





Sunday 10th July 2022

Parish Priest: Fr. Steven Rigo Assistant Priests: Fr. Tao Pham & Fr. Martin Tanti

Parish Pastoral Associates: Jacinta Bright & Sr. Margaret Sapsford

The Partnered Parishes of:

St. Mary's

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Email: Greensborough@cam.org.au

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Secretaries: Francesca Olofsson & Sharon

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Mass Times

Tuesday to Friday: Mass 9.15am Saturday: Vigil Mass 6.30pm

Sunday: Mass 8.00am, 10.00am & 5.00pm

Reconciliation Times

Saturday: 9.00am-10.00am & 5.45pm-6.15pm

before evening Mass

Parish School Principal

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Parish: 9401 6361

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Website: www.pol.org.au/diamondcreek

Secretary: Pat Guatta

Mass Times

Wednesday & Friday: Mass 9.15am St Peter's: 1st & 3rd Saturday 7.15pm

Sunday: Mass 9.00am

Reconciliation Times

Friday: 9.45am to 10.15am

Parish School Principal

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Website: www.pol.org.au/greensboroughnorth

Secretary: Lisa Leahy

Mass Times

Tuesday & Thursday: Mass 9.15am

Saturday: Vigil Mass 6.00pm

Sunday: Mass 10.30am

Reconciliation Times

Saturday: 9.30am to 10.00am

Parish School Principal

Mr David Delaney **Ph:** 9434 4565 **or Email** principal@stgreensboroughnth.catholic.edu.au

THE CELEBRATION OF MASS IN OUR PARISHES

Mass at Home: St Patrick's Cathedral: On Channel 31, 44 on Digital TV, for Sunday Mass at 11.00am

Mass for You at Home - Diocese of Wollongong: Sundays on Channel 10 at 6am, Foxtel Channel 173 at 10am, and online at www.massforyou.com.au



The parable of the Good Samaritan, which forms the Gospel for today (Luke 10:25-37), is one of those parts of the New Testament concerning which we would have to say that, if it were lacking, Christianity would be something else.

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Fr Brendan Byrne SJ

https://www.australiancatholics.com.au/article/homily-notes
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PARTNERED PARISHES NEWS

The Partnered Parishes THINK AND BREATHE Child Safety – KEEP CHILDREN SAFE.

With the return of families at our Masses and as our toilets are out of view, parental supervision of your children is required while using the facilities.

Language and tone of voice

It is important to use appropriate language and tone in communicating with children and young people. This can affirm, support and encourage children and young people and build their self-confidence.

Forms are available in our Churches or you can download these from our websites.

A MESSAGE FROM Fr STEVEN RIGO

Dear Parishioners.

As you may be aware, I have been away on vacation and travelling quite near, through Western Victoria and South Australia and have spent some time on Kangaroo Island with friends. I have also spent some time with family and have completed my vacation with a week at Bright with my mother. I am due back for the first weekend of July.

Earlier in June I also participated in the annual Melbourne Clergy Conference at Cape Schanck together with Martin Tanti and over 145 priests, deacons and diocesan staff.

The title of the Conference for this year was: "Exploring the Dimensions of Mission - Understanding Our Call". Several interesting presenters and workshop leaders engaged us in exploring the central point that our reason for being Church is to continue the mission of Jesus Christ who liberates us to extend the love of God for the world. We are all called by our baptism to work collaboratively with one another to go out and make disciples, remembering that Christ remains with us to empower us for this task.

I look forward to exploring the ways we can do this together.

Steven.

*** Alpha begins 26 July - Register now ***



Ever wanted to pause and consider the big questions about **life**, **meaning** and **faith**?

Alpha is a series of interactive sessions in a safe, welcoming and honest space. Participants share their insights and points of view on a range of topics about the basics of the Christian faith and its impact in our lives. All are invited and there is no fee.



We share a meal We watch a video We engage in discussion

Register using the above QR code or by clicking this link

UPDATED COVID-19 GUIDELINES 22nd APRIL

HOLY COMMUNION WILL ONLY BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE FAITHFUL BY THE SACRED HOST IN OUR CHURCHES.

IT IS NOT MANDATORY TO WEAR A FACE MASK IT IS ONLY RECOMMENDED.

Close contacts of positive cases are to wear face coverings indoors, and to avoid "sensitive" or group settings.

It is still recommended to wear a Face Covering when social distancing cannot be maintained over a period of time.

It is recommended that those who distribute Holy Communion continue to wear a Face Covering and sanitise their hands before doing so.

In accordance with the guidelines from the Archdiocese, Hand Sanitiser is still available in our Churches.

All Catholics in Melbourne continue to be dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass

until further directed by the Archbishop.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST MARY'S

Vision Statement" To be a vibrant Christian community engaging with the world"



PLEASE NOTE NEW PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Francesca and Sharon will provide for our secretarial needs on Tuesdays 9am-5pm and Thursdays and Fridays 10am-4pm and Jacinta's days will be Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 9am-5pm.

Please continue to send any bulletin contributions to Francesca and Sharon at greensborough@cam.org.au by 2pm Wednesday to ensure inclusion in the weekend combined bulletin.



ST MARY'S PARISH LIBRARY If there is no-one in attendance in the Library, it can be opened and you can record which books you take on the sheet.



LADIES AUXILIARY Join us for a Morning Tea with live music on Wednesday 20th July at 10.30am in the Gathering Space. Cost \$10. Bookings after all Masses 16th/17th July. Enquiries Maureen 9435 5906 Lucy 9435 6990.



COMMUNION ROUND MINISTERS: Copies of the Communion Round Roster for July to December are available on the table at the back of the Church. You will also find blank Code of Conduct forms for Ministers to fill in and return to the Parish Office. Thank you.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Help is needed for us to recommence Children's Liturgy of the Word at 10.00 Mass. Education & support will be provided. Working with Children accreditation is a prerequisite to be one of the team. We work in 2s each session. At the moment we only have support for twice a month. If you are interested please contact Geraldine Conroy 0438 148 896.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: First Friday of month, after 9.15am Mass to 3pm. Spend whatever time you can. All Welcome.

ST MARY'S FUNERAL MINISTRY TEAM: is urgently seeking new members capable of preparing and/or running the audio-visual presentations at funerals. Please contact the parish office for more information on 9435 1543 or email greensborough@cam.org.au Thank you

St Mary's Prayer Shawl Group: Meets in the Gathering Space 10am - 12pm on Mondays. Enq: Maureen Leahy-0407 687 517; Anne Fleming-0409 234 326. A big THANK YOU to these special people who continue to proved wool and who create these little animals to be included in our Baby Bundles





DONATION OF USED HEARING AIDS AND GLASSES: Box available in the Gathering Space.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP: Meeting Wed 13 July at 1200, in the Gathering Space, followed by light lunch and Bingo \$5 for book of 10 games. If you would like to come and play bingo but you feel the numbers are too small- please call Geraldine on the numbers below and enlarged games will be provided for you. Please advise by Monday pm of your attendance, any dietary requirements or enlarged books required. Angela 0421 273 476 or Geraldine: 9435 4306- leave a message please / 0438148 896.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SACRED HEART & ST PETER'S



Diamond Creek Conference annual St. Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal:

Envelopes are available for cash or credit card donations, which can be placed in collection bags or left at the Parish Centre during July. Thank you.



<u>Sacred Heart School refurbishment:</u> Temporary scaffolding has been erected at the front of the school. Please allow extra time for parking prior to Mass. Updates will be provided.

<u>Baptisms:</u> we pray for Charlie, Matilda, Violet, Reid, Tomi, Finn, Sophie, Madison and Lachlan who will be welcomed into the Sacred Heart community in July.

Parish Pastoral Council: Next meeting 7.30pm Thursday 14th July. PPC Suggestion Box at back of Church.

Email: ppcdiamondcreek@gmail.com

Senior Moments: Wednesday 20th July Lunch & Games 12pm in Parish Centre

Rosters for Weekend 16/17th July

Saturday 16th July 7.15pm St Peters

Reader: Amindha Commentator: J. Robinson Eucharistic Ministers: E. Gittins

Sunday 17th July 9am Sacred Heart

Reader: C. Fernando **Commentator**: Y. O'Brien **Eucharistic Ministers**: C. Bell, R. Belli

Our prayers have been asked for sick parishioners and friends that they may be healed & comforted during this time:

Mario Molinaro, Lina Molinaro, Catherine Leonard, Peter Mejak, Joan Moran, Margaret Holland, Bridie Burke, Mary Rafferty, Thomas Keenan, Bernadette Hobbs, Mervyn Bourke, Jacob Draper, John Downey,

We pray for those who have died including Tony Ledda and all those whose Anniversaries occur in the month of July that they may enter Joyfully into God's Kingdom:

Mary Keenan, Salvatore, Basil, Maria & Fortunato Caccetta, David Phillips, Kevin Jose, Caterina Borgolotto

ARCHDIOCESE AND COMMUNITY NEWS

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED AUSTRALIA: In 2021 alone, 565,000 religious books were produced and distributed with the help of ACN. Often in poor countries, the child's Bible is the first book that children receive in their own language and frequently it is the only picture book that the little ones can get hold of in their entire lives.

Can you help us continue this important work in distributing religious books throughout the world?

Visit: www.aidtochurch.org/monthlyproject

<u>HEART OF LIFE</u>: Is offering an "At-home Retreat: Held in Hope" – over five weeks, beginning Monday, 1st August and concluding 29th August. This at-home retreat, invites you to spend some time in prayer at home each day pondering your experiences of the day, and to be accompanied by a retreat-companion weekly, via Zoom for 45 minutes, on how God might have been present for you.

A small donation will be welcome. To register your interest, please call 9890 1101 or email <u>info@heartoflife.melbourne</u>, no later than 18th July 2022.

<u>ENLIVEN YOUR SPIRIT</u> through these potentially life-changing seminars starting 18/7/22 - available in-person or via Zoom. Deepen your spirituality and increase your understanding by participating in one of Heart of Life's seminars occurring approx 2 hours per week for 14 weeks. Each explores in some depth the topics covered in the following: 'Discernment', 'Spirituality of Human Life Stages', 'Grace & Conversion', Ecological Spirituality', 'The Human Experience of God' and 'Professional Standards in Ministry'.

Presented by qualified and experienced lecturers, the teaching approach incorporates the mind, the heart and the spirit. To read more and book, go to our webpage: https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/seminars-courses/seminars-and-courses-2022/ Cost \$475 per seminar. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Rear 41 Stanhope Street, Malvern VIC, tel (03) 9890 1101.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT ST THOMAS



<u>Baptisms:</u> Please keep in your prayers Oliver, James, Zara, Charlotte and Chad who are being baptised later this month.

Contactless Payments: We are now able to allow electronic transfer of funds through the purchase of a Square Tap Machine. Parishioners will be able to 'tap and go' for the Presbytery and Parish collections.

There are instruction in the Church or you can ask for help.

This will enable those who want to have less reliance on cash to be able to keep supporting the Parish and our Priests.

<u>Greensborough Conference annual St. Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal:</u> Envelopes are still available in the foyer of the church for cash or credit card donations, which can be placed in collection bags.



<u>Finance/thanksgiving Program:</u> For sometime the numbers of contributors to ourThanksgiving Program has been declining with a consequential impact on parish income.

It is now critical that action be taken to address our financial position. A mini Thanksgiving Campaign will be conducted at St Thomas on the weekend of 24th/25th July. A presentation will be made at Masses on that weekend outlining our finances and providing an opportunity for parishioners to participate in the Thanksgiving Program.

Next meeting of the St Thomas parish Pastoral Council will be on Wednesday 20th July, 7.00pm

St Thomas Parish Pastoral Council: Email address: stthomasppc@gmail.com

Funeral for David Wong, Wednesday 20th July 11.00am St Thomas Church.

Rosters for Weekend 16th & 17h July

Saturday 6.00pm

Reader: J. Bohan Commentator: K. Mc Mahon Eucharistic Ministers: C. Leahy, S. Bishop, M. Mc Kenzie

Set Up: C. Leahy Sunday 10.30am

Reader: T. Williamson Commentator: L. Hobson Eucharistic Ministers: R. Piccolo, C. Riordan, A. Letzia

Set Up: C. Riordan

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Peg Wilcox, Dawn Ellis, Miran Kasalo,

We pray for those who have died including David Wong (Deborah Wong's husband) and all those whose Anniversaries occur in the month of July that they may enter Joyfully into God's Kingdom:

Kevin Jose, Pat Gannon, Anna de Gier, Michael Pham, Hopetoun Chapman, Edwin Ray, Shannon Risson, Nunzuio Napoleone, Mary Kenny, Eileen Mc Inerney, Guido Paciocco, Jack Sutherland, Domenico & Elidia Paliotta, Jack O'Brien, Salvatore De Bartolo

CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Online unit via Zoom

Ageing Persons and Pastoral Care

Six Saturdays: 30 July; 31, 27 August;

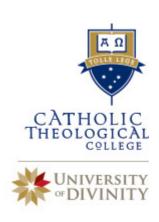
17 September; 8, 22 October:

10am - 12pm plus 2pm - 4pm

To enrol or for further information:

Email: registrar@ctc.edu.au Phone: 03 9412 3309

This unit can be taken as part of a postgraduate award, as a single unit.





LECTIONARY ART REFLECTION BY JENNY CLOSE.

The story of the Good Samaritan is about compassion and asking 'Who is my neighbour?' This question is more than ever relevant in the Holy Lands today where there are plenty of dangerous strangers and hard-hearted politicians, but few neighbours. The question is not remote, however, it is relevant here and now. Is that woman who fell down in the street your neighbour?

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

10 July 2022

First Reading Dt 30:10-14

Let the instruction of the Lord God be near you.

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 68:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37, R, see v.33

(R.) Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

- 1. This is my prayer to you, my prayer for your favour. In your great love, answer me, O God, with your help that never fails: Lord, answer, for your love is kind; in your compassion, turn towards me. (R.)
- 2. As for me in my poverty and pain let your help, O God, lift me up. I will praise God's name with a song; I will glorify him with thanksgiving. (R.)
- 3. The poor when they see it will be glad and God-seeking hearts will revive; for the Lord listens to the needy and does not spurn his servants in their chains. (R.)
- 4. For God will bring help to Zion and rebuild the cities of Judah. The sons of his servants shall inherit it; those who love his name shall dwell there. (R.)

or Ps 18:8-11. R. v.9

Second Reading Col 1:15-20

All things were created through him and for him.

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation. for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible. Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignties, Powers -

all things were created through him and for him.

Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity.

Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning,

he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him

and all things to be reconciled through him and for him.

everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

Gospel Acclamation See Jn 6:63. 68

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 10:25-37

Who is my neighbour?

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him,' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same yourself.'

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Reflection by Greg Sunter

Today's gospel is such a familiar one and such an enduring image that the title for the hero has passed into everyday use to describe a stranger who does a good turn for another. Many countries even have what is known as a 'Good Samaritan Law' that protects those who may hurt another person when they act in good faith to provide aid.

The parable is told in response to the question, 'And who is my neighbour?' Anyone hearing Jesus tell the story would have recognised the familiar story structure - things happening in three with the most important element occurring on the third repetition. As three people came upon the injured man on the road, the audience would have known that the hero of the story would be the third one along. But, as Jesus often did with his parables, the pattern is suddenly disrupted. Rather than the hero being an upright, faithful Jewish person, it is none other than a Samaritan who is the one who shows mercy. Samaritans and Jews had a deepseated mistrust and suspicion towards one another that went back generations. So strong was the ill-feeling between the two peoples that when Jesus finishes his story and asks the lawyer which man proved himself a neigbour, the lawyer cannot even say 'the Samaritan' - he says 'the one who took pity'.

The story concludes with the instruction. 'Go and do the same yourself'. The commandment is to act with compassion towards others - even those you may not like. The priority of compassion over the Law is a major theme of the gospel of Luke. It is often described as the gospel of compassion. The Samaritan acts with compassion, rather than out 'patterned' behaviours and attitudes. Jesus challenges the lawyer - and us - to 'Go and do the same'.