Seaford Parish Newsletter

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



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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

REFLECTIONS OF THIS WEEK

In Chapter 12 of Luke's Gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples and the crowd on how to be ready for the coming judgment. A crowd of many thousands has gathered to hear Jesus. At first he speaks only to the disciples, reminding them that it is not persecution they should fear but the judgment that is coming for all who do not acknowledge the Son of Man. Suddenly a man in the crowd shouts out to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." He seems to have grown tired of Jesus speaking only to the disciples. Jesus offers the man no help. Instead he uses the question to teach what, in light of the coming judgment, life really consist of.

Jesus tells the crowd a parable. A rich man's lands have yielded more crops than expected. His response is not to consider how he might share all the extra food with others but to wonder how he can possibly store it all. He has what he thinks is a brilliant idea: to tear down his present barns and build larger ones. Then he will have many things stored up for years of eating, drinking, and making merry.

"You fool" is God's response to this man because that very night his life will be taken away. To whom will everything belong then, God asks. The rich man's world is small, just him and his possessions, and now he learns that he is to lose his life. What good are his possessions now? Jesus states the moral of the story. This is how it will be for everyone who stores up treasure for himself or herself but is not rich in what matters to God.

Centuries later St. Gregory the Great taught that when we care for the needs of the poor, we are giving them what is theirs, not ours. We are not just performing works of mercy; we are paying a debt of justice. Life does not consist in possessions but in sharing what we possess with others. The goods of the earth have been given to everyone.

HAPPY FEAST DAY ST ANNE & ST JOACHIM

This weekend with joy we the Parish of St Anne's, Seaford celebrate the Feasts of St. Anne and St. Joachim, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and grandparents of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Under their patronage our Parish has journeyed and ministered amongst our community. We have been blessed and graced through their In-



tercession. Through their powerful Intercessions miracles have happened amongst us. As we hear in readings, God hears our prayers and performs miracles for us, and this will continue to happen as long as we collaborate with the Lord; as long as we share what we have with one another, as long as we offer our gifts and talents no matter how little they are for the benefit of all. May our most cherished Joachim and Anne continue to intercede for us as we, the family of St Anne's Parish, journey on in our faith. Amen.

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 Martonhelyi Linda Butler, Felipe Gonzalez, Rose Acedo, Loreto Hermosa, Natalie Fowler. We pray for all those anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time especially Evelyn Fernandes and for all those who have died recently especially Fr Francis Arnold, William John Alexander Klaus, John Ulahannan, Salma Pearson.

Rest in Peace





Catholic Grandparents Association (CGA)

An international association with the mission "to help grandparents pass on the faith and keep prayer at the heart of the family".

It encourages grandparents at a local level to come together for mutual support, prayer and helping one another to pass on the faith. The website provides stories of grandparents around the world, news updates, and parish resources.

A regular "Faith Café" Zoom meeting with guest speaker, reflections by grandparents, general discussion and prayer is held monthly. Registration is free, open to all -

www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.com

Can you make this happen in your parish? Further info: <u>rm.pirola@marriagerc.org</u>

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY—Year C 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23 Responsorial Psalm: In every age, O Lord,

You have been our refuge.

2nd Reading: Col 3:1-5, 9-11 Gospel: Lk 12: 13 - 21

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY—Year C 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wis 18: 6 - 9

Responsorial Psalm: Happy the people the

Lord has chosen to be his

own.

2nd Reading: Heb: 11:1-2, 8 -19 Gospel: Lk 12: 32 - 48

Dear parishioners,

We have been saddened of the things happening in Sri Lanka. We hold our Sri Lankan community in our prayer. Let us unite in prayer this weekend.

PARISH CENSUS

Last year by this time I contacted most of the parishioners via telephone and email. Some have moved elsewhere or could not be reached. Its time now to update family details. At the first weekend of next month we will do a census of the parishioners present at the each weekend Mass.

CONFIRMATION

Enrolment form go out on 14/15 July, Enrolment Mass on July30/31. The Preparation (information) evening on 10th Aug (Wednesday) 6:30 pm at church. Workbook returns on 11th October. Retreat day 20th October. Celebration day 23rd October. Enrolment Forms are available in the foyer of the Church.

UPDATE ON THE RENOVATION

There are two phases of the minor renovation. Phase one: Removal of possums. Phase two: cleaning of the inner layer.

GM pest controls has carried out the works of removing the possums and made the church possum free. The company will remove possums free of charge in case they return. The second phase was to clean the inner layer. We could not find a cleaning chemical unless we take down the inner and clean, which is a hard task. So we have agreed to test air quality to check the presence of mould and to paint the inner layer and the sanctuary wall.

RCIA

The process to become a Catholic is called Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). It's runs for 10 months, one or two meetings per months. We are now inviting anyone who is interested to know more about the faith and become Catholic. Please contact the office.

Blessing for all volunteers

On 13/14th August weekends there will be a commissioning Mass for all volunteers helping at Mass. Both new and existing members will be commissioned.

TRADE DIRECTORY

St. Anne's Parish is welcoming business/trade to advertise in our website/ newsletter. This trade directory is indented to help the parishioners to know what services and businesses they can engage in and around the area of Seaford. Any business or trade belongs to a parishioner or a parishioner working there can advertise here. Parish will advertise them through website and newsletter free of charge. If businesses/trade want to make a donation, they can do so to our local Vinnies conference.

What we need:

- Trade/ business card details (which includes business/ trade name, logo, address, contact details)
- Less than 50 words of description of business/trade
- Website link (if available)

Send your details to seaford@cam.org.au, subject: Trade directory.

By using this facility you agree to the terms and conditions outlined in the parish website

Check our website for more information under latest news

Rev Fr Martin Jeramias

WANT TO LEARN MUSIC?

We offer private music lessons and live-online lessons. All students are given the opportunity to perform on stage or sit for music exams from London. You can choose to learn the piano / keyboard / guitar/ violin/ ukulele/ drums / singing. For more information contact - Funtastic Music Studio

Web: www.funtasticmusicstudio.com.au

Mob: 0452218863 Irene Levangi

Email: funtasticmusicstudio@gmail.com



WINTER SHELTER

Peninsula City Church has been hosting the Frankston Winter Shelter program on its own for about 6 weeks now. Due to Council building issues with the Holy Family Hall, St Anne's has been unable to provide a venue and the other potential venue (Gateway Church in Heversham Drive) has also hit a hurdle with a Council planning permit. Guest numbers are small but increasing, and the service is already well regarded on the streets. The stories of those sleeping rough on these winter nights are literally chilling. Covid has played havoc with rosters unfortunately so new volunteers are sought, especially for shifts on Wednesday and Thursday nights. Might suit retirees, or students working on assignments. For further information, contact David Moloney 0417 704 427.

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

Our Child Safeguarding Committee is seeking new members. Please contact Frank at the Welcome and Info Desk in the church foyer.

Vinnies "Warm Up Winter" Appeal

Dear Parishioners,

St. Anne's Vinnies need you to help the many local people, families and children to stay warm through this freezing winter. You are invited to donate New, Clean or Laundered, blankets, coats, jackets, jumpers, hats and scarves. Please bring these warm goods to the church or Parish centre during the month of July.

Monetary donations into the Vinnies box in the church foyer to purchase these items will also be greatly appreciated. **Thank you for your generosity and God Bless.**



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

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