

ST MARTIN OF TOURS – PARISH OF MACLEOD

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME- SOCIAL SERVICES SUNDAY

'A faith community where Christian Service thrives and shared ministry is developed'

St Martin's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all Children, young people and adults at risk.

Our Parish acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people of the Kulin Nation who are Traditional Custodians of the land on which the parish resides, and we pay our respects to elders past and present.

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EXPLORING THE WORD: Matt.20: 1-16

This gospel offers yet another challenge to human ideas about what is just and reveals the generosity of God. The Master makes a point of having those who came last paid first. One must imagine the queue, with the newly arrived workers at the head and those tired from a full day's labour watching as the late-comers are paid in full. In many ways, the audience is drawn into sharing their disappointment and indignation. If those employed early had been at the head of the queue, they would have gone off happy with their contracted wage. The problem arises only when they see the latecomers reaping the same reward.

This alludes to a problem that has arisen in Matthew's community. Those Jewish Christians who have risked all and believed from the beginning are now seeing the newcomers to faith being offered the same reward. Jesus' answer is simple: the kingdom is God's. God can do as he likes, and what God chooses is to welcome all and offer reward to all who come to belief, no matter at what stage.

- Are there examples in our world of people being generously rewarded when some may feel that they do not deserve such generosity?

SOCIAL SERVICES SUNDAY: 20th September

- Join** with others in your parish or organisation to take action—big or small. Consider the particular needs in your local community and ask: *How can we respond? What can we do together? How can we better love and serve our neighbours?*
- Act** by giving your time, sharing your skills, making a donation, or advocating for people experiencing disadvantage and marginalisation.
- Pray** for those people experiencing hardship, and for the staff and volunteers who accompany and serve our communities.
- Connect** with Catholic social service organisations in your community, how can you support them.

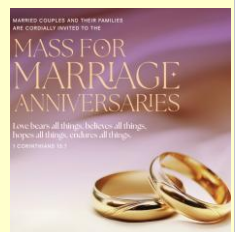


*Live out the values
of Justice &
Mercy that
permeate the
Scriptures*



MARRIAGE AND FAMILY WEEKEND – 3RD & 4TH OCTOBER

All married couples and families are invited to attend the Masses on the 3rd & 4th October for a special blessing. After the Sunday 10am Mass there will be Morning tea in the GECCO to celebrate this event. Please notify the parish office of your special decade of Marriage for certificates.



STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY FOR LAST WEEK:

Stewardship \$ 545

Presbytery \$ 214

Loose \$ 524

An EFTPOS machine is available in the main foyer for your convenience.

Donations of **\$2, \$5, \$10, or \$20** can be made with a simple tap. Thank you 🙏**Scan For Online Donation****RECENTLY DECEASED: John Harry**

ANNIVERSARIES - THOSE WE REMEMBER FONDLY AT THIS TIME: Amelia Lazzaro (1 month), Bronwyn Robinson, Blanche Egan, Desmond Sampson, Marcello Stangherlin, Rena Pinkowski, Filip Tomazic, Leo Rogan, Steven Rowley, Giuseppe & Concetta Pagnoccolo, Bob Natoli, Kevin Spence, Rajasingam Shashitharan, Judith Trask, Pauline Gray, Ivo Sartori, Lucia Baggio, Ken Cunningham, Ed Bourke, Kevin Gould OAM, Emma Salce, Fr. Antonius Ho, Greta Fitzgibbon, Sam Alexander, Kevin O'Neill, Marice Booth.

LORD THAT I MAY BE WELL AGAIN - PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Joshua Mullins, Ahmed Abdulwahid (11yo), Jerome & Salvina Pace, Milka Mikac, Monsignor Pete Jeffrey, Megan Whittle, Fr Prakash Cutunha, Marilyn Kennealy, Marlena Calo, Irene & William Burgess, Audrey Tunks (1yr old), Marie Lloyd, Bishop Terry Curtin, Pippa Vecchio, Joe Basile, Monica Ragheb, Liliana Bariola, Nancy Gheno, Augusto DaSilva, Henry DaSilva, John Capaletti, Lauren, Julie & Joe Morris, Stephen Lau, Charles, Damien, Anna, Susie, Julietta S. Taneca (Philippines), Barbara Zimmerman, Janette Wilson, Barrie & Val Williams, Janet O'Brien, Olga Urdih, Janette Osborne, Pradeep Savarirayan (India), Ron Coon, Anna, Julie Tropea.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our Parish Community is a vibrant one because of YOU – God's people !
Jesus takes small, seemingly insignificant human resources and multiplies them to provide abundantly for a larger need, as He did with the Two Fish and Five Loaves.

We currently need Volunteers in the Sacristan Ministry and encourage you to join – training will be provided.


**Parish Synod Corner -
Synodality is demanding**

Walking together takes patience, time, and effort. But the Gospel has never promised an easy path—only a fruitful one.

Become a Mentor Couple !

Have you been married for five years or more? Engaged couples need support and accompaniment as they prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage. Couples are invited to mentor engaged couples providing encouragement, support and practical wisdom. You will also find it an opportunity to enrich your own marriage.

For enquiries, contact Mable Tsang,
Discipleship Specialist Family
Accompaniment at
proclaim@cam.org.au or

(03) 9926 5761.

Scan to discover more:

**THE LEGION OF MARY**

meets **every Wednesday at 4pm in the Presbytery.**

You are warmly invited to join this most rewarding ministry of serving the community, **To Jesus Through Mary.**



Our Lady's Pilgrim Statue is available to Parish Families for a week or two. Seek her powerful intercession and blessings as you gather for prayer together with Friends and Family. Contact Philomena via the Parish Office.

IMPORTANT NEWS !!

At the foyers is a letter from the Vicar General of the Archdiocese, Very Rev. Anthony Kerin, in which he tells us that there will be a partnership between the Parishes of St. Martin of Tours, St. John's and St. Pius x within two years' time. On the reverse of the letter is a message from the three Parish Priests calling us to enter this process in a spirit of solidarity.

We invite every family to collect a copy of the letter .

THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

**An Online Information Session is on
Tuesday 22nd September From 7 to
8pm via Zoom**

The permanent diaconate is open to single / married men aged between 30 and 50yrs, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. Attendance to this online session is by invitation and anyone interested to learn more can email Deacon Kevin Pattison on kevin.pattison@cam.org.au

**The Pope's Prayer intention for
September :
'For the care of water'**

Pope Leo XIV invites everyone to pray for "the care of water" during September as Christians celebrate the Season of Creation. He prays that water may be a "source of fruitfulness, freshness, and hope," and recognizes that water is "a right without borders."

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

19th & 20th September (Year A)

SATURDAY VIGIL 5.30PM

SACRISTAN: J. JACOB
COMMENTATOR: F. FRIJO
READERS: A. ROZARIO, M. CASSAR
COMMUNION MINISTER: A. CALDERONE, R. WEBSTER, C. ANDERSON,, F. ESPOSITO, I. FRIJO
WELCOMERS: M. ZACCARI, M. CASTILLO
MUSIC: M. O'LEARY & MIRA P.

SUNDAY 8.00AM

SACRISTAN: F. CARNOVALE
COMMENTATOR: J. PURCELL
READERS: T. VITEZ
COMMUNION MINISTERS: M. D'SOUZA, F. CARNOVALE
WELCOMERS: L. & J. MORRIS

SUNDAY 10.00AM FAMILY

SACRISTAN: F. GROBBELAAR
COMMENTATOR: R. BROADBENT
READERS: J. LEWIS, J. NEWELL
COMMUNION MINISTERS: T. ALESSANDRO, M. GRASSO, P. FUMEI, A-M POWER, M. FLEMING, G. LEONE
WELCOMERS: L. ANGEL, G. SCHWABE, M. MORRIS
MUSIC: BROADBENTS & DAWSON
RELIGIOUS GIFT SHOP: C. HARTE, C. STARMANS
CHILDREN'S LITURGY:
ALTAR FLOWERS: M. FLEMING
COUNTING TEAM: 3, 21/09

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

26th & 27th September (Year A)

SATURDAY VIGIL 5.30PM

SACRISTAN: S. FITZGERALD
COMMENTATOR: M. FITZPATRICK
READERS: M. DI FABIO, J. O'CONNELL
COMMUNION MINISTER: J. SCANLON, A. CALDERONE, B. ANDERSON, J. LANE, C. VALENTE
WELCOMERS: T. MC IVER, S. YEOH, R. DE SOYSA
MUSIC: M. O'LEARY & MIRA P.

SUNDAY 8.00AM

SACRISTAN: P. FUMEI
COMMENTATOR: J. FERGUSON
READERS: N. RAJASINGAM
COMMUNION MINISTERS: M. D'SOUZA, F. CARNOVALE
WELCOMERS:

SUNDAY 10.00AM FAMILY

SACRISTAN: M. LOVE
COMMENTATOR: J. LUNARDI
READERS: J. PAVONE, G. NICHOLLS
COMMUNION MINISTERS: C. & J. STARMANS, C. & J. HARTE, P. BASILE
WELCOMERS: P. BASILE, T. JORDAN, M. JOSEPH
MUSIC: R. DI GIRALAMO
RELIGIOUS GIFT SHOP: C. HARTE, C. STARMANS
CHILDREN'S LITURGY:
ALTAR FLOWERS: M. FLEMING / M. THORN
COUNTING TEAM: 4, 28/09

DATES THIS WEEK

Friday	18 September	9:15am	LOTW – Sr. A. Priestley
Saturday	19 September	8.30am 10:00am	No Mass No Reconciliation
Sunday	20 September	5:30pm 8:00am 10:00 am	Vigil Mass Mass- 25 th Sunday in O.T. Mass
Monday	21 September	9:15am	LOTW – M. Daly
Tuesday	22 September	9:15am	No Mass / No LOTW
Wednesday	23 September	9:15am	LOTW – J. Morris
Thursday	24 September	9:15 am	No Mass /No LOTW
Friday	25 September	9:15am	LOTW – C. Assouad
Saturday	26 September	8.30am 10:00am	No Mass No Reconciliation
Sunday	27 September	5:30pm 8:00 am 10:00 am	Vigil Mass Mass- 26 th Sunday in O.T. Mass
Monday	28 September	9:15am	No Mass / No LOTW
Tuesday	29 September	9:15am	LOTW – M. Daly
Wednesday	30 September	9:15am	LOTW – J. Morris
Thursday	1 October	9:15 am	No Mass /No LOTW
Friday	2 October	9:15am	LOTW – Sr. A. Priestley

READINGS

First Reading:

Responsorial Psalm

Second Reading:

Gospel Reading:

THIS WEEK

Is. 55: 6-9

Ps. 144 : 2-3, 8-9, 17-18

Phil. 1: 20-24, 27

Matt. 20: 1-16

NEXT WEEK

Ezek. 18: 25-28

Ps. 24 : 4-9

Phil. 2: 1-11

Matt. 21: 28-32

RELIGIOUS GIFT SHOP

The Religious Gift Shop is open before and after the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday. A wide selection of beautiful gifts for the Sacraments and special occasions are available for purchase.



Safeguarding Essentials Training The Safeguarding Committee thanks all those volunteers who attended the recent session and are now compliant until 2029. The Training is valid for 3 years. Remaining volunteers whose training has expired or have not previously completed the training now must complete the training online as their only available option, by logging on at: <https://melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding/safeguarding-training>. (You will need your email address and Working with Children (WWCC) ID to log in. **We ask non-compliant volunteers to make this a priority as they only have until 30 September to comply with their safeguarding requirements.** Non-compliant volunteers after that date will no longer be able to volunteer or be rostered for their Ministry. For any queries, please contact the parish office.

SMOT COMMUNITY CENTRE CARPARK ALERT NOTICE

We have a reported Car theft and damage incident occurring last week at the Community centre carpark.

All visitors are advised to ensure that your vehicle is secured with cars locked, windows closed and no valuables left visible in the car.

NO ONE SHOULD EVER APPROACH A DANGEROUS SITUATION THEMSELVES!
PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE DURING SCHOOL HOURS OR THE POLICE ON 000

MELBOURNE CATHOLIC DIGEST

The August / September issue of the Melbourne Catholic Digest is now available in the church foyers. Please collect your free copy.

KINDLY NOTE - THERE WILL BE NO COMMUNION TO THE SICK ON FRIDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER DUE TO THE PUBLIC HOLIDAY.

**NEXT CHOIR PRACTICE DATE IS ON MONDAY 5TH OCT
 7:30PM – 8:30PM AT ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH**

THE JANSSEN SPIRITUALITY CENTRE & THE INTERFAITH CENTRE OF MELBOURNE INVITE YOU TO

The Candlelight Labyrinth Walk for Peace

At Janssen Spirituality Centre
 22 Woodvale Road, Boronia VIC 3155
 7pm - 8 pm Saturday 19 September 2026
 United Nations International Day of Peace
 "Invest in Peace - For Everyone, Everywhere, Every Day,"
 All are welcome to attend.
 Tea and coffee available. Please bring an umbrella in case of rain.
Cost: Free. Donations welcome.
Registration: Fr Viet at 0402366280; Helen at 0400228146



Nepal Floods Appeal

Stand with communities affected by devastating flash floods.

Your donation can help provide emergency shelter, food, safe drinking water, healthcare and protection support.

Donate now
 caritas.org.au/nepal | 1800 024 413



EMERGENCY ACTION ALLIANCE Caritas AUSTRALIA

Pastoral Home Visits



Sr Maria is available for home visits on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays
 For an appointment call 9401 6338
 or email Sr Maria at Maria.Bui@cam.org.au

MARCH FOR THE BABIES

Saturday, 10th October at 1pm

Treasury Gardens, Corner of Spring St and Wellington Pde, Melbourne.

Come and show your support and march for the babies, wearing pink and blue ! This is the 17th annual March for the Babies, and every year since 2009, thousands of Victorians have gathered peacefully with grief and hope to remember the ever-increasing number of babies killed by abortion in this state since the Government legalized abortion-till-birth on October 10, 2008.

www.marchforthebabies.com



world police presence

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP



St Martin of Tours' Bereavement Support Group will meet on **Thursday 22 October at 2.30pm in the Parish House.**

New members are warmly welcome to join us. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact Sr Maria on **9401 6338**

or email Maria.Bui@cam.org.au.

SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER



STARTS FROM 9AM-1PM

Items may include clothes, toys, shoes, accessories, furniture, jewellery, books, etc.

St Martin Of Tours
 2 Silk Street, Rosanna, 3084
Per CAR \$20/-

For bookings, please contact the Parish Office on 9401 6338

Hairdressing for Women and Men:

Phone: Yuni on 0433 614 399 Pensioner Rates.

Can attend home.

Hear With Me Audiology Care (All Ages)

Dr Gerard William -hearwithme.com.au or contact: **03 9002 4237**