

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

Frankston North
Carrum Downs
Seaford



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR B

SUMMARY OF THE PARISH PROFILE BASED ON NCPR STUDY

FAITH & MISSION COMMITTEE APRIL 2024 - COMMENTARY ON PARISH PROFILES DERIVED FROM 2016 AND 2021 CENSUS

* Predominantly born in Australia (70%) with significant others Philippines 5.8%, UK and Ireland 4.8%, India 2.1%, Italy 1.6%, Sri Lanka 1.3%, New Zealand 1.4%, Mauritius 1.2%, Poland 1.1%, Croatia 1.1% with the remaining 10% from many nations.

* Predominantly speak English at home (81%) with significant Filipino 4.5% and Italian 1.8%. Only 1.7% report as not speaking English well.

* Education levels are rising with 18% with a degree or higher.

* 69% of males and 60.5% of females are in the labour force with 5.1% male and 4.4% female unemployed. 27.9% are managers and professionals and 35.9% are "blue collar" workers.

* 75.1% are in households that own or are purchasing their home. This is an improvement of 2.4% on 2016. Median loan repayments per month increased from \$1646 in 2016 to \$1805 in 2021.

* The number of households with income in the lower ranges up to \$3000 per week is higher than the diocese average and the number in the higher ranges above \$3000 per week are lower than the diocese average. Overall, our income is below the diocese average.

* Families with dependent children – 0 children 2256, 54%; 1 child 971, 23%; 2 children 842, 20%; 3 children 243, 6%; 4 or more children 50, 1.2%. Total 4172 families.

* One parent families – 0 children 266; 1 child 181; 2 children 137; 3 children 40; 4 or more 7. Total 631

* There are not many large families and only 7 of

them are one parent families. Those with no dependants now may well have had a large family earlier in their life.

* Of those married 24% are in a de facto marriage and 76% in a registered marriage.

* For whole Catholic population of Seaford Parish, including children, the marital status is:

* 337 males and 471 females need assistance with

	Male		Female	
Never Married	1456	38%	1322	30%
Married	1701	45%	1877	43%
Separ/ divorced	527	14%	820	19%
Widowed	114	3%	387	9%

core activities

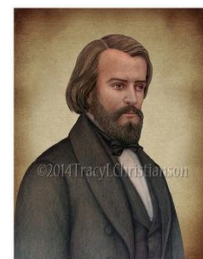
* Numbers aged 55 and up are increasing and numbers 0 to 54 are decreasing. There has been a substantial increase in higher age groups (60+) from 2016 to 2021.

Chris Long, April 2024.

For full report please visit our website.

VINNIES THANKSGIVING MASS

April 23rd is the birthday of Blessed Frederic Ozanam, who the founder of St. Vincent De Paul Society. We are celebrating a special Mass at 6 pm to honour and give thanks for the service they do in our community. All welcome.



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.*



Scan this code with your smart phone camera APP & please follow the prompts.

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>

Thanksgiving collection amount for the Weekend 14/4/2024 \$ 2417.50

“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, Baby Toby, Judy Bartosy, Jonas Sestokas, Jacquie Vandeligt, Matthew Materia, Kevin Burke, Constance Anderson, Eliza Wilmot, Mauricio Bonizzoni, Claire Morel, Nancy Eteve, John McCready.** We pray for all those whose anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time especially **Rona Crannitch, Antonio dela Torre, Terrence Redden, Gerry & Reginald Ranasinghe, Dulcie Madeira, Terrence Vanderlaan, Nunziata Fonti, Anthony Mirabito, Peter Dickinson, Nicolas & Eleuteria Tobes** and for all those who have died recently especially **Cynthia D’Costa**



Rest in Peace, Amen.

INFORMATION SESSION FOR THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO SERVE? The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men, aged between 30 and 60 years, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers.

COME & SEE! An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on 4 May 2024 Saturday, 10:00 -11.45 am at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), 278 Victorian Parade, East Melbourne.

For more information: The Vocations website for the Archdiocese is available on site.

AN EXPERIENCE BUILDER NEEDED

An experience builder is required for floor replacement work at presbytery. Please contact the office.

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND
27th April & 28th April

6:00pm Vigil Mass

Readers: R. Doherty / J. Reymers
 Eucharistic Minister: Ignatius Abraham
 Altar Servers: Annet / Isaac

8:30am Mass

Readers: F. Antony / C. O’Toole
 Eucharistic Minister: Ranjani Fernando
 Altar Servers: Fina / Jeanne

10:00am Mass

Readers: J. Floyd / R. Hepworth
 Eucharistic Minister: Franklyn William
 Altar Servers: Alden / Johan

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY—Year B
Fourth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 4: 8 - 12
 Responsorial Psalm: The stone rejected by the builders has become the corner stone.
 2nd Reading: 1 Jn 3: 1 - 2
 Gospel: Jn 10: 11 - 18

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY—Year B
Fifth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 9: 26 - 31
 Responsorial Psalm: I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.
 2nd Reading: 1 Jn 3: 18 - 24
 Gospel: Jn 15: 1 - 8

Dear Parishioners,

New automated External Defibrillator

St. Anne's now has an AED (Defibrillator), in the foyer, attached to the wall above the fire hydrant, beside the kitchen door, to quickly help a person in an unforeseen health situation. It is a medical device used to deliver a controlled electric shock to the heart to restore normal rhythm during cardiac emergencies such as sudden cardiac arrest. Here's a short guide on how to use a defibrillator:

1. **Assess the situation:** Confirm that the person is unconscious and not breathing or breathing abnormally. Call for emergency medical help.
2. **Prepare the patient:** Ensure the person is on a flat surface. Remove any clothing that covers the chest area. If necessary, dry the skin and remove any metal jewellery.
3. **Turn on the defibrillator:** Follow the instructions on the device. It powers on automatically when the lid is opened.
4. **Apply the pads:** Attach the adhesive pads to the person's bare chest as indicated on the pads. Place one pad on the upper right side of the chest and the other pad on the lower left side.
5. **Analyse the heart rhythm:** The defibrillator will automatically analyse the heart rhythm. Ensure no one is touching the person during this time.
6. **Deliver a shock if necessary:** If the defibrillator advises a shock, make sure everyone is clear of the person and press the shock button.
7. **Follow the device's prompts:** The defibrillator will guide you on whether further shocks are necessary and when to begin CPR.
8. **Continue CPR and follow the defibrillator's instructions:** If needed, continue CPR until emergency medical services arrive or the person regains consciousness.

NEW VOLUNTEER LEADER FOR PIETY STALL NEEDED.

Since the retirement of Patricia Morecroft, we are in need of a volunteer to take on a leadership role within our church by becoming the volunteer leader for our piety stall. This stall plays a significant role in providing religious items and resources to our congregation and supporting the church's mission.

As the leader, you would oversee the stall's operations, including inventory management, volunteer scheduling, and customer service. Your ability to guide and inspire others will be key in maintaining a warm and welcoming atmosphere for our visitors.

The office will help you.

If you are interested, please let us know.

THANKSGIVING CAMPAIGN AND RESULT

Over the last two months we have been participating in the thanksgiving campaign of the parish, after almost eight years. Much has happened since. That's how we did the campaign.

The results are very much encouraging.

We have now 22 new families join the program with other ongoing givers staying. 29% have increased their contribution. Thank you all.

For those who have ticked payment mode envelopes please collect it at the foyer of the church.

For those ticked electronic payment option, there are two ways. Direct debit and credit card. Parishioners who have increased their contribution through credit card payment, the office had processed it this week. You will see the change in your statement.

For those who process direct debit, please update the amount yourself.

If you still haven't decided with the thanksgiving campaign please let us know your decision soon.

If you have any question please call the parish office. Please remember as your life circumstances change you can always update your thanksgiving contribution. Just let us know.

For more information please visit our website.

Rev Fr Martin Jeramias

A PRAYER FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Jesus, we thank you for the great gift of your priesthood in the Church. We pray for all priests and those in formation for the priesthood. Form their hearts to be more like your own, the Heart of the Good Shepherd who lays down his life for the sheep. Draw them to your Heart, and bless them with courage and zeal as they serve you and your people. Give them great joy as they proclaim the Good News of your resurrection, wisdom and trust as they discern your will. We ask this with great confidence in you. Amen.

St John Vianney, patron of priests, Pray for us.



GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY 2024

Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pope Francis tells us: *There can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord! I would like to say this especially to you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him.* Let us pray for the young people in our community, and in our families and circle of friends. May our prayers help them to be open to the Lord's call to consecrated life or priesthood.

MASS TIMES FOR THE WEEK

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

SACRAMENT OF HOLY EUCHARIST

Enrolment form is available in the church Sacristy. Please contact school or check our website/sacrament/first eucharist. Enrolment Masses are on this weekend and April 27th /28th.

Preparation evening: May 1 (Wednesday) 6:30 pm at church.

Parents and child to attend.

Celebration dates: July 20/21, 27/28 Aug 3/4,10/11



FRANKSTON WINTER SHELTER

We thank the parish volunteers who made it possible last year, and would like to invite new volunteers to help with the different jobs. Please contact Lara Waldron at PCC. To register, email Lara at: frankstonws@gmail.com.

Below is the list of items we are looking to gather before the start of the program. We are hoping to collect a full set of beds so that there can be a set at St Anne's this year.

Food items:

- Cereal (specifically Cornflakes, Nutri Grain and Weetbix), Tins of milo
- Primas (or juice boxes)
- Up and Go drink
- Cans of crushed or diced tomatoes
- Pasta
- Rice
- Fruit tubs (individual packs)
- Jellied fruit tubs (individual packs)
- Chip packets
- Soft bars (eg K bars), soft muesli bars (nothing hard)

- Long life milk (full cream)

Please check use by dates

Other items

- Ladies Sanitary items
- Combs and hairbrushes
- Toothpaste
- King single fitted sheets (no other sizes please)
- King single mattress protectors
- Pillow cases and protectors

Sponsor a bed

- People can put money towards the purchase of a stretcher (10 more needed) and a mattress \$150 for a stretcher, \$90 for mattress (approx)
- Sponsor a Wheelie bag** (these are supplied for guests to have somewhere to store their belongings longer term)
- \$250 per bag

The training dates are on Thursday evening the 2nd May and 16th of May at 7:00pm in the Holy Family Hall,
36 Moreton Street,
Frankston North,
VIC



Reflection for the week

The fourth Sunday of Easter is also called Good Shepherd Sunday. In each of the three lectionary cycles, our Gospel is taken from the 10th chapter of the Gospel of John. In Cycle B, we hear the middle verses of this chapter. Unless we consider this chapter in the greater context of John's Gospel, we will miss the radical nature of the statement Jesus makes when he declares himself to be the Good Shepherd.

In the portion of the chapter that we hear proclaimed today, Jesus describes his relationship with his followers as similar to the relationship between a good shepherd and his sheep. As a good shepherd will risk and lay down his life in order to protect his sheep, Jesus willingly sacrifices himself for the sake of his sheep. Jesus contrasts the actions of the good shepherd with the actions of the hired shepherd who abandons the sheep in the face of danger. In the verses following Jesus' teaching, we learn that the Pharisees and the other religious leaders understand that Jesus is referring to them when he describes the hired shepherds.

The concern of a good shepherd for his sheep is part of the shepherd's job. Jesus says, however, that the

actions of the good shepherd are based upon the relationship that develops between the shepherd and the sheep. This is at the heart of the difference between the good shepherd and the hired shepherd. The good shepherd knows the sheep and therefore acts out of love. For the Good Shepherd, this is never simply part of a job; this love-in-action is integral to his identity.

As with so much of John's Gospel, one hears in this passage John's particular focus on Christology. As the sheep are known by the Good Shepherd, the Father knows Jesus and Jesus knows the Father. There is an essential unity between the Father and the Son. The freedom with which Jesus acts when he lays down his life is rooted in the unity that he shares with his Father.

In this context, Jesus also refers to others with whom he shares a relationship. By this reference, John probably understands the eventual inclusion of the Gentiles in the Christian community. Our modern ears hear this as a reference to Christian unity. The work of ecumenism is to restore unity among all Christians so that we form one flock under one shepherd, as God desires.