY 23RD JANUARY @ 8PM. Please call Patricia on 5975 2613 to make your booking now! Ticket prices will be confirmed soon. Ticket collection will take place every Monday and Thursday of January (7th & 10th, 14th & 17th, 21st) between 10-11am in the Community Centre. We are looking forward to your company!

Next Wednesday (28th November 2018), Aid to the Church in Need (a Pontifical Foundation) will be promoting #RED WEDNESDAY. This emerging campaign is designed as a public act of awareness and solidarity with all those who face persecution for their peacefully-held religious beliefs and faith. The Office for Justice and Peace, in conjunction with the Ecumenical and Interfaith Commission will be holding an Interfaith Gathering on RED WEDNESDAY to which you are all invited. St. Patricks Cathedral will be flood lit in RED to mark the occasion.

Date: Wednesday 28th November 2018, Time : 7.30pm - 8.30pm,

Place: Forecourt St. Patrick's Cathedral

RSVP/ Inquiries: justice@cam.org.au ALL ARE WELCOME

CHURCH SOUND SYSTEM—A special Thank You to those who contribute to the "Weekly Small Donation Envelopes" for the Upgrade of our St Macartan's Sound System. The "donation envelopes" will temporarily cease in early December for the Christmas period. Hopefully we will have reached our end of year target of \$10,000.



Fundraising Goals



NEW PARISHIONERS

The St Macartan's community would like to welcome all new parishioners. Please fill in a new parishioner form (available in both foyers) and place in box provided; a member of our Welcome Committee will call and arrange to meet with you.



SACRIFICIAL GIVING

(2nd Collection) Weekly Pledge: \$5478

Average p/w: \$4003

PRESBYTERY COLLECTION:

(1st) Collection) Last Weekend: \$1715



MINIMAL GLUTEN WAFER

We now offer 'minimal gluten' hosts at all Masses. If you require one, please approach the Sacristan

MELBOURNE OVERSEAS MISSIONS APPEAL - December 15th & 16th

Since its foundation in 1969, Melbourne parishioners have supported Melbourne's own mission fund to help developing nations. Archbishop Peter Comensoli commends the fund to your continuing support. Donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible.

Please give generously "Appeal Envelopes" and "leaving collection"

Make an Encounter in 2019

Palms Encounters are rich immersions that challenge perceptions of our neighbours, guided by Palms mission volunteers with cultural experience of Timor Leste, Myanmar and Samoa.



Palms Australia

www.palms.org.au/encounters

Timor Leste- April & Sept

Samoa - June

Myanmar- November

SCHOOL MASS

Grade 6 Graduation Mass Wednesday 12 December 7pm in School Hall

End of Year Mass Tuesday 18 December at 10.30am in School Hall)

All parishioners are welcome.



THINK ABOUT IT

December 3rd is International Day of Persons with Disabilities. Australia has a National Disability Insurance Scheme. Can we pressure our politicians to ensure it works optimally.

Social Justice Group

Holding the Light, a service to remember those impacted

by domestic violence - 2 December

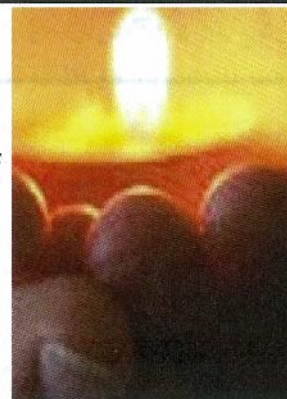
All are cordially invited to an ecumenical service to remember the women and children who have been killed this year and for survivors of domestic and relationship violence.

Holding the Light, will be held at St Peter's Anglican Church, 315 Gisborne Street, East Melbourne, on Sunday 2 December 2018, from 2.30pm - 3.30pm, followed by afternoon tea.

<https://thinkprevent.com/holding-the-light-event-registration>

Denis Fitzgerald, Executive Director, Catholic Social Services Victoria,

www.css.org.au



ROSTERS!

Readers	1st—2nd December	8th—9th December
6pm	E&G Gordon	K Duyvestyn, J Raccanello
9am	P McHarg, P Girolami	M Kerr, D Ziino
11am	B Butler, J Clements	C&U Chiezey
5pm	Z&D Warmbrunn, G Failla	T Jolly, A&M Field
Ex.Ministers	1st—2nd December	8th—9th December
6pm	A Fisher, J Holloway, L Thorpe	M Duyvestyn, K Raccanello, C Williams
9am	M Azzopardi, D Frank, P Girolami, C Griffiths	F Crea, J Lewis, M Lewis, C Griffiths
11am	R DiPetta, C Llopart, J Spaziani	S Barrett, A Flood, S Goddard
5pm	J&M Sayah, Mario Leitao	R Jolly, Mario Leitao
Music	1st—2nd December	8th—9th December
6pm	Vron & Co	Vron & Co
9am	Carmen, Louise & Choir	Carmen, Louise & Choir
11am	Chris & Co	Chris & Co
5pm	Lulu, Joe, Kiara & Emily	Lulu, Joe, Kiara & Emily
AV Ops	1st—2nd December	8th—9th December
6pm	Bryan H	Chris Curtain
9am	T&M Said	T&M Said
11am	Graham	Bryan Handasyde
5pm	Len Seal	Len Seal
P'point Prs	1st—2nd December	8th—9th December
6pm	Vron	Vron
9am	Terry	Terry
11am	Wendy	Wendy
5pm	Vron	Vron
Altar Svrs	1st—2nd December	8th—9th December
6pm	L Luppino, E Siedlecki	C McNeice Harper, E Price
9am	C&J Strawbridge, G&S Little, Z Lindsay	G Le Miere, O Cook, M Gibney
11am	S Cheevers	Volunteers required
5pm	A Rosbrook	L&E Kiernan, D, X&D Warmbrunn
Count. Tm	3rd December	10th December
	J. Azzopardi, B. Murphy, M. Andrew	A. Azzopardi, T. Walker
Cleaning	6th December	13th December
	Gab Gordon, G. Bartosikova, F. Taylor	Angela Skoljarev,
Flowers	6th—13th December	20th—27th December
	Trish Andreoli, Louise Renshaw	Liz Young, Lena Scarinci
Piety Stall	1st—2nd December	8th—9th December
Sat 6pm	L Thorpe	A Anderson
Sun 9am	M Picton, R D'Silva	A McKenna
Sun 11am	P Harper, S Taylor	A Wilson, S Godddard
C Liturgy	2nd December	9th December
Sun 9am Sun 11am	<i>There will be no Children's Liturgy in term 4</i>	<i>There will be no Children's Liturgy in term 4</i>
Tea Trolley	2nd December	9th December
	Alwyn Azzopardi	Volunteers required

Weekly Activities

HIGH SPIRITS: Every Tuesday during school term in the Community Centre from 4pm—5pm (come early for refreshments). It is aimed at all parish children who do not attend Catholic schools. It teaches Faith Development and prepares children for the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation when appropriate. If you know of anyone who would like to join us, please spread the word. Email: highspiritsmornington@gmail.com / Dorinnia on 0428 872 393.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY: EVERY SUNDAY AT 9am and 11am MASSES for all children in Grades 2-6 (not during school holiday). **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Please call Parish Office 5975 2200.

LITTLE MAC'S PLAYGROUP: for pre-school children and their carers. 9:45-11:30am Wednesdays in the Community Centre during school term time Gold Coin donation. Further details: Email: littlemacsplaygroup@gmail.com

PARISH CHOIR: We practice every Thursday in the church after 9:15am Mass. New Members of all ages are always welcome. Enquiries: Louise 5975 2773

THE LEGION OF MARY: Meets every Wednesday after Mass in the Community Centre. Please ring Ron Fitzgerald on 5974 2130.

MINISTER UNTO GOD PRAYER GROUP: Tuesdays at 10am in Community Centre.

MARY'S IMMACULATE HEART PRAYERS CENACLE: Tuesdays 2pm—3pm in the Community Centre.

SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP: Meets on 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 10am in the Sacristy Room. Please call Wally 5975 1159 for further details.

MACARTAN CLUB- A Club for Retirees and Senior Parishioners Bep Mether 5976 4103, General Meeting held on the 4th Friday of each month in the Community Centre after the 9:15 am Mass. Parishioners and Potential New Members are always welcome to attend meetings and events. **Our small groups are now in recession for the Christmas and New Year period.** Our final activity for this year is the Macartan Club **Christmas Lunch on Monday 3rd December** at Norwood House, Nepean Highway, Mornington at 12:00 noon for 12:30 pm start. Bookings can be made until Wednesday, 28th November Contact: John Sumner – phone 5975 2160

FRIENDSHIP CUPPA: Dates: November 9th and 23rd But take note, on the 23rd instead of meeting at 10:30am, we will meet at 12:30am to conclude the year with a lunch. Same place with the only difference of the time, and you'll need to book for this, so please ring Josie on 0405380841. Hope to see you there.

ST MAC'S CAFÉ: Open 7pm—9pm in the Community Centre. FREE cuppa and food, good music and great company. **OPEN TO EVERYONE!** We look forward to seeing you there!

St Mac's Cafe will open for the last time for 2018 on the 12th of December.
The Cafe will re-open on 30th January 2019.

FREE MEN'S BREAKFAST EVERY Saturday at 7:30am in the Community Centre. Open to men of all ages. Bring nothing except your appetite!!!

Men's Night. We are now in recession for the Christmas and New Year period and shall return in February with a BBQ. Onions will be under the snags. Safe Travelling. The three Amigos."

