



# SEASONS

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

**Feast of Christ Our King**

24th November 2019

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

## Diary

### Monday

SVdP Meeting, 7.30pm, PCC\

### Tuesday

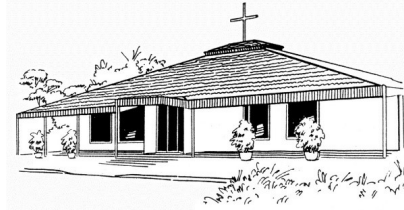
Social Club Committee Meeting, 10am PCC

Parish Education Board, Dinner

### Thursday

Liturgy Team Meeting, 7.30pm, PCC

Rosa Mystica Prayer Group, 7.30pm, C



## Thankyou everyone

It's been a year of celebration for our Parish,  
it's been a year of change for our Parish,  
and this weekend is an opportunity to say,

~ as the Liturgical Year comes to an end ~

thankyou to everyone

for all the many and varied ways you contribute  
to the life of this Parish

and for all that you do to help make, and keep,  
our Parish alive and active.

*There will be a cuppa after all Masses this weekend, hosted by our Parish Pastoral Leadership Team. Please stay and take the opportunity to meet someone new or chat with friends.*

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### Pastoral Leadership Team

Fr Joe Truong (Parish Administrator)  
Lys Crowe (Pastoral Associate)  
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Sue Carr Carolyn Gascoigne  
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### Weekday Mass

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	No Mass
Wednesday	9.15 am
Thursday	Funeral for Eleanor Crampton 11.00 am
	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



### Christmas Hamper Raffle

Please bring all donations for the Christmas Hamper Raffle – a Parish fundraiser - to the Church or Parish Office by **next Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November** as then the hampers will be made up and ready for us to **start selling raffle tickets next weekend**. Thankyou to all those who have already donated Christmas goodies.

# We pray for...

**Those who have died recently..**

Eleanor Crampton

**Those whose anniversaries fall at**

**this time..** Patricia Hansen, John Clark, Judith Hennessy, Dr John Hamilton, Jane Collins, Wilfred Oakes, Vernon Hussey, Helen Sorensen

**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.**

# Christ Our King

**First Reading:** 2 Samuel 5:1-3

*They anointed David king of Israel.*

## Responsorial Psalm

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

**Second Reading:** Colossians 1:12-20

*He has taken us into the kingdom of his beloved Son.*

## Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Luke 23:35-43

*Lord remember me when you come into your kingdom.*

Next Week’s Roster: 30 November—1 December			
	6pm	8am	10am
<b>Lector</b>	I Owsianka	M Wunder	C Tirtowinoto
<b>Comm.</b>	M Cameron	A Moloney	L-A Gibson
<b>Min Euch</b>	<u>Book</u> A Wirth	<u>Book</u> H Steyn	<u>Book</u> C McNamara
	<u>Gifts</u> D Wirth M Jamieson	<u>Gifts</u> S Carr M Goss	<u>Gifts</u> C Judkins G Hone
<b>AV</b>	B Dobson	B Ribbons	L Moore
<b>Children’s Liturgy</b>			M Paton B Paton
<b>Morning Tea</b>			K Rodgers L Moore
<b>Counters</b>			R Lindner D McKenzie Y Minton

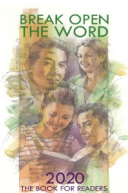
# Baptisms

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 3rd December**

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.






**If you are on the Reader’s Roster...**  
Please collect your new copy (with your name on it) from the Sacristy before the new liturgical year begins. Thank you.

**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!**

<b>Financial Matters</b>	<b>Stewardship</b>
	Received last weekend ..... \$2388
	Pledged last weekend..... \$2227
	Church Loose collections.....\$285
	<b>Presbytery</b>
Received last weekend .....\$641	
<small>(Please note that the majority of our contributions are done electronically via Direct Debit &amp; Credit Card Payments)</small>	
<small>Thanks to all of you who give so generously to support our parish.</small>	

**Holy Communion**

During Communion adults or children who are not Catholic or not receiving Holy Communion are welcome to come forward for a blessing to any of the Eucharistic Ministers. Please indicate your wish for a blessing by crossing both arms in front of you.



# 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

**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

**Tuesday 3rd December - Monthly Meeting** in the Undercroft after the 10.00 am Mass in Church.  
New members always most welcome.

**Friday 6th December - 'The Pirates of Portsea or The Beleura Buccaneers'** at Beleura House, 5.30pm. Enquiries to Colleen on 9787 2479.

**Wednesday 18th December - Christmas Lunch at Norwood House** at 12.00 noon \$55pp  
Please book and pay at the Monthly Meeting.



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

## Book of the Names of the Dead

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.

## Annual Advent Inter-Church Prayer

We have again invited the communities of St James the Less Anglican Parish and the Village Uniting Church to join us for an Advent Prayer time together on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm**, followed by supper. **As we are the hosts of this night, please bring a plate to share for supper as we take this opportunity to pray and engage with our neighbouring Christian communities.**



**Cuppa after all Masses this Weekend. Your hosts this week will be the PPLT. You are warmly invited to linger after Mass for a cuppa and an opportunity to get to know some other members of our parish, as we say Thank You this weekend.**



## Bring and Buy Stall THIS WEEKEND

Please have a look at the Stall this weekend - at all masses - and see what you may be able to purchase. Maybe some homemade / handmade / home grown Christmas cards and gifts! All proceeds to the Parish. This is the last stall for this year.



**Children's Liturgy at 10am Mass**  
Sarah and Hamish Anderson will lead the children in an exploration of this week's Gospel at the 10am Mass.

The next meeting of the St Vincent de Paul Society will be held on **Monday the 25th November in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm.**

All parishioners are welcome to come along and talk to our members about the work of the Society.



## Australian Catholic Youth Festival

This Pilgrimage Festival is being held in Perth in December and many students from Padua College will be attending. On Sunday afternoon this weekend they are being commissioned by the Archbishop at the Cathedral. As a lead-up to this they will be blessed in their Parishes and presented with a cap and T-shirt. Three students from our Parish will be attending. So at the 6pm Mass this weekend we welcome Phoebe Canning and at the 10am Mass, Mikaela Leamon and Miah Coillet, as we prayerfully send them on their journey.

# What's Happening Here and Elsewhere...

Those who are affected by the **BUSHFIRES**:—How can I help?  
Donations can be made through  
**Vinnies Bushfire Appeal**  
[www.vinnies.org.au](http://www.vinnies.org.au)



For injured wildlife—Donations  
can be made through



Wildlife Rescue on [1300 094 737](tel:1300094737) or

<https://www.wires.org.au/donate/emergency-fund>

## FRIAR ALESSANDRO

### AT ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL:

You are invited to an evening of Christmas music & readings with internationally acclaimed Franciscan tenor Friar Alessandro. Friar is on his first ever tour to Australia and will be accompanied by Vivian Choi (Piano) and the Artes Christi Choir & Orchestra. ENTRY FREE or By Donation with all donations supporting the Vinnies Christmas Appeal.

DETAILS: Sat 7 Dec (7.30pm),  
St Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne.  
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL at  
[www.voicefrommassisi.org.au](http://www.voicefrommassisi.org.au)

## 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 hampers being delivered to the families during the following week.



## Rosa Mystica Prayer Group



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

**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.

# WELCOME

We're So Glad You're Here!

## 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.