
St. Theresa's Parish Community Newsletter

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"Do Small Things Well"

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

This is 'Good Shepherd Sunday' and a particular focus taken today is leadership. Which voices do we follow? Why do we follow these voices and not others? Authentic leadership is rooted in authority, and authentic authority is the ability to author or bring life to birth. Genuine authority cherishes, guards and encourages the best in life; it provides rest and refreshment; it guides our steps; it nourishes us; it leads us to God. Peter is an example of authentic authority: he proclaims the truth, even if others find it hard to hear; he denounces error, even when this places him in jeopardy; he calls for a change of heart, even when it makes great demands.

Authentic leadership is patterned after the leadership of Jesus. It is gentle and familiar, like the true shepherd; it has won the confidence of those who follow, as did the true shepherd; it is committed to the enhancement of the lives of others, as was Jesus. Authentic leadership is willing to forgo its own needs and to deny its own interests in favour of the needs and interests of others.

Heavy demands are placed on those who follow authentic leadership. Those who follow the Good Shepherd must follow him in the dark valleys as well as to the refreshing streams. They must be willing to relinquish some of their own plans and self-determination and entrust themselves to his leadership. They must never forget that they are following a shepherd who has paid the ultimate price on their behalf.



Saturday 25th April 2026 *LEST WE FORGET*

St Theresa's Parish is committed to the safety of children, young people and vulnerable adults

KEEPING IN OUR PRAYERS

Children of our Parish will be celebrating First Reconciliation this week, please keep them in your prayers.

H.O.S.T.S READING PROGRAM

Mother of God School is looking for extra people to join our reading program. One hour of time on Mondays and/or Wednesdays between 10 - 11am. Speak to Gus or Ann-Maree at church or contact the school directly on 9363 1734 for more information.

MASSES THIS WEEK**ST THERESA'S**

Drummartin St, Albion

8.30am Wednesday

8.30am Friday Reconciliation

9.00am Friday

8.30am Sunday Reconciliation

9.00am Sunday

10.30am Sunday

MOTHER OF GOD

Blanche St, Ardeer

10.00am Wednesday (Polish)

9.00am Thursday

6.00pm Friday (Polish)

5.00pm Saturday Reconciliation

5.30pm Saturday

10.15am Sunday (Polish)

QUEEN OF HEAVEN

Holt St, Ardeer

CLOSED**RECONCILIATION**

(Individual Confession)

Other times by Appointment.

HOLY ROSARY

Before regular Wednesday and Friday Masses each week

BENEDICTION

Friday 1st May at St Theresa's Church.

CUPPA AFTER MASS

Join us next Sunday, 3rd May, after Mass for a cuppa and a chat in the School Hall. A time to say farewell to Jean and share some memories. Please bring a plate to share.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK 29th & 30th April

Will be offered Wednesday at QOH area and Thursday at MOG area this week. Please call the Parish Office to book an appointment.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

During the **10.30am Mass**, **Rose** will invite the children to a separate space for the readings and Gospel.

PROJECT COMPASSION

Please return any project compassion donations as soon as you can. We have raised \$2,183 so far. Thank you.

COLLECTIONS RECEIVED

Thanksgiving \$805 Loose Money \$360 Presbytery \$878

COUNTERS 3rd May

Team 5: J Giang, M Hua, M Azzopardi

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

St Peter Chanel, 28 April

St Catherine of Siena, 29 April

READINGS Today

Acts 2.14a, 36b-41

Psalm 23.

1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (R.1)

1 Peter 2.20b-25

John 10.1-10

Next Week

Acts 6.1-7

Psalm 33.

1-2, 4-5, 18-19, (R.22)

1 Peter 2.4-9

John 14.1-12

OPPORTUNITY TO UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION

You may have noticed yellow census cards and blue Thanksgiving cards at the back of the Church if any of your details have changed (mobile, email), or if you wish to join the Thanksgiving program, please feel out the appropriate card and return it to the office or at Church. We will be very grateful to have any new information added before the new Thanksgiving envelopes are issued mid-June

PARISH CARAVAN, Safety Beach / Dromana

If you would like to use our Parish Caravan, please call the Office on 9311 3091 to book. It sleeps up to six (very cosy) and costs \$80 per night. Great opportunity to get away and enjoy the Mornington Peninsula!

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

June

St Dominic's Parish Melton, June 26 – 28th Starts For further details, please contact: Mercy & James Bvirakare Ph: 0409 183 676 Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au

