

Seaford Parish Newsletter

Sunday 16th October 2022

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

Frankston North
Carrum Downs
Seaford



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TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

REFLECTIONS OF THIS WEEK

This is the first of two parables that Jesus tells in Luke 18 about prayer. (The second will be read at Mass next Sunday.) This first parable is a lesson in persistence in prayer. (Next Sunday's parable will address attitude in prayer.) While the parable seems to present prayer as nagging God for what we want, such a reading misses the point. God is not like the judge in the parable, worn down by requests and coerced to respond. The key is found in the description of the judge as corrupt and unjust. Since God can be neither, we must understand Jesus to be saying that if even an unjust judge responds to the persistence of the widow, how much more so will God listen to our prayers. God truly wants to hear our needs and respond generously. It is the final lament of Jesus that gets to the point of the parable. The lesson is about the persistence of the one who prays. God wants us to be like the persistent widow, staying in relationship with God, confident that God hears and answers prayers. Then Jesus laments, "Will such faith be found when the Son of Man comes?" In this lament, Jesus notes how easy it can be for us to lose heart.

RENOVATION UPDATE

The diocese has given us their approval to go ahead with the Church renovation. We will soon commence this. Church will be closed for at least two weekends. During the closure we will celebrate Mass at our schools. We need your donations towards this project and your help in moving some things keeping safe things inside the church. It is exciting. More information to follow next week.

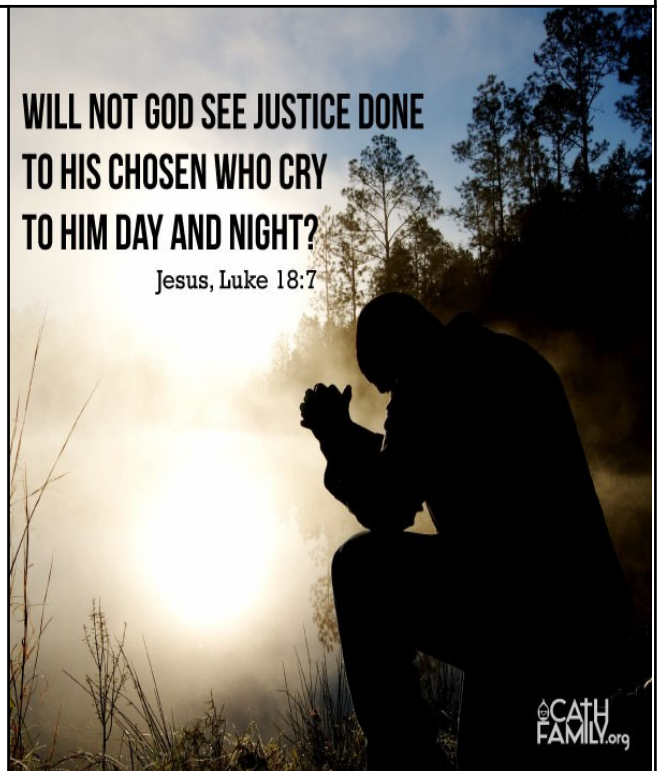
MY HOLIDAYS

As I am away from next weekend, we will not have a resident priest with us on site until Friday 2nd December 2022. The office will be open during the normal business hours. After hours please leave a message and Sumitha will respond and assist you. Weekend Masses will be celebrated by Fr. Geoff Barron. If you need a priest urgently for anointing or other sacraments, please contact one of our neighbouring parishes. If your loved one is in one of our major hospitals and needs a priest, please ask the hospital staff to contact their priest chaplain.

Fr Martin Jeramias

**WILL NOT GOD SEE JUSTICE DONE
TO HIS CHOSEN WHO CRY
TO HIM DAY AND NIGHT?**

Jesus, Luke 18:7



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.

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.

Thanksgiving collection amount for the Weekend 9/10/2022 \$2952.00

"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 the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

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, Ben Pool, Gilbert Pyet.** We pray for all those anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time especially **Barine Swanson** and for all those who have died recently especially **Maxine O'Grady, Pauline Ignatius Pereira, Margaret "Wynne" Illingworth.**
Rest in Peace



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.....

For the Christmas Hamper Bunning Sausage Sizzle on Saturday 5th November. If any parishioners can help for an hour or two between 8.00am and 5.00pm that would be great. If you can't stay and cook/serve on the day helpers are still needed to set up and clean up afterwards. This is our major fundraising for the Christmas Hampers **Please contact Peter Vyverberg on 0432 120 704 or email pgvyverberg@gmail.com.**



JUNIOR LEGION OF MARY - CAKE SALE

Last Saturday & Sunday collection amounted to \$800.00 Thank you so much for all your support. We invite more children to join us.



St. Anne's Public Square Rosary & Candlelight Procession

Saturday October 22nd at 5:00pm
followed by 6.00pm Mass.
All are welcome.



READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY—Year C 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Ex 17: 8-13
Responsorial Psalm: Our help is from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth.
2nd Reading: 2 Tim 3: 14- 4:2
Gospel: Lk 18:1-8

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY—Year C 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Sirach 35: 12-14, 16-19
Responsorial Psalm: The Lord hears the cry of
the poor.
2nd Reading: 2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18
Gospel: Lk 18:9-14

Dear parishioners,

Yet another week of extreme weather conditions and pray that this is the end of it. It is important to stay safe.

INVITATION FROM ARCHDIOCESE

Two important event falls this month. Firstly, It is the 175th Year of Anniversary for our Diocese, we also mark the 125th Anniversary of Consecration of St Patrick's Cathedral. Archbishop Peter warmly invites you to join him as we celebrate with a special Anniversary Mass on, Thursday 27 October at 1pm at St Patrick's Cathedral. Secondly, Archbishop is also inviting 500 young people on pilgrimage together in 2023 to participate in the largest youth gathering in the world — World Youth Day 2023 in Lisbon, Portugal! There are six Regional Youth Gatherings this October to hear more about the four exciting pilgrimage options on offer for young people from around Melbourne. More information <https://udisciple.melbournecatholic.org/wyd> or on our website.

PARISH POLICY

We have been alerted that many pamphlets and books are distributed in church. The parish policy is that anything distributed in church needs prior permission from the Parish Priest.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEAM NEEDED

We are looking to expand sacramental preparation (Religious Education) team. We have five members signed up and are in need of two more members to this ministry in view of parish based sacramental program next year. Please let us know.

CHRISTMAS CHOIR

We are looking for Choir members for Christmas Masses. Let us know if you can help. Mass times to be decided soon.

ADVANCE NOTICE

All Souls Day Vigil at 7 pm on 1st of November and 2nd of November 9:15 am

CONFIRMATION

Retreat day 20th October from 9 am. Mass on 23rd October at 2 pm.

CATHOLIC MISSION CHURCH APPEAL COLLECTION

There will be a special collection next Sunday 22nd & 23rd for Catholic Mission.

For more information please check our website.

Rev Fr Martin Jeramias



ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK 22nd/23rd October

READING & EUCHARISTIC MINISTER

6:00pm Mass

Readers: J. Reymers/ M. Lim
Eucharistic Minister: Kevin Burke
Altar Servers: Anne / Isaac

8:30am Mass

Readers: C. Long/ C. O'Toole
Eucharistic Minister: Joshua Reeve
Altar Servers: Fina/ Jeanne

10:00am Mass

Readers: J. Fernandez/ J. Camello
Eucharistic Minister: A. Middleton
Altar Servers: Anthony/ Johan

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF CONSECRATION – ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

As we celebrate our 175th Anniversary year as a diocese – we also mark a significant milestone for our Cathedral. Archbishop Comensoli warmly invites you to join him for Mass to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the Consecration of St Patrick's – **Thursday 27 October 2022 at St Patrick's Cathedral, commencing at 1pm.** This is a beautiful opportunity to come together in the house of the Lord – built by the faithful and generous people from every part of our Archdiocese, and home for all. Mass will be followed by the Launch of the **Catholic Precinct Walking Tour App**, an initiative of the Mary Glowrey Museum.



MASS TIMES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday & Thursday 6:00pm Mass

Wednesday & Friday 9:15am Mass

Saturday 5:30pm Reconciliation, 5:25pm Rosary followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet

Saturday 6:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 8:30am Mass

Sunday 10:00am Mass

Baptism Welcome

We Congratulate and welcome the following children who will be baptised at

St Anne's Parish this
Sunday 16th October 2022

☆ **Zara Jane Theodore**
☆ **Charlie Rose Theodore**
☆ **Devine Tyson Leversha**

Employment Opportunity

We have a position for a casual school bus driver. The role would suit a recently retired driver looking for some extra income as the hours are only 10 hours per week during school terms. **For more information contact the Parish Office.**

ENGAGING YOUR FAITH IS A SERIES OF SHORT ONLINE PRESENTATIONS that invite participants to reflect on what it means to be people of faith in the contemporary world. Experienced lecturers from Catholic Theological College present on a variety of topics including: Theology, Spirituality, Biblical Studies, Pastoral Studies, Laudato Si', Christian Meditation, Lectio Divina, Future Technology, and Science and Religion.

Choose from 12 online sessions - 10 to 28 October 2022

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER Weekend

"Live Your Best Life in Love"

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 is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome. **Please check our website for more details.**

22- 23 October 2022 at St John Bosco, Niddrie

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

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



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.*