

Seaford Parish Newsletter

Sunday 1st October 2023

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

Frankston North
Carrum Downs
Seaford



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TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK

The context for today's Gospel is the mounting tension between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders. Jesus has entered Jerusalem and overturned the money changers' tables in the Temple. Jesus has caught the attention of the religious authorities; the chief priests and elders question Jesus about the source of his authority. Jesus refuses to name for these religious leaders the source of his authority. Instead, he questions the priests and elders through the parable we hear in today's Gospel. The answer given by the religious leaders is correct, but it convicts them for their failure to heed the call of John the Baptist and for their inability to recognize the Kingdom of God.

The situation Jesus poses is rather straightforward. Given the same task by their father, one son asserts his disobedience in words, but then obeys in his actions; the second son obeys with his words, but disobeys in his actions. The question that Jesus poses is pointed and direct: Which son did what the father wanted? All would agree that "actions speak louder than words" and that even if his words were disobedient, the son who did the work as ordered did the father's will.

Jesus' conclusion is also direct. The chief priests and elders, the ones who speak most often about God, did not act accordingly. They did not respond to the message of repentance announced by John the Baptist with a change of heart. Instead, John's message was heeded by those one would not expect to repent—tax collectors, prostitutes, and other sinners. Because of their actions, these sinners will enter the Kingdom of God ahead of the religious leaders. Jesus could ask us the same question. Do our words indicate our obedience to God? If not our words, do our actions? God desires a full conversion of heart, that our actions (and our words as well) will give evidence of our love for God.

IMPORTANT NOTICE - YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED

Unfortunately, a major water leak has occurred in the office car park.

The replacement of the 2 failed water mains into the Church has been completed and the water supply restored. Fortunately, we received a quote below \$15000, substantially lower than the first quoted. **However, this cost is not budgeted for and we would still appreciate any money parishioners can donate to offset the cost. Please advise the office if you can help. As of today we have received \$ 2570.00, Thank you for your generosity and support.**

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 24/9/2023 \$ 2081 .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, Mauricio Bonizzoni, Matthew Materia, Fitzroy De Alwis.** We pray for all those whose anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time and for all those who have died recently.
Rest in Peace



ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

7th October / 8th October

6:00pm Vigil Mass

Readers: A. Brown / K. Burke

Eucharistic Minister: Ashleigh Middleton

Altar Servers: Luke / Annet

8:30am Mass

Readers: F. Antony / M. Wilson

Eucharistic Minister: Ranjani Fernando

Altar Servers: Fina / Jeanne

10:00am Mass

Readers: Z. Andrew / A. Duff

Eucharistic Minister: Robert Hepworth

Altar Servers: Johan / Grazinia

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY—Year A **Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading: Ezek 18: 25 - 28

Responsorial Psalm: Remember your mercies,
O Lord.

2nd Reading: Phil 2: 1 - 11

Gospel: Mt 21: 28 - 32

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY—Year A **Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading: Is 5: 1 - 7

Responsorial Psalm: The vineyard of the Lord
is the House of Israel.

2nd Reading: Phil 4: 6 - 9

Gospel: Mt 21: 33 - 34

Nothing is to be done
out of jealousy or
vanity; instead, out of
humility of mind
everyone should give
preference to others

Philippians 2:3

Dear Parishioners,

PARISH FETE

We are excited to announce a community get together after Covid restrictions. We are inviting you to our Parish Fete! **Join us for a day filled with fun, food, and fellowship as we come together to celebrate our community on 3rd Dec 23 from 9:00am to 1 pm at the parish grounds.** Activities, food stalls and attractions will include games, a bake sale, live music, and more. It's a great opportunity to meet fellow parishioners and enjoy a day of togetherness.

We are looking to engage these stalls on the day. Cooked food stalls, cake stall, lolly stall, jewellery stall, tea and coffee stall, auction stall, plant stalls and more.

We need you to join our volunteering group. We are looking for a face painter. If you have more ideas let us know.

We look forward to seeing you there and making this year's Parish Fete a memorable event!

VINNIES NEED YOU

We are celebrating the feast of St. Vincent De Paul (27th Sept) this weekend and cherish the good works done by our local conference. **You are invited to join this conference and make a difference in other people's lives.** There will be speakers at this weekend Masses. Become a member and give a hand up.

Rev Fr Martin Jeramias

CARITAS AUSTRALIA'S EMERGENCY APPEALS – MOROCCO / LIBYA

Caritas Australia needs your support to respond to the devastating earthquake in Morocco and floods in Libya. Thousands of people have died and others have been injured. Communities need shelter, food, water and medical assistance. Please support **Caritas Australia's emergency appeals.**

Donate at www.caritas.org.au

MARCH FOR THE BABIES 2023.

7TH OCTOBER AT 1 PM

Come join thousands in our peaceful walk through Melbourne's CBD, to protest against the horrors of full-term abortion in Victoria. Help us speak out against this law and celebrate all life!



Meeting at 12:30pm in the Treasury Gardens, Corner Spring & Wellington Pde. Wear blue or pink.

For more information please see the notice board.

MENALIVE GATHERING COMING UP.

MenALIVE was founded as a response to a great need in the hearts and lives of men, and a great need in the life of the Catholic Church. The purpose of MenALIVE is to bring men together, to renew their faith in God and to encourage them to become an active force in the Church. More information, www.menalive.org.au. Please save this date in your diary **November 25th & 26th at St Anne's School Hall.**

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver will hold their Annual Mission Fair on Saturday 14 October 9.00 am – 2.30 pm at 154 Cotham Road, Kew. This year the proceeds will be for the renovation and extension of a school in Zambia run by Franciscan Sisters of the Presentation for marginalised children.' Enquiries Phone:98173715.

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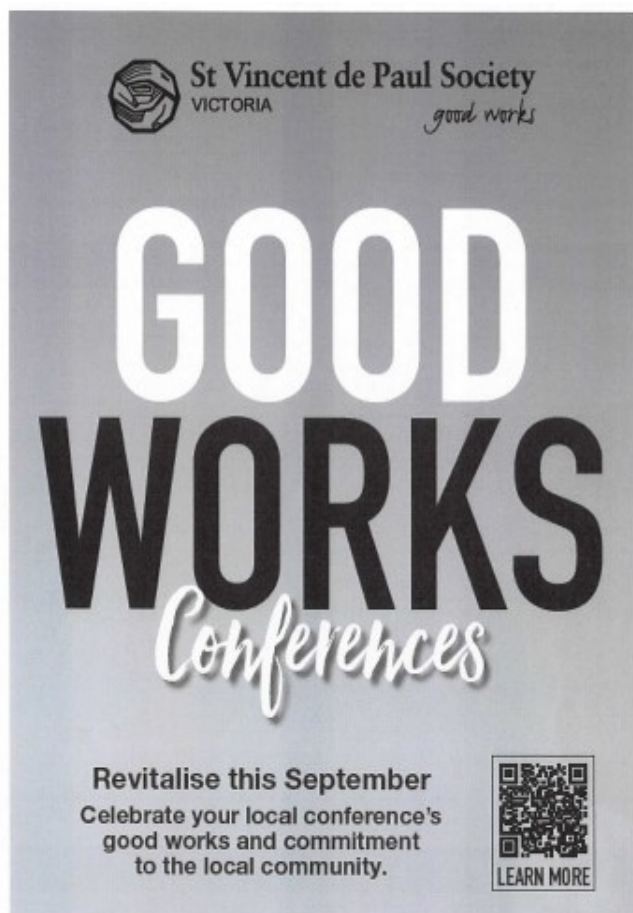
INFORMATION & REGISTRATION

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BRING A GROUP
SPONSOR A DELEGATE
BRING A FRIEND**

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MASS TIMES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday & Thursday	6:00pm Mass
Wednesday	9:15am Mass
First Friday	7:00pm Mass
Saturday	5:25pm Rosary followed by Divine Mercy 5.30pm Reconciliation
Saturday	6:00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday	8:30 am and 10:00 am Mass



Day Light Saving starts this Sunday 1st October 2023

DAYLIGHT
SAVINGS



Frankston City Council

Frankston City Council will be running a series of practical events during October for Community Safety Month. It would be greatly appreciated if you could please share these events with members of your community. Please find the flyers attached.

Community Safety Month Events October 2023

Wed 4 Oct - **Walk with Care** (pedestrian safety) –

Presentation by VicRoads

Wed 11 Oct - **Safe Driver** (older adults road safety) –

Presentation by VicRoads

Sun 15 Oct – **Dogs' Day at Sandfield Reserve**

Mon 23 Oct – **Community Safety Information Session**

Wed 25 Oct - **Motorised Mobility Devices** (powered wheelchairs and mobility scooters) – *Presentation by VicRoads* If you have any questions about the events or about community safety in Frankston please feel free to give me a call on 9784 1046 or

email Andrew.Peterson@Frankston.vic.gov.au

Guardian Angel Prayer



Angel of God
My guardian dear
To Whom His love
Commits me here
Ever this day
Be at my side
To light and guard
To rule and guide.

Amen
Prayer