

# Seaford Parish Newsletter

Sunday 6th March 2022

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

Frankston North  
Carrum Downs  
Seaford



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## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT —YEAR C

### REFLECTIONS OF THIS WEEK

In each of the three Synoptic Gospels, after his baptism, Jesus is reported to have spent forty days in the desert, fasting and praying. In Luke and in Matthew, the devil presents three temptations to Jesus. The devil tempts Jesus to use his power to appease his hunger, he offers Jesus all the kingdoms of the world if Jesus will worship him, and he tempts Jesus to put God's promise of protection to the test. In each case, Jesus resists, citing words from Scripture to rebuke the devil's temptation.

Each temptation that Jesus faces offers insight into the spirituality we hope to develop as we keep the forty days of the Season of Lent. We can trust God to provide for our material needs. We worship God because God alone has dominion over us and our world. We can trust God to be faithful to his promises. Jesus' rejection of the devil's temptations shows that he will not put God to the test. Grounding himself on the Word and authority of Scripture, Jesus rebukes the devil by his confidence in God's protection and faithfulness.

This Gospel highlights for us one of the central themes of the Season of Lent. We are dependent upon God for all that we have and all that we are. Anything that leads us to reject this dependency or to distrust its sufficiency, is a temptation from the devil.

Luke ends his report of Jesus' temptation in the desert by noting that the devil departs for a time. The implication is that the devil will return. Jesus knows that he will be tempted again in the Garden of Gethsemane. The depth of Jesus' trust in God is shown most fully when Jesus rejects the temptation to turn away from the task God has given to him. Jesus' final rebuke of the devil is his sacrifice on the Cross.

Jesus' responses to the temptations of the devil teach us how we can respond to temptation. As we start our journey through Lent, this Sunday's Gospel calls us to adopt the same confidence that Jesus had in the face of temptation: God's word alone will suffice, God's promise of protection can be trusted, and God alone is God.

### PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF  
THE SON, AND THE HOLY SPIRIT, AMEN

"ALMIGHTY GOD, THROUGH JESUS' DIVINE  
NAME, WE HUMBLY ASK FOR YOUR MERCY  
TO OBTAIN PEACE IN THE LAND OF  
UKRAINE, MAY ALL THE PEOPLE OF THAT  
COUNTRY, REMAIN SAFE FROM DANGER.  
DO NOT LET CHAOS AND WAR REIGN IN THE  
LAND OF UKRAINE BUT ONLY PEACE FOREVER  
THAT COMES FROM YOU.  
WE FLY TO YOUR PATRONAGE,  
O VIRGIN MOTHER OF GOD.  
DESPISE NOT OUR PRAYERS IN OUR NEEDS,  
BUT DELIVER UKRAINE FROM ALL DANGERS,  
SINCE YOU ALONE ARE PURE AND BLESSED".

OUR FATHER  
HAIL MARY  
GLORY BE  
AMEN.



### Sacrament Information Evening

On March 8th, will be the Sacramental information evening for parents and children and is held at Joachim School at 7pm. Families of non-Catholic school must attend this session. At the end of this session workbooks will be distributed. (Parents who are unable attend this session must organise someone responsible to attend. This can't be someone who is already doing the program.) Failure to complete those requirements means your child is not ready to receive the sacrament this year.

*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.  
Volunteer's required Please contact Peter on 0432 120 704***



## Piety Stall -News from St Anne's Kiosk

New stock received – items for Mementos for Baptism; Guardian Angel Plaque; Standing Plaque Baptism gift; Babies first Rosary.

Rosaries – white/pearl/wooden or Mother of Pearl; Stand Crucifix 16cm high; Standing message cross.

Volunteer's required to help in the piety stall. Please contact Patricia on 8759 3887

Please pray for the sick and suffering of our parish especially **Trish Falk, Jenniev Beechhey-Garden, Christina Toleafoa, Mathew McCue, Hortance Bouchereau,**. We pray for all those anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time especially **Daisy Hart** and for all those who have died recently especially **Antonia Nina Stavar, Michael John Flanagan, Fr Kevin Melville Mogg.** Rest in Peace.



Filled with the **Holy Spirit** ~~~~~  
Jesus left the Jordan and was  
led by the Spirit through the wilderness,  
being tempted there by the  
devil for forty days. ~~~~~  
Lk 4:1

***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 C** **First Sunday of Lent**

1st Reading: Deut 26: 4-10  
Responsorial Psalm: Be with me, Lord, when I  
am in trouble.  
2nd Reading: Rom 10: 8-13  
Gospel: Lk 4: 1-13

## **READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY—Year C** **Second Sunday of Lent**

1st Reading: Gen 15: 5-12, 17-18  
Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is my light and  
my salvation.  
2nd Reading: Phil 3: 17- 4:1  
Gospel: Lk 9: 28 – 36



It has been decided that the publication of the parish magazine will be delayed until sufficient articles are received. If you wish to submit an article, please contact the editor at [fbartosy@gmail.com](mailto:fbartosy@gmail.com) or you can leave a message on 0490 358 121.

### **Dear Parishioners,**

This week again we have shocked by the news of natural disaster. Some parts of our country have been devastated by floods. Let us intercede to the Lord for those affected.

### **PROJECT COMPASSION**

We have commenced our 40 days of Lenten journey. Australian catholic church has a longstanding tradition to help project compassion. The boxes or envelopes to contribute money will be available at the foyer of the Church.

### **PARISH COUNCIL**

We have received three nominations so far. This is the last week you can nominate yourself or nominate another person with their consent.

After forming a parish council, we will start forming finance committee.

### **BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING**

Our next meeting is on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

### **INFORMATION SESSION FOR THE PERMANENT DIACONATE**

#### **DO YOU FEEL LIKE BEING CALLED TO SERVE?**

The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers.

COME & SEE! An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on **Saturday 2 April 2022, 10:00 -11.45 am** at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), East Melbourne.

For more information:

**Watch:** Melbourne's Deacons <https://youtu.be/q2RhNDbtTS0>

**Watch:** Pope Francis' 2020 Prayer Intention for Deacons <https://youtu.be/NuG99HD1LaY>

**Read More:** [Brochure] <https://www.cam1.org.au/permanent-diaconate>

**Contact:** Office of the Permanent Diaconate (Phone) 03 9412 3357 (Email) [diaconate@cam.org.au](mailto:diaconate@cam.org.au)

**JOB VACANCY:** Our factory is located at Carrum Downs. We are looking for a Yard hand/Labourer. Must have a forklift license. If interested, please call Arnold - 0431815310.

Check our website for more information under latest news.

### **ALTAR SERVERS REQUIRED**

Additional altar servers are now required! If you or anyone you know might be interested in assisting the priest at Mass, we would really like to hear from you. Please email Shane Reeve

at [sreeve1275@gmail.com](mailto:sreeve1275@gmail.com) or ring the parish office or to leave a message. Training provided.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR VARIOUS MINISTRIES.**

We urgently need -**Sacramental coordinator** to liaise with school and help ease the work of parish secretary. Find more in our website for role description. If interested call parish office.

**SACRAMENT ENROLMENT FOR THE STATE SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE NOW OPEN:** Please complete the enrolment form that is placed in the foyer of the church and hand it over to the priest or drop it off at the parish office.

### **TRANSPORT REQUIRED**

A parishioner would like to have a lift to Saturday 6pm Mass. Please contact the parish office if you can help.

**LENTEN REFLECTIONS (VIA ZOOM), THURSDAY EVENINGS, 7.30pm-8.30pm from 3/3/22 to 7/4/22.** Join us on a Thursday evening during Lent for some reflective time. Each week there will be guided meditation, time for quiet reflection and the opportunity for group sharing. **Come to one or all.** Cost:

Donation. Book via website [www.heartoflife.melbourne](http://www.heartoflife.melbourne), or email [info@heartoflife.melbourne](mailto:info@heartoflife.melbourne), PH 9890 1101.

Check our website for more information under latest news.



**Rev Fr Martin Jeramias**



## MASS TIMES FOR THE WEEK

**Tuesday 6pm Mass**

**Wednesday 9:30am Mass Holy Family Hall, Frankston North**

**Thursday 6pm Mass**

**Friday 9:15am Mass & 7:00pm Stations of the Cross**

**Saturday Divine Mercy devotion at 5:00pm followed by Rosary**

**Reconciliation 5:30pm**

**Saturday 6:00pm Vigil Mass**

**Sunday 8:30am Mass**

**Sunday 10:00am Mass**

**Please Note: It is not mandatory to wear the mask inside the Church, however we suggest you do so.** For more information please refer to the relevant government rules.

### LENT 2022 WITH THE CATHOLIC GUY BRUCE DOWNES

Be inspired, Be refreshed, Be renewed!

For 40 days you will receive a short, practical and inspiring video in your inbox every morning to help you make this Lenten journey more powerful and prayerful. This program is FREE and you can sign up here:

<https://BruceDownes.org/Lent22>

Call 1300 734 880 for more information

### First Sunday of Lent 5th & 6th of March

**Anatercia 12**, was struggling to cope with adult responsibilities after her father died. Then she participated in Caritas Australia-supported training and gained access to psychosocial supports. Now, her quality of life has improved and she can focus on school.



**Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 to help young people succeed in the future and bring stability to vulnerable youth like Anatercia. For All Future Generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting [lent.caritas.org.au](http://lent.caritas.org.au), or by calling 1800 024 413.

### AV system volunteers needed

Can you spare a bit of time to operate our AV (audio video) system during Mass? You must be computer literate, as you will also be required to create PowerPoint presentations. Some training provided. Please contact the parish office or Frank at [fbartosy@gmail.com](mailto:fbartosy@gmail.com)



*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.*



### HOLY FAMILY PRAYER

*Heavenly Father,  
You have given us the model of  
life  
in the holy family of Nazareth.  
Help us make our family  
another Nazareth  
Where love, peace and joy reign.  
Teach us to see Jesus  
in the members of our families,  
especially in their distress  
disguise.  
May we love one another  
as God loves each of us,  
more and more each day,  
and forgive each other's faults  
as you forgive our sins.  
Help us take whatever you give  
and give whatever you take  
with a big smile  
Amen.*