

PARISH BULLETIN

St Macartan's Catholic Parish



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NEW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Thank you to those who have already volunteered
for picking up bread from a local bakery every Tuesday & Friday nights at 6pm.

Sometimes they are not available. The bread is given to the poor, elderly & needy on Wednesday nights at St Macs Café, during the week through SVDP and after 9am Mass. Other volunteers are still needed so if you are available to help collect the bread, please contact the office:
59752200

UPCOMING HOLY DAYS:

- Wed 14th: ST MAXIMILIAN MARY KOLBE
- Thur 15th: THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:

- 17/18 August:
THE ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN

UPCOMING EVENTS

ENCOUNTER YOUTH GROUP BAKE SALE - SUNDAY 18TH AUGUST AFTER 9AM & 11AM MASSES.

WE HOLD IN OUR PRAYERS

Pray for the sick and their Carers: Tony Formosa, Betty Corke, Fiona Rush, Aaron Eastley, Bruce Reekie, Val Carr, Evan Senn, Adeline Lyn Tilden, Angela Turner, Poala Solvy, Kathleen Rose, Barbara Seymour, Barbara Hent, Gai Beveridge, Barbara Hunt, Dr Ron Fitzgerald, James Tokarczyk, Sarah-Jane Sharp, Sinead Ryan, Rita Fordyce, George Cerolini, Maggie Campbell, Anne Hosemans, Michael Kesik, Jane Payne, Peter Clark, Barbara Solech, Grazyna Novak, Rob Turner, Fred Verna & Scott Creswick.



Recent Deaths:

Death Anniversaries: Kevin Lynch & Sean Patrick O'Sullivan

Funeral service information:

Video Sunday 9am Mass:

LIVESTREAMING: <https://vimeo.com/event/4493295>

Or go to website to copy link: <https://www.melbcatholic.org/mornington>

ALSO: at our regular YouTube link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCW8lyzEMe20DLyOppts0Fw/videos>

Mass Times:

- Weekdays: Tues to Saturday 9:15am
- Saturday night: 6 pm
- Sunday: 9am, 11am
- Anointing/Healing Mass: 9:15am [1st Friday of each Month]

YOUTH MASS: 2nd & 4th Sunday each Month 5pm.

HOLY HOUR / ADORATION:

- Every Friday after 9:15 Mass
- 1st Saturdays each month after 9:15am Mass
- 3:30pm 2nd & 4th Sundays

RECONCILIATION:

After 9:15am Mass: Wed & Saturday

YOUTH GROUPS: QUINN'S PLACE:
Year 7+ Friday's 5pm-9pm Community House & Hall

ENCOUNTER: Youth Group: Primary school age 3pm-4:45pm before Youth Mass 2nd & 4th Sundays of each Month. Community House

St Macartan's Primary School Newsletter:

[Week 3 Term 3: 2nd August](#)

Padua Newsletter:

[Edition 4 - 28 June](#)



TO DONATE TO OUR CHURCH ACCOUNT & FOR THANKSGIVING:

BSB: 083 347 Account Number: 547 373 281



First Reading

1 Kings 19:4-8

A reading from the first book of Kings

Strengthened by the food, he walked to the mountain of the Lord.

Elijah went into the wilderness, a day's journey, and sitting under a furze bush wished he were dead. 'Lord', he said 'I have had enough. Take my life: I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down and went to sleep. But an angel touched him and said, 'Get up and eat.' He looked round, and there at his head was a scone baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. But the angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, 'Get up and eat, or the journey will be too long for you.' So he got up and ate and drank, and strengthened by that food he walked for forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 33(34):2-9. R. v.9

(R.) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad.

(R.)

2. Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord and he answered me; from all my terrors he set me free. (R.)

3. Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.

This poor man called; the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress. (R.)

4. The angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who revere him, to rescue them.

Taste and see that the Lord is good.
He is happy who seeks refuge in him. (R.)

Second Reading

Ephesians 4:30 – 5:2

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Walk in love, just as Christ.

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God who has marked you with his seal for you to be set free when the day comes. Never have grudges against others, or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anybody, or call each other names, or allow any sort of spitefulness. Be friends with one another, and kind, forgiving each other as readily as God forgave you in Christ. Try, then, to imitate God, as children of his that he loves, and follow Christ by loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place as a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God.

Gospel Acclamation

John 6:51

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

Gospel

John 6:41-51

A reading from the gospel according to John.

I am the living bread come down from heaven.

The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus, because he had said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' 'Surely this is Jesus son of Joseph' they said. 'We know his father and mother. How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus said in reply, 'Stop complaining to each other. 'No one can come to me unless he is drawn by the Father who sent me, and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the prophets:

They will all be taught by God, and to hear the teaching of the Father,
and learn from it, is to come to me.

Not that anybody has seen the Father, except the one who comes from God:
he has seen the Father. I tell you most solemnly,

everybody who believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life.

Your fathers ate the manna in the desert and they are dead;
but this is the bread that comes down from heaven,
so that a man may eat it and not die.

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever;
and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Communion Antiphon

.Psalm 147:12,14

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord,
who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

New Parishioners

If you are new to our beautiful parish, please collect a welcome pack from the church foyer. We are always happy to integrate new parishioners into our welcoming community.

Feel free to introduce yourself to Fr Geoff, Fr An or Cherrie in the office.



HISTORICAL CONTEXT

The Jews

It might strike the reader as a little odd that this gospel passage begins with 'The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus'. Surely, Jesus and his disciples were also Jews, so why the derogatory use of 'the Jews'? At the time that this gospel was being written (probably in the last decade of the 1st Century) the Christians were firmly at odds with the Jewish community and were in fact banned from attending Jewish synagogues. This conflict is reflected in the way the Jews are portrayed throughout the Gospel of John.

Gospel Reflection

This passage continues the extended discourse on the Bread of Life. The passage shows the crowd bristling at Jesus describing himself as the 'bread that came down from heaven'. They dismiss his claim because they know his earthly parents, Mary and Joseph. How could he have come down from heaven if they are aware of his parents on earth? It must also be remembered that Jewish tradition held firm to the idea of God as one God only, with no offspring or personified manifestations. For the Jews of Jesus' time, the very idea of Jesus being the Son of God was completely blasphemous. But this gospel is a Christian document, written at a time when the Christians and Jews were emphasising their differences.

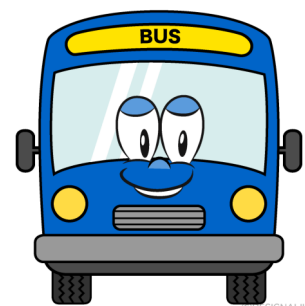
Jesus replies to the complaints of the crowd through an extended image. He depicts the intimate relationship that exists between himself and the Father. Later, this discourse will be drawn on in the argument about the divinity of Jesus and that he is 'one in being with the Father'. Those who are drawn to Jesus and his message are – perhaps unknowingly – drawn by the Father and by listening to the teaching of Jesus they are in fact drawing closer to the Father. It is a somewhat complicated image that Jesus paints but at its heart he emphasises the intertwined nature between Father and Son. Refuting the concern of the crowd, Jesus again describes himself as the living bread that has come down from heaven. Unlike the manna the people ate in the desert that sustained them physically for a short period of time, the living bread of Jesus will sustain those who believe for all time.

Volunteering - Something we can all do.

This week we are asking for more helpers in the **Bus driver** ministry group. This group of volunteers pick-up our parishioners that can't otherwise get here for 9am Mass and take them home after a cuppa after Mass. You don't need any special drivers licence but must be over 25 and have a full licence.

We need you!

So, if you would like to help. Please contact the office:
5975 2200 -Thank you



Pope encourages taking the path of charity for fulness of life

In his reflections at the Sunday Angelus, Pope Francis reminds us that material things do not lead to fulness of life, but rather it is in taking the path of charity which keeps nothing for itself, but shares all.

Offering what we have

The miracle of feeding the crowds with a tiny number of loaves of bread and fish shows how if everyone offers what they have, no matter how small, with the help of God everyone can benefit, the Pope emphasised. But the crowds focused only on Jesus' miracle and their physical hunger that was temporarily satisfied, the Pope continued, and they did not grasp the bigger meaning of the experience.



True bread

While their hunger was satisfied, the miracle of the loaves and the

fishes revealed "the path of life that lasts forever and the taste of bread that satisfies beyond any measure." The true bread, the Pope explained was and is Jesus, God's beloved Son made man who came to share our condition and lead us to the joy and gift of full communion with God and with our brothers and sisters.

Path of charity

The Pope explained that material things do not lead to fulness of life, as only love can do that when we take the path of charity which keeps nothing for itself and shares all. He pointed out how this can be seen in families when parents strive to raise their children well and leave them a good future. And the children in turn can show their gratitude and be supportive of one another.

"The message of a father and a mother, their most precious legacy, is not money, but the love with which they give their children everything they have, just as God does with us, and in this way, they teach us to love."

The Pope suggested we look at our own relationship with material things and whether we are beholden to them or we freely share them with others to express our love and joy, while also saying 'thank you' for the gifts we receive.

"May Mary, who gave Jesus her whole life, teach us to make everything an instrument of love."

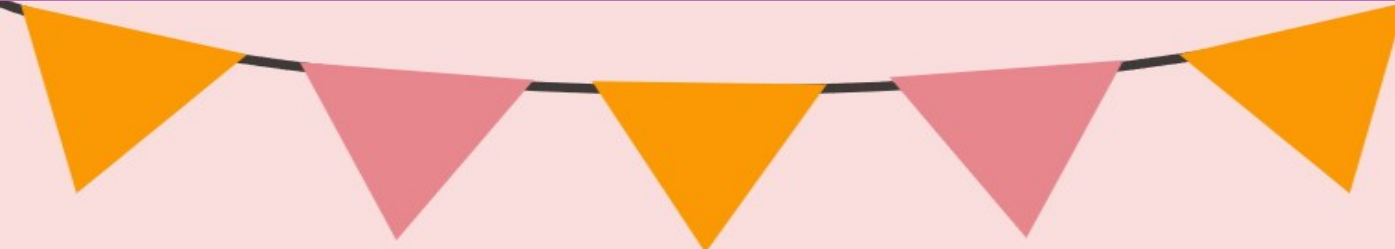
Next weekend the Encounter Youth Group will be having our first ever fundraiser! We will be holding a bake sale after 9am and 11am mass on Sunday 18th of August. We would love it if you could come down and support this event.

Encounter is a parish-supported youth group for primary school aged children. Any support you can give would be greatly appreciated.

If you can't come along on the day but you'd still like to support us, you can donate some bake goodies for us to sell during the sale.

If you'd like to donate some baked goods please contact Kate by email:

Morningtonparish.youth@cam.org.au or Call the Office 5975 2200



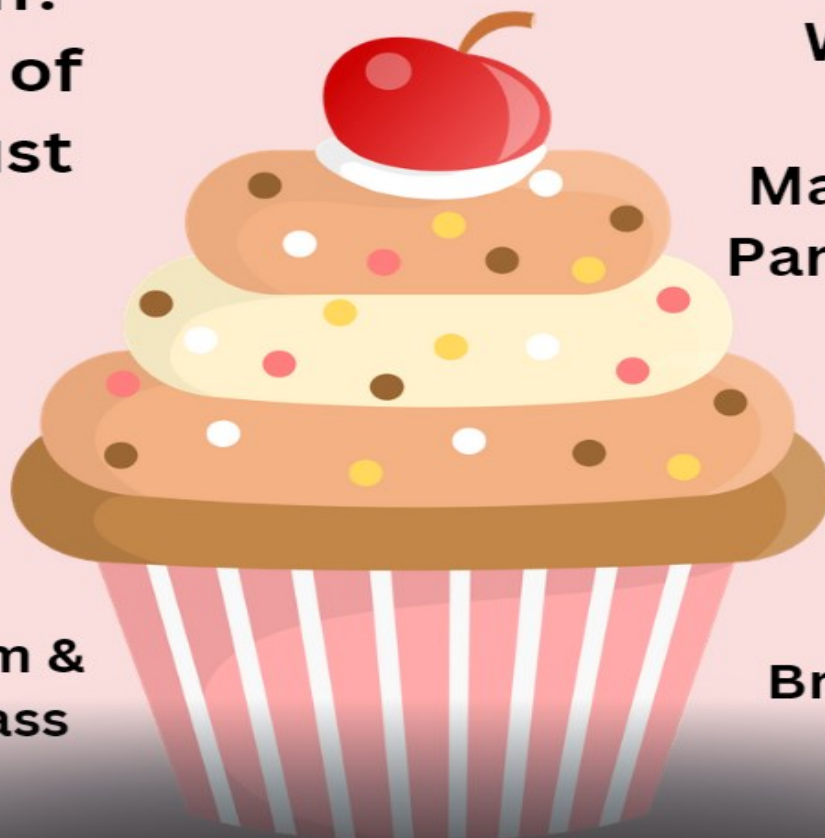
THE ENCOUNTER YOUTH GROUP PRESENTS: BAKE SALE

**When?
18th of
August**

**Where?
St
Macartan's
Parish Foyer**

**Time:
After 9am &
11am Mass**

Bring Cash





Jokes of the Week



1: Pastor's bread of life: A fairly poor and thin country Priest, one day, when he was riding his horse, he stopped to chat with a member of his parish. "That's a handsome looking animal you have there Father," said the parishioner admiringly. "But why is that your horse of yours so big and strong and you are so thin?" "Perhaps," replied the Priest, "it is because I feed the horse and the congregation feeds me."



2: "I am going to be a preacher:" After his return from Church one Sunday a small boy said, "You know what, Mommy? I'm going to be a preacher when I grow up." "That's fine," said his mother, "but what made you decide to be a preacher?" "Well," said the boy thoughtfully. "Since I have to go to Church every Sunday anyway, I think it would be more fun to stand up and yell than to sit still and listen."

It is that time once again to get things moving for the 2024 with the "Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle".

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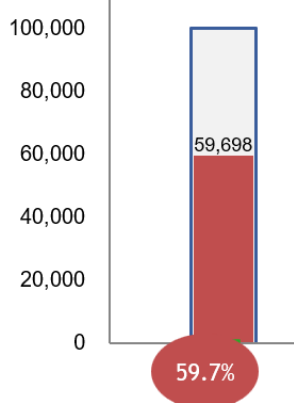
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Victorian Commission for Gambling Regulation Raffle Permit No: 10159/24, granted to Resurrection Parish Keysborough (Combined Catholic Parishes). Authorisation sale of 80,000 tickets at \$2.00 each from 8th July to 13th November 2024. The draw is to take place on Saturday 7th December 2024 at 7:30pm at Resurrection Parish, 402 Corrigan Road, Keysborough. Results details published in the Herald Sun on Wed 11th December 2024 and on the internet at www.resurrectionparish.org.au. Winners will be notified by telephone. Prizes not redeemable for cash.

THE ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN

The 2024 Archbishop's campaign is now underway, and we ask everyone to consider a pledge to support the vital ministries of our Archdiocese. These ministries are outlined in the campaign brochure which you will find in your pew and in the foyer today. Gifts of \$2 or more are tax-deductible. Tax-deductible donations go the Archbishops charitable Fund which supports the Corpus Christi College Building Fund, the Priests retirement Foundation, John Pierce Centre, Melbourne Overseas Mission, University of Divinity Building Fund as well as Catholic community agencies and service organisations through annual grants. Non-tax-deductible donations go to the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Religious Projects Fund and support seminarian formation and evangelization ministries. Please review the campaign material and prayerfully consider pledging a recurring monthly gift to help us continue to strengthen the Christian faith and address the needs of God's people. You can also make a gift online at <https://melbournecatholic.org/archbishopscampaign> or via the QR codes on the campaign materials. I invite you to give generously to this important campaign.





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\$59,885

We are still raising money and need to get to \$100,000

DONATE via the Parish website or using the details below:

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Parish Footy Tipping Competition

Our competition has a new leader. Chris Houlihan is now one in front of Mel Fisher while Peter Keightley and Maree O'Halloran are one further back with 2 others one more behind. Last week 3 tip-pers picked 8/9. They were Peter, Theresa Lincoln and Spencer Meier. With only 3 Rounds before the Finals and the topsy turvy season, anyone can win (and any team can win).

Last week the AFL welcomed the 6th player to play 400 games. 104 players have played 300 games. Do you know who is the current player who has played 237 games without playing in a final or the current player who holds the record of the longest time between his games of 4 years and 206 days?



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Melina van Leeuwen, Harp

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Mass Co-ordinators

6.00pm Carmel Coles 5975 3080

9.00am Clive Tucker

11.00am Patricia Duryea 0418 139 599

5.00pm Marino Cassemento 0408 394 792

19th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 10/11 August 2024

6.00pm Readers Fay Murphy, Marlene Tesmann

Eucharistic Mins Alis Fisher, Michael Turner

9.00am Readers Don Ziino, Spencer Meier

Eucharistic Mins Rosemarie D'Silva, Frank Crea

11.00am Readers Patricia Duryea, Joan Clements

Eucharistic Mins Barb Ensill, Rosina Di Petta

20th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 17/18 August 2024

6.00pm Readers Louise Renshaw, Adrian Mitchell

Eucharistic Mins Tricia Hird, Joyce Ward

9.00am Readers John Azzopardi, Michael Kerr

Eucharistic Mins John and Mary Lewis

11.00am Readers Terry Roberts, Gabriella Fialla

Eucharistic Mins Evelyn Atkins, Sue Fletcher

21st Sunday of Ordinary Time – 24/25 August 2024

6.00pm Readers Brian Scantlebury, Louise Renshaw

Eucharistic Mins Marlene Tesmann, Alice Fisher

9.00am Readers Don Ziino, Paul Girolami

Eucharistic Mins Marcelle Azzopardi, Pat Girolami

11.00am Readers Esme Higgins, Michael Harrison

Eucharistic Mins Rosina DiPetta, Barb Ensill

22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time – 31/8 – 1st September

6.00pm Readers Adrian Mitchell, Marlene Tesmann

Eucharistic Mins Christina Llopart, Michael Turner

9.00am Readers Michael Kerr, Spencer Meier

Eucharistic Mins Richard Jolly, Rosemarie D'Silva

11.00am Readers Patricia Duryea, John Rowe

Eucharistic Mins Sheila Goddard, Sandra Barrett

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John 6:51 (NIV)