

# SEASONS

Newsletter of the Catholic Parish of St. Thomas More, Mount Eliza

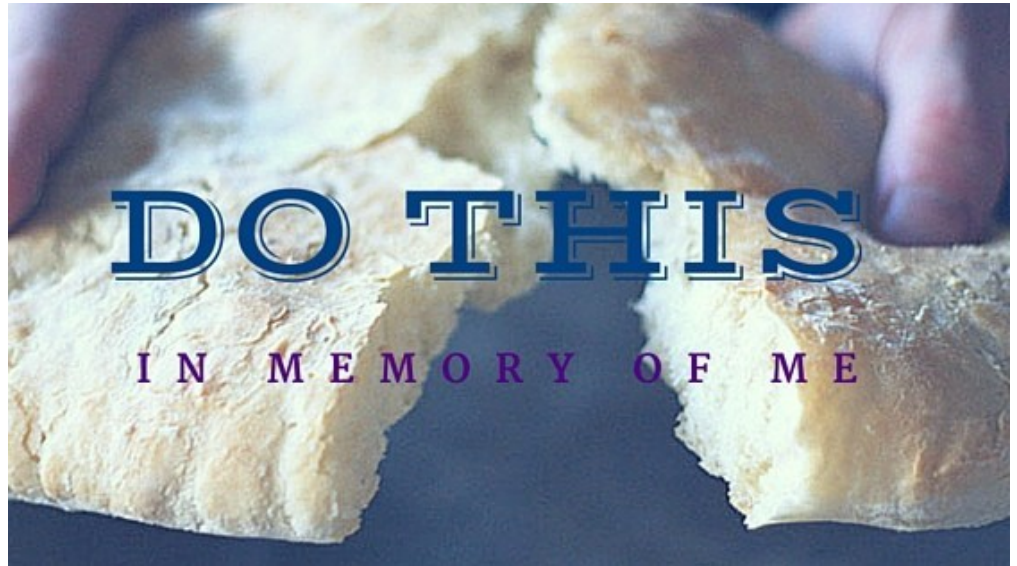
The Body and Blood of Christ, Year A

18th June 2017

PCC=Parish Community Centre U=Undercroft  
C=Church  
MPR=School Multipurpose Room  
SSR=School Staff Room

## Diary

- **Monday**  
St Vincent de Paul, 9:30am, U  
Poetry Group, 1:30pm, PCC
- **Tuesday**  
First Eucharist class, 4pm, PCC  
Godstart Team, 7:30pm, PCC
- **Wednesday**  
PPLT, 7:30pm, PCC
- **Thursday**  
Liturgy Team, 7:30pm, PCC
- **Sunday**  
Social Club Pizza Night, from  
5pm, PCC



“Do this in memory of me.” Such a simple command, yet so profound. So familiar, yet still inviting exploration. “Do this,” Jesus said, to his disciples. He bade them gather together, tell the story, offer the blessing, break the bread, share the cup, and go forth. Much more than a basic instruction, Jesus’ words offer his followers a daunting challenge. As my life is broken open and poured out, he says to them, so must yours be, in love for all. Sup at my table and be fed for a life of selfless service of God and neighbour. Do this in memory of me.

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**WELCOME**  
We're So Glad You're Here!

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### Weekday Masses

Monday—Funeral Mass for Jo Clarke 11:00am  
Tuesday No Mass  
Wednesday 9:15 am  
Thursday (Feast of St Thomas More) School Mass 9:15am  
Mass 7:00 pm  
Friday 9:15 am  
No School Mass

### Sunday Masses

Saturday 6:00 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am  
10:00 am

### Reconciliation

Saturday 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm

## Feast of St Thomas More

During this coming week – 22nd June - we celebrate the Feast Day of St Thomas More. **We will celebrate at all Masses next weekend with a cuppa after all Masses. Please bring a plate of food to share.** Saturday night’s cuppa will be in the Parish Community Centre. Please come along and join in celebrating our Parish and its Patron Saint.



# We pray for...

**Those who have died recently,**  
Jo Clarke (also known to us as Jo King)

**those whose anniversaries fall at this time...**

Louise Anna-Maria Kasperlik, Ellen Breen, Lorna MacGregor, Lorna Marshall

**...and the sick**

Anne McGrath, Dick Wood, Robyn Davies, Jinny Reinhard, Rod McKenzie, Maureen Anstey, Stephanie Mulcahy, Jake Steyn, Pam Montgomery, Arnold Mann,



Penelope Allen, Gordon Foulis, Len Crowe, Des Leyden, Pat Crowther, Margaret Beale, Angela Butler, Sue Kelly, Maria Kelly, Will Murray, Sr. Tarcissius, Frank Nolan, Paula Stuart, Kathryn Hart, Fr. Michael Walsh, Shane Dobson, Ken & Mary Allen, Ray Grant, Rob Nicholls, Adrian Gobel, Rachael Sanderson (nee Davies), and all of the sick at the George Vowell Centre & Ranelagh Gardens Nursing Home.

**and the parishioners of St Thomas More Parish, Tequinomata, East Timor, St Therese Parish, Bathurst Island and Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish, Alice Springs**

# Liturgy - The Body and Blood of Christ

**First Reading:** Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14-16  
*He gave you food which you and your ancestors did not know.*

**Responsorial Psalm**  
Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

**Second Reading:** I Corinthians 10:16-17  
*Though we are many, we form a single body because we share this one loaf.*

**Gospel Acclamation:**  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord:  
Whoever eats this bread will live for ever.  
Alleluia!

**Gospel:** John 6:51-58  
*My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.*

**Next week's readings:**  
Jeremiah 20:10-13  
Romans 5:12-15  
Matthew 10:26-33

Next Week's Roster		
Mass Time	Lector	Commentator
6 pm	Mary Cameron	Mary Charley
8 am	Lou-Ann Gibson	Irene Owsianka
10 am	Carmel Huggard	Leonie Bourke
Mass Time	Ministers of the Eucharist	
6 pm	Michael Robertson (Book) Carolyn Gascoigne (Gifts) Sharon Collins (Gifts)	
8 am	Mary Goss (Book) Helen Grech (Gifts) Marie Alaimo (Gifts)	
10 am	Peter Royal (Book) Barbara Smith (Gifts) Peter Griffin (Gifts)	
10 am	Children's Liturgy	
	No one needed next week First Eucharist Commitment	
Counters	Julian Collins Larry McEvoy Maurie Hutchinson	

## Financial Matters

**Stewardship**  
Received last weekend ..... \$2,212  
Pledged last weekend..... \$6,370  
May Average ..... \$3,296

**Presbytery**  
Amount received last week..... \$1,228  
*Thanks to all of you who give so generously to support our parish.*

**Stewardship Annual pledges**  
Last weekend, most annual Stewardship pledges for the Parish fell due. If you have an annual pledge, but haven't made any contributions since the beginning of July, please do so before the end of the month, to make your receipt for the financial year "balance".

Many thanks,  
*Irene*

# What's Happening Here...

**STM Social Club**  
**Fun & Friendship For All**  
*New members are always most welcome!*

**Sunday 18th June - Lunch & Jazz at the Balnarring Bakery.** 12-12:30 pm start. \$15 per head. Enquiries to Margaret on 5971 0237.

The next gathering of the **Poetry Group** will be this Monday, June 19th, at 1:30pm in the Parish Community Centre. Our hosts will be Grevis Reid and Jim Bourke.

**Sunday 25th June—Pizza Night** in PCC. BYO nibbles and drinks.

**Wednesday 28th June - Visit to the Van Gogh Exhibition** at the National Gallery, followed by lunch. \$24.50 concession entry fee. 9:00 am train from Frankston Station. Enquiries to Colleen on 9787 2479.

**Sunday 2nd July—Lunch & Jazz at the Baxter Tavern** 12:00pm onwards. Enquiries to Margaret 5971 0237.

The **Welfare Officers** for June are Gui 9787 1449 and Helen 0438 880 791.



## Morning Tea

Your hosts this week will be Kate Hyland (or family) and Irene Owsianka.

You are all warmly invited after 10am Mass to linger for a cuppa and an opportunity to get to know some other members of your parish community better. Next week's hosts will be Katie Rodgers and Ruth Pusic.



## Can you help?

The Parish is catering for the refreshments after Jo Clarke's (also known to us as Jo King) Funeral on Monday. If you are able to help by making a plate of food, please drop it off to the Parish Office on Monday morning before 11am. Thank you, in anticipation.



## Baptism Welcomes

At the 10am Mass this weekend we have the Rite of Welcome for **Maya Woollard** (Parents – Luke & Elisa) and **Beatrix Baxter** (Parents – Neil & Belinda).



## St Vincent de Paul Society Victoria

### Today is our Winter Appeal

There will be a collection after each Mass. Please give generously so we might be able to help those less fortunate than ourselves.

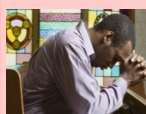
The next meeting of the St Vincent de Paul Society will be held on Monday June 19th in the Undercroft at 9.30am. All welcome.

### Children's Liturgy at 10am Mass



Gabrielle Dole and Margo O'Callaghan will lead the children in an exploration of this week's Gospel at the 10am Mass. Please encourage your primary school age children to join them in the Undercroft, or you might like to go with your pre-schoolers.

**Nametags:** The Parish Pastoral Leadership Team invites you to wear a nametag to Mass! This is just one way of us getting to know each other better. You can BYO, or we will have some stick-on ones available each week.



### Silent Prayer in the Church

This is an opportunity to pray for our Parish Intentions. The readings of the day are at the Lectern or BYO spiritual reading, read or sit in silent prayer. "Where two or more gather in God's name, God is among them". A simple but suitable exercise as we continue to live out our Pastoral Plan and plan for our future.

**Every Wednesday 8:30am - 9:15am**



PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE cares

### Pregnancy Assistance Frankston

Have asked us to "convey their heartfelt thanks to the congregation who so generously donated \$727.90 for other Mother's Day Appeal. *May the Lord richly bless you all!*"



### Are You (Fairly) New to Our Parish?

We would love to invite you to a meal at Fr. Laurie's house to enjoy the company of other parishioners, both old and new.

Just fill in the form in the folder at the Church porch and we will be in touch.

# What's happening elsewhere...

## Massoni Wine orders are back



We are fortunate that Massoni Wines generously offer to share their wines with us at discounted prices. Massoni also donate a % of all orders to STM Primary School.

If you would like to order some of this great wine, please collect a form from the back of the church, and drop it into to the school office **by Wednesday 21st June.**

Pick up from the gym on Friday 30th June. 12:45 – 1:30pm. (Unless other arrangements have been made) Forms are also available at the school office.

## Euthanasia Bill



An information session about the upcoming Euthanasia Bill has been arranged by the Archdiocese to be held at St Macartan Parish Hall (Mornington) on Tuesday 20th June at 7:30pm. The speaker is Xavier Symons, teacher at Australian Catholic University, and completing his

PhD in Ethics. An ideal opportunity for parishioners to be educated about this matter: a warm invitation is extended to all.

## Spirituality in the Pub



**The Royal Commission:  
What Happens Now?**

Wednesday 28th June 2017 at 7:30pm  
Sandringham Hotel, Cnr Beach Road  
and Melrose Street.

**Speaker:** Francis Sullivan

**Booking for meal:** phone the hotel 0598 7255, and specify that the booking is for SIP, Spirituality in the Pub Group.

All are welcome to gather for a meal from 6:00pm OR join the group from 7:30-9:00pm for the presentation and conversation.

For further details, contact Vin 9530 6004 or Frances 9579 3920.

## Melbourne Catholic Magazine

The latest edition of *Melbourne Catholics* is now available from the Church foyer.

\$4 per copy.



## Baptisms

These are held on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month at 11:15 am or at any of the Parish Masses on the 2nd, 4th or 5th Sundays.

A compulsory preparation night for parents takes place on the first Tuesday of each month in the Parish Community Centre at 7:30 pm. Children to be baptised, and their families, are then invited to a Welcome Mass prior to Baptism where they are introduced to the Parish Community and welcomed by them. In order for this to happen, preparation needs to begin at least **4-6 weeks** before the Baptism, with a call to confirm parents' attendance at the Preparation Night.

When children of school age are to be baptised an extended preparation time is required. It is important to remember that Baptism is about the initiation of a child into a community of Faith or a community of Disciples.

There is no such thing as a 'private' Baptism... it is something done by the whole Church.

## Would you like to advertise your business in this space in Seasons?

- In colour
- Business card size
- \$50 for one week

We print 200 copies per week, and distribute to all STM School families by email. It is also available on the Parish website for six months. Please contact the Parish Office on 9787 7777 for further details.

## Wall of Remembrance



Have you considered buying a brick on our Parish Wall of Remembrance? You can either reserve a place for yourself, to be used many years from now, or purchase one for family or loved ones, and have a plaque attached now. Bricks cost \$120, and the current cost of a standard plaque is around \$243 (we've just heard the price will increase to around \$250 from the 1st of July), depending on the wording and design. For more information, please contact Irene in the Parish office.