

## WELCOME TO ST MARYS PARISH

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#### Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

13 November 2022

#### First Reading Mal 3:19-20

The sun of righteousness will shine on you.

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

#### Responsorial Psalm

Ps 97:5-9. R. see v.9

- (R.) The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.
- Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp with the sound of music.
   With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord. (R.)
- Let the sea and all within it, thunder; the world, and all its peoples.
   Let the rivers clap their hands and the hills ring out their joy at the presence of the Lord. (R.)
- For the Lord comes, he comes to rule the earth. He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with fairness. (R.)

#### Second Reading 2 Thes 3:7-12

Do not give anyone food who refuses to work.

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow.

We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

#### Gospel Acclamation Lk 21:38

Alleluia, alleluia! Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia!

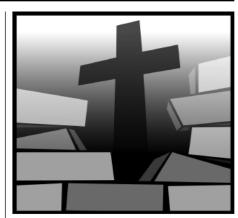
#### Gospel Lk 21:5-19

Your endurance will win you your life.

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master,' they said, 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?'

Take care not to be deceived,' he said, 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven.

'But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives."



#### Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

Our prayer can tell us a lot about the image of God we really have – holding a parking spot for us, or stopping rain on the second day of the Australian Open. But, if you were in Syria, your prayerful image of God would be as a Liberator from warfare, of a Saviour from Crimes against Humanity, of a Strengthener in time of torture and impending death.

In today's Gospel, Jesus promises his persecuted followers of every age, 'Your endurance will win your lives'. As Malachi prophesied: 'the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays'.

It is our faith that, out of the darkness of the tomb, the Son of righteousness did rise with healing in His rays, bathing the world with that light which makes the world habitable for human beings.

We could take a moment to pray for contemporary persecuted Christians that their faithful endurance will win their lives.

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### ST MARY'S PARISH MOTTO

"Reaching out to each other - growing together in love"

St Mary's Mooroopna acknowledge the Yorta Yorta Nation and the Aboriginal people who have walked this land for thousands of years

#### **WEEKEND MASS TIMES**

Sat Vigil 6.30pm Sunday 10.00am

#### RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation Sat 10.30am—11.00am

#### **WEEKDAY MASS TIMES**

Mon 14th Nov Mass 6.00pm

Tues 15th Nov Holy Hour Exposition 5.00pm

Mass 6.00pm

Wed 16th Nov Mass 6.00 pm

Thur 17th Nov Mass 6.00pm

Frid 18th Nov Mass 10.00am

#### **PARISH / SCHOOL NEWS**

#### EASY WORSHIP

Sat 12th Nov AM Carroll
Sun 13th Nov Valoia family

Sat 19th Nov Carmel Fasano Sun 20th Nov Liz Donnelly

#### **PARISH MEETINGS**

Finance Committee—Tues 15th, Nov 7.00pm

BULLETIN BLOOPERS (But never at St. Mary's!)

The Parish Priest would appreciate it if the ladies of the parish would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.





We congratulate the following students who will receive the strengthening gifts of the Holy Spirit as they enter into adoles cence during our two masses this weekens

Sienna Dean Aiden Garcia Josh Ulrich Joseph La Gamba Ruby Briggs





#### PLEASE OFFER HOLY MASS

If you would like Mons Peter to offe mass for a loved one, a supply of envelopes are available on the table in the narthex for this purpose.

#### St Brendan's Adult Faith presents

Holy Mass, Hearty Meals & Heavenly Ministry Tuesday, 22nd. November

- 6.00pm Holy Mass at St. Brendan's
- 7.00pm Pub meals available at The Terminus
- 7.30pm Talk by Fr Adi

Contact Winona 0432 865 933

#### **SANDHURST WORLD YOUTH DAY 2022**



Our Lady, Mother of God Church Wangaratta South

Saturday, 19th Nov

1.00pm-9.00pm

#### **OFFICIAL OPENING & BLESSING**

NEW BUILDING
ST LUKES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Wednesday 16th. November, 10.00am

ALL WELCOME

#### 33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

We are approaching the end of the Church's liturgical year - that time when - to the terror of preachers - the readings become increasingly "eschatological".

No wise preacher, of course, would mention the word "eschatology" from the pulpit. But to remind ourselves what scripture scholars mean by "eschatology" may be useful when preparing homilies.

"Eschatology" refers to teaching or speculation about what is going to happen in the future. More specifically, it deals with what will take place in that "final" future (the Greek word eschaton means "limit") when the whole universe will undergo radical transformation at the hands of God.



### PARTNERS IN WELLBEING Free Wellbeing Assistance.



The recent floods have affected everyone in different ways, and it's common to feel like you're struggling with the stress and worry it has caused.

There is FREE help available for every Victorian.

If you need to chat or get some emotional support, please call 03 5822 8600 or 1300 375 330.

More information on the Notice Board.

#### SHARED LUNCH

St. Mary's parishioners are invited to come together after the floods, to enjoy each other's company and a

#### SHARED LUNCH IN THE MARIAN CENTRE

After 10.00am mass On Sunday, 20th. November.



Each family or person is asked to bring along something to share for lunch.

TEA AND COFFEE SUPPLIED

### ST MARYS CATHOLIC CHURCH Manus Island, Papua New Guinea

Work is slowly progressing on this project and Fr Paul Sireh is very grateful for our financial support. After 10 years of planning, the church building is slowly taking place led by the builder Mr Repe Buka, his contractors and many volunteers,

As there is no road from the village to the hardware shop in town, the transportation of all building materials to the site is very difficult. There is no access for trucks to transport machines and materials in order to dig the foundations. So, the locals have to dig the trenches and level the site by hand.



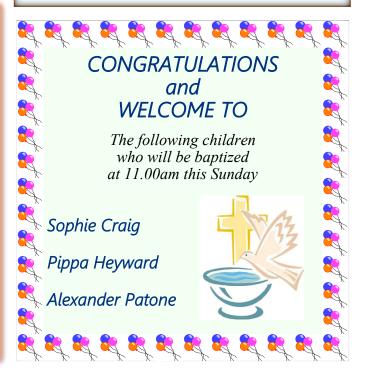
The community and volunteers of young men and women, some older folks and children had to collect sand, gravels and stones from the beach and creeks in the empty sacks and plastic bags and walk for 5ks to the site.

Before the builder and contractors arrive, the community volunteers' of young men and women and children helped dig the holes and trenches using spades, forks, iron rods and other means to get the foundation laid. It was a very slow start and wearisome.

As it was, the volunteers needed to have a better diet to gain energy for their work.

Pictured is the master builder -Mr Repe Buka (bare feet at work!!) **Health and Safety**!! No such thing as they can't afford the clothing!

"Day by day, stone by stone, built it slow and surely...."





Readings this Week

2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5 Luke 20:27-38



Readings for next Sunday

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**Sick List:** Graeme Weir, Cherie Mammone, Jim McIntyre, Pat Keane, Pat Treacy, Irene Murphy, Irene Biesiekierski, Dennis Corboy, Barry Monaghan, Fr Steve Bohan, Parish Priest at Yarrawonga, Annette Kay (friend of Rosemary Haigh,) Kim Smyth, Noela McIntyre, Angelo Conti

**Recently Deceased** Vera Monk **Anniversaries**: Domenica Gugliotti

#### ALTAR HELPERS 12th Nov Not required 19th Nov Liz Donnelly

BINGO: 19th Nov Cecily Davis, Daniel Carrafa, Graeme Quinlan, Maureen Ball, Trish Renshaw

| 12th & 13th<br>November | COMMENTOR    | READER                    | SPECIAL<br>MINISTER | OFFERTORY                  |
|-------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 6:30 pm                 | Kevin Murphy | Liz Turk                  | Sarah Richards      | Confirmation<br>Candidates |
| 10.00 am                | Helen Betson | Maree Williams            | Anthony Butts       | Valoia family              |
| 19th & 20th November    |              |                           |                     |                            |
| 6:30 pm                 | Peter Stein  | Michelle Hicks            | Angelo Conti        | Angelo & Nesta<br>Conti    |
| 10.00 am                | Mavis Murphy | Jacques<br>Martin-LeFevre | Cecily Dumaresq     | Brenda & Leo Pye           |