Seaford Parish Newsletter

Sunday 30th June 2024

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Carrum Downs
Seaford



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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- YEAR B

REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus heals a woman afflicted with a hemorrhage and raises Jairus's daughter from death.

Background on the Gospel Reading

For today's Gospel, we continue to read from the Gospel of Mark. Last Sunday we heard about Jesus calming the storm, the first of four miracles that Jesus performs in the vicinity of the Sea of Galilee. Each of these four miracle stories offers us a glimpse at Jesus' power. This week we hear about the third and fourth miracles, skipping the second miracle, the healing of a man from Gerasene who was possessed by a demon. Today's Gospel reports two stories of healing. One story tells us about a father's great love for his dying daughter. The other story tells us about a desperate woman who risks much as she seeks healing from Jesus. In each story, the request for healing is itself a courageous act of faith, and yet very different circumstances are represented by the lives of each suffering person.

Jairus is described as a synagogue official, a man of considerable standing in the Jewish community. Distraught over his daughter's poor health, he approaches Jesus and asks him to heal her. Although Mark doesn't provide many details, we can imagine that his daughter has been ill for some time and that her condition is deteriorating.

As Jesus leaves with Jairus, Mark describes a second person who seeks healing from Jesus, a woman with a hemorrhage. This woman secretly touches Jesus from behind and is immediately cured. In response, Jesus turns and asks who touched him. Jesus' disciples, always a little clueless in Mark's Gospel, help us envision the scene. The crowds are pushing in on Jesus, and yet he, knowing that power has gone out of him, asks who touched him. The woman could have remained anonymous, yet at Jesus' question she steps

forward and acknowledges what she has done. Jesus responds by acknowledging her as a model of faith and sends her away in peace.

At this point, we can imagine Jairus's impatience with Jesus; his daughter is dying and Jesus hasn't helped him yet. As if to build a sense of urgency, messengers suddenly arrive and confirm Jairus's worst fear: his daughter has died. Jesus curiously ignores their message and reassures Jairus. When they arrive at Jairus's home, they find family and friends mourning the girl's death. Jesus enters the room of the dead girl, takes her by the hand, and instructs her to arise. Jairus's faith in Jesus has not been in vain; his daughter is restored to life.

The contrasts between Jairus and the woman with the hemorrhage are stark and revealing. One is a man, the other is a woman. One is a public official, an important person in the community. The other is a woman who has lost everything to find a cure to a condition that separated her from the community. One approaches Jesus publicly. The other approaches Jesus secretly. Yet in each case, faith leads them to seek out Jesus in their time of need.

The Gospel concludes with Jesus' instructions to remain silent about this miracle. This is typical of Mark's Gospel and is sometimes referred to as the messianic secret. Repeatedly, those who witness Jesus' power and authority are instructed to not speak of what they have witnessed. These instructions appear impossible to obey, and it is difficult to understand the purpose of these instructions. But in each case, they seem to emphasize the fact that each individual, including the reader of Mark's Gospel, must, in the end, make his or her own judgment about Jesus' identity. Each individual must make his or her own act of faith in affirming Jesus as God's Son.

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 & please follow the prompts.

Thanksgiving collection amount for the Weekend 23/6/2024 \$ 4170.00

"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, Baby Toby, Judy Bartosy, Jonas Sestokas, Jacquie Vandeligt, Matthew Materia, Kevin Burke, Constance Anderson, Eliza Wilmot, Mauricio Bonizzoni, Claire Morel, Nancy Eteve, John McCready, Winnie Darallon, Stanley Fernandez, Jean McGregor, Zarah Ara Abrea We pray for all those whose anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time especially Vivian Lazarus and for all those who have died recently George Firth, Lazar Simon, Lee Freeman, Czarah Ara Abrea. Rest in Peace, Amen.



NEW VICAR GENERAL FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE OF MELBOURNE

Following the joyful news of Fr Joe Caddy's appointment as Bishop-elect for the Diocese of Cairns, we now have the pleasure to welcome the appointment of Very **Rev Anthony (Tony) Kerin** EV JCL, currently Episcopal Vicar for the Eastern Region; Episcopal Vicar for Life, Marriage and Family; and Parish Priest of Box Hill, as the new Vicar General for the Archdiocese of Melbourne, commencing in the role, 5 August 2024.

POPE FRANCIS

We will never be disillusioned or lose our way if we are guided by God." We all have the duty to do good. Grace is not part of consciousness; it is the amount of light in our souls, not knowledge nor reason"

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND

6th July & 7th July

6:00pm Vigil Mass

Readers: M. Hutchings / M. John

Eucharistic Minister: Ignatius Abraham

Altar Servers: Luke / Annet

8:30am Mass

Readers: P. Vyverberg / S. Antony Eucharistic Minister: Rita Luxton Altar Servers: Fina / Jeanne

10:00am Mass

Readers: A. William / V. Angel Eucharistic Minister: Zeeta Andrews Altar Servers: Alden / Grazinia

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY—Year B 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24
Responsorial Psalm: I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

2nd Reading: 2 Cor 8: 7,9, 13 -15

Gospel: Mk 5: 21-24, 35 - 43

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY—Year B 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Ezek 2: 2 - 5

Responsorial Psalm: Our eyes are fixed on the

Lord, pleading for his

mercy.

2nd Reading: 2 Cor 12: 7 -10 Gospel: Mk 6: 1 - 6

Dear Parishioners,

TRAINING FOR READING MINISTERS

The training for new and existing readers of the Word will be on 6/7 Weekend of July. This applies to weekday readers as well. If you are thinking of joining this ministry in near future, please join.

An important information to all volunteers.

All volunteers (both new and existing) please organise Working with children check as early as possible. If you already have one, please go online and add St. Annes Parish as your place of volunteering. All volunteers also required to take an online safeguarding essential training module. The parish has sent an email with the link last week. If you have missed that please go to this link. https:// safeguarding.melbournecatholic.org/s/login/? ec=302&startURL=%2Fs%2F

Whether you come in contact with children or not all volunteers has to do the training. If you want to join as a group to complete the training, you can book parish office. Working with children check number is a requirement to complete this module. The safeguarding committee members will follow up with each volunteers in the coming weeks.

Thank you to those who have done it already.

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES READY FOR COLLECTION

As we have come close to the end of the Financial year, the thanksgiving envelopes are ready for collection in the foyer of the church, they have been sorted according to the last name.

Please note the envelopes are only up to November 2024, the next lot of envelopes will be arranged close to the date. Please call the parish office if you are unable to find your envelope. Thank you so much for your continued support to the parish.

Let us know if you would like to move to electronic way of donation in the future (via Credit or debit card or bank transfer).

PARISH FETE: BUILDING COMMUNITY HARMONY **AND INTERACTION**

We are excited to invite everyone to our Parish Fete at the school grounds on 25th August 2024. Please Join us with your family and friends for a day of fun, food, and fellowship as we celebrate our community and build stronger bonds of harmony and interaction. There will be games, activities, stalls, delicious food, and entertainment for all ages. It's a wonderful opportunity to meet new friends and reconnect with familiar faces.

Mark your calendars and bring your family and friends!

We need your help to make our parish fete a success! We are looking for:

Volunteers: To help with setting up, running stalls, and cleaning up after the event. Your time and effort are greatly appreciated. Sign-up sheet is available in the foyer of the Church.

Stalls: Do you have a small business or a craft you'd like to showcase? We have spaces available for stalls for a small donation.

Bric-a-Brac Items: Donations of gently used items for our bric-a-brac stall are needed. This is a great way to declutter and support our parish.

Plants: We are also seeking donations of plants for our plant stall. Whether you have potted plants, seedlings, or cuttings, all contributions are welcome. Glass Bottles- We are in need of glass bottles for making jam.

Thank you for your support and generosity! **SPECIAL COLLECTION**

There will be a special collection this weekend 30th June for the intentions of the Holy Father.

For more information please visit our website **Rev Fr Martin Jeramias**

St. Anne's Parish fete

BUILDING COMMUNITY HARMONY AND INTERACTION'

Sunday, 25 August 2024 9 am - 2 pm

Join us for a day of fun, food, games, stalls, delicious food, and entertainment for all ages and more...







Live band

Games for all



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Food stalls



MASS TIMES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday & Thursday 6:00pm Mass Wednesday **9:15am Mass** First Friday **7:00pm Mass**

5:25pm Rosary followed **Saturday**

by Divine Mercy

5.30pm Reconciliation

Saturday 6:00pm Vigil Mass 8:30 & 10:00am Mass Sunday

FRANKSTON WINTER SHELTER

We thank all the volunteers and donors for their extra time and ongoing support, it is greatly appreciated.



There are still many volunteer positions needing to be filled, particularly a person overnight for Thursday and people for the Saturday morning pack up, both at Holy Family. If you are available for any of these please let Jamie know on 0431622155. If you are unable to help us directly, you might be able to support the program in other ways. Maybe baking pastries for supper or dessert is something you could do, or providing an evening meal might even be an option for some. Or perhaps a financial donation, or a prayer. We thank all of those who have donated financially and those who are donating their time, and offering prayers. Also currently required stock items are sanitary pads, toilet rolls, paper towels, UHT milk, snacks, cans of soft drink, and any old books that you might have lying around. We are in need of a small Vacuum Cleaner.



Meditation & Mindfulness in the Christian Tradition - 10x Thursday, 12 Sept - 14 Nov 2024, 11am-12pm (in-person event)

Roland Ashby

This series offers a beautiful space to stop for an hour to explore the ancient way of contemplation and tap into a deep spring of love, joy, peace and compassion at the centre of being. Bookings via https:// www.heartoflife.melbourne/events/meditationmindfulness-in-the-christian-tradition-sem2/? or email info@heartoflife.melbourne. Cost \$100 for the series.

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Final List of the First **Communion Mass allocation** details are published on our website.



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to live a healthy and dignified life.