

Seaford Parish Newsletter

Sunday 12th February 2023

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

Frankston North
Carrum Downs
Seaford



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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK

Matthew continues the Sermon on the Mount with a three part instruction by Jesus on the Way of Life in the kingdom of heaven. Today's reading is part one and deals with the Law. Part two deals with worship and religious practice and contains the Lord's Prayer. Part three deals with trusting God and deeds of loving service to our neighbour.

When Matthew speaks of "the Law and the prophets" he means the whole Scripture. When the Messiah brings the fullness of the kingdom none of scripture will be done away with. Instead it will be fulfilled. Matthew's Jesus does not overturn the Law of Moses, nor does he set his followers free from the Law. He requires his followers to go beyond the Law by doing more than the Law requires.

The Law condemned murder. Jesus condemns anger. The Law condemned adultery. Jesus condemns even lustful looks. As Jewish Christians who had always been faithful to the Law Matthew's community need a way to understand the difference Jesus and the kingdom he brings have made. They affirmed that God had always been at work in history through "the Law and the prophets." But God's work goes beyond that to be embodied by the Messiah who reveals the definitive will of God. The written scriptures and their interpretation in tradition are surpassed by Jesus whose life and teaching are the definitive revelation of the will of God.

Ash Wednesday 22nd February, 2023

**Please note there will be 2 Masses on Ash Wednesday.
9:15am & 7:00pm**



Pastoral Care appeal Collection this week.

Pastoral Care Appeal in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. Each year a special collection is conducted in all parishes for the purpose of supporting the vital work of our Catholic chaplains. Your gift can help people find comfort and hope as they go through some of their darkest hours and times of need. Please donate generously.

Return of last year blessed Palms

Please place the blessed palms in the basket that is placed in the foyer of the Church. In preparation for Ash Wednesday on the 22nd February 2023.



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 5/2/2023 \$ 2741.70

"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, Anna Martonhelyi Linda Butler, Felipe Gonzalez, Loreto Hermosa, Natalie Fowler, Ben Pool, Gilbert Pyet, Bernadette O'Shea, Tony & Gerda Small, Marcus McCartney** We pray for all those anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time especially **Mary Angelina, Gregoriod dela Cerna, Albert Simpson** and for all those who have died recently.
Rest in Peace



Piety Stall

COLUMBAN CALENDARS new supply of copies available. Easter cards; mementos for Baptism, First Communion and Confirmation have also been received.

Call at the Piety Kiosk after Mass and peruse the missals, bibles and prayer books we have available.

Junior Legion of Mary

Junior Legion of Mary to resume their sessions every Saturday from 4th February 2023 from 4-5pm, young girls and boys are encouraged to join the group. Please contact the parish office for more information.

Senior Legion of Mary

Senior Legion of Mary to resume their sessions every Saturday from 11th February 2023 from 2:30 - 3:45pm.

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK 18th/19th

FEBRUARY

READING, EUCHARISTIC MINISTER & ALTAR SERVERS

6:00pm Mass

Readers: R. Doherty / J. Reymers
Eucharistic Minister: Maureen Lim
Altar Servers: Isaac / Eric

8:30am Mass

Readers: P. Vyverberg / S. Antony
Eucharistic Minister: Rita Luxton
Altar Servers: Fina & Jeanne

10:00am Mass

Readers: J. Camello / W. Zantvoort
Eucharistic Minister: Jerome Hinog
Altar Servers: Girazinia / Alden

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY—Year A **6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading: Sir 15: 15-20
Responsorial Psalm: Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord.
2nd Reading: 1 Cor 2: 6-10
Gospel: Mt 5:17-37

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY—Year A **7th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading: Lev 19: 1-2, 17-18
Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is kind and merciful.
2nd Reading: 1 Cor 3:16 - 23
Gospel: Mt 5:38 - 48



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Volunteers needed for Reader's Ministry

We are looking for more readers to volunteer for the Weekend Masses. Persons interested please write your details on the volunteer sheet placed in the foyer of the church.



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

St Anne's Parish on this

Sunday 12th February 2023

☆ **Gisele Josefina Podlesak**

☆ **Madison Ella McKail**

Aid to the Church in Need is still supporting the Catholic Church in Ukraine in its commitment to stay on the ground and keep serving its flock in the face of material and economic war. ACN is helping priests and religious, who are working across the country in parishes, with refugees, in orphanages and homes for the elderly. The main cities where we are sending immediate help are Kyiv, Zaporizhzhya, Odessa and the region of Donetsk. We are doing everything we can to assist our Ukrainian brothers and sisters to be strengthened in their faith so that they may continue to be a light in Ukraine. ACN needs your help to continue this mission. To make an offering visit <https://aidtochurch.org/ukraine>.

World Youth Day 2023

World Youth Day is a **lifechanging opportunity** for youth to experience their Catholic faith with **more than a million young people** from around the world.

Archbishop Comensoli is inviting youth, ages 16-35, across the Archdiocese to journey with him, and over 500 others from Melbourne, to **Lisbon, Portugal for World Youth Day in 2023.**

Find out more at:

<https://udisciple.melbournecatholic.org/wyd>

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WYD 2023
MELBOURNE TO LISBON



CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE
OF MELBOURNE

MASS TIMES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday & Thursday	6:00pm
Wednesday & Friday	9:15am
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



Please join Catholic Theological College to celebrate 50 years of theological education at the

Sung Celebration of Evening Prayer

Guest Speaker Dr Graeme Blackman AO
Chancellor of University of Divinity

Date: Sunday 5th March 2023 at 3.30pm
Location: St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne

Enq: sarah.styring@ctc.edu.au or Ph 9412 3333

LENT 2023 WITH THE CATHOLIC GUY BRUCE DOWNES

Lent is a time when we can grow closer to God and prepare our hearts for the true meaning of Easter. 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/Lent23>. Go to BruceDownes.org for more info

***The QUEST CDF Tap Machine
The CDF Tap machine is back in
working order.
Each tap will cost \$10***



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.*