

BRUNSWICK AND MORELAND CATHOLIC MISSION

Weekly Newsletter



St Joseph



St Fidelis



Our Lady help of
Christians



St Ambrose

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

3 October 2021

MASS TIME

Our Lady's

Friday 10:00 am

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

Communion Service

Wednesday 10:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

First Saturday:

10:30am – 11:00am

St Ambrose's

Thursday 10:00 am

Sunday 10:30 am

Communion Service

Tuesday 10:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Second Saturday:

10:30am – 11:00am

St Joseph's

Wednesday 10:00 am

Saturday 6:30 pm

(First Saturday only)

Sunday 9:00 am & 5:00 pm

Italian Mass:

2nd & 4th Sunday at 10:30am

Communion Service

Tuesday 10:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Third Saturday:

10:30am – 11:00am

St Fidelis'

Tuesday 9:15 am

Friday 9:15 am

Saturday 6:00 pm

Sunday 11:00 am

Italian Mass:

1st & 3rd Sunday at 9:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fourth Saturday:

10:30am – 11:00am

ONLINE SERVICES DURING LOCKDOWN

Sunday Masses

Via Zoom at 10:30

<https://acu.zoom.us/j/148563929>

Via Facebook and YouTube @ 11:00 am at St Joseph's

<https://www.facebook.com/St-Fidelis-Parish-Moreland-183834618311776>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCm7GEgt-p2odZexFuLSq92Q>

Gospel Reflection on Zoom

Each Wednesday during lockdown there will be an opportunity to join in a Zoom discussion of the Gospel of the forthcoming Sunday at 4pm.

The Zoom link: <https://acu.zoom.us/j/148563929>.

Vespers (Evening Prayer of the Church)

Please join us for evening prayer via zoom on Fridays at 4:30 pm during lockdown.

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85235376047?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85235376047?pwd=bTd0KzVVempMYWFxT2Q4UWJoYlExZz09)

[pwd=bTd0KzVVempMYWFxT2Q4UWJoYlExZz09](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85235376047?pwd=bTd0KzVVempMYWFxT2Q4UWJoYlExZz09)

Meeting ID: 852 3537 6047 Passcode: 104550

Zoom Rosary

We continue to pray the Rosary, via Zoom, at 9:00am each Saturday during the current lockdown. <https://zoom.us/j/92496488650>

Meeting ID: 924 9648 8650 By telephone: 7018 2005. All welcome

Meditation Every Tuesday Evening at 7.30 pm.

Everyone is welcome, newcomers and experienced meditators alike. If you would like to participate, please call Jo Bennett (0401148133) or email jbennett@joeb.com.au

Parish Cooking Club

Please join us on Tuesday 5 October at 4pm

Zoom Link: <https://acu.zoom.us/j/148563929>

You can cook along or just watch Guest cook: Di Travers

Recipe: Irish Soda Bread

Please contact bernmercieca@icloud.com if you are interested or have questions.

First Reading

Genesis 2:18-24

A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them, each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man.

The man exclaimed:

'This at last is bone from my bones,
and flesh from my flesh!

This is to be called woman,
for this was taken from man.'

This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord
and walk in his ways!
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper. **R.**
2. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine
in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table. **R.**
3. Indeed thus shall be blessed
the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion
in a happy Jerusalem
all the days of your life!
May you see your children's children.
On Israel, peace! **R.**

Second Reading

Hebrews 2:9-11

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind.

As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

If we love one another,

God will live in us in perfect love.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 10:2-16

A reading from the Gospel according to Mark

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.

Gospel of the Lord.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things,
and I long for You in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

As though You have already come,
I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You;
never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Prayers of Intention:

For the Sick: *Lucy McDonald, Lilian Miceli, Sammuell Nercieca, Kieran Staunton, , Leanne Paolini, Doug Bracken, John McCann, Brendan Meredith, Clelia Modonesi, Krishna Kelly, Kim Simpson, Sian Middleton, Angela Pavano, Marie O'toole, Joyce Chong, Noli Sagolili, Marilyn Figueroa, Reymond Figueroa, Simone Valadon & Reyhan Joseph Figueroa.*

Recently Deceased: *Stephen Sheils, Francesco Pantano, Pietro Ferrigno, Giovanna Centorrino, Fred Bendeich and Serafina Chirico*

Anniversaries: *Jacques Duhau, (birthday anniversary), Joseph and Rose Gauci*

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

In marriage, the couple does not merely receive a sacrament, they become one. They become an outward sign of the love of God. They are able to open themselves to each other in love, because God has first loved them. When they become one in marriage, they create something new, something that is a sign of the creative power of God. This in no way minimises the passionate love that they may have, or the unselfishness with which they give themselves to each other. Rather, it underscores the origin of that passion and the model of that unselfishness.

We are brothers and sisters of Christ in more than one way. First, through his incarnation, he became one of us, a little lower than the angels. He shared our human existence; he knew the highs and lows of human life. Then he redefined family relationships, claiming that blood bonds were no longer the determinant for establishing kinship. Instead, those who hear the word of God and keep it, those who commit themselves to God in faithful discipleship, are his brothers and sisters.

Marriage and other forms of discipleship make religious demands on us. Because we are taking a step into the unknown, they require a profound act of trust – trust in ourselves, trust in each other and, most importantly, trust in God. They also expect openness on our part – openness to give and openness to receive. Unfortunately we associate these characteristics with unpretentious children. While children may possess them because they are innocent, adults must repossess them because we have been recreated in Christ.

Australia's Fifth Plenary Council

Over three years ago the decision was announced to hold a Plenary Council and the People of God began preparing for this historic moment by listening to God and by listening to one another's stories of faith. After this time of listening and journeying the Catholic Church of Australia will gather for the first assembly of the Plenary Council from 3-10th October 2021. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic the First Assembly will be held via 'one device-one person' mode. There will be 17 members participating in this gathering who have been called from the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

The Plenary Council website will provide daily livestreams of parts of the opening Plenary sessions and Masses (including the Opening Mass on Sunday 3rd October).

<https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/assembly-1/>

Plenary Council Masses and daily morning prayer booklets for full participation are available here: <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/prayer/>

Highlights from the [Plenary Council livestream](#) :

- **3 October:** Opening Mass of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia, 2pm AEDT from St Mary's Cathedral in Perth.
- **4-9 October:** Daily Mass broadcast at 9.30am AEDT and on demand afterwards.
- **4-6 October and 8-9 October:** Plenary session livestream starts at 11am AEDT and runs until approximately 12.15pm AEDT.
- **7 October:** Plenary session livestream starts at 12 noon AEDT and runs until approximately 12.45pm AEDT.
- **10 October:** Closing Mass of the First General Assembly, 11am AEDT from St Stephen's Cathedral, Brisbane

Catholic Theological College

Graduate Certificate in Teaching Meditation is offered by Catholic Theological College. A free online information session is being offered via: ctc.edu.au/open-days/

Date & Time: Saturday 12 October at 7.00pm – 7.30pm. Enquiries: 9412 3333 or delahunt@ctc.edu.au

ST AMBROSE CHURCH ROOF

Last week, after receiving the parish newsletter, some parishioners raised concern about who will be paying for the roof repairs, which will be required at St Ambrose Church.

At this point in our Mission, each parish operates as a separate entity. Each parish receives its own income, such as thanksgiving and rental incomes and pays its own expenses, which are accounted for in each parish's separate church account.

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES

On Sunday 10 October we will celebrate Life, Marriage and Family Sunday. In doing so the central role that marriage and family play in building flourishing homes, parishes and societies is recognised. Please let our parish staff know if you are celebrating a significant wedding anniversary and it will be highlighted during the Sunday Liturgy. Let's spread the joy.

A way of Communicating in a Time of Challenge and Change

Archbishop A Comensoli is restructuring our Archdiocese according to the Mission Model. This challenge requires a dialogue known as the practice of 'spiritual conversation' (used in upcoming Plenary sessions). It is a style of discernment integrating active listening, intentional speaking, moments of silence and respect for each participant. Spiritual conversation attunes us to the movement of the Spirit in and through us. Fr Robin Koning SJ, has been asked to model this style online. After the session, resources to assist this style of conversations will be made available.

Four (repeat) sessions will be held:

Tuesday 28 September, 7.30-8.45pm.

Wednesday 6 October, 11.00am-12.15pm.

Friday 15 October, 11.00am-12.15pm.

Wednesday 20 October, 7.30-8.45pm.

Bookings via: www.trybooking.com/BUFIB

A Zoom link will be sent upon registration closer to the date.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

4 October - St Francis of Assisi, Rel, Memorial

7 October - Our Lady of the Rosary Memorial

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Safety of Children and All Vulnerable People

We hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and all vulnerable people, as a central and fundamental responsibility, of our parishes. The Parish Statement of Commitment and the Reporting Process, are on display in all churches, and all Parish Policies are available, on the website: bmcatholicmission.org.au