

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

Frankston North
Carrum Downs
Seaford



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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

REFLECTIONS OF THIS WEEK

On August 6, our liturgy invites us to celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. Our Gospel for this liturgy in Cycle C is the same as the Gospel proclaimed on the second Sunday of Lent. Recall that on the second Sunday of Lent in each Lectionary cycle the Gospel reading proclaims the story of Jesus' Transfiguration, each time from a different Gospel. This feast calls to our attention the importance of this event in Jesus' life, further affirmed by its report in each of the Synoptic Gospels: Matthew, Mark, and Luke.

In Cycle C, our Gospel for this day is taken from the Gospel of Luke. The context for Luke's Transfiguration story is similar to that found in both Matthew's and Mark's Gospel. The Transfiguration occurs after Peter's confession that Jesus is the Messiah and Jesus' prediction about his passion. In each of these Gospels, a discussion of the cost of discipleship follows the Transfiguration.

In each Gospel, Jesus takes three of his disciples—Peter, James, and John—to a high mountain. While they are there, Elijah and Moses appear with Jesus. In Matthew's and Mark's Gospel, there is reference to a conversation among Jesus, Elijah, and Moses, but only Luke's Gospel includes the detail that this conversation is about what Jesus will accomplish in Jerusalem.

Elijah and Moses are both significant figures in the history of Israel. Moses led the Israelites from slavery in Egypt and received from Yahweh the Ten Commandments. Appearing with Jesus at his Transfiguration, Moses represents the Law, which guides the lives of the Jewish people. Elijah is remembered as one of the most important prophets of Israel who helped the Israelites stay faithful to Yahweh. Some believe that Elijah's return would signal the coming of the Messiah for the Jewish people. This belief is evidenced in the question posed by Jesus' disciples after they have witnessed the Transfiguration. The appearance of these two important figures from Israel's history indicates Jesus' continuity with the Law and the prophets. They also reveal that Jesus is the fulfillment of all that was promised to the people of Israel.

Upon seeing Jesus with Elijah and Moses and having witnessed his Transfiguration, Peter offered to construct three tents for them. Luke's Gospel reports that Peter's offer was made in confusion. As if in reply to Peter's confusion, a voice from heaven spoke, affirming Jesus as God's Son and commanding the disciples to obey him. This voice from heaven recalls the voice that was heard at Jesus' baptism.

In his Transfiguration, we see an anticipation of the glory of Jesus' Resurrection. In each of the reports of the Transfiguration, Jesus instructed the disciples to keep secret what they had seen until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. The disciples' confusion continued as they wondered what Jesus meant by "rising from the dead." Until they also witness his passion and death, the disciples cannot possibly understand Jesus' Transfiguration. We, however, have the benefit of hindsight. In our hearing of it, we see in this event an anticipation of Jesus' Resurrection, a foreshadowing of Christ's glory in heaven, and the promise of our own resurrection.

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.ly/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, Nadege, Juana Adones, Anna Martonhelyi Linda Butler, Felipe Gonzalez, Loreto Hermosa, Natalie Fowler.** We pray for all those anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time especially **Judy Wardale** and for all those who have died recently especially **John Ulahannan, Selma Pearson, Rosalia Acedo.**



Rest in Peace



PIETY STALL

Urgently required someone to man the **Piety Stall** on Saturdays for the 6.00pm Mass once or more often each month for 15 minutes before Mass and about 30 mins after Mass.

Please contact Patricia on 8759 3887 if you are able to help.

HEART OF LIFE

Treasuring Our Later Years, Saturday 20 Aug 2022, 10am -4pm, an in-person event. Our ageing offers us opportunities to be awake to the new possibilities offered daily. During our time together, we will consider themes that have special significance in our later years: awakening to new possibilities in my life now; spirituality; what is giving my life meaning?; relationships; gratitude; death – mystery; intimacy and delight in God's presence. This popular reflection day is led by Nicole Rotaru rsm (BA, GDEd, CPE, B Social Work, GD Arts Therapy, M Supervision (MIECAT), Cert Supervision (UD)). Cost \$60 (BYO lunch). Book and pay by 12/8/22 via www.heartoflife.melbourne Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Rear 41 Stanhope Street, Malvern VIC, email info@heartoflife.melbourne or tel (03) 9890 1101.

READINGS FOR THIS 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

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY—Year C **20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading: Jer 38: 4-6, 8-10
Responsorial Psalm: Lord, come to my aid
2nd Reading: Heb12: 1-4
Gospel: Lk 12: 49:53

*Happy those servants
whom the master finds
awake when he comes*

Jesus, Luke 12:37

Dear parishioners,

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all who have joined the mass for Sri Lanka. Let us continue in prayer. A big thank you to all the organisers.

CONFIRMATION

This weekend is the last weekend for the enrolment Mass for confirmation families. The Preparation (information) evening on 10th Aug (Wednesday) 6:30 pm at the church. Information evening runs for one hour and half. Parents and child are expected at the meeting. If parents cannot attend for any reason, the close relative can join the meeting but this could not be the one already joining the program.

Workbooks will be issued at this meeting. Retreat day 20th October. Celebration day 23rd October.

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 this weekend we will do a census of the parishioners present at each weekend Mass.

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). In our archdiocese it's runs for 10 months, one or two meetings per months. We are now inviting anyone who is interested know more about Catholic faith. Please contact the office.

Commissioning Mass for all Volunteers

On 13/14th weekends there will be a commissioning Mass for all volunteers helping at Mass. Both new and existing members (Sacristans, Readers, Special ministers, Altar servers, Power point presenters, Music ministry, Decoration, Communion to nursing homes, Greeters, Linen washing) will be commissioned for the remaining months of the year.

FUNERAL MINISTERS NEEDED

We are going to start a new ministry to help the funerals. We are seeing an increased number of funerals recently in our community. Last six weeks we had one funeral per week. We are inviting volunteers to join the funeral ministry. Main responsibilities are opening and closing the church, sacristan work and a go to person for bereaved family. One to two hours for your time is needed when there is a funeral. Retired and active parishioners are preferred. Training will be provided. Please contact the office.

SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC CARE

There will be a special collection for the Catholic Care next weekend 13th & 14th August 2022.

Check our website for more information under latest news

Rev Fr Martin Jeramias

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

An opportunity to spend a weekend improving your communication.

This experience gives you the tools to keep your passion alive in a gentle, nurturing environment, away from pressures and distractions of daily living. The weekend we offer is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome. **Please check our website for more details.** We have two options: An on-line/virtual weekend: **19 -21 August 2022** in the comfort of your own home or a non-residential parish-based weekend: **22- 23 October 2022** in Niddrie.

(Book early to avoid disappointment) Information/Bookings: Phone **Mercy & James 0409 183 676** or

Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website: wwme.org.au

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

Friday 9:30pm 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 3years. 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.

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK

Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Strong families and communities are the place where vocations are first nurtured. In this National Vocations Awareness Week, let us pray for all families in our parish, and for those preparing for marriage. Let us also pray that our parish community may always be welcoming and encouraging of vocations to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life.



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.*