

Seaford Parish Newsletter

Sunday 2nd July 2023

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

Frankston North
Carrum Downs
Seaford



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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK

Today's Gospel is the conclusion of the instructions and consolations that we have heard Jesus offering to his disciples during the past few weeks. In this passage, Jesus summarizes both the costs of discipleship and its rewards. Once again our understanding of the Gospel is strengthened by considering the context in which it was written and the perspective of Matthew's audience.

The conditions of discipleship outlined in Matthew's Gospel may appear harsh. Yet they underline for us a truth—choosing anything with one's whole heart has consequences. Choosing life with Christ means that every relationship we have must be understood from a new perspective. For many in Matthew's community, this choice brought division to their family.

Matthew also outlines the reward of hospitality offered to Jesus' followers. In today's Gospel, Jesus explains the difficulties of discipleship, yet reveals that those who welcome the disciples have also welcomed him.

Today's Gospel also highlights for us the importance of hospitality in the Christian life. To welcome another in Jesus' name is to extend hospitality to Jesus himself. We have many opportunities in our daily life to reach out to others, to be a welcoming presence and a sign of God's love.

50 year Anniversary of First National Aboriginal Liturgy in Australia

2023 marks 50 years since a significant event took place at the Melbourne Myer Music Bowl in Australia. The occasion was part of the 40th International Eucharistic Congress and was titled the Australian Aboriginal Liturgy. More than 150 adults, teenagers, and a children's choir, mainly from the Kimberley region of Western Australia and the Northern Territory, participated in the event. It was the first time many people witnessed Aboriginal people expressing their Catholic faith in culturally significant ways, and it was the first public and National Aboriginal Liturgy in Australia. The Liturgy was a new attempt by the Catholic Church to re-shape the ancient Catholic ritual of the Mass by incorporating the faith experiences of those belonging to an even more ancient culture, the Aboriginal cultures.



Voice Prayer

Dear Lord,

We invite all Australians to join us, their Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Brothers and Sisters in prayer.

We pray for a bright and just shared future for all who call Australia home. We ask that Your grace of acceptance and compassion will guide us.

Let the Creator Spirit lead our journey with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples of this

land.

May we share Your Spirit more deeply & celebrate the gifts You have given us. Help us appreciate true harmony and peace just as our Old People did.

Keep us strong, make us resilient and remember us in this time.

Now is an opportunity to change our Nation's history for the better.

Walk with us as we write a new chapter together and may we be one in Your love. **Amen.**

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 25/6/2023 \$1128 .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, Christina Toleafoa, Hortance Bouchereau, Nadege, Anna Martonhelyi Linda Butler, Felipe Gonzalez, , Natalie Fowler, Ben Pool, Gilbert Pyet, Bernadette O'Shea, Tony & Gerda Small, Margaret Keating, Kate Knox, Baby Toby, Michael Varger.** We pray for all those whose anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time especially **Felipe Bejarana, Roger Bejarana, Henry Surma** and for all those who have died recently **Delana Ramage, Bob Fisher, Walter John Lee.**



PARISH MAGAZINE 2023

Just letting everyone know that the editorial team has determined that the deadline for receiving articles is now 1st July. Please get your articles submitted before that date, as late submissions may not be included. Contact the editor at fbartosy@gmail.com if you have any questions or comments.

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND **8th/9th JULY**

6:00pm Vigil Mass

Readers: I. Abraham / R. Doherty
Eucharistic Minister: Kevin Burke
Altar Servers: Luke / Isaac

8:30am Mass

Readers: M. Wilson / P. Vyverberg
Eucharistic Minister: Timothy Wright
Altar Servers: Fina / Jeanne

10:00am Mass

Readers: R. Hepworth / G. Martin
Eucharistic Minister: Jerome Hinog
Altar Servers: Anthony / Johan

Piety Stall

The Piety Stall has many items suitable for gifts for those about to receive their First Communion and for the Baptism of babies. Call at the Stall after Mass and browse the stock.

Do not forget to save your postage stamps – if any – and pass them into the Piety Stall. They are sent on to the McKillop Centre for fundraising.

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

1st Reading: 2 Kgs 4: 8 - 11, 14 -16
Responsorial Psalm: Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.
2nd Reading: Rom 6: 3 - 4, 8 -11
Gospel: Mt 10: 37 - 42

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

1st Reading: Zech 9: 9 - 10
Responsorial Psalm: I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.
2nd Reading: Rom 8: 9, 11 - 13
Gospel: Mt 11: 25 - 30

Dear parishioners,

Each year, on the first Sunday of July, Catholics from all corners of Australia gather on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday to celebrate the unique gifts and contributions of Australia's First Peoples. This year's theme, "**A New Life in Christ**" reflects the hope and promise of a brighter future, rooted in unity and shared commitment to positive change.

We are excited to invite you to join our volunteer groups at our church. We have three wonderful opportunities for you to get involved and make a positive impact in our community:

1. FUNDRAISING COMMITTEES: Join our dedicated team working on fundraising initiatives to support various church projects and programs. Whether you have experience in event planning, marketing, or simply a passion for fundraising, your skills and enthusiasm will be greatly appreciated.

2. SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUPS: Be part of our social justice efforts as we work towards creating a more just and equitable society. Join a group focused on issues such as poverty, racial justice, environmental sustainability, or any other area where you feel called to make a difference.

3. COMMUNITY GET TOGETHER GROUP: Help us bring our parishioners closer by joining our community get together group. We organize events, gatherings, and activities that foster friendship, connection, and a sense of belonging within our church community. Your creative ideas and organizational skills are most welcome.

4. OFFICE ADMINISTRATION HELP: If you have a passion for organization, communication, or general administrative tasks, we would love to have you on board. Volunteering in the office can involve various responsibilities such as answering phone calls, organizing documents, managing schedules, and providing support to our staff.

Volunteering in these groups is not only a chance to serve others, but also an opportunity for personal

growth, building relationships, and deepening your faith. If you are interested in any of these volunteer groups or have any questions, please reach out to us or call the office.

Thank you for considering these volunteer opportunities. Together, we can make a meaningful difference in the lives of others and strengthen our community.

SACRAMENTS UPDATE

Eucharist

We now have 40 children who enrolled for the First Eucharist (7 from St. Annes, 29 From St. Joachim, 4 from Sate school). They parents are now preparing their child and working with the booklets. I see most of them at Mass. Celebration start from 4th weekend of July.

Reconciliation

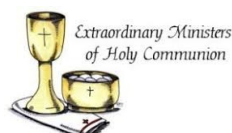
We now have 44 children who enrolled for the First Reconciliation (15 from St. Annes, 25 From St. Joachim, 4 from Sate school). They have joined the preparation evening and working on workbook.

TRAINING PROGRAMME FOR THE DIFFERENT MINISTRIES OF THE CHURCH

We have organised training sessions for different ministries in the church, all volunteer (new & existing) who have put their names for the Ministries are requested to attend.

Sunday 8th & 9th July, 2023 training for the Communion Ministers after each Mass.

Sunday 15th & 16th July, 2023 training for Readers and commentators after each Mass.



For latest news please check our website.

Rev Fr Martin Jeramias

FRANKSTON WINTER SHELTER PROGRESS

We are working towards commencing at Holy Family on Friday 14th July, and Friday nights thereafter. Lara and Sam Waldron from Peninsula City Church will say a few words about the Winter Shelter program at 10 o'clock Mass this weekend.

We are finishing off works on the hall, and progressively getting together the equipment and material that we need. Many thanks to all who have donated and helped in different ways (and to the Frankston Seventh Day Adventist church for a swag of items). At this stage we are in need of the following items (second-hand or new) if anyone is able to help: a freezer, large cooking pot, food trolley, 20 drinking glasses, Two night lamps / lights, set of games / adult colouring books, colouring pencils etc.

Crucially, volunteers are needed for a variety of jobs – supervising, setting up, driving, serving food, welcoming guests, overnight shift (3 volunteers do this together), packing up beds etc – from Friday afternoons to Saturday mornings. To inquire further please contact Lara Waldron at PCC: frankstonws@gmail.com, 0435 954 185, or David Moloney from St Anne's: 0417 704 427.

Spirituality in the Pub:

An Invitation of Catalyst for renewal

The Voice: YES—Our response to the Uluru Statement of the Heart

Fr Frank Brennan, SJ on Wednesday, 12th July 2023 at 6:00pm Venue: Hampton RSL

25 Holyrood Street, Hampton Booking are essential— by Thursday 30th June

Sharing the meal is an important part of the evening. Meals from 6pm.

The presentation & Conversation will follow at 7:30pm, to conclude about 9:00pm

For booking and further contact

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M: 0415 956 107

Catriona: devlinc@bigpond.com

M: 0419 109 830

MASS TIMES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday & Thursday	6:00pm Mass
Wednesday	9:15am Mass
First Friday	7:00pm Mass
Saturday	5:30pm Reconciliation, 5:25pm Rosary followed by Divine Mercy
Saturday	6:00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday	8:30am Mass
Sunday	10:00am Mass

Sacramental schedule- Confirmation

Enrolment form return Mass 2	July 15/16
Preparation evening at church	27 th Jul Thursday 6:30 pm
Mass attendance weeks	Aug 12/13, 19/20, 26/27, Sep 2/3, 9/10, 16/17, 23/24, 30/Oct 1.
Workbook return	2 nd October
Workbooks correcting	Oct 4- 6
Retreat day	20 th October
Celebration day	22 nd October



HOLY FAMILY GROUP- DINNER DANCE

FRIDAY 11TH AUGUST 2023

ST. ANNES SCHOOL HALL, 86-94 AUSTIN ROAD, SEAFORD

6PM- MIDNIGHT

DONATION- \$25.00 PER PERSON (UNDER 10 FREE)

BYO FOOD AND DRINKS

FINGER FOODS PROVIDED

Proceeds To Be Used for the Upkeep of The Holy Family Facilities



SPAM TEXT MESSAGE & EMAIL

It has come to our notice that there is a **Spam Text Message and email** going around to our parishioner's from Fr Martin asking for help, which is not true. Please delete the text message or email immediately.

All correspondence from the parish office or Fr Martin will only be sent from **seaford@cam.org.au**



Thanksgiving Envelopes are ready for collection from the foyer of the church, We thank all the parishioner's for their continuous love and support toward St Anne's Parish. God bless you all abundantly. If you have any quires, please contact the parish office or send an email to **seaford@cam.org.au**

St Anne's Rosters from July to December 2023

The Reading, Eucharistic and Altar servers rosters from July - December 2023 are available for collection.

The respective rosters has been emailed to the volunteers

*If you have not received the Roster please contact the office or send an email requesting for the copy of the roster to **seaford@cam.org.au***

TRUSTING GODS MERCY IN SUFFERING

☆ **Why does God allow suffering?**

☆ **Is suffering part of Gods plan?**

☆ **Life changing strategies!**

St Annes Parish Seaford

84 Austin Rd, Seaford

Saturday 29th July 2023

10:00am to 3:00pm

Mass, Adoration, Worship, Talks

Lunch, Tea and Coffee

Featuring !!!

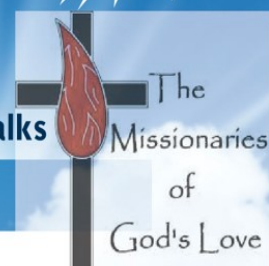
☆ John "PERCY" Canavan from

Divine Comedy to Divine Mercy

☆ Kevin DSouza - **Trusting God in Suffering**

☆ Mathew Sullivan - **Live and Undrugged**

☆ **In Conjunction with the Missionaries of Gods Love**



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