

Seaford Parish Newsletter

Sunday 8th October 2023

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

Frankston North
Carrum Downs
Seaford



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TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK

Today's Gospel follows directly after last Sunday's Gospel in which Jesus was questioned by Jewish religious leaders about the source of his teaching authority. After refusing to answer their questions, Jesus tells the parable of the two sons and then criticizes the priests and elders for their lack of belief in John the Baptist.

In today's Gospel, Jesus once again speaks to the priests and elders with a parable. In this parable, the landowner leases his vineyard to tenants and sends his servants to collect the portion of the harvest that the tenants owe to him. Several times the servants are sent to collect payment, and each time they are beaten and killed by the tenants. Finally, the landowner sends his son to collect his rent. The tenants, believing that they will inherit the vineyard if the landowner dies without an heir, plot together and kill the landowner's son.

After telling the parable, Jesus questions the chief priests and elders about what the landowner will do to the wicked tenants. They all agree that the landowner will kill the wicked tenants and give the land to new tenants who will pay the rent.

In telling the parable, Jesus is clearly drawing upon Isaiah 5:1-7, which is today's first reading and one that the priests and elders would have known well. Jesus doesn't, therefore, have to explain the symbolism of the parable; the Pharisees would have understood that the vineyard represented Israel, the landowner represented God, the servants represented the prophets, and the bad tenants represented the religious leaders. Yet Jesus nonetheless explains the meaning of the parable for his audience: the Kingdom of God will be taken from the unbelieving and given to the faithful. The chief priests and elders have condemned themselves with their answer to Jesus' question.

Today's Gospel has a parallel in Mark 12:1-12. There are some notable differences, however. In Matthew's version, the religious leaders condemn themselves; in Mark's Gospel, Jesus answers his own question. Matthew names the religious leaders as Pharisees and chief priests. Clearly this Gospel shows the tension that was mounting between Jesus and the Jewish religious leaders who thought that his message was dangerous. Matthew's Gospel was written about 70 years after Jesus' death and reflects the conflicts and tensions found in the Christian community for whom Matthew was writing. Many biblical scholars believe that the tension between Matthew's community and their Jewish neighbours can also be heard in today's reading.

This Gospel reminds us of the importance of listening to God's word. God speaks to us in many ways—through Scripture, through our Church tradition, in our Church's teaching, and through modern-day prophets. Are we attentive and receptive to God's word to us through these messengers?

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 Friday we have received \$ 5570.00, 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 1/10/2023 \$ 3461.00

“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 including **Leticia Nacua Alo, Elias Mendoza, Eardley Gay** and for all those who have died recently including **Terence Vanderlaan.**

Rest in Peace



Piety Stall

The Piety Stall has received Medals and Prayer cards for the Archangels – Michael; Raphael and Gabriel. We now have Sunday missals also Catholic Book of Prayers; little books – A New Pocket Prayer Book and First Prayers for Little Catholic all suitable for gifts. Columban Calendars for 2024 are also here.

THE MISSIONARY SISTERS OF ST PETER CLAVER

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.

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND **14th October / 15th October**

6:00pm Vigil Mass

Readers: M. John / C. Collins
Eucharistic Minister: Liam Doherty
Altar Servers: Annet / Isaac

8:30am Mass

Readers: B. Hicks / S. Antony
Eucharistic Minister: Brian Quirk
Altar Servers: Fina / Jeanne

10:00am Mass

Readers: V. Angel / R. Hepworth
Eucharistic Minister: Zeeta Andrew
Altar Servers: Grazinia / Alden

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

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

1st Reading: Is 25: 6 - 10
Responsorial Psalm: I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.
2nd Reading: Phil 4: 12 - 14, 19-20
Gospel: Mt 22: 1 - 14

Dear Parishioners,

This week, one of the most significant events in recent Church history—the Synod of Bishops, colloquially known as the ‘synod on synodality’- got under way in Rome with Mass in St Peter’s Square. Let us pray for the success of it.

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!

FUNDRAISING PROJECTS TO COVER THE COST OF WATER PIPES.

GOLD COIN DONATION

From this weekend we are collecting a gold coin donation at the door after each Weekend Mass.

RAFFLE TICKET

Buy raffle tickets and win big orchid plants. \$5 for a ticket or \$10 for three tickets. Three plants to win. Raffle draw on 29th Sunday October after 10 am Mass.

We thank Danute Morison (Dana) and Martin Morris for donating plants, and Peter and Brian for transporting it to church. These plants are displayed in the church foyer.

More projects like food stalls are coming up.

SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS OF THE PARISH

We have social media accounts for Facebook, Instagram and X, all are under St Anne’s Parish name with Parish logo on it. Or scan the QR codes below with your smart phone camera. It will take you directly to the social media accounts. Please join, like and comment. You can see information about the current parish events there.

Instagram



X (Formerly Twitter)



Facebook (Page) Facebook (User)
Rev Fr Martin Jeramias

Helpers Needed at Vinnies Sausage Sizzle

Each year to raise funds for our parish Christmas Hampers, Vinnies run a Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings Carrum Downs. **Can you please help for 1 hour.**

Where: Bunnings Carrum Downs (Frankston/ Dandenong Road)

When: Saturday November 11th from 7:30am –5:00pm.

Please contact Peter Vyverberg on 0432 120 704 or email pgvyverberg@gmail.com.



St. Anne’s Public Square Rosary & Candlelight Procession

Saturday October 21st at 5:00pm followed by 6.00pm Mass.
All are welcome.



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MASS TIMES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday & Thursday	6:00pm Mass
Tuesday (Funeral for Terence Vanderlaan)	2:30pm
Wednesday & Friday	9:15am 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






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GOOD WORKS

Conferences

Revitalise this September
Celebrate your local conference's good works and commitment to the local community.



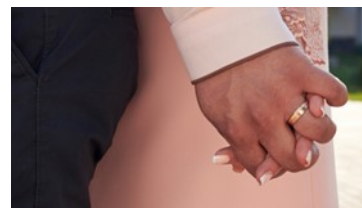
LEARN MORE

Register for the Marriage Anniversary Mass

Sunday 22 October 2023, 11am

St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne

All couples and their families are invited to join the celebration of the annual Marriage Anniversary Mass. Couples who register and are celebrating the following anniversaries – 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th or 40 years and above – will receive a commemorative certificate. **Register by Sunday 15 October: trybooking.com/CLKRBF** For any queries please contact us 9926 5761 or Proclaim@cam.org.au



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.**

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

MASS OFFERING DURING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

As we are a few weeks away for the month of November, we encourage all parishioners who would like to offer Mass for their loved ones' to send us an email with all the names of the deceased. This sheet will be printed and placed on the altar to be prayed for at all Masses during the month of November.

The Remembrance Folder is kept in the foyer of the Church, names could be registered in the sheets as well. The names of the Funerals held in our church has been already registered in the folder. If you have entered the names last year the Mass will be offered this year as well.

