



# ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE NEWSLETTER

## TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10TH JUNE, 2018

YEAR B

### MASS/LITURGY CALENDAR

#### MONDAY 11th JUNE

9.10am Mass

*NB: Rosary will resume in September.*

#### TUESDAY 12th JUNE

10.00am Mass

#### WEDNESDAY 13th JUNE

9.10am Mass

**(incl. Classes 1/2CL & 1/2ED)**

10.30am Mass at St. Thomas' Retirement Village

#### THURSDAY 14th JUNE

No service

#### FRIDAY 15th JUNE

10.00am Mass

#### SATURDAY 16th JUNE

10.00am First Rite of Reconciliation

6.00pm Vigil Mass

#### SUNDAY 17th JUNE

8.30am Mass

10.30am Mass

5.00pm Mass

*Dear Parishioners,*

### DOING GOD'S WILL

In this week's Gospel Jesus describes the bounds of his family as those who do the will of God. So what does it mean to do God's will?

St Ignatius of Loyola invites us to keep before our eyes always the desire to praise reverence and serve God our Lord.

Praise is the first word in the sequence. We need to praise God with songs of joy and habits of gratitude.

Next comes reverence: we are to notice the presence of God in all things and let this lead us to prayer.

Then comes service: out of our praise and reverence we receive the disposition necessary to be of service to God and others.

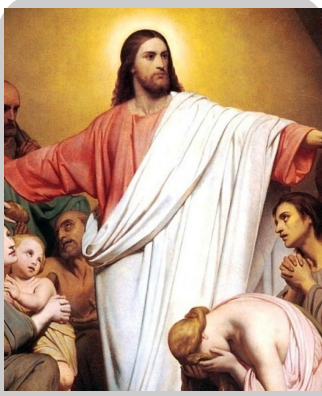
*Fr. Terry msc*

*Thought of the Day.....*

*One small positive thought can change your whole day.*

*St. Thomas the Apostle Parish strives to create an environment where all children are safe, respected and cared for.*





# LITURGY - TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: CF Ps 26:1-2

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

## FIRST READING: Genesis 3:9-15

I will make you enemies of each other your offspring and her offspring.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 129 R v 7

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

## SECOND READING: Corinthians 4:13-5:1

We believe, and therefore we speak.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Jn 12:31, 32

Alleluia, alleluia!

The prince of this world will now be cast out, and when I am lifted up from the earth I will draw all to myself, says the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

## GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35

It is the end of Satan.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Ps 17:3

The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my saving strength.

### A Vocation View:

*Through the gift of the Holy Eucharist and by the Word of God we are nourished and continue to grow towards fuller maturity. Like the Church, we are the potential to be like a growing tree, bearing fruit and giving comfort, but always open to further growth.*

**Please remember the following in your prayers...**

**Sick:** Val Worn, Charlie Santilli, Helen Opie, Margaret Robinson, Roland Schuster, Jessie Pennetta, Pat Berti, Sr. Maureen Philp RSJ, Jo Hocking, Claire Letham, Claire Tierney, Liz Murphy, Tamara Bobrovich, Marie Walker, Charles Fain, Jon Parkinson, Maree Fox, Frank Nolan, Antonio So Jr., Ashley Woods, Wendy Lumby, Robert Fox, Malgosia Dziuk, Daisy Xu, Geoff Beams, Rosa Maria Santos, Patricia Duffy, Mietta Ulaan, Elaine O'Hea, Frank O'Hea, Chris Leach, Dao Le, Patricia Carey, Denise Wraight, Peter Babulo, Moira Healy, Tony Hill, Koula Tsepelidis & Martin Broad.

### Recently Dec'd:

Irene Ward, Fr Doug Smith msc

### Anniversaries:

Patrick & Margaret Gleeson

## PIETY STALL

**OPENING TIMES:  
BEFORE & AFTER MASS**

**Baptism Candles and Gifts**

Melbourne Catholic Magazine (May Edition) @ \$4.00ea

**Sunday Missals available**

**NZ Kauri Wooden Crosses \$10.95 each**

**Br. James New CD's available \$25.00ea**

**Friends of Same East Timor Ground Coffee @ \$7.50ea**

# YOUTH NEWS

### SIXEIGHT YOUTH CLUB

The next meeting will be

**Friday 15th June, 2018.**

**Enquiries: Caren on 9878 0818**



**STARFISH PROJECT** – The next meet up will be

**Saturday 16th June, 2018.**

*All newcomers most welcome.*

**Enquiries: Maria on 0403 354 584**

### CATECHETICS CLASSES:

Sacrament dates and classes have begun for 2018. Both **First Eucharist** classes and **Confirmation** classes have commenced, however, enquiries can still be made to **caren.garlick@cam.or.au** or by phone on 9878 0818.

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL CALL CENTRE

*Looking for a volunteering opportunity that can make a real difference?*

We are seeking volunteers for our busy Call Centre in Box Hill, who are willing to commit to supporting our Welfare Call Centre one day a week. The Team's main focus is to provide assistance to those who are reaching out to the Society for support.

*Will you help us to provide this important service to the community?*

To find out how please call 1300 736 933 or visit [www.vinnies.org.au/volunteering-vic](http://www.vinnies.org.au/volunteering-vic)

### HEART OF LIFE SPIRITUALITY CENTRE

#### 'REFRAMING RETIREMENT'

Invitation to reflect on this stage of life—"Does our sense of vocation, or calling, end with RETIREMENT?" The day will be facilitated by a qualified

Clinical Psychologist/Spiritual Director on Saturday 7th July 2018 from 10.00am-4.00pm.

Cost: \$60

Enquiries and bookings: [holsc@bigpond.com](mailto:holsc@bigpond.com); 9890-1101 or [www.heartoflife.melbourne](http://www.heartoflife.melbourne)

### A Prayer for Priests

God, grant them the joys of their vocation, health of mind, body and spirit; a strong faith and a light heart to do the Lord's work in this world; and the love and support of their friends, family and parishioners. Holy Spirit, guide them and give them grace. Amen

**SR. MARG** has been asked by the Loreto East Timor Community Leader to come up while another sister is away, to teach the six Candidates to sew. They will each make a skirt for themselves which will be part of their uniform next year. Sr. Marg will be away from 7th June until 18th July, so please be ready to fill in if you see the need.

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

*"And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand."-MARK 3:25*

*Do your parish ministries complement each other or do they compete against each other? Is your parish "one Body of Christ" or a bunch of little, separate ministries controlled by human ego? The goal of all parish ministries is to bring people to Christ. All of our parish work should be for the glory of God's name, not our own name.*

## St. Thomas' Social Scene What's On.....

### CARDS NIGHT:

The next night will be on **July 5th** at 7.30pm in the Hall. All Welcome.

Contact: **Pat & Don on 9878 4790**



### 12TH ANNUAL PARISH LUNCHEON

**WHERE:** Manhattan Hotel, Cnr. Canterbury & Heatherdale Rd, Ringwood

**WHEN:** Sunday 17th June 2018 at 12noon

**COST:** \$20 -Seniors; \$28—Adults

**PAYMENT:** Pay at the door on the day.

**BOOKINGS:** By Tuesday, 12th June to Yvonne and Peter Crowe on 9877 3360/0400 082 694



### SCRABBLE NIGHT:

The next night will be on **July 5th** in the Hall at 7.30pm. Please contact

either **Maureen on 9884 4376** or **Carmel on 9894 7950**



Coming Soon

### ST THOMAS' PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL FORUM NO:2-POST ROYAL COMMISSION MONDAY JUNE 25TH AT 7.30PM

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Pastoral Council invites you to a gathering in response to the Child Sexual Abuse Tragedy in the Church.

**SPECIAL GUEST:** Fr Kevin Dillon

Guest speakers will speak on:

- \*the effect child abuse has on individuals and families
- \*what the parish and school are doing to protect our children
- \*opportunities to help the survivors of this tragedy

The talks will be followed by a Q and A session.

It will be held in the School Hall, finishing with supper around 8.30pm.



### BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The Bible Study Group hopes you have enjoyed the stories of the *Plagues of Egypt* in the flyers recently. The next BSG is on **Thursday 14th June (7.30pm in the Presbytery)**. We are looking at "Why Jesus taught with parables", using the two in the following Sunday's readings as examples.

Notes and info from Quentin (9877 5906)

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL—ANNUAL APPEAL

Dear Parishioners, our Annual Appeal will be held on 23rd & 24th June 2018. This is separate from the state wide Winter Appeal of St. Vincent de Paul. Proceeds from our appeal are retained for use in our conference area.

We hope you will support us once again.

*Grace Mizzi—Blackburn Conference President*



### 1ST FRIDAY MASS & LUNCHEON

The First Friday Luncheon gathering is in urgent need of assistance with setting up and serving. We would be most happy to hear from anyone who has a couple of hours to spare on the day.

**Please contact: Wendy 9803 0451, Margaret 9873 3852 or Jackie 9886 7204**

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**ROSTERS FOR WEEKEND OF THE 16TH & 17TH JUNE, 2018 - YEAR B**

Mass	Commentators	Lectors	Special Ministers	Altar Servers	Welcoming Committee
6.00pm	Barry McLellan	Peter Watson	Gudran Muling Gerald Gill John Philp	Alicia Wright Lachlan Wright	Ray Johnson
8.30am	Philip Collins	Geraldine Holland	Fidelda D'Souza Bride Schaefer Maureen Munro		Maureen Munro
10.30am	Alan Mead	Chris Raisin	Verona Gridley Jim Gucciardo Margaret O'Loughlin	Daniel Korporaal Miles Anderson	Yvonne Reidy
5.00pm	Susan Collins	Martina Tonti-Filippini	Sue Collins Josie Defina Peta Fulton	Katya McGrath Stella McGrath Kate Brown	

**Children's Liturgy: Leader:** Janette  
**Vestment Colour:** Green

**Piety Stall: Team 1**  
**Money Counters: Team**

**ST.VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY:**

Call Centre for assistance – 1800 305 330  
**Free Call** Weekdays 10am-3pm.

Vinnies Centre Ringwood Ph. 9870 9124,  
Unit 1B/76-82 Maroondah Hwy Ringwood.  
For Furniture & Whitegoods pickup—  
Eastern Emergency Relief will pickup for St Vincent  
de Paul week days 9am-1pm . Ph. 9874 8433.



**FIRST AID EQUIPMENT**

**Attention Parishioners: We now have a new DEFIB which is located in the Sacristy. A First Aid Kit is also in the Kitchen Broom Cupboard.** First Aid items (blankets etc.) which are provided by the Church are stored in a large plastic tub in the Crying Room (right sliding cupboard.)

**FIRST FRIDAY PARISH MASS & LUNCHEON:**

First Friday of the month starts at 11.30am (NEW TIME).

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:**

Sundays at 10.30am Mass. **During School Terms only.**

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION AFTERNOON/EVENINGS:**

**Tuesdays at 7.30pm** in the Quiet Room of the Church. Contact Phil Collins on 0410 668 140 or email at chrmed3130@gmail.com

**New comers most welcome.**

**Monday afternoons at 4pm** at the Retirement Village Centre. Contact Geni Hunt on 9802 2078 or email: geni.hunt9@gmail.com



**ST. THOMAS' PLAYGROUP:**

Every Wednesday morning during the School term, from 9.00am-11.00am. Please bring along a piece of fruit. If you have any queries, please call our coordinator Julie O'Donnell on 0434 408 122 (**During School Terms**)

**PRAYER FOR PEACE....**

God of hope and peace, be the spirit of wisdom, reconciliation and justice in the words and actions of the leaders of all nations. Protect those communities affected or threatened by violence in troubled areas. May the memories of those who have died urge all people towards an international community of security and peace. Mary Help of Christians, pray for us.

**JEWISH & CATHOLIC FRIENDSHIP DINNER**

Featuring a dialogue panel on youth in the life of our faith communities.

The dinner will be held on Sunday 17th June 2018 for a 7.30pm start.

At Catholic Leadership Centre, Cnr Albert & Hoddle Street, East Melbourne.

Book online: [www.trybooking.com/VSMN](http://www.trybooking.com/VSMN)

Contact: Jewish Community Council of Victoria  
Bookings close 15th June 2018

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**

*Invest in your most precious asset.....  
Your Marriage!*

Recharge your relationship batteries and explore the precious nature of your marriage, allowing you both to share your feelings, hopes and dreams with each other.

**2018 Melbourne weekend dates: 17-19 August and 9-11 November**

*Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday.*

*Accommodation and all meals provided.*

Contact: Andre & Maria 0411 225 992

Email: [vicbookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:vicbookings@wwme.org.au)