
St. Theresa's Parish Community Newsletter

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"Do Small Things Well"



REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

Salty and Radiant

You are the salt of the earth; you are the light of the cosmos. 'You' is in the plural. So, these descriptions are meant to apply to us as a Christian community.

Salt in the ancient world was a preservative for food. So, we are the ones who are to preserve the earth, to prevent its deterioration, to keep it life-giving.

Salt has to penetrate food to have an effect. We have to penetrate the world with our Sermon on the Mount values. Staying self-contained as a perfect little band of Christians is about as useful as salt remaining in the saltshaker. In Our Lord's scary opinion, we would quite rightly be trampled underfoot.

How are we light for the cosmos? By 'good works? No, a truer translation is by 'beautiful works. These are those things we do which have grace, elegance and proportion and are therefore pleasing to observe: beautifully-good-works.

We could pause for a moment to pray that we remain salty and tangy, doing good beautifully and elegantly.



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

✚ ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES — 18 February

St Theresa's Church

- 9.10am - with St Theresa School
- 6.30pm - Mass

Mother of God

- 10am - Polish
- 2pm – Mass with Mother of God School

✚ PRESBYTERY UPDATE — A HEARTFELT THANK YOU

The big news this week is the **beautiful new flooring** installed in the presbytery kitchen and dining area. A very **BIG THANK YOU to Jacob Bugeja** for this generous and thoughtful donation. We are also deeply grateful to **Anthony Azzopardi** for sharing his **plumbing expertise**. These contributions from our school community are truly appreciated and make a real difference in supporting the life of our Parish. Thank you for helping us care for our shared spaces and for the spirit of generosity that continues to strengthen our community.

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

First Friday of the month at St Theresa's Church.

LEGION OF MARY

Meeting on Tuesday's, 10am at St Theresa's Church.

COLLECTIONS RECEIVED

Thanksgiving \$779 Loose Money \$428 Presbytery \$1011

COUNTERS 15th February

Team 4: M Poulter, A Silva, S Silva

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

St Scholastica, 10 February
 St Cyril & Methodius, 14 February

READINGS Today

Isaiah 58.6-10++
 Psalm 112
 4-5, 6-7, 8a-9 (R.4)
 1 Corinthians 2.1-5
 Matthew 5.13-16

Next Week

Sirach 15.15-20
 Psalm 119
 1-2,4-5,17-18,33-34 (R.1)
 1 Corinthians 2.6-10
 Matthew 5.17-37

ESTIA HEALTH, 30 North St Ardeer

Respite and permanent care options are available now. To book a time to have a look at our lovely home or for any further information, please call the home directly on 9360 4552 or speak to Gabrielle on 0419 336 841.

ABBEY SOLO FOUNDATION

10 years after Abbey passed away in Yr 3 at Mother of God School in Ardeer, the foundation in her name has gifted over \$250,000 to families living with childhood cancer. You are invited to support her legacy by joining us on Thursday Feb 26 at Sunshine Heights Cricket Club for our annual T20 cricket match against VicPolice. Lots of family fun. We would love to see you there. If you can't make, you might consider buying a virtual seat by donating \$20 through our webpage. Leave a message: Virtual Seat (and your name) <https://www.abbeysofoundaion.org/>

P.A.L.M.S.

Information Session Thursday 19th February

Join Palms International Volunteering [online](https://www.palms.org.au/) in this special session.. Hear from past Palms volunteers how skill-exchange makes a lasting impact in communities and changes lives.

Venue: Online- register at [palms.org.au/events](https://www.palms.org.au/events) **Date:** Thursday 19 February 2026

Time: 7 pm – 8:30 pm **Ph:** 02 9560 5333 palms@palms.org.au

