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LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

St Ann's Church (30 Midway Road, Elizabeth East)

Mass Times - Sat Vigil 6pm - Sun 8.30am - Fri 9.15am.

St Thomas More's Church (19 Laverstock Road, Elizabeth North)

Mass Times - Sun 10am - Mon 9.15am

COVID 19 UPDATES

CONGREGATIONAL SINGING IS TO BE AVOIDED

COVID MARSHALS WILL BE PRESENT AT ALL MASSES AND PARISH ACTIVITIES

We ask you to respectfully comply with any requests asked of you by the COVID Marshal

ASH WEDNESDAY 2021

As with a lot of traditional practices in our society including family weddings, funerals, birthdays, and social gatherings, unique national events including AFL, the Melbourne Cup, Test Cricket and many cultural imperatives in our sporting and national traditions this year has seen a range of modifications to our personal imperatives due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Anzac Day, as you know, was severely impacted in its essential elements throughout the whole of the Nation with almost every ceremony modified or cancelled.

As we draw closer to the Lenten season again we are, therefore, not particularly surprised to find that, just as we experienced last year there will be a degree of modification to certain liturgical traditions.

One of the traditions which has become difficult again this year is with regard to the imposition of ashes during the Ash Wednesday liturgy.

You may be aware that the Vatican has, in recent days, issued a decree that the imposition of ashes should be achieved by "sprinkling" the ashes on the head of the recipient with no physical contact by the minister with the recipient.

While we acknowledge the veracity of this directive, we do however have questions regarding the practical implementation of this advice in the current situation.

It would appear that the time constraint involved may be very difficult and the distancing parameter may prove to be equally difficult. Ministers of Word or Communion cannot be incorporated into this scenario.

I have, therefore, decided that the only practical alternative would be that those who wish to avail themselves of this process should approach me personally **after Mass** in order that the ashes can be received carefully with no physical contact in order to meet the imperative of the protocol.

I would also like to take this opportunity to expand the number of extraordinary ministers of Communion involved in the celebration of the Eucharist on Sundays as some seem to feel that they would be really pleased to be nominated to assist in these celebrations.

If you feel called to this ministry please let me know that you are available as soon as possible.

I conclude by thanking all of you who have continued to exercise your ministries so diligently and generously during these difficult times.

Be assured of my gratitude for all you have done.

If there are any parishioners who have questions regarding these matters please don't hesitate to contact me personally.

Fr. Pat.

**5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR B**

JESUS TOOK HER BY THE HAND

We sometimes come to Mass poor, sick and troubled, much like the people who crowd around the door of Jesus in today's Gospel. In this Mass let us express our needs to Jesus. Let us ask him to take us by the hand and help us as he helped Simon's mother-in-law. Then, with our spirits uplifted, we will go out from Mass with a renewed desire to share God's love with others.

First Reading - *A reading from the prophet Job - I am filled with sorrow all day long.*

Job began to speak:

Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed service,
his time no better than hired drudgery?
Like the slave, sighing for the shade,
or the workman with no thought but his wages,
months of delusion I have assigned to me,
nothing for my own but nights of grief.
Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?'
Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!'
Restlessly I fret till twilight falls.
Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed,
and vanished, leaving no hope behind.
Remember that my life is but a breath,
and that my eyes will never again see joy.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: - R. Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

Praise the Lord for he is good;
sing to our God for he is loving:
to him our praise is due. R.

The Lord builds up Jerusalem
and brings back Israel's exiles,
he heals the broken-hearted,
he binds up all their wounds.
he fixes the number of the stars;
he calls each one by its name. R.

Our Lord is great and almighty;
his wisdom can never be measured.
The Lord raises the lowly;
he humbles the wicked to the dust. R

Second Reading: - A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians - Punishment will come to me if I do not preach the Gospel.

I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the rights which the gospel gives me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I have made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I could. For the weak I made myself weak. I made myself all things to all men in order to save some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel, to have a share in its blessing.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

He bore our sickness,
and endured our suffering.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: - A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark - He cured many who suffered from diseases of one kind or another.

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was.

In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him they said, 'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.' And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

SR MARGARET'S FAREWELL

Words don't normally fail me; however, it is difficult to find the words to express our love and gratitude for the time Sr Margaret has spent with the us, worked with us and held our hands and hearts through life's challenges and celebrations – both great and small. There are pages (which will be put together in a card) available in the foyers at both St Ann's and St Thomas More's for you all to write your sentiments in. This will be available over the next two weekends. The card will be presented on the weekend of 20/21 February when Sr Margaret will be in attendance at all Parish Masses to say her farewells. (Please note due to Covid Restrictions we are unable to hold a farewell function).

BAPTISMS

We welcome into our Parish Community

MARLEY CARMEN ROSIE

AND

HANNAH CORTEZ

who will be baptised this Sunday
In St Thomas More Church

Please pray for Marley, Hannah their families
and God Parents

DAY OF THE UNBORN CHILD APPEAL

There will be a special collection taken up this weekend in support of the work undertaken by Birthline, Right to Life in South Australia, Matercare Australia & Genesis Pregnancy Support Inc.

Next Weeks Readings

Mon Gen 1:1-19
Mark 6:53-56
Tue Gen 1:20-24
Mark 7:1-13
Wed **St Scholastica**
Gen 2:4-9, 15-17
Mark 7:14-23
Thu Gen 2:18-25
Mark 7:24-30
Fri Gen 3:1-8
Mark 7:31-37
Sat Gen 3:9-24
Mark 8:1-10

6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

Lev 13:1-2, 44-46
1 Cor 10:31 - 11:1
Mark 1:40-45

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK FEBRUARY 11

World day of the Sick is an observation started by Pope John Paul II as a way for believers to offer prayers for those suffering from illnesses. The day coincides with the commemoration of Our Lady of Lourdes.

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Thursday, February 11 at 10am in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral. Each year, on World Day of the Sick a Mass is offered for those who are of ill health. All are welcome to receive a blessing and anointing. Bookings to attend the Mass are limited due to density restrictions but can be made via <https://www.trybooking.com/BOGUU>. For more information please contact Archdiocesan Events on P: (08) 8210 8220.

CATHOLIC OFFICE FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS

Jesus Youth Prayer Meeting
Every Monday 6:30-8pm
All youth and young adults are invited to attend the Jesus Youth gatherings on Monday nights. Join in the music, act. For more information please ring 0432 019 110.

JOE'S CONNECTED GARDEN

6 Argent St, Elizabeth Grove
Saturday 13th February and Sunday 14th February. 10am - 4.30pm.
Admission \$8 (\$6 concession cards) accompanied children free with gate proceeds to charities.

Come and see how we share our yards and grow over 400 varieties of fruit as well as veggies, herbs and chooks. Discover exciting ideas in urban sustainability! Each day there will be demonstrations and activities for adults and children including 'yellow brick road', planting, pruning, composting, propagating and irrigation, as well as advice and talks by gifted speakers and the Rare Fruit Society. There will be information about local food growing and gardening, plus tea and coffee, sausage sizzle, vegetarian yummys and fruit and veg plants for sale at reasonable prices.

Note: The gardens are not suitable for wheelchairs and gophers.



Australian Red Cross

BLOOD SERVICE

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23 - 27TH FEBRUARY

10AM - 6PM



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A message from *Aid to the Church in Need Australia*: Job Vacancies - Are you looking for flexible ongoing part time work? Will you share the stories of suffering Christians? *Aid to the Church in Need* is recruiting for a number of **Diocesan Outreach Assistants** who will deliver monthly presentations in parishes across Australia. For more details visit www.aidtochurch.org/work

FEBRUARY COMING EVENTS

Sun 7th 5th Sun in Ord Time Year B
Tins for Vinnies Food Collection - all Masses
Mon 8th St. Jerome Emiliani & St. Josephine Bakhita
Legion of Mary Meeting - St. Thomas More 1.00 pm
Tue 9th St. Maroun - *Founder of Lebanese Maronite Church*
Wed 10th St. Scholastica
Shipwreck of St. Paul - *Maltese Community*
Thu 11th Our Lady of Lourdes
World of Prayer for the Sick
Fri 12th Lunar New Year
Knitting Group - St. Thomas More - 9.30 am
Sun 14th 6th Sun in Ord Time Year B
Mon 15th Legion of Mary Meeting - St. Thomas More 1.00 pm
Tue 16th Shrove Tues
Wed 17th Ash Wednesday - *day of Fast and Abstinence*
Fri 19th Knitting Group - St. Thomas More - 9.30 am
Sat 20th World of Social Justice
Sun 21st 1st Sunday of Lent
Rite of Election - St. Francis Xavier Cathedral - 2.30 pm
Mon 22nd The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle
Legion of Mary Meeting
St. Thomas More 1.00 pm
Tue 23rd St. Polycarp
Fri 26th Knitting Group - St. Thomas More - 9.30 am
Sun 28th 2nd Sunday of Lent



KNITTING GROUP

Every Friday morning 9.30am at St Thomas More Church, the knitting group come together for a laugh, storytelling and some knitting of course.

THE LEGION OF MARY

Meet every Monday 1pm St Thomas More Church. All welcome.

CHURCH NOTICE BOARDS

Please check notice boards for information which is not printed in the bulletin.

BULLETIN NOTICES

If there is a special occasion you would like mentioned in an **upcoming edition of the bulletin** or if you or a family member would like to be included in the sick list, please let us know so we can keep you/them in our prayers. Please be aware all notices for the bulletin can either be emailed direct to Ann Murray methil48@hotmail.com or left at Parish Office no later than Tuesday. Phone 8255 1191.
Bernadette Hedges/Pastoral Visitor

PARISHIONERS ON THE SICK LIST



Adele Kalil, Bob Sherman, Josie Hughes, Henry McGoran, Flordelisa Lugtu, Barbara Kosewicz, Ivan Baker, Cobie Looyestyn, Miriam McCluskey, Philip Smith, Pat McCluskey, Brenda McKerney, Margaret Douglas, Trevor Furner, Beryl Broad, Ann Arbon, Frances Cunliffe, Valerie McVicar, Rev. Brother John Gibson, Jeanette Docherty.

For Privacy reasons, permission from the sick person is required prior to placing their name in the bulletin.

Prayer Registration Slip

Please fill out the registration slips situated on the table in the foyer and place in the box provided.

Please note that names on the Sick List will remain for six weeks unless Parish Office is otherwise notified.

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Mary Cleal (Dublin)
Rhodora & Joselito Parcon

ANNIVERSARIES:

Proculo Tumaliwan
Patrick McCluskey
Liza Agius

Week Ending 31st January 2021

1st Collection	\$ 715
Planned Giving (received)	\$ 966
Loose	\$ 209
Direct Debit	\$ 467
Planned Giving (Pledged)	\$ 1750
St Vincent de Paul	\$ 146



Pastoral Team

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Sacristans: Ann Anderson/Jean Luke (6pm Vigil)

Carol Mackle/Jean Mohan/Margaret Kennedy
(St Ann's 8.30am)

Clara Porlaje (St Ann's 8.30am)

Donna Kirkbright (St TM 10am)

Planned Giving: Theo Toonen 8252 0340

Centacare (Catholic Family Services) 8215 6700

St Vincent de Paul Society Assistance Hotline 1300 729 202

Beyond Blue (Depression/Anxiety) 1300 224636

Lifeline Australia (Crisis Support/Suicide Prevention) 13 11 14

Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800 Child Abuse Report Line (CARL) 13 14 78

Translating and Interpreting Service 13 14 50

Elder Abuse Hotline 1800 372 310

St Vincent de Paul Society "Family Centre, Elizabeth 8255 8547

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Prayers of the Faithful
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B
7th February, 2021

We pray for Pope Francis. May his appeal to honour the word of God in the life of the church and in every household, help every Christian to draw nourishment from it for this present life and for eternity.

Merciful God, hear us.

We pray that each of us will treasure in our daily lives the reality that the Word of God is a 'love letter from God. May we rejoice in its inspiring, merciful, joyful and demanding message.

Merciful God, hear us.

We pray for all who are burdened with Covid 19 and whose lives have been dramatically impacted by the pandemic. May they find, in the healing actions of Jesus in today's Gospel, a reassurance that through his Word he is close to everyone in their needs.

Merciful God, hear us.

We pray for Fr. Michael Odiwa, formerly of Hectorville Parish, as he is ordained Bishop of Homa Bay in Kenya on Tuesday. May he be filled with the Holy Spirit and with his people, grow in the likeness of Christ as a constant witness to the charity of Jesus.

Merciful God, hear us.

We pray for all Christians enduring persecution for their faith. May they carry the Word of God in their hearts, giving them courage, perseverance, hope, comfort and inner peace.

Merciful God, hear us.

We pray that the Archdiocese of Adelaide will be united in prayer and friendship as we share the Funeral Rites for Emeritus Archbishop Philip Wilson on Wednesday. We entrust him to God's care and pray for comfort for his family and friends.

Merciful God, hear us.

We pray for all who have died recently, especially Joselito and Rhodora Parcon and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time. May our departed enter that heavenly home which is promised to those who hear the Word of God and put it into action.

Merciful God, hear us.