Eighteenth SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME YrC 31 July 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

TO START SOON: SMYM Youth Group: Primary school age 3pm-4:45pm before Youth Mass 2nd & 4th Sundays of each Month. Community House.

Video Sunday Mass

NEW SETTINGS FOR VIDEO MASS

Watch Mass Live: Every Sunday 9AM Link:

https://vimeo.com/event/2311072

Or go to website to copy link:

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

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

Upcoming Holy Days:

- Mon 1st: St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor
- Wed 3rd: St Dominic, Priest
- Thu 4th: St John Vianney, Priest
- Sat 6th: The Transfiguration of the Lord

Next School Grade Mass:

Friday 19th of August 9.15 (Yr. 6)

Propagation of Faith—5th June to 31st of July 2022:

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, Anthony Turner, Angela Turner, Laurence Turner, Roy Cahill and Lauren Evans.



<u>Death Anniversaries:</u> Robert Vino, Helen Hendry and Ted Dermody.

Recently Deceased: Jack Sexton.

First Reading

Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23

A reading from the book of Ecclesiastes

What do people gain by all their work?

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity!

For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 89:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. v.1

(R.) In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

- You turn men back into dust and say: 'Go back, sons of men.' To your eyes a thousand years are like yesterday, come and gone, no more than a watch in the night. (R.)
- 2. You sweep men away like a dream, like grass which springs up in the morning. In the morning it springs up and flowers: by evening it withers and fades. (R.)
- Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. (R.)
- 4. In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. (R.)

Second Reading Col 3:1-5, 9-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Seek the things that are above where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 12:13-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

To whom will all this wealth of yours go?

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do; I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

Communion Antiphon Wis 16:20

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.



Do not worry

This parable and teaching about the love of wealth is followed up by Jesus telling his disciples not to worry about what they will eat and what they will wear. He invites them to look to the birds of the air and flowers of the fields. God provides them with all that they need. Jesus tells his disciples to seek the kingdom and all the other necessities of life will be given to them as well. Rather than focusing on accumulating wealth as the rich man in today's parable, Jesus reassures his disciples that if they focus their lives on the kingdom they will have all that they need.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

One of the themes running through the gospels is that wealth can be an obstacle to entering fully into relationship with God. It is not wealth in itself that is problematic but rather valuing material riches above everything else and the constant desire to accumulate more and more. We have the story of the rich young man who asks Jesus what he must do to inherit the kingdom and Jesus tells him to sell everything he has and give away the proceeds. The young man goes away sad because he thought that with his great accumulation of wealth he'd be able to buy anything that he needed to gain the kingdom. We also have the saying of Jesus that it is easier for a camel to pass through

the eye of a needle than a rich man to enter the kingdom of God. The parable in today's gospel depicts a man who has so much grain that he decides to build bigger barns to store it all. The parable follows Jesus' teaching that 'a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.' The point is about having more than we need. What good is served by one person having more than they need while others do not have enough to meet their needs? The rich man who had the abundant harvest could have stored up all that he needed and still been able to share the abundance with others. Liberation theology introduced the catch phrase, 'live simply so that others may simply live'. The call was for those in wealthier countries to simplify their wasteful and indulgent lifestyles so that others may be able to meet their most basic of needs.

Learning moments

- Compile a list of ways in which we might make ourselves 'rich in the sight of God'. Identify people from family, local and global communities who exemplify these characteristics.
- Collect a wide range of advertisements from different media and critique the values and messages that are conveyed by the ads.
- Locate and promote good news stories from your local community about people who are living simply so that they can assist others to gain the basic necessities of life.

Scriptural context – Do not worry

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Living the Gospel – This hoard of yours...

ur modern society is particularly dominated by a mindset of accumulating more than we might ever need. The saying 'Whoever has the most toys, wins' holds more than just a shred of truth for many people. Our consumerist lifestyle nurtures the desire to accumulate more and more 'stuff'. Every time we turn on the television there is a new 'must have' gadget. We talk about built-in obsolescence of manufactured goods and every new technological device makes older models redundant so that we feel we constantly have to upgrade. How would we answer God's question, 'so this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?'

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

- AV (Audio Visual) operators Training available.
- Singers for 11am Mass
- More musicians
- Youth readers, singers and musicians for 5pm Youth Mass
- Parish Finance Committee person We need anyone who has minimum experience in accounts/bookkeeping or is interested in finance of the Parish.
- Visitation group Taking communion to the elderly (Home and nursing homes)
- PPC Parish Pastoral Council members
- Parish Junior Youth Committee members
- Counters / Collectors / Eucharistic Ministers / Readers / Cleaners / etc
 IT IS YOUR PARISH FEEL FREE TO GET INVOLVED

Please contact parish office 5975 2200 or email: mornington@cam.org.au



Pope says he is 'deeply sorry' to Indigenous Peoples in Canada

In his first public event in Canada, Pope Francis addresses representatives of Indigenous Peoples of the First Nations, the Métis and the Inuit gathered in Maskwacis Park, near Edmonton. In his poignant speech, he again implores forgiveness for the evils committed by many Christians against the Indigenous Peoples in Canada in the residential school system.





Imploring God's forgiveness, healing and reconciliation

He said he has come to their native lands to tell them, in person, of his "sorrow", "to implore God's forgiveness, healing and reconciliation", to express his closeness, and to pray with and for them. The Pope recalled the meetings he had in Rome with the Canadian Indigenous Delegations between 28 March and 1 April in which he heard their stories about life in the Indian residential schools. On that occasion, he was given two pairs of moccasins as a sign of the suffering endured by indigenous children there, which he was asked to return when he came to Canada. The Holy Father noted that those mocassins speak of a path of "healing and reconciliation" to be followed "together" "We want to walk together, to pray together and to work together, so that the sufferings of the past can lead to a future of justice, healing and reconciliation."

The need to remember

Pope Francis went on stress the importance of remembering this dark past of disruption and destruction of ancestral cultures. However painful, he said, to remember the "devastating experiences" that took place in the residential schools is necessary, because "forgetfulness leads to indifference", and also in light of the lasting impact of that system on Indigenous communities up until today. "I think back on the stories you told: how the policies of assimilation ended up systematically marginalizing the indigenous peoples; how also through the system of residential schools your languages and cultures were denigrated and suppressed; how children suffered physical, verbal, psychological and spiritual abuse; how they were taken away from their homes at a young age, and how that indelibly affected relationships between parents and children, grandparents and grandchildren."

A disastrous error, incompatible with the Gospel

While thanking the Indigenous peoples of Canada for sharing these bitter memories with him, Pope Francis said he is "deeply sorry" for "the ways in which, regrettably, many Christians supported the colonizing mentality of the powers that oppressed the indigenous peoples".

Continued....Pope in Canada

"With shame and unambiguously" he again implored forgiveness "for the ways in which many members of the Church and of religious communities cooperated in projects of cultural destruction and forced assimilation". "Although Christian charity was not absent, and there were many outstanding instances of devotion and care for children, the Pope emphasized that "the overall effects of the policies linked to the residential schools were catastrophic", remarking that the system was a "disastrous error, incompatible with the Gospel of Jesus Christ".

Begging pardon is only a first step

However, Pope Francis acknowledged that begging for pardon is not sufficient and is only a first

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Commitment to persevere in the path of healing

The Pope further expressed hope that Christians and civil society in Canada "grow in the ability to accept and respect the identity and the experience of the indigenous peoples", while reiterating the Catholic Church's commitment on this issue. "We are speaking of processes that must penetrate hearts. My presence here and the commitment of the Canadian Bishops are a testimony to our will to persevere on this path." Pope Francis specified that, though he was not able to accept the many invitations received to visit other parts of Canada, his words throughout this penitential journey "are meant for every indigenous community and person".

Silence and prayer

Concluding, the Pope called for silent prayer "to help interiorize the pain, as "our own efforts are not enough to achieve healing and reconciliation" and "we need God's grace", "May He guide our steps and enable us to advance together on our journey", the Pope concluded.

Chief Wilton Littlechild's address

At the beginning of the meeting, Pope Francis was greeted by Cree Chief Wilton Littlechild, who, on behalf of the First Nations, Métis and Inuit communities, expressed deep appreciation for "the great personal effort" he has made to meet Indigenous peoples in their homeland. Usow-Kihew ("Golden Eagle") as he is known in his Cree community. In his address he warmly welcomed Pope Francis' joining the Indigenous peoples of Canada in their journey of healing and reconciliation, and said the words he spoke after meeting the Indigenous delegations in Rome and listening to their stories, were "a source of deep comfort and great encouragement".

Parish Footy Tipping Round 19

This Round was the round of 9's. Five members scored 9 and earned the bonus point. The first match was a draw so everyone

started with a score. It was interesting that the members who chose WB were mainly WB supporters, plus a wife of a WB supporter who chose Melbourne. Also, young Lachlan, the Star, showed his knowledge and chose WB. Congratulations to Delina and John Frank, Dermot McCarthy, Judy Schultz, and Adam Bulldog for getting 9. With four rounds to go only one point separates first and second. There are three having a battle for the Kevin O'Brien's Memorial prize but not one of them is trying deliberately. There were two highlights to the round, firstly WB defeated Melbourne and scored over 100 points against them. The second was the calm kick for goal after the siren by Collingwood "Billy" Elliot to defeat Essendon who came from 5 goals down and whose kick for goal with a minute to go hit the post, perhaps the posts are too thick!!

<u>HISTORY:</u> Part 2: Dominant Streak at Western Oval (Whitten Oval as it was known in 1924). Every year after the VFA Grand Final, the VFA would call on the VFL to put the Premiers against each other. According to The Age, the VFL made aloofness their policy. In 1924, the AFL was against a charity match. There was an unlikely catalyst, Dame Nellie Melba, the diva was to protest. "How would able bodied men refuse to stage a spectacle to raise money for limbless Diggers?" Four days later! The game was played at MCG in front of 50,000. Hawthorn and North Melbourne watched as they were eagerly keen to join the VFL (Part 3 to come).

<u>VALE</u>: Tony Ongarello (Fitzroy 952-62). When Tony arrived at Brunswick street, he was known for his accurate kicking for a goal. However the coaches thought his technique was wrong so they changed him. Consequently, he kicked one goal, 13 behinds the following week. They thought Bradman had the wrong technique but he did not change fortunately. Later Tony took to place kicking till it was banned. He was the last AFL player to kick a place-kick goal.

Bishop Anthony Ireland - Visitation Letter

We have received the Bishops visitation letter following his three day visit last month. The Bishop was very generous in his compliments about all the people he met and all the Ministry groups he saw. This will now get discussed at the next Parish Pastoral Council meeting and I will discuss it with the School Principal.

In summary, the Bishops findings were responses to you, the parishioners, to your discussions when you met with him and thus some of his recommendations were:

- More people on certain rosters: including cleaning and reading
- The welcoming Ministry be re-established
- Some Parish liturgical formation be introduced
- Youth leaders meet with safeguarding committee and CAM Proclaim team
- School representatives be on our Child safety and PPC committees
- That 1 or 2 volunteers at the St Macs Café undergo certified food handling training
- Fr Geoff and Fr Jude find more prayer time together
- That the Principals and Parish Priest meet regularly to discuss "working together in Mission".

Again, thank you all who participated in the Bishops visit.

Fr Geoff



Jokes of the Week



- 1) Lawyer's greed and doctor's greed: A doctor and a lawyer were attending a cocktail party when the doctor was approached by a man who asked advice on how to handle his ulcer. The doctor mumbled some medical advice, then turned to the lawyer and remarked, "I never know how to handle the situation when I'm asked for medical advice during a social function. Is it acceptable to send a bill for such advice?" The lawyer replied that it was certainly acceptable to do so. The next day, the doctor sent the ulcer-stricken man a bill. The lawyer also sent a bill to the doctor.
- 2) **The greedy man and the genie.** A man is walking down the beach and comes across an old bottle. He picks it up, pulls out the cork and out pops a genie!

The genie says, "Thank you for freeing me from the bottle. In return I will grant you three wishes."

The man says "Great! I always dreamed of this and I know exactly what I want. First, I want one billion dollars in a Swiss bank account."

Poof! There is a flash of light and a piece of paper with account numbers appears in his hand!

He continues, "Next, I want a brand-new red Ferrari right here."

Poof! There is a flash of light and a bright red, brand-new Ferrari appears right next to him!

He continues, "Finally, I want to be irresistible to women." Poof! There is a flash of light and he turns into a box of chocolates.

3) A rich fool in a Boeing 707: An old lady was on a flight. She was sitting beside a rich, young businessman. After the in-flight meal she took out her Holy Bible and started her devotions. The businessman glanced at her and said, "Do you really believe all that stuff in the Bible is true?

"Well, yes, as a matter of fact I do," said the old lady.

"Yeah, right..." the man scoffed, "like... what's that guy's name... the one who got swallowed by a whale..."

"You mean Jonah?"

"Yeah, Jonah. Do you actually believe he could have survived for three days in the belly of a fish?"

"Yes. I don't know how," she replied, "but I can ask him when I see him in Heaven someday."

Feeling smart, the young man said: "OK, but what if he's not in Heaven because he went to Hell?"

"Then you can ask him yourself when you get there, "replied the old lady calmly.

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I have always appreciated good customer service and good value for money.

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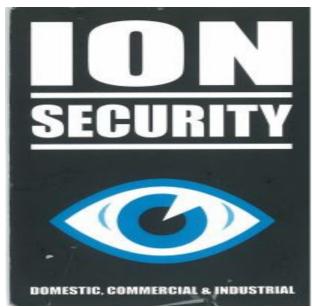
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5.00pm - Marino Casamento: 0408 394 792

18th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 30th & 31st July 2022

6.00pm Readers: Brian Scantlebury, Iris Hallinan

Eucharistic Ministers: Carol Williams, Michael Turner

9.00am Readers: Helen Britton, Michael Kerr

Eucharistic Ministers: Marcelle Azzopardi, Christina Llopart

11.00am Readers: Joan Clements, Bernard Butler

Eucharistic Ministers: John Spaziani, Sandra Barrett

19th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 6th & 7th August 2022

6.00pm Readers: Brian Scantlebury, Tricia Hird

Eucharistic Ministers: Michael Turner, Carmel Coles

9.00am Readers: Spencer Miere, Helen Britton

Eucharistic Ministers: Marcelle Azzopardi, Christina Llopart

11.00am Readers: Joan Clements, Terry Roberts

Eucharistic Ministers: Evelyn Atkins, Sheila Goddard

20th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 13th & 14th August 2022

6.00pm Readers: Iris Hallinan, Faye Murphy

Eucharistic Ministers: Joyce Ward, Michael Turner

9.00am Readers: Michael Kerr, Don Ziino

Eucharistic Ministers: Patricia Thomas, Marcelle Azzopardi

11.00am Readers: Irene Hackett, Bernard Butler

Eucharistic Ministers: Bridie Sexton, John Spaziani

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