

Third Sunday of Easter, Year B 18th April 2021

PARISH BULLETIN

St Macartan's Catholic Parish



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**Parish Priest:** Rev. Fr Geoffrey McIlroy  
**Parish Secretary:** Theresa Collard



### Mass Times

**Weekdays:** Tues-Sat 9:15am

**Saturday:** Vigil 6pm. **Sunday:**  
9am, 11am

**SUNDAY 5pm (NOT weekly) -  
ONLY 2nd & 4th Sunday each  
Month**

### **Holy Hour / Adoration**

Every Friday after 9:15 Mass & 1st  
Saturdays each month after 9:15am  
Mass

### **RECONCILIATION:**

**Cancelled 14th & 17th April**

After the Wed and Sat 9:15am  
Masses

### **Changes to Mass Times:**

There will be **NO MASSES** on the  
following days -:

**Wednesday 14th April 9:15am**

**Friday 16th April 9:15am**

**Saturday 17th April 9:15am**

Morning Mass available at  
St Thomas More's Mt Eliza

### Video Sunday Mass

On Line found on Parish's YouTube  
page: (Ctrl and enter) on this link:

[https://www.youtube.com/  
channel/  
UCW8lyzEMe20DLyOpptks0Fw/  
videos](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCW8lyzEMe20DLyOpptks0Fw/videos)

Also view our Parish website:

[https://  
www.stmacartansparish.com.au/](https://www.stmacartansparish.com.au/)

### Upcoming Holy Days:

- EASTER

**Youth Mass** - 2nd and 4th Sundays  
at 5pm

+ Holy Hour 3:30-4:30pm

## WE HOLD IN OUR PRAYERS



**Pray for the sick and their Carers:** Vera Kesik, Dean Pratt, Maureen Spargo, Tony Formosa, Torquil Hansen, Betty Corke, Ruben Pateman, Sue Hale and Sheila Wright.

**First Reading** Acts 3:13-15. 17-19

### **A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses. 'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

### **Responsorial Psalm**

**(R.) Lord, let your face shine on us.**

When I call, answer me, O God of justice; from anguish you released me, have mercy and hear me! (R.)

It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves; the Lord hears me whenever I call him. (R.)

'What can bring us happiness?' many say. Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. (R.)

I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. (R.)

**Second Reading** 1Jon 2:1-5

### **A reading from the first letter of St John**

I am writing this, my children, to stop you sinning; but if anyone should sin, we have our advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ, who is just; he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's. We can be sure that we know God only by keeping his commandments. Anyone who says, 'I know him', and does not keep his commandments, is a liar, refusing to admit the truth. But when anyone does obey what he has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

**Gospel Acclamation** See Lk 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:  
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Alleluia!

**Gospel** Lk 24:35–48

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke**

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

**Communion Antiphon** Lk 24:35

The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

# GOSPEL FOCUS

## Peace be with you

*When Jesus appears in the midst of the disciples, his first words to them are, "Peace be with you!" His appearance among them obviously agitated the disciples who were already hiding, in fear of their lives and devastated by the loss of their leader days earlier. Jesus' calming and reassuring words, "Peace be with you!" recognise the reality of what state the disciples are in. The words demonstrate that Jesus is meeting the disciples 'where they are' – he recognises their distress and fear and responds with words that accept what they're feeling but reassure them of his love and care. They are words that Jesus speaks to us too!*

## EXPLORING THE WORD

In the Gospel of Luke, all the events of Easter run into one another, and the whole of Chapter 24 should be read as a continuous narrative. Beginning with the discovery of the empty tomb, the resurrection narrative follows the disciples as they move away from what had happened in Jerusalem towards Emmaus, but they encounter the risen Christ in the breaking of the bread. In witnessing to this, Christ is present among them again until he finally returns to the Father. Jesus goes to great lengths to reassure them that he is the same Jesus who was with them during his ministry. Something in his nature has changed, but he is still 'flesh and bone'. There is continuity with the Jesus they knew but now also something 'other-worldly' that they cannot quite comprehend.

Jesus is the same but somehow transformed. Jesus' journey is about to be completed with his return to the Father, but their journey is only just beginning. Now the disciples must journey from Jerusalem to all the nations, witnessing to what they have seen and heard, preaching the good news of repentance and the forgiveness of sin.

- If you are newly baptised, can you identify with the notion of just setting out on a journey of witnessing to the Good News?
- Where do you think your journey will lead you?

## MAKING CONNECTIONS

- 'He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures.' Reflect on your journey towards Jesus through the Scriptures.
- How do you plan to continue that journey of deepening faith through the Scriptures?
- Their joy was so great they could not believe it.' How are you feeling now about what has happened to you in these last weeks?
- Exchange memories of times of great joy or revelation in your life. Have you ever experienced a wave of relief and delight after a period of tension or sorrow?
- 'You are witnesses to all this.' How will you witness to Christ in your life this week?
- Today's psalm response could be repeated this week. Lord, let your face shine on us

## **SHARING THE TRADITION**

Preparation of the gifts: This is the bringing to the altar of the bread and wine to be used at the Eucharist. These gifts symbolise our dependence on God's bounty for the food we need to live. They represent God's gratuitous giving of all that sustains us. With the gifts of bread and wine, we bring ourselves to the altar. We place our lives, our cares and joys, our struggles and triumphs in God's care to be transformed in the sharing of Christ's body and blood.

- What aspect of your life would you like to place on the altar at this point?
- What 'gifts' do you bring to the call to witness to the Gospel? How can you use those talents in the service of the Good News?
- What gifts do you see in others?

## **SYMBOLS AND IMAGES**

In Luke's Gospel, Jesus is often depicted as sharing meals with his disciples and others. In this text, Jesus opens the minds of the disciples to the truth of the Word. These two elements— Word and Eucharist—continue to nourish the faith of believers. These two elements—Word and Eucharist—are the central rites of the Sunday liturgy.

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

- The disciples referred to in this gospel are the two who had been fleeing from Jerusalem towards Emmaus when they encountered Jesus on the road. They returned to be witnesses of their encounter with the risen Christ.
- Luke also wrote the Acts of the Apostles. His gospel is the story of Jesus' journey to Jerusalem to the cross and resurrection. Acts is the story of the gospel spreading from Jerusalem to 'all the nations'. A unifying theme in Luke is that of 'journey'



This weekend we Welcome  
Grace Bushby and Pearl Malane  
Who join our Parish Community through the  
Sacrament of Baptism  
**Congratulations To: Grace and Pearl**  
May they always walk in the light of Christ

### **Enquire Now!**

Share your skills to help develop the capacity of overseas organisations and the abilities of their people. Low-income communities seek sustainable solutions to poverty, not through money or gifts, but by building self-reliance.

All trades and professions are called to assist this mission.  
Enquire now to properly prepare for a placement in 2022.

**Join our online InfoZoom on 2 May, visit [palms.org.au](http://palms.org.au) , or call**

**Palms now on 02 9560 5333**



### **Volunteers needed to join the Visitation Team**

With the number of nursing homes and aged care facilities increasing in our area **more hands are needed.**

We would like to extend an invitation to volunteers to join our group.

There will be coaching and training provided to put you at ease.

please call Barb (0410649622)



### **HIGH SPIRITS - 2021**

#### **ENROL NOW!!!!**

This is catechism for primary aged school children, that do not attend a Catholic School and is designed to instruct them about the Sacraments.

It will held every Tuesday from 4:00 to 5:15pm in the Parish Community House

**Classes for Confirmation start on the 2nd March.**

Reconciliation Info night June 22nd & 1st Eucharist Info night Aug 24th.

Enrolments will be taken now. Please ring Faye 0421443632

**E-mail : [fayesayah@hotmail.com](mailto:fayesayah@hotmail.com)**



## AV Operators needed for mass



Training available.  
Please contact parish  
office 59752200 or  
morninton@cam.org.au

## Flower Arrangers for the Alter Required

If you love Flower and  
arranging, please  
contact Mary on  
0437102483



**OUR COMMITMENT TO CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE**  
We commit to making our Church a safe place for children and young people and protecting them from harm.

You are special and will always be welcome in our Church.

What you think and feel is important to us.

We will make sure our leaders and helpers understand their responsibilities to keep you safe.

We respect you and the way you are.

If you feel unsafe or are worried about someone else's safety, we will listen and take this seriously.

We will help you to be safe. This means that if you are being hurt or are in danger of being hurt, we will speak to the Police or another person who can help you.

MORNINGTON PARISH YOUTH GROUP  
Phone: 0820 5122 Email: youth@cam.org.au

SMYM PRESENTS!

# ENCOUNTER YOUTH GROUP

**DETAILS:**  
- SESSION 2 - 23RD OF APRIL - 6:30PM - 8:30PM.  
- ST MACARTAN'S HALL - 10 DRAKE STREET MORNINGTON  
- FOR ALL HIGH SCHOOL AGED YOUTH IN YEARS 7-9'S  
- PARENTS TO SIGN IN YOUTH UPON ARRIVAL  
- FREE PIZZA!  
- BRING: GOOD VIBES ONLY!

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### Parish Footy Tipping Round 3

**Round 4.** Another exciting round for tippers with some very surprising results. Western Bulldogs are still on top of the ladder. Magpie supporters were left wondering as they lost especially when they saw Adam Treloar BOG for the Bulldogs. Our top three tippers are Barry Murphy, Paul Stinear and Adam Lane all on 26. They are one point ahead of Irene Hackett and Mike Barden on 25 The next four on 24 are Delina Frank, Granny Finn, Geoff Walsh alias Goatcats and Kees Duyvestyn. It was interesting to note that every tipper tipped Collingwood thus no chance of a 9. Another record created by the Magpies.

**History.** 2020 was an interesting year for the AFL caused by the Virus. However the past has provided other disruptions experienced by AFL/VFL such as world wars, storms and the Spanish Flu. of 1918-19. The season most comparable to 2020 was 1916 as World War 1 began to take its toll on Australia in all sorts of ways--physically, emotionally and politically Only four teams participated in 1916. Four inner working-class teams namely Carlton, Collingwood, Richmond and Fitzroy. Melbourne, Essendon, Geelong, South Melbourne and St. Kilda withdrew. University had withdrawn at the end of 1914. The four teams played each other 4 times. Fitzroy finished bottom of the four teams but won the premiership Which leads to the age-old trivia question Which team won the wooden-spoon and premiership in the same year Answer Fitzroy in 1916



### Salesian Missions Australia

Salesian Missions Australia are seeking your help for victims of this week's devastating floods in Timor Leste, Australia's closest neighbour and the poorest country in South East Asia. Intense rain and storms sent surging torrents of water through towns and villages turning the streets of Dili into canals. Roads and bridges have been destroyed and deaths from Cyclone Seroja now exceed 100. Support is urgently **needed as the schools are converted to evacuation centres.**

**To Donate please contact:- Salesian Missions Team**

Email: [salmiss@salesians.org.au](mailto:salmiss@salesians.org.au)

Website: [www.salesianmissionsaustralia.org.au](http://www.salesianmissionsaustralia.org.au)

Facebook: Salesian Missions Australia

### St Macartan's Gift Shop—Change of Opening Hours

**For the Weeks of 5th – 11th April AND 12th – 18th April the Gift Shop will now be open on Tuesday in place of Wednesday**

Saturday 10th & 17th April	8.30am – 9.00am	5.30pm – 6.00pm
Sunday 11th & 18th April	8.30am – 9.00am	10.00am – 11.00am

**For the Weeks of 19th April To 2nd May Gift Shop Opening Hrs are increased as follows**

Tuesday 20th & 27th April	8.30am – 9.00am	3.00pm – 3.30pm
Wednesday 21st & 28th April	4.00pm – 6.30pm	
Thursday 22nd & 29th April	4.00pm – 6.30pm	
Saturday 24th April & 1st May	8.30am – 9.00am	5.30pm – 6.00pm
Sunday 25th & 2nd May	8.30am – 9.00pm	10.00am – 11.00am

### **Parish Office Hours:**

**Tuesday to Thursday** 9am - 4pm  
**Friday** 9am - 3.30pm Phone: 5975 2200  
**Office CLOSED** Weekends & Mondays  
Email: [mornington@cam.org.au](mailto:mornington@cam.org.au)

### **Schools**

**St Macartan's Primary School**

Ph: 59799200

**Principal:** Colleen McGreal

**Deputies:** Philip Hills & Kathleen Ronchi

**Padua College** Ph: 5976 0100

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**St Mac's High Spirits** - Faye Melhem Email: [fayesayah@hotmail.com](mailto:fayesayah@hotmail.com)

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**Music & Wedding Co-Ordinator-**Veronica Ryan 0418 358 213. Email

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**Marriage & Counselling:** *Charmaine Holmes 5977 2567*

**Marriage Prep:** *See Fr Geoff*

**Baptisms:** Contact Parish Office

**Baptism Preparation:** Kathy Raccanello

**Next Baptismal Meeting** - 5th May 8 pm Via Zoom

**Memorial Wall:** Contact Parish Office **ONLY on Fridays. 5975 2200**