

Holy Family
St. Joachim's
St. Anne's

Frankston North
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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE —YEAR B

REFLECTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

This Sunday is the last Sunday of the Church's liturgical year. On this Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. Each year we set aside this Sunday to reflect upon this title that we have given to Jesus. In Lectionary Cycle C, we read a portion of the passion from the Gospel of John, which is also part of the Gospel reading proclaimed each year on Good Friday.

In John's Gospel, Pilate is shown in a more favourable light than in the other Gospels. In today's reading, we hear one of two dialogues between Jesus and Pilate that are reported in John's Gospel. Pilate questions Jesus about the charges brought against him. Caiaphas and the high priests have charged Jesus with a political crime, one that would require a punishment of death. Pilate distances himself from the Jewish leaders who accuse Jesus; he is not a Jew, and he seems to want little to do with this Jewish affair.

In his responses to Pilate's questions, Jesus distinguishes his kingdom from the political powers of this world. King and kingdom may be appropriate terms for Jesus' mission and promise, but only by analogy. Jesus is king, but not the kind of king we imagine or expect. He was certainly not the kind of king Pilate feared he might be.

Jesus refers to a kingdom that does not belong to this world. This has been mentioned earlier in John's Gospel. Recall that in his prayer during the Last Supper discourse (see [John 17:6-18](#)), Jesus prayed for his disciples who are in the world but do not belong to the world. Yet like Jesus, they are sent into the world for the world's salvation. In today's reading, we see Jesus identify the final proof that his kingdom is not of this world: If his kingdom were of this world, then there would be people fighting to save him. Again we hear echoes of John's theme—salvation is worked out through a cosmic battle. It is helpful to return to the first chapter of John's Gospel to understand the context for Jesus' words to Pilate. Jesus came into the world, but the world did not know him. In John's language, the world prefers the darkness, and yet the light will not be overcome by the darkness.

Truth has been another important theme in John's Gospel. We see it emphasized in the conclusion of the dialogue between Jesus and Pilate. Those who know the truth will recognize Jesus as king and will know how to interpret this insight. Yet Jesus' kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries. Only those chosen, those who have the eyes of faith, are able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we also struggle at times to recognize Jesus as king. Today's Gospel invites us to see with eyes of faith that we might recognize that Jesus, through his crucifixion and death, is indeed king and Saviour of all.



Congratulations for all the First Holy Communion students from St Joachim's, St Anne's & State School who receive their Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time on Sunday 21st & 28th November 2021 at 12:30pm & 2:30pm. Please keep all the students in your prayers.

Our parish respectfully acknowledges the Bunurong people, who are the custodians of the Boon Wurrung land on which we worship. We acknowledge and pay respect to the Elders; past, present and future.

THANKSGIVING OPTIONS

If you are able to send your thanksgiving offerings via direct debit to: St. Anne's Church, National Australia Bank/CDF Account, **BSB Number: 083 347, Account No: 64340 4615.**

Please include your Thanksgiving Number if you have one and/or your name, also your banking reference marked as "Col1" (Collection 1) for parish expenses and "Col2" (Collection 2) for our parish priest/and retired priests in the Archdiocese. Online direct contributions, either one-off or recurring, can be made through CDFPay (**NEW LINK**): <https://bit.ly/CDFpaySeaford>

VINNIES DONATIONS

If you would like to assist our Vinnies Seaford Conference with Your donations Please use the below bank account details.

BSB: 063-000

Acc no: 1031-7778

Account name: St Anne's

Seaford 304

All donations will be used towards local families in need.



Baptism Welcome

We Congratulate and welcome the following children who is going to be baptised at St Anne's Parish on Sunday 21st November 2021

★ Jensen Campbell Fernando Zamora Campion

★ Milani Hope Wright

Please pray for the sick and suffering of our parish especially **Trish Falk, Jenniev Beechhey-Garden, Christina Toleafoa, Sister, Diane Clark, Mathew McCue.** We pray for all those anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time especially **Louise, Derek Paul Randall, Maximo Domingo, Ricarda Domingo, & for all who have died recently especially Joyce Clarkson, Sr Yolanda, Jeannette Vyverberg.**
Rest in Peace.



*Mine is not a kingdom
of this world;*

if my kingdom were of
this world, my men would have
fought to prevent
my being surrendered to the Jews.
As it is, my kingdom
does not belong here.

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JESUS, JOHN 18:36

***We are very grateful to all the Parishioners
for their continued support and
Thanksgiving donations.***



"Child Safety is Everyone's Responsibility"

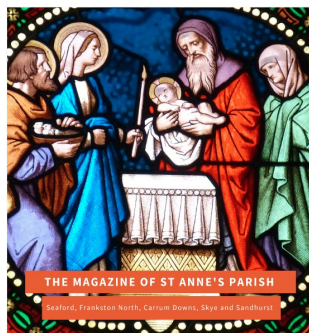
Welcome to St Anne's Parish ,where we foster the well being and safety of all children and adults at risk. Since we take the safety of our young and vulnerable parishioners seriously, we have a zero tolerance policy when it comes to abuse. All our parishioners have the right to feel safe and welcome. If you have any concerns, Please contact me. Thanks, Sumitha (Safeguarding Officer).

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY—Year B **Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

1st Reading: Dan 7: 13:14
Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is King; he is
robed in majesty.
2nd Reading: Apoc1: 5-8
Gospel: Jn 18: 33-37

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY—Year C **First Sunday of Advent**

1st Reading: Jer 33:14-16
Responsorial Psalm: To you, O Lord, I lift my
soul.
2nd Reading: 1 Thess 3:12-4:2
Gospel: Lk 21:25-28, 34-36



The Holy Family 2021 Magazine New Deadline

As you know, we are starting to reach the time when the parish calendar will be getting much busier. Please be aware that we urgently need your help to make the parish magazine a reality for 2021. It is your magazine, and therefore your articles form an essential part of this publication.

We would really appreciate it if any articles, reports, or photos are received by 24th November at the very latest. Please contact the office or the editor at fbartosy@gmail.com. You may also leave a phone message on 0490 358 121 if you have any questions. The previous edition - 2020 The Holy Family Issue 3 can be found on the website.

Dear Parishioners, The new regulations

Following the announcement that COVID restrictions are easing from midnight tonight (18th November), below is the new regulations.

Face Coverings- Face coverings are required indoors only in limited settings including retail, health care, aged care and justice facilities, at primary schools and on public transport/taxis/rideshare. It is recommended that face coverings be worn if you can't physically distance, if you have any symptoms, or if you are with people who may be vulnerable to COVID-19.

Vaccinations- A person is considered fully vaccinated against COVID-19 for the purposes of attending a Place of Worship if they:

- have received both doses of the COVID-19 vaccine, or
- have a valid and authorised medical exemption to COVID-19 vaccination or
- are aged under 12 years and 2 months.

If a person can show evidence of any of the above, they can enter as fully vaccinated. If they cannot show evidence of any of the above, they are not considered as fully vaccinated and may only participate in groups allowing for 'unknown vaccination status.'

Unknown Vaccination Status: If vaccination status isn't being checked, or status of attendees is unknown, these events are restricted to one person per 4 sqm up to a maximum of 50 people per facility.

So from now on we will not take any bookings for Mass. Anyone who can show they are fully vaccinated can enter church for worship. For those unknown vaccination status we continue to offer Mass on Friday at 9:15 am.

If you have not linked your proof of vaccination to Service Victoria app, please bring a printed copy. We need to your name, contact number and vaccination document number in case contact tracing is needed.

Please arrive early to allow time for the check in to occur. Please follow all the regulations and stay safe.

Sacraments

We had wonderful two nights of the celebration of Confirmation on 15th and 16 of November. Bishop Tony did a great celebration. Please watch the Mass from our YouTube page.

First Holy communion will be on 21st and 28th of November. We have a large group of children this year. So there will be two sessions each Sundays. Please pray for those receiving these sacraments.

Building committee

As you know our church needs much awaited maintenance, especially the roof. I am inviting some active parishioners preferably who are in this field to joining building committee. We have received three interests. I am expecting one more parishioners join, then we will start our meetings soon. If you are interested call or email the office.

In the news year I will invite more people on parish finance council and pastoral council.

Winnies Christmas appeal

The parish is joining Winnies Christmas appeal this year. Winnies are requesting us to purchase toys this year.

Dawn Mass

As we had in the past years, Dawn Mass (Simbang Gabi) will be celebrated this year as well, from 16-24th December 21, at 5am.

Advance Notice

Our working bee to clean church and surroundings will be on December 18th 9:30-11:30. There will be sausage sizzle after clean up. Sponsors welcome for sausage and bread.

Fathers Day Appeal

As the restrictions imposed by the Government due to COVID-19, Sunday Masses were not able to be celebrated on the first Sunday of September. As we are aware, traditionally the "Father's Day" collection would have been taken up on that Sunday to support the retired Priests of the Archdiocese.

We will take a special collection on the last weekend of the month (27/28) to support this appeal.

Stay Safe & God bless.

Rev Fr. Martin Jeramias

PARISH UPDATE & MASS TIMINGS 2021

Tuesday 6pm Mass

Wednesday 9:30am Holy Family Hall, Frankston North

Thursday 6pm Mass

Friday 9:15am Mass (Status unknown)

Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Mass

Reconciliation 5:30pm (until further notice) followed by Rosary at 5:30pm.

Divine Mercy devotion at 5:30pm

Sunday 8.30am

Sunday 10.00am

Please note - **It is mandatory to use the QR code displayed in the foyer of the Church,**

Vaccination certificate to be uploaded to the Services Australia App. If you are unable to use the QR Code, please ask the greeting volunteer for help.

Due to the current restrictions only 135 people are permitted indoors for each Mass. So booking for weekend Masses using Eventbrite is mandatory.

Now our State has re-opened - **BINGO** is back!

St Anne's bingo sessions for Vaccinated Patrons are held every Tuesday night, eyes down at 7.00 pm (Doors open at 5pm and the finish time is approx. 9.45 pm) at the Carrum Gardens Bingo Centre, 554-556 Frankston Dandenong Road, Carrum Downs. For information regarding cost, prizes and special nights please

visit www.carrumdownsbingo.com.au or telephone the Centre on 9775-0065.

Our Parish receives all the proceeds. Support our parish!

Piety Stall -News from St Anne's Kiosk

Some Christmas Cards are on sale – more are on their way. Small items suitable for gifts at reasonable prices – St Christopher Key rings and for car sun visors; Rosary beads; Candles; Medals; Small crucifixes; Glass bottles for Holy Water; Daily missals; Bibles; books suitable for children of various ages. Piety stall is open after Masses. Patricia Morecroft 8759 3887



Our Parish Prayer

*We, the people of Seaford Parish
strive to be followers of Jesus
by being a welcoming and
supportive community
in which the talents
of all can grow
and in which we live out
our faith through word,
sacrament and action.
May the Holy Family
St Anne and St Joachim
inspire and intercede for us
that we may be followers of
Jesus.
Amen.*



Novena prayer to St Joseph

O Saint Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the Throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires. O Saint Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your Divine Son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, Our Lord; So that having engaged here below your Heavenly power I may offer my Thanksgiving and Homage to the most loving of Fathers.

O Saint Joseph, I never weary contemplate you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while he reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine Head for me, and ask Him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath, Saint Joseph, Patron of departing souls, Pray for us. Amen.