

Seaford Parish Newsletter

Sunday 25th June 2023

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

Frankston North
Carrum Downs
Seaford



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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK

We read today's Gospel in the context of last week's Gospel in which Jesus sent the twelve disciples to proclaim the kingdom of heaven. In between last week's reading and today's reading, Jesus has predicted that the disciples will face difficulties in their mission. Many people will not receive them well, even within the land of Israel. Even family members will turn away from the disciples because of the disciples' commitment to Jesus and the kingdom. Today's Gospel offers the disciples consolation against this difficult truth. This section of Matthew's Gospel should be read in the context of Matthew's intended audience, a Jewish-Christian community. The Gospel alludes to the dangers and persecutions that this community has most likely already faced and will continue to face. To reassure this community, Matthew recalls for them the encouraging words of Jesus that we read today. In this Gospel passage, Jesus might be understood as putting suffering in perspective. The disciples of Jesus are called upon to keep their focus on God. Those who can harm the body do not have ultimate power; God does. Still persecution and suffering can not be avoided or prevented. But Jesus reassures his disciples that God knows and cares about what happens to his children.

We might not face the same type of persecution, but we do experience difficulties as we endeavor to live a Christian life. Sometimes we let the opinions of others prevent us from doing what we know to be right. We need the reminder that what God thinks about us is more important. We are reassured by the promise that God cares for us and protects us.

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 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

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 18/6/2023 \$2872 .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.** We pray for all those whose anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time especially **Sylvester De Silva, Eardley Gay, Edwin Hood, Dennis Patrick O'Brien, Marjorie Wyles & Judy McPherson, Therese & Philippe Marie, Clency,** and for all those who have died recently **Loreto Hermosa, Gerard Wilson, Daniel Peter Murphy, Josip Lipavic.**
Rest in Peace.



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 **1st/2nd JULY**

6:00pm Vigil Mass

Readers: M. John / C. Collins

Eucharistic Minister: Ignatius Abraham

Altar Servers: Isaac / Annet

8:30am Mass

Readers: C. Long / J. Antony

Eucharistic Minister: Rita Luxton

Altar Servers: Fina / Jeanne

10:00am Mass

Readers: A. Duff / A. William

Eucharistic Minister: Grace Edwards

Altar Servers: Grazinia / Alden

Piety Stall

The Piety Stall has received – Small statue of St Joseph, prayer cards to St Joseph to help find employment; medals to remind us of St Jude and also St Joseph, St Peregrine medals; prayer cards and biography. There are any other items at the Piety Stall that may be of interest to you.

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY—Year A **12th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading: Jer 20: 10 - 13

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, in your great love, answer me.

2nd Reading: Rom 5: 12 - 15

Gospel: Mt 10: 26 - 33

READINGS FOR NEXT 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

Dear parishioners,

This week is Refugee week for Australian Church. We hope and pray that government will take necessary steps to welcome and protect those who are forced to leave their country of origin. Let us keep them in our prayer.

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.

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.

For latest news please check our website.

Rev Fr Martin Jeramias

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.

Part Two of the three-part webinar series will feature Fr. Frank Brennan, who will consider the relationship between the Church and Indigenous Australians, and the application of Catholic Social Teaching to the proposal.

Time/Date: 4-5 pm, Thursday, 29 June 2023

You can register online here:

<https://www.trybooking.com/CHXKH>

Organised by:

Catholic Social Services Victoria

Catholic Social Services Australia



Are You Retired or Seeking A Deeply Rewarding Ministry to Others? We invite you to join Heart of Life's **Taster Session on Tuesday 20 June 2023, 7pm-8.30pm, via Zoom**, where we'll share with you information on our formation programs to become a spiritual director, pastoral supervisor, spiritual leader and contemplative listener to others. Our programs develop a compassionate, listening heart. The session will include a facilitated reflection session led by formation team members at Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Bookings via <https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/events/taster-session/> or email info@heartoflife.melbourne for more details.

FRANKSTON WINTER SHELTER

The great news is that thanks to funding from our Filipino community and anonymous donor, under the building committee the works on the hall are nearly complete. This includes hot water and a shower.

We are in need of a good contingent of St Anne's volunteers, so please consider putting your name forward, or recommending it to someone else who might be interested.

Thanks to everyone who has donated foods, knitting, a freezer and other items. At present we are looking for two microwaves, if anyone has one spare. 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.

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

Michelle: michelekennan@presvic.org.au

M: 0415 956 107

Catrina: devlinc@bigpond.com

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**

**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 27th Jul Thursday 6:30 pm
at church

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

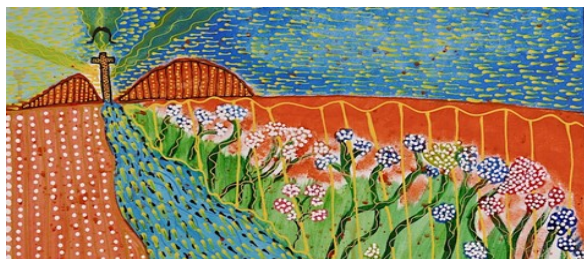
Workbooks correcting Oct 4- 6

Retreat day 20th October

Celebration day 22nd October



A new life in Christ.....
**Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
Sunday 2nd July 2023**



Every year, on the first Sunday in July, Catholics come together across Australia to acknowledge and celebrate the gifts of Australia's First Peoples in the Catholic Church.

Please visit www.natsicc.org.au for more information.

Peter's Pence Special Collection

There will be a special collection this weekend for Peter's Pence 25th June for the intention of the Holy Father.

The Peter's Pence Collection provides for the charitable works and structures of mercy identified by His Holiness, Pope Francis.

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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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