

BRUNSWICK AND MORELAND CATHOLIC MISSION

Weekly Newsletter



St Joseph



St Fidelis



Our Lady help of
Christians



St Ambrose

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

7 August 2022

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



**ALL PARISHIONERS
are invited to
CELEBRATE the FEAST DAY of
MARY MACKILLOP
Our First Australian Saint**

**ON MONDAY 8TH AUGUST
with St Fidelis school at 9.15am
with St Joseph's school at 10am**

**ON TUESDAY 9TH AUGUST
with Our Lady's school at 9.30am**

**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Monday 15 August
9.15am at St Fidelis
10.00am at Our Lady of Help Christians**

REFLECTION

by Dianne Bergant CSA

In the middle of Ordinary Time we discover a theme normally associated with the end of the liturgical year and the season of Advent – vigilance in anticipation of the return of the master. This vigilance demands that we live lives of faith. We do not know when God will open the door of our existence and call us into a deeper realisation of the sacred dimension of life itself. Vigilance is a characteristic of a Christian at all times, for all times. We must be ever vigilant.

While we live in the expectation of the coming of God in the future, we also live now in the presence of God. This means that God is present with us now, as a companion in our lives. It also means that this presence is the context within which our lives unfold. However, until all things are brought to fulfilment, we live in this presence by faith. Faith and hope are intimately joined. As believers we are called to trust in the promises of God, even when what is promised seems impossible.

We are assured that we will be blessed, but we can never be sure of the exact nature of the blessing. In faith, we put our trust in God and then carry out our responsibilities. In faith we wait for the Lord, who is our help and our shield, not really knowing under what guise he will come to us. Faith is both the cost of living as a disciple and the reward.

First Reading

Wisdom 18:6-9

That night had been foretold to our ancestors, so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage.

This was the expectation of your people, the saving of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by the same act with which you took vengeance on our foes you made us glorious by calling us to you.

The devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in secret and this divine pact they struck with one accord: that the saints would share the same blessings and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to chant the hymns of the fathers.

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) *Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.*

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
They are happy, whose God is the Lord, the people he has chosen as his own. **(R.)**
2. The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **(R.)**
3. Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you. **(R.)**

Second Reading

Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope for, or prove the existence of the realities that at present remain unseen. It was for faith that our ancestors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set out for a country that was the inheritance given to him and his descendants, and that he set out without knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived there in tents while he looked forward to a city founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being past the age, was made able to conceive, because she believed that he who had made the promise would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came from one man, and one who was already as good as dead himself, more descendants than could be counted, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of sand on the seashore.

All these died in faith, before receiving any of the things that had been promised, but they saw them in the far distance and welcomed them, recognising that they were only strangers and nomads on earth. People who use such terms about themselves make it quite plain that they

are in search of their real homeland. They can hardly have meant the country they came from, since they had the opportunity to go back to it; but in fact they were longing for a better homeland, their heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, since he has founded the city for them.

It was by faith that Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac. He offered to sacrifice his only son even though the promises had been made to him and he had been told: It is through Isaac that your name will be carried on. He was confident that God had the power even to raise the dead, and so, figuratively speaking, he was given back Isaac from the dead.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready:

You know not when the Son of Man is coming.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 12:32-48

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom.

'Sell your possessions and give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

'See that you are dressed for action and have your lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to return from the wedding feast, ready to open the door as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them. It may be in the second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy those servants if he finds them ready. You may be quite sure of this, that if the householder had known at what hour the burglar would come, he would not have let anyone break through the wall of his house. You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.'

Peter said, 'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for everyone?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then, is faithful and wise enough for the master to place him over his household to give them their allowance of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell you truly, he will place him over everything he owns. But as for the servant who says to himself, "My master is taking his time coming", and sets about beating the menservants and the maids, and eating and drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a day he does not expect and at an hour he does not know. The master will cut him off and send him to the same fate as the unfaithful.

'The servant who knows what his master wants, but has not even started to carry out those wishes, will receive very many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know, but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of him; when a man has had a great deal given him on trust, even more will be expected of him.'

PRAYERS OF INTENTION:

FOR THE SICK: *Doug Bracken, Lewis Calleja, Joyce Jong, Amy Lynch, Bianca Pelli, Cynthia D'Souza, Patricia Belli*

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Giovanni Lingenti, Giuseppe Gugno, Pierina Cirillo, Remo Carzino, Brian Patrick Wallmeyer, Eva Maiuto, Filippa La Russa

ANNIVERSARIES:

Angelo Liuzzi (1 month), Maurie Gerdtz, Giovanni Montano (1 month), Cesare Gurciullo (1 year), Vittorio Enna (1 month), Cesira Favata (1 month), DiLorio Giovanni (1 year), Salvatore Milicia, Vincenzo Guarnaccia, Carmelo Guarnaccia, Joseph Schembri, Umberto & Vilma Sansico, Donato Vicendese.

CATHOLICARE VICTORIA SUNDAY APPEAL

Next weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. As the social service agency, CatholicCare delivers over 60 programs and services including counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, pastoral care in hospitals and prisons, support for separating families, social housing and homelessness support.

Donations from our parish community help CatholicCare Victoria support the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community and empower everyone to live life to the full.

Your support and generosity will help provide caring support for people when they are at their most broken.

You can donate using the appeal envelope available or online at:

www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.

ST FIDELIS SOCIAL COMMITTEE

With the help of the St Fidelis social committee, we are hosting the Coburg Bunnings sausage sizzle, this Sunday 7th August, to raise funds for the work of St Vincent de Paul in our Mission.

Come along to 64 Gaffney St, say hello and help support those in need in our local community.

INFORMATION SESSION PERMANENT DIACONATE

DO YOU FEEL LIKE BEING CALLED TO SERVE?
The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men between the age of 30 - 60 who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. **COME & SEE!** An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on Saturday 3 September 2022, 10:00 - 11.45am at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), East Melbourne. For more information:

<https://www.cam1.org.au/permanent-diaconate>
Contact: Office of the Permanent Diaconate
Phone 03 9412 3357 or Email diaconate@cam.org.au

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK 2022

National Vocations Awareness Week - 14 August.
Please pray for our priests today in thanksgiving for their ministry and presence in our community.
Please pray for the religious who do so much in pastoral care, education, health care and many other ministries. Pray also that the saints may inspire many vocations to consecrated life and priesthood, especially from our community.

ST FIDELIS OFFICIAL FAREWELL FOR FR. DAVID CARTWRIGHT

Fr. Cartwright has been invited to celebrate the 11am Mass at St. Fidelis on Sunday August 28th followed by a luncheon in the St Fidelis School hall.

If you would like to attend the luncheon, please contact the St Fidelis Parish Office or one of the Social Committee members below.

Alternatively you can add your name to the forms available at each Mass at St Fidelis Church.

Please reply by August 12th, 2022

Rob: 0416 124483, Ray: 0419 562252, John: 0412 712672,

Parish Office: 9386 1224,

or email: moreland@cam.org.au

NATURAL FERTILITY AWARENESS WEEK 22-28 AUGUST

Billings LIFE are presenting a free webinar entitled "Fertility Literacy in the Digital World ~ the best use of fertility tracking apps"

on Monday 22nd August at 7.30pm AEST

Presenters from Australia, Mexico and NZ will review 3 fertility tracking apps.

See the Billings LIFE website or Facebook page for details and registration.

website: <https://www.billings.life/en/>

Facebook: <https://fb.me/e/10MLh9IHI>

Sacramental Life:

Baptism:

The Moreland and Brunswick Catholic Mission welcome with joy through the sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

Sophia Connie Muller, Roman Alexander Benign, Stevie Anne Shiek, Aidan Tristian Hekimian

First Holy Communion:

Congratulations to children from Our Lady's who received their First Holy Communion last weekend.

Sacrament of Confirmation:

Congratulations to children from St Fidelis school who received the Sacrament of Confirmation this week.

Please remember the children and their families in your prayers.

Thank you to all who have prepared the children for this important step in their lives as Christians, especially their teachers and parents.

Scripture Reflection and Communion Service

TUESDAY at ST JOSEPH'S at 10.00am

"Suppose a man has a hundred sheep and one of them strays; will he not leave the ninety-nine on the hillside and go in search of the stray?"

ALL WELCOME!



St Ambrose and Our Lady's

Tuesday 10:00am–11:00am at **St Ambrose** church Communion service and Rosary. Pray for peace in Ukraine.

Wednesday 10:00am–11:00am at **Our Lady's** Community Room, communion service and gospel reflection in Italian.

"Cura di se con la Bibbia". All welcome!

First Sunday Cuppa at St Ambrose

All are invited to share a cuppa and cake after the 10.30am Mass today in St Ambrose's Community Centre.

Divine Mercy and Benediction

St Joseph's Divine Mercy Prayer and Benediction is held each Friday at 3pm. We welcome you to join us for an hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

Face-to-Face Meditation

On Tuesdays, at 3:00pm in the Spirituality Room of St Ambrose Parish Centre. Everyone from all four Churches in our Mission is welcome. Contact Jo Bennett for further information: Email: jbennett@joeb.com.au OR mobile: 0401 148 133

Feast in Honor of the Holy Face of Jesus

A Mass in honour of the Holy Face of Jesus will be celebrated on Sunday 14 August 2022 at 2:00PM at St Ambrose's Church, 287 Sydney Road, Brunswick. Mass will be celebrated by Fr Vito Pegolo, Organist: Enrico Costantini. For information please contact : Assunta 9404 2568 ALL WELCOME!

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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