Seaford Parish Newsletter

Sunday 4th June 2023

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



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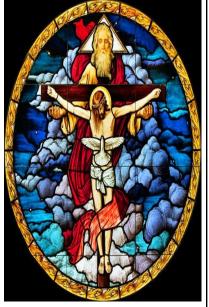
REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK

This week we return to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. This Sunday and next, however, are designated as solemnities special days that call our attention to central mysteries of our faith. Today on Trinity Sunday we celebrate the mystery of the Holy Trinity, one God in three persons.

Today's Gospel is from the beginning of John's reading calls our Gospel. The passage we read follows Jesus' conversation with a Pharisee, Nicodemus, about what it means to be born of both water and the spirit. Nicodemus approaches Jesus at night and acknowledges Jesus as a teacher from God. Jesus tells him that only those who are born from above will see the Kingdom of God. Nicodemus misunderstands and questions how a person can be born more than once. Jesus tells Nicodemus that no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. Jesus is essentially explaining Baptism, which we celebrate as a sacrament today. Yet Nicodemus, we are told, still does not understand what Jesus is saying. Jesus continues by testifying to the need to be born from above so that one might have eternal life.

After the dialogue with Nicodemus, the author of the Gospel offers his own explanation of Jesus' words. This is what we read in today's Gospel, John 3:16-18.

In the context of today's focus on the mystery of the Holy Trinity, the attention to the action of God, who reveals himself in three persons: God the Father, Jesus the Son, and the Holy Spirit. God



the Father, out of love for the world, sent his Son into the world in order to save it. Through the death and resurrection of the Son, we have been given the gift of the Holy Spirit. As three persons, God acts always as a God of love; he does not condemn the world but acts to save it.

The Gospel also calls attention to the response that is required of us. God's love for us calls us to respond in faith by professing our belief in God's son, Jesus, and the salvation that he has won for us. This profession of faith is a sign of the work of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

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

smart phone camera APP & follow the prompts.

Thanksgiving collection amount for the Weekend 28/5/2023 \$881.00

"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, Nadeges, Anna Martonhelyi Linda Butler, Felipe Gonzalez, , Natalie Fowler, Ben Pool, Gilbert Pyet, Bernadette O'Shea, Tony & Gerda Small, Margaret Keating, Kate Knox. We pray for all those whose anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time especially Brian Dunsford, Nicanor Co, Mateo Gallego, and for all those who have died recently Ignace Sevathian, Diana Antonina Fepuleai, Theresa Harika, Ines Perez. Rest in Peace.



PARISH MAGAZINE 2023

Hi everyone, we will begin planning for the publication of the 2023 edition of our parish magazine shortly and we are now accepting your contributions. If you have written anything that could be of interest to parishioners, you can email it to the editor at fbartosy@gmail.com. Alternatively, if you have any questions or comments please contact Frank at the table in the fover of the church after Masses on Sunday.

Piety Stall

New supplies received include Greeting Cards for Christenings; Gifts for First Communion recipients; Plaques of St Bernard and the Serenity poem also 10:00am Mass Footsteps and the Holy Family; Laser glass Divine Mercy and other items suitable for home and gifts. Call at the Piety Stall after Mass and view these and other items.

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND 10th/11th JUNE

6:00pm Easter Vigil Mass

Readers: J. Reymers / R. Doherty Eucharistic Minister: Liam Doherty

Altar Servers: Luke / Annet

8:30am Mass

Readers: C. Long / M. Wilson Eucharistic Minister: Rita Luxton Altar Servers: Fina / Jeanne

Readers: J. Fernandez / R. Hepworth Eucharistic Minister: Marylin Villemin Altar Servers: Anthony / Grazinia

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY—Year A The Most Holy Trinity

1st Reading: Ex 34: 4 - 6, 8 - 9

Responsorial Psalm: Glory and praise for ever.

2nd Reading: 2 Cor 13:11 - 13

Gospel: Jn 3: 16 - 18

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY—Year A The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

1st Reading: Deut 8: 2 - 3, 14 - 16

Responsorial Psalm: Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

2nd Reading: 2 Cor 13:11 - 13

Gospel: Jn 3: 16 - 18

Dear parishioners,

Welcome to the official winter season.

At the parish council meeting we have decided to dedicate all first weekends for birthday celebrations, second weekends for wedding anniversaries, and fourth weekends for the Sacrament of anointing of the sick. We will start this from this month.

WINTER APPEAL- VINNIES

As part of our outreach to the wider community we are engaging all our parishioners with the following three programs. 1. New blankets, doonas, and winter clothing, 2. Assist a foreign student (please see more information on the newsletter, flyers are at the fover of the Church), 3. Support Winter shelter program either through volunteering, or providing material help.

RCIA

We are inviting inquiry to learn about becoming Catholic during Easter Celebration. This process is called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. This involves one or two meeting per month to learn about Catholic doctrines and faith. Call or email the office

NEW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR READING AND COMMUNION MINISTRIES

As part of half yearly call to new volunteers for Readers and Communion ministers please put your details on the sheet provided at the foyer of the church. The new roster begins at the end of June. If any existing volunteers needs a break call the office.

REMINDER

As part of Parish Feast please remember we have organised a day retreat on 29th June at St. Anne's School hall.

STATEMENT ON THE SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF COMING TO ST. ANNES **CHURCH**

Second Year-Learning and Setting Goals

"Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers For latest news please check our website. they succeed." Proverbs 15:22

Dear parishioners Its two years since I came to the parish. It was not a pleasant stage to go to any parish during Covid 19 lockdown and its repercussions. But we have travelled far now. Covid 19 is no more a reportable disease in Victoria.

I have seen many parishioners since Easter joining for Sunday celebrations. It is indeed an encouragement for all of us.

As I have shared my hopes and dreams for last year, we have achieved some of those, especially forming Parish Pastoral council and Finance committee who are vital part of parish life. Building renovation committee has steered the mini renovation of the church building and now looking at other areas of keeping parish properties safe and fit to the purpose. Their main focus will now move to a major renovation or building of a new church, not forgetting the 'Mission project' of the archdiocese.

This year's hope and wishes are building up and strengthening ministries especially in faith formation for our young parishioners. Children's liturgy team, religious education team to train school based sacramental families are two important ministries. We have started them and since they are new to the role it will take time to flourish. We need more members in our ministries.

I always believe the Church belongs to the Holy Spirit, we are all parts of this body and have individual mission to enhance the community life. I envision a community where everyone is respected and is thriving including our young parishioners. May St Anne and Joachim help us in this big task. May the Holy Spirit be a living presence among us.

I would like sincere feedback from you on celebration of the Mass, administration, community events and more. Talk to me or email.

Rev Fr Martin Jeramias

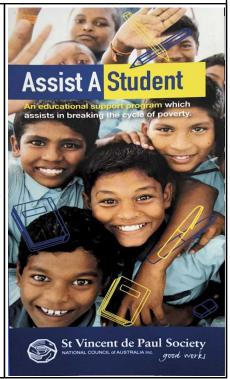
FRANKSTON WINTER SHELTER

A turning point last week was Council's approval to use Holy Family Hall, subject to various works which will commence this week. Thanks to a very generous Christian donor (not a parishioner), we are hoping to instal a shower, which will be more convenient for guests, and mean that the shower van doesn't have to be moved to and from Peninsula City Church.

Over a hundred people have now volunteered for FWS from Frankston churches and the general community. We are still looking to increase participation by St Anne's parishioners in preparation for the use of the Holy Family Hall. Overnight and morning shifts are presently in particular need of volunteers.

Thanks to St Anne's parishioners a big boot load of snacks, drinks, knitting, care-packs etc was delivered to the Peninsula City Church for winter shelter guests. We will ask again if more are required.

To volunteer or inquire further contact Lara Waldron at PCC: frankstonws@gmail.com, 0435 954 185, or David Moloney from St Anne's: 0417 704 427.



MASS TIMES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday No Mass

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



Prayer to the Holy Trinity

Glory be to the Father, Who by His almighty power and love created me,

making me in the image and likeness of God.

Glory be to the Son, Who by His Precious Blood delivered me from hell,

and opened for me the gates of heaven.
Glory be to the Holy Spirit,
Who has sanctified me in the
sacrament of Baptism,
and continues to sanctify me
by the graces I receive daily from His
bounty.

Glory be to the Three adorable Persons of the Holy Trinity, now and forever.

Amen.

Sacramental schedule-Confirmation

Enrolment form return Mass 1 June 17/18 Enrolment form return Mass 2 July 15/16

Preparation evening 27th Jul Thursday 6:30 pm

at church (Parish feast week)

Mass attendance weeks Aug 12/13, 19/20, 26/27,

Sep 2/3, 9/10, 16/17, 23/24, 30/Oct 1.

Workbook return 2nd October

Workbooks correcting Oct 4- 6

Retreat day 20th October

Celebration day 22nd October



First Communion Update.

Thank you to all families who returned Mass preference sheet. We have emailed allocated date and time to all families, If not received please call the office.

Passion on the Big Screen – A Day @ the Movies with Peter Malone msc' (in-person event), Saturday 17 June 2023, 10 am – 3.30 pm (AEST)

We often refer to Jesus as the Word made Flesh. But Colossians I proclaims Jesus as the Image of the Invisible God. Religious images have always been part of spirituality, The 20th century saw moving images emerging on screens, cinemas, television and new modes of streaming. How can we relate to these images as vision for our spiritual lives? Images, symbols, visual metaphors, Christ-figures? We appreciate Lectio Divina. Here we respond to Visio Divina, movie clips, their challenge. Facilitated by Peter Malone msc ~ author, lecturer, founding member of The Film Critics Association and priest. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Cost: \$60 (BYO lunch). Book and pay via website www.heartoflife.melbourne, or tel 03 9890 1101.

Catholic Theological College

Find Your Path at CTC Online Information Session Monday 19 June at 7.30pm (AEST)

Register via our website: ctc.edu.au/information-session
For more information contact: Dr Christopher Knauf
ctc.edu.au/contact/contact-the-registrar/

2023 Propagation of the Faith Appeal: There will be a special collection this weekend.

This week Catholic Mission will offer the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program which aims to address gaps in medical care, and provide families with essential health care and knowledge, equipping them with the confidence to act and autonomy over their health and well-being. The Maria Auxiliadora Clinic is a vital project for the Salesian Sisters and the Church in Venilale. Since its establishment, the clinic has provided life-saving treatment for families in need, like Petrolina's, whose daughter Vitoria was found to have tuberculosis. But, with an increase in the demand for treatment, the Sisters' resources can only carry them so far. Please give generously today to help continue this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/ timor, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.