



# SEASONS

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

They shall grow not old,  
As we that are left grow old,  
Age shall not weary them,  
Nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun,  
And in the morning  
We will remember them.



Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

10th November 2019

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

## Diary

- **Monday**  
St Vincent de Paul Meeting  
7.30pm, PCC
- **Tuesday**  
Baptism Preparation Meeting  
7.30pm, PCC  
  
Parish Education Board  
7.30pm, SSR
- **Wednesday**  
Grade 2 Baptism Renewal  
7.30pm, C
- **Thursday**  
Rosa Mystica Prayer Group,  
7.30pm, C
- **Friday**  
Mass of Remembrance  
7.30pm, C

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## Pastoral Leadership Team

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Jacinta Griffin	(Chairperson)
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## Weekday Mass

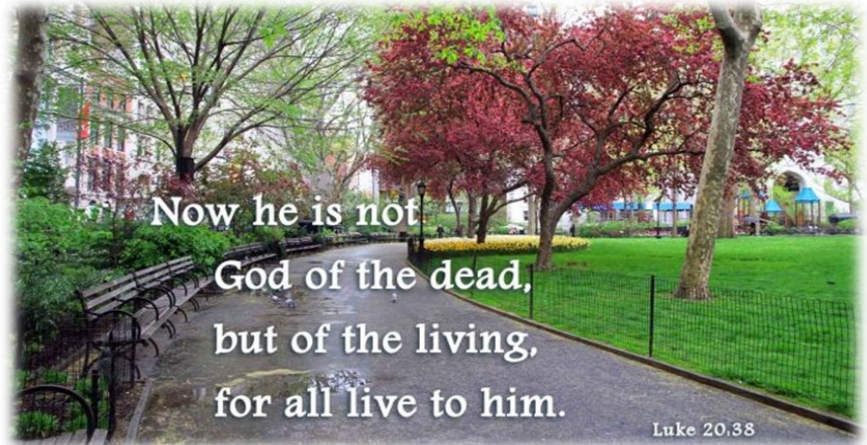
Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	No Mass
Wednesday	9.15 am
Thursday	7.00 pm
Friday	9.15 am
School	12.15 pm

## Sunday Mass

Saturday Vigil	6.00 pm
Sunday	8.00 am
	10.00 am

## Reconciliation

Saturday 5:00 pm - 5:30 pm



*My child*

*I know it is difficult to love*

*I know it is difficult to forgive*

*I know it is difficult to suffer*

*but look*

*I am taking away your heart*

*and in its place*

*I am putting my heart*

*now I will be suffering*

*now I will be forgiving*

*now I will be loving*

*in you my heart is beating*

*in you*

Our annual **Mass of Remembrance** will be on  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm.**

At this Mass we will remember by name those we know who have died throughout the year, and a special invitation has been sent to their families. It is also an opportunity to remember *all* those we love who have died, and so **we invite everyone to come along to Mass, followed by supper.** You might also like to bring a plate of food to share.





# We pray for...

Those who have died recently..  
Kevin Hogan

Those whose anniversaries fall at this time..  
Christopher Fulton .

the sick... Eileen O'Beirne Helen Steinbach,  
Raymond Reynolds, Ava Macias, Michael MacKenzie,  
Luke Carroll, Betty Corke, Chloe, David Dole, Maria

Kelly, Helen Gibson, Elizabeth Ware, Althea Greeff,  
Michael Blick, Judy Pessato, Maureen Anstey, Jake  
Steyn, Fr. Michael Walsh, Adrian Gobel, 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.*

## Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time


**First Reading:** 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14  
*The king of the world will receive us into life  
eternal at the resurrection.*

**Responsorial Psalm**  
Lord, when your glory appears, my joy  
will be full.

**Second Reading:** 2 Thessalonians 2:16—3:5  
*May the Lord strengthen you in everything  
good that you do or say.*

**Gospel Acclamation:**  
Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ is the  
firstborn of the dead; glory and kingship  
be his for ever and ever. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Luke 20:27-38  
*He is not a God of the dead but of the living.*


Next Week's Roster 16 / 17 November			
	6pm	8am	10am
<b>Lector</b>	B Dobson	C Anwyl	P Griffin
<b>Comm.</b>	A-M Hyde	J Berkery-Coleman	L Bourke
<b>Min Euch</b>	<u>Book</u> K Dobson	<u>Book</u> H Grech	<u>Book</u> P Royal
	<u>Gifts</u> M Cameron M Robertson	<u>Gifts</u> M Alaimo M Goss	<u>Gifts</u> J Griffin A Ferguson
<b>AV</b>	T Hogan	B Ribbons	B Smith
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>			A Virgona T Virgona
<b>Morning Tea</b>			B Clutterbuck S Harland
<b>Counters</b>			C Landman B Dickson

**Next Week's Readings—17th November**  
1st Reading: Malachi 3:19-20  
2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12  
Gospel: Luke 21:5-19



**Children's Liturgy at 10am Mass**  
Annalisa Vallesi and Debbie  
Beasley will lead the children in an  
exploration of this week's  
Gospel at the 10am Mass.



 **Stewardship (Thanksgiving) Receipts and Envelopes** are available in the **Church foyer this weekend.** Please collect yours today, to keep our mailing costs to a minimum. Receipts were emailed last week to those people who contribute electronically.

**Financial Matters**

<b>Stewardship</b>	
Received last weekend.....	\$3745
Pledged last weekend.....	\$3949
Church Loose collections.....	\$285
<b>Presbytery</b>	
Received last weekend.....	\$670

*(Please note that the majority of our contributions are done electronically via Direct Debit & Credit Card Payments)*  
*Thanks to all of you who give so generously to support our parish.*

**Morning Tea** Your hosts this week will be Lou-Ann and Stuart Gibson. 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.



**Rosa Mystica Prayer Group**  
Invitation to share in Marian Devotion with the Rosa Mystica Prayer Group on Thursday evenings after the 7pm Mass.  
**All Welcome.**



# What's Happening Here...

## STM Social Club

### Fun & Friendship For All

*New members are always most welcome!*

Membership fee is \$20. All enquiries to:

Brian 0428 776 202 or Grevis 0414 527 172

**Sunday 10th November** Film "Pavarotti" at 2.35pm at Mornington Cinema. Contact Christine 0431696084 or 59325473 Coffee afterwards.

**Monday 11th November - 2pm—Music**  
 Afternoon in PCC—a great afternoon of music is assured.!



**Friday 15th November** Walking

**Group** This will be the last walk for this year and we will meet at 10.30am at Coolart Homestead, Sandy Point Rd, Somers (Mel 193 H8). After the walk, we will have a picnic lunch (BYO everything). Non-walkers are all very welcome. Contact Fiona 5976 7064

**Wednesday 20th November- Morning Coffee and a chat** at the Boathouse Café, 366-368 Nepean Highway, Frankston at 10.00am Parking in front. Enquiries Ian & Fiona 5976 7064

**Tuesday 26th November - Committee Meeting** in PCC at 10.00 am.

**Tuesday 26th November - Christmas Lunch for Sip 'n Sew Group** at 'The Girl & Bull', Mount Eliza at 12.30pm

**Wednesday 18th December - Christmas Lunch at Norwood House** at 12.00 noon \$55pp  
 Enquiries to Brian on 0428 776 202



**The Welfare Officer for November is Maree Shelton**

**Nametags:** The PPLT invites and encourages everyone to please wear a nametag to Mass as a way of us all getting to know each other. You can BYO or stick-on ones are available outside the Church each weekend. **This will be a really helpful way for Fr Joe to get to know us all, so even if it hasn't been something you have been used to doing, please consider wearing one now!**

**Contemplative Prayer.** "Let tiny drops of silence fall gently through your day" Silent prayer in the Church each Wednesday from 8:30 am to 9:15 am, followed by Mass.

**This Weekend there will be a Leaving collection for Catholic Deaf and the John Pierce Centre in Melbourne.**

The next meeting of the St Vincent de Paul Society will be held on Monday the 11th of November in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm. All are welcome.



## St Vincent de Paul Society Giving Tree Appeal

The Giving Tree Appeal is for children's gifts which will be included in the family Christmas Hampers given to disadvantaged families by the St Vincent de Paul Society this Christmas.

There is an image of a Christmas Giving Tree placed on the inside of the front door of the Church with labels attached. The labels define the age and sex

of a children belonging to the families we assist. There is a box placed beneath the tree in which donations of toys and other gifts can be placed.

These should not be wrapped.

Parishioners are invited to take a label and to donate a gift appropriate for the age and sex of the child shown on the label. There are green labels for boys and yellow labels for girls.

The gifts, with the label attached, need to be received by the 8th December 2019 so that they can be delivered with the Christmas the hampers being delivered to the families during the following week.

## Christmas Hamper Raffle Parish Fundraiser



It's that time of the year again when we ask for donations so that we can make up Christmas Hampers which we can raffle during December. For the rest of November we ask you to please bring along donations which have a Christmas theme – craft, decorations, shortbread, food, serviettes etc. etc. There will be a box in the Church to put your donations in, and also one in the Parish Office. Thankyou in anticipation.



## Choir Practice

The next Choir practice will be held at **7:30pm** in the Church on **Wednesday 20th November 2019**

# What's happening here & elsewhere....

## A Profoundly Rewarding Mission



Working in Education, Health and Trades? Assist to reduce poverty in overseas communities by sharing your skills. Mutual development assured! **There are five places left** on Palms Australia's January 4<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Orientation Course. Call or text 0422 4PALMS (M-F). [palms.org.au](http://palms.org.au)

**'Catholic Social Ministry Conference: Delivering Catholic Social Teaching through community services and public advocacy'** The conference will be an opportunity to take stock of the nature, functions and priorities of Catholic social ministry, and the ways in which Catholic Social Teaching might be realised, through professional services, but also through services and advocacy at the parish and community levels.

**When: Saturday 23 November. Where: Catholic Theological College, 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne**  
**Program and Registration: full details on attached flyer**

**Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project (basp)**  
 newsletters are available in church foyer

### Book of the Names of the Dead Remembering Those Who Have Died

During November – the month we especially remember those who have died – we display this Book and everyone is invited to write the names in it of their family and friends who have died. They will then be prayed for at each of the Masses.



The Summer Edition of Australian Catholics is available at the back of the Church. Take a free copy with you today.

## 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**. The next one will be on **Tuesday 12th November** (due to Cup Day)

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.

## The Role of the Safeguarding Committee

Each parish, agency and entity is required to establish its own Safeguarding Committee. The membership of the committee must include parish leadership representatives and other relevant stakeholders including: Program coordinators of child/youth related work and ministry, volunteers with child safety expertise (eg: lawyer, teacher/principal, social worker) and parent representatives.

Safeguarding Committees work with the leadership of each parish to ensure policies, processes and practices are in place to protect children and young people. The committee is required to meet four or more times per year and report progress to the relevant governance body within the parish on a quarterly basis.

The committee will ensure that the Safeguarding Children AND Young People Policy is embedded across the parish and compliance requirements are met by:

- \* Promoting Child Safety and fostering an understanding of the importance of child safety.
- \* Working collaboratively with leadership & participating in and/or delivering child safety information and training.
- \* Engaging in and/or reviewing risk management processes to promote the safe participation of children.
- \* Implementing, maintaining and /or reviewing child safety processes and procedures to support the wellbeing and safety of children and young people.
- \* Ensuring the reporting processes for concerns and/or allegations are well communicated across the parish and act as a first point of contact.

**If you are interested and would like more information, please contact Parish Office or Fr Joe.**

