Seaford Parish Newsletter

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Holy Family Frankston North St. Joachim's Carrum Downs St. Anne's Seaford



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THIRTHEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

REFLECTIONS OF THIS WEEK

Today's Gospel reading begins a long section unique to Luke's Gospel. Jesus begins his journey to Jerusalem, which will end with his ministry in Jerusalem. We read that Jesus' days for being "taken up" were fulfilled. The Greek word that Luke uses for "taken up" is the same word he uses to describe the Ascension. We also read that Jesus is determined to journey to Jerusalem. For Luke, Jesus ministry begins in Galilee and then is one long journey to Jerusalem. In Jerusalem he will meet his death but also enter into his glory. Only in Luke does Jesus then spend 40 days in Jerusalem instructing his disciples. It is in Jerusalem that his disciples wait after his Ascension to be sent the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. And it is from Jerusalem, in Luke's second volume, the Acts of the Apostles, that the Good News is spread to Rome and the ends of the earth.

Immediately Jesus is met with rejection, as a Samaritan village will not receive him because he is going to Jerusalem. There was animosity between Samaritans who worshiped on Mount Gerazim and Jews who worshiped in Jerusalem. Jesus was also rejected as he began his ministry in Galilee in Chapter 4. And he will be rejected for the last time when he reaches Jerusalem. James and John want to call down fire from heaven to destroy the people in the village, but Jesus rebukes them and moves on. There is often the temptation to use violence to achieve right. Jesus has come to break this temptation. He is aware that he must undergo violence himself before he can enter his glory.

The rest of today's reading is about the radical demands of discipleship. The three people who volunteer to become disciples on this journey show that they do not understand the demands Jesus will make of them. Neither care of self, care for the dead, nor care of one's family (as required by the Fourth Commandment) can come before the demands of discipleship. Jesus reminds the first volunteer, who would go wherever Jesus goes, that animals in the wild have more security than do Jesus and his followers. The second, who wants to bury a parent, is reminded that the demands of proclaiming the Kingdom of God take precedence. And the third, who wants to say farewell to his family, is reminded that once you put your hand to the plow you cannot look back or the furrow will be crooked. Such a person is not ready for the Kingdom of God.

Jesus seems harsh here, but he is only asking of his disciples what he asks of himself. Jesus' unconditional commitment to God's saving work will demand of him his life. He knows this, but the disciples do not understand. Jesus does not want anyone to rush into discipleship, because the demands of discipleship require

everyone considering it to be aware of the cost, make Jesus and his mission central to his life, and then go

CONGRAGULATION

forward without looking back.

We congratulate all the student receiving their the First Holy Communion this weekend 25th & 26th June 2022

Jai Beacroft & Kendra Jaiden Cron

Stirling Christopher Hill, Logan Toncinich, Chelsea Toncinich, Cleo Cribbes, Brandon Pernasilici



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

THANKSGIVING OPTIONS

If you are able to send your thanksgiving offerings via direct debit to:

St. Anne's Church

BSB Number: 083 347, Account No: 64340 4615.

Please include your Thanksgiving Number if you have one and/or your name, for our parish priest/and retired priests in the Archdiocese. Online direct contributions, either one-off or recurring, can be made through CDF Pay: https://bit.lv/CDFpaySeaford



Scan this code with your smart phone camera APP & follow the prompts.

VINNIES DONATIONS

St Vincent de Paul would like to invite parishioner's who could offer 2hr of their time every fortnight to help the needy of our parish

BSB: 063-000 Acc no: 1031-7778 Account name: St Anne's Seaford 304

All donations will be used towards local families in need.



Please pray for the sick and suffering of our parish especially Trish Falk, Jenny Beechhey-Garden, Christina Toleafoa, Hortance Bouchereau, Nadeges, Juana Adones, Anna Martinez, Linda Butler, Felipe Gonzalez. We pray for all those anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time especially Dennis Patrick O'Brien, Edwin Hood and for all those who have died recently especially Kevin Redden, Wilfredo Nunez.



Rest in Peace

Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God



Piety Stall

New items for the Kiosk: St Christopher key rings; Water fonts; Small Holy water bottles; Rosary Bracelets; Children's Bible; Various prayer books. We still have some dresses for the Holy Communion Day. Cost is donation only.

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

Thanksgiving envelopes are ready for collection in the foyer of the church Thank you for your continuous support and generosity to St Anne's Parish.



READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY—Year C 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: 1 Kg 19: 16, 19-21

Responsorial Psalm: You are a my inheritance,

O Lord.

2nd Reading: Gal 5:1, 13-18 Gospel: Lk 9: 51-62

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY—Year C 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Is 66: 10-14

Responsorial Psalm: Let all the earth cry out

to God with joy.

2nd Reading: Gal 6: 14-18

Gospel: Lk 10: 1-12, 17-20

Dear parishioners,

We have been devastated with the news of earthquake and enormous number of casualties. Our prayers go with all those affected in Afghanistan.

HOLY FAMILY HALL

As part of Winter shelter program, we were looking at temporary accommodation and its requirements. We have been advised of a potential danger with the electrical switchboard system. The hall being so old and the upgrading had not happened over the years we are temporarily closing down the hall until further notice. We have received the report on the condition of the hall. We are studying it.

The regular Wednesday morning Mass is in church at 9:30 am.

NEW VOLUNTEERS

Pentecost Sunday was our volunteer recruitment day for the celebration of Mass. Thank you to all those who have signed up. We now have increased number of volunteers. New roster is ready, which will start from next month.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Parish is looking to start finance committee. Expecting interest from parishioners who are in the finance field. Main objective is to check the income and expenses and find the ways to raise the funds according to the Archdiocese Guidelines.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Parish council had their second meeting this week. We have set long term plan and short term plan. If you wish to discuss your concerns please email/call parish office or see any of the members of the council.

TRADE DIRECTORY

We are looking into a new initiative of forming a trade directory. Anyone in the parish who is in any form of trade can join this directory. Both our school families will also be invited. Parish may advertise them and parishioners can approach them for any work. More information to follow.

FIRST EUCHARIST

First Eucharist starts with this weekend Masses. We welcome all to join in this wonderful celebration.

ADVANCE NOTICE- CONFIRMATION

Enrolment form go out on 14/15 July, Enrolment Mass on July30/31. The Preparation (information) evening on 17th Aug (Wednesday) 6:30 pm at church. Workbook returns on 11th October. Retreat day 20th October. Celebration day 23rd October.

JUNIOR LEGION OF MARY

Junior Legion of Mary is a active ministry in the Parish. They meet every Saturday from 4-5pm in the parish centre. They had collected over \$700 with the Car wash and donated to the Ukraine Crisis. The Parish is inviting more children to join the group to experience the love of Mother Mary and to learn the catholic faith.

Age limits are from 6yrs -16yrs. Please contact the parish office for more information.

ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER

There will be a special collection for the Holy Father next weekend 2nd & 3rd of July.

Check our website for more information under latest news

Rev Fr Martin Jeramias

<u>UPDATE ON THE RENOVATION OF THE CHURCH.</u>

There are two phases of the minor renovation. **Phase one:** Eradication of possums. **Phase two:** cleaning of the inner layer. GM pest controls will be carrying out the work of eradicating the possums and ensuring possums do not return in future. The works include the trimming of trees in the vicinity of the tension cables and canopy area, removing existing conduits from tension cables, supply and install PVC circular stop ends to all cables, supply and install PVC lengths to each individual tension cable and supply and install Colourbond flashings to saw tooth corners of brickwork. This would cost us \$10,000. The company guarantees possums will not return. The company will remove possums free of charge in case they return.

After this we will try to clean the inner layer, check the black marks on top of the sanctuary wall and paint the wall. The whole work is expected to be finished by the end of the next month. In the meantime, the windows and doors will also be repaired.

MASS TIMES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday 6:00pm Mass

Wednesday 9:30am Mass St Anne's Church

Thursday 6:00pm Mass First Friday 7:00pm Mass

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

"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).

Safeguarding Committee members are working hard to collect the details of volunteers in order to comply with the requirements of the Professional Standard Unit. Letters will be sent to volunteers if any Working with Children Check details are in need of being updated.

All Volunteer will be issued St Anne's Parish Entity Statement of Commitment, the Policy, the code of conduct and a Code of Conduct declaration form which needs to be signed and returned back to the parish office this will be valid for 3 years. For more information please contact stannespsu@gmail.com

Irene and Frank will be speaking to volunteers individually to clarify their Code of Conduct Declaration status. Please cooperate as she strive to complete this important task.

Rev Fr Martin Jeramias is happy to offer

Mass Intentions during all Masses

Please fill in your Mass offering envelope which is kept in the foyer of the Church and give it directly to Fr Martin or drop in during office hours for Mass bookings.

We encourage Parishioners to offer Mass as thanksgiving or for recently deceased, anniversary, remembrance of their loved ones.





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 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.