PARISH BULLETIN

St Macartan's Catholic Parish

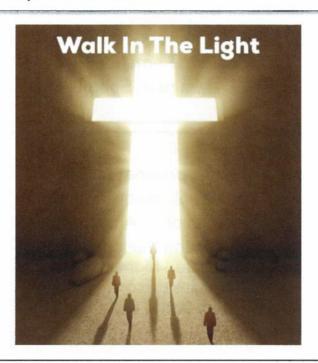


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Parish Priest: Rev Fr Geoffrey McIlroy

Parish Secretary: Theresa Collard





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 Weekday Mass

Or contact parish office for appointment.

Anointing Mass: 1st Fri of the Month Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday after 9.15am mass till 12pm,
Sunday 4pm-4.45pm except 1st Sunday.

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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: Bernard Butler

0419 427 408

Pastoral Coordinator: Refer Parish Secretary

RCIA: Deacon Kevin Pattison

Finance Committee: Frank Crea (0417 104 041)

High Spirits Co-Ord. TBA

Children's Liturgy Co-Ordinator: TBA

Little Macs Playgroup: Email: littlemacsplay-

group@gmail.com

Parish 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 4th December 2019

Marriage Preparation & Any Counselling:

Charmaine Holmes, Ph: 59772665

Recently Deceased: Ted Smyth (NZ), Rev Joseph Yu PE, Rev

Christopher Toms

Anniversaries: Marie and Bill Foley, Jim Kershaw Snr (NZ)

Mass Intentions

Pray for the sick and their Carers: Graham Oliver, Richard Holloway, Laura Castelow, Julie Nash, Margaret O'Connor, Jay Keogh, Sophie Davidsen, Cinzia Caboche, Robert Warne, Dean Pratt, Trent Wilkinson, Esma Murphy, Eva Balista, Kate Maree Ayoub (Tunks) Frances McLean, Richard Meech, Colleen, Noah Guest, Carly Guy, , Elizabeth Brennan, Bob Barrett, Ally Roe, Colleen & Jim Husin, Maryanne Husin, Eileen Young, Stuart Poustie, Peter Hingston, Dave Mortby, Lynne Anderson, Naomi Andrews, Peter Atkinson, Kevin Paganoni, Jeannie Fox, Phyllis Molloy, Terry Lyons, Renee Barker, Courtney Stevens, , Mary Cattermole, Joseph Aquilina, Helen & Denis Chambers, Mark Allan, Lucas Pingiaro, Fernando Pineda, Jim Kershaw (NZ), Bernadette Harvey (NZ), David Taylor NZ), Maureen Spargo, Tony Formosa and Pat Greally, Bert Limpens.

First Reading Is 2:1-5

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord will gather all nations in eternal peace in the kingdom of God.

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In the days to come the mountain of the Temple of the Lord shall tower above the Mountains and be lifted higher than the hills.

All the nations will stream to it, peoples without number will come to it; and they will say: 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the Temple of the God of Jacob that he may teach us his ways so that we may walk in his paths; since the Law will go out from Zion, and the oracle of the Lord from Jerusalem.'

He will wield authority over the nations and adjudicate between many peoples; these will hammer their swords into ploughshares, their spears into sickles. Nation will not lift sword against nation, there will be no more training for war. O House of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 121:1-2. 4-5. 6-9. R. See V.1 (R.) Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

- I rejoiced when I heard them say:
 'Let us go to God's house.'
 And now our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- It is there that the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord.
 For Israel's law it is, there to praise the Lord's name.
 There were set the thrones of judgement of the house of David.
- 3. For the peace of Jerusalem pray: 'Peace be to your homes! May peace reign in your walls, in your palaces, peace!'
- 4. For love of my brethren and friends I say: 'Peace upon you!'
 For love of the house of the Lord I will ask for your good. (R)

Second Reading Rom 13:11-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The time has come, our salvation is near.

You know 'the time' has come: you must wake up now: our salvation is even nearer than it was when we were converted. The night is almost over, it will be daylight soon — let us give up all the things we prefer to do under the cover of the dark; let us arm ourselves and appear in the light. Let us live decently as people do in the daytime: no drunken orgies, no promiscuity or licentiousness, and no wrangling or jealousy. Let your armour be the Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation Ps 84:8

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

Gospel Lk 23:35-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Lord remember me when you come into your kingdom.

The people stayed there before the cross watching Jesus. As for the leaders, they jeered at him. 'He saved others,' they said, 'let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.' The soldiers mocked him too, and when they approached to offer him vinegar they said, 'If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.' Above him there was an inscription: 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals hanging there abused him. 'Are you not the Christ?' he said. 'Save yourself and us as well.' But the other spoke up and rebuked him. 'Have you no fear of God at all?' he said. 'You got the same sentence as he did, but in our case we deserved it: we are paying for what we did. But this man has done nothing wrong. Jesus,' he said, 'remember me when you come into your kingdom.' 'Indeed, I promise you,' he replied, 'today you will be with me in paradise.'

Communion Antiphon

The Lord sits as King for ever.

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Melbourne Overseas Missions Annual Appeal - 7th & 8th December 2019—There will be a Leaving Collection after each Mass

Melbourne Overseas Missions continues to assist the disadvantaged and marginalized in Papua New Guinea, Pakistan, Botswana, Peru and Jerusalem. The work puts a key focus on the education of young people in socially and economically disadvantaged communities. Thousands of children and young people will have access to safe and engaging learning environments thanks to the generosity of the clergy and parishioners of the Melbourne Archdiocese. Melbourne Overseas Missions very much appreciates your generosity in facilitating this work and very much hopes it will continue.

Donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible.

Gospel Mt 24:37-44

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Stay awake, you must be ready.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As it was in Noah's day, so will it be when the Son of Man comes. For in those days before the Flood people were eating, drinking, taking wives, taking husbands, right up to the day Noah went into the ark, and they suspected nothing till the Flood came and swept all away. It will be like this when the Son of Man comes. Then of two men in the fields one is taken, one left; of two women at the millstone grinding, one is taken, one left.

'So stay awake, because you do not know the day when your master is coming. You may be quite sure of this that if the householder had known at what time of the night the burglar would come, he would have stayed awake and would not have allowed anyone to break through the wall of his house. Therefore, you too must stand ready because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Communion Antiphon Ps 84:13

The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.



Congratulations To:

Kenzie Peta McArdle and Jackson Edmund Mayer
who receive the Sacrament of Baptism this Sunday 1st December.
May they always walk in the light of Christ.

The Love of Christ Urges Us

Advent Sunday 1 - 1 December

"Stay Awake". Jesus urges us to be ready. Today let us pray for the young people in our parish community, that they may be ready and alert to hear the Lord calling them to the faithful vocations of marriage, priesthood, consecrated or single life.

PLATINUM Jubilee Celebration for Sr Ena Tobin

Sr of St John of God 70 Years of Service 1949 to 2019

Sr Ena would like to invite the Parishioners of St Macartan's to attend a Mass celebrating her Platinum Jubilee on Tuesday 3rd December, Feast of St Francis Xaivier, at 9.15 am at St Macartan;s Church. Followed by a morning tea, all catered, at the Community Centre.

Archbishop Denis Hart to visit St Macartans Church Archbishop of Melbourne 2001—18

His Grace, Archbishop Denis Hart, will be joining Fr Geoff to celebrate Mass on the 5th January at the 11 am Mass. Please mark it in your calendar.

Friar Alessandro at St Patrick's Cathedral

You are invited to an evening of Christmas music & readings with internationally acclaimed Franciscan singer Friar Alessandro. Friar is on his first ever tour to Australia and will be accompanied by Vivian Choi (Piano) and the Artes Christi Choir & Orchestra. **ENTRY FREE or by Donation**. Donations supporting Vinnies Christmas Appeal.

Date and Venue: Saturday 7th December at St Patrick's Cathedral 7.30pm

Bookings essential via www.voicefromassisi.org.au

St Macs Gift Shop

The Piety is at capacity as far as funding and room allows

If you haven't recently visited the Gift Shop, especially those who sit in the annexe, drop past and have a look. I'm sure you will be pleasantly surprised at the variety of goods we have for family and friends. Take your time and have a browse because there are truly some beautiful gifts for your loved ones at Christmas.

The Lanterns from Germany have arrived, beautiful with the lights on, may be down the middle of your Christmas table or just placed around your home in the evenings for everyone to enjoy. We have also received the crystal blocks with 3D images of religious figures, Holy Family, Crucifixion, Holy Communion and others. Stands can also be purchased which highlight the figures in white or soft colours.

Christmas cards and Columban calendars are selling well along with the Comfort Crosses so don't miss out.

Further items have been marked down to make room for the new, so come and have a look and pick up a bargain.

Consider a gift from the Gift Shop this Christmas. It just may be the gift to rekindle someone's faith.

We are also working on payment by card, but until that is sorted please remember cash only.



THE PARISH IS IN URGENT NEED OF VOLUNTEERS.

Readers, Cleaners, Children Liturgy, Communion Ministers & Others.
We are also needing volunteers for the Flower Roster.
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!

If you have spare Tip Tickets please drop them into the Parish Office 5975 2200 or email mornington@cam.org.au



BRIGIDINE ASYLUM SEEKERS' PROJECT

BASP - Committed Courageous Compassionate

This weekend is our final collection for 2019. Thanks most sincerely for your generosity. We'll be back on the first weekend of March.

Christmas blessings to you all.

THINK ABOUT IT

Advent is a time for waiting, waiting for the saving birth of the One foretold by prophets - God, a Baby on the earth.

Social Justice Group

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.





MINIMAL GLUTEN WAFER

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

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

2nd Collection Weekly Pledge: \$2,820 1st Collection Presbytery: \$1,700

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

New Thanksgiving Envelopes for the period of the 17th November 2019—8th November 2020 are now available for collection in the Main Foyer.

Please pick up your envelopes to save the Parish the expense of mailing them out.

Hour of Grace

Feast of the Immaculate Conception—Monday 9th December
12pm St Macartans Church
Adoration, 51st Psalm. Holy Rosary Consecration to our Blessed Mother All Welcome

Christmas 2019 Masse Times Christmas Eve Tuesday 24th December

Children's Mass: 5 pm

Family Mass: 7.30 pm Carols from 7 pm

Vigil Mass: 11 pm Carols from 10.30 pm

Christmas Day Wednesday 25th December

Morning Mass: 9 am and 10.30 am

There will be no 5 pm Mass on Christmas Day



Christmas Eve Children's Mass 5 pm

Will you be attending the 5 pm Christmas Eve Mass?

Do you have primary school-aged children?

If so, we would love them to join us in preparing for the Mass. All children welcome, we need readers, singers and lots more to make this a truly special event.

Preparations will take place Tuesday afternoons When:Nov 12, 19, 26 Dec 3, 10, 17 @ 4 pm – 5 pm Arrive early for refreshments!

Where:St Macartan's Community House

To sign up or for further information, parents please contact -**Trish** on 0418 139 599 or **Lisa** on 0433 110 202

ROSTERS

Readers	30th November—1st December	7th—8th December
6pm	Kees Duuyvestyn Iris Hallinan	Josie Raccanello, Brian Scantlebarry
9am	Paul Girolamin Michael Kerr	John Azzopardi, Don Ziino
11am	Bernard Butler, Joan Clements	Chinelo Chiezey, Ugo Chiezey
5pm	Gabriella Faila, Volunteers	Gabriella Faila, Volunteers
Ex.Ministers	30th November—1st December	7th—8th December
6pm	Alice Fisher, Barbara Peach, Lynn Thorpe	Frank Raccanello, Carol Williams
9am	Frank Crea, Delina Frank, Pat Girolami	Marcelle Azzopardi, John Lewis, Mary Lewis
11am	Rosina Di Petta, Christine Llopart, John Soaziani	Sandra Barret, Barbara Ensil, Sheila Goddard
5pm	Mario Leitao, Craig Nugent	Mario Leitao, Craig Nugent
Music	30th November—1st December	7th—8th December
6pm	Vron and Co	Vron & Co
9am	Carmen & Louise,	Carmen and Choir
11am	Billie & Co	Chris and Co
5pm	Emily/Kiara/Lulu	Billy and Co
AV Ops	30th November—1st December	7th—8th December
6pm	James Barrett & Co	TBA
9am	Terry & Marlene S	TBA
11am	Graham M	TBA
5pm	Marino Cassamento	Marino Cassamento
P'point Prs	30th November—1st December	7th—8th December
6pm	Vron	Vron
9am	Terry	Terry
11am	Vron	Vron
5pm	Vron	Vron
Altar Svrs	30th November—1st December	7th—8th December
6pm	Lucas Demo	Lucas Demo
9am	Samara Passmore, Tes Donnelly, Denham Kiernan	Samara Passmore, Tes Donnelly, Denham Kiernan
11am	Lucas Huynh, Sari Prabawo	Lucas Huynh, Sari Prabawo
5pm	Matt Sayah, Jacob Melham, Mitssy Gonsalves	Matt Sayah, Jacob Melham, Mitssy Gonsalves
Counters	2nd December	9th December
	John Sumner, G Michael	K Kershaw, T&P Moore, K McInerneu
Cleaning	5th December	12th December
	Melissa Kiernan , Janine Ward	Eileen Hallett, Martha Sarpa, Maggie Holdsworth
Flowers	5th—12th December	19th—26th December
	Mary Arter, Monica Martini	Cheryl Noble
Piety Stall	30th November—1st December	7th—8th December
	Maria Picton	Anna Makanna
Sat 6.00pm		Anne McKenna
Sat 6.00pm Sun 9am	Rosemary D'Silva	Ann Wilson
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Sun 9am	Rosemary D'Silva 30th November—1st December	Ann Wilson 7th—8th December
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Weekly Activities

<u>HIGH SPIRITS:</u> The Position of High Spirits Coordinator has now been filled and will commence first term in 2020. There will be no High Spirits for the remainder of the year.

<u>LITTLE MAC'S PLAYGROUP</u>: 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; We are looking for Volunteers to continue the Playgroup in 2019. A current working with children check is essential.



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PARISH CHOIR: We practice every Thursday in the church after 9:15am Mass.

New Members of all ages are always welcome. Enquiries: Louise 0409 558 922

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

MARY'S IMMACULATE HEART PRAYERS CENACLE: Tues 2-3pm in Community Centre.

THE LEGION OF MARY: Meets every Wednesday after Mass in the Community Centre.

Please ring Ron Fitzgerald on 0428287101. "Family that prays together, stays together"

RECITE THE ROSARY: Come and join us in a beautiful contemplation on Jesus's life during reciting the Rosary. Let's answer "YES" to o ur Mother Mary's call to honour and grow closer to her Son Jesus! Every Monday 8pm St Mac's Church - Gabi 0448 947 748

GATHERINGS GROUP: Meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 10.00am in the Community Centre.

SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP: Meets on 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 10am in the Sacristy Room. Please call Wally Sharman on ph 59751159. for further details.

MACARTAN CLUB; A club for Retirees and Senior Parishioners.

Friday29th November Cards Solo 1.00pm Community House Contact Elaine 59771334 Monday 9th December 12.00pm Club Christmas Lunch at Norwood House Payment for the Lunch must be made by 30th October and any cancellations to be advised by 30th November contact John Azzopardi 59752289 Activities will resume at our January

24th Meeting. Any gueries contact John Azzopardi on 58752289

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: Meets on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month – 3.30pm for 4.00pm. in the Community Centre. The Mornington Region meets monthly – 4th. Tuesday of the month – in the Sacristy Room.

Contact: Paul Girolami 0400147875

FRIENDSHIP CUPPA New Venue - Biscottini Café 157 Main St, Mornington

Cost: your own cuppa. Everyone Welcome. Parking at rear of shop & laneway access. Dates for the Calendar-Friday **10:30** am October 11th and 25th; November 8th and 22nd Last dates for the year.

ST MAC'S CAFÉ: Open Every Wed 6.30pm—8.30pm in the Community Centre. FREE cuppa and food, good music and great company. OPEN TO EVERYONE! We look forward

to seeing you there.

Any queries please phone Bernard on 0419 427408.

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

St Macartan's Youth Group: Age: 13-25

Come connect with the youth of St Macs and grow in faith over games, prayer, talks and discussion

When: Every second Sunday 5.45pm - 7.30pm

Age: 13-25 Year sixes transitioning to year 7 for next year are welcome to join

Next youth group 1st December—Dinner provided