

Seaford Parish Newsletter

Sunday 14th June 2026



**Holy Family
St. Joachim's
St. Anne's**

**Frankston North
Carrum Downs
Seaford**



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ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

REFLECTION FOR THIS WEEK

In today's Gospel, Jesus shares his mission to proclaim the kingdom of heaven with his disciples. The signs of the kingdom's presence consist of the work that Jesus has already been doing: the sick are cured, lepers are cleansed, demons are driven out, and the dead are raised to life. The disciples are sent to continue doing the work that Jesus has begun. This is a moment of transition in Matthew's Gospel. The focus has shifted from the ministry of Jesus to the work of the community that he has inaugurated. More than any other Gospel, Matthew's Gospel elaborates on the work of the Church, which is to continue after Jesus' death and resurrection. The Gospel reports that Jesus commissions twelve disciples. Many scholars believe that the twelve disciples symbolize the twelve tribes of Israel. It designates, therefore, continuity between Israel and the Church. Matthew lists the names of the twelve disciples, as do Mark and Luke. Matthew also uses the word *apostle* when referring to the Twelve. The



word *apostle* means "one who is sent." In this context, Matthew is calling attention to the mission that the twelve disciples are being given. They are sent by Jesus to proclaim the kingdom of heaven in word and deed. As Jesus sent his disciples to continue his work and mission, so too the Church is sent by Jesus. The Church is his continuing presence on earth. Every member of the Church is sent by Jesus to contribute to this mission.

PARISH HEAD COUNT RESULTS : AVERAGE FOR THE PAST YEARS.

2023	2024	2025	2026
432	473	488	519

Mass Time	2 nd /3 rd	9 th /10 th	16 th /17 th	23 rd /24 th Total (0-17) (18-29) (30-49) (50-69) (70 years and above)					
6:00 pm	206	149	189 - M -79 F - 110	199	51	19	42	45	42
8:30 am	129	95	110 - M -51 F - 59	100	5	0	20	40	35
10:00 am	188	228	173 M - 72 F - 101	210	41	10	45	69	45
Holy Family			100 M - 33 F - 67						

Our parish respectfully acknowledges the Bunurong people, who are the custodians of the Boon Wurrung land on which we worship. We acknowledge and pay respect to the Elders; past, present and future.

We are very grateful to all the parishioners for your continued support and donations.

THANKSGIVING OPTIONS

If you are able to send your thanksgiving offerings via direct debit to:
St. Annes Church (CDF)

BSB Number: 083 347, Account No: 64340 4615.

As reference please include your Thanksgiving Number if you have one and/or your full name.

Online direct contributions, either one-off or recurring, can be made through the QR code Or the below link

<https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/donate?id=0012w00000LOj6iAAD>



Scan this code with your smart phone camera APP & please follow the prompts.

Thanksgiving collection for the Weekend 07/06/2026 \$ 4149.50

“Child Safety is Everyone’s Responsibility”

Welcome to St Anne’s Parish, where we foster the well being and safety of all children and adults at risk. Since we take the safety of our young and vulnerable parishioners seriously, we have a zero tolerance policy when it comes to abuse. All our parishioners have the right to feel safe and welcome. If you have any concerns, Please contact the Parish Safeguarding Officer (seaford@cam.org.au).

Please pray for the sick and suffering of our parish especially **Alexander, Felipe, Anne, Chelsea Borg, Ida Perry, Constance Anderson, Jean McGregor, Jacqueline Ware, Allyson Joel, Frank Bartosy, Siyumi, Eliza Wilmot, Yeng Omo, Myra Buyco, Patricia Upton, Alex, Jay Sulton, Frances Kinna, Philomina, George Paul, Tracy Dalmau, Susie, John Duff, Aida Mortimer.** We pray for all those whose anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time especially **Baby Rickyston Arulraj** and for all those who have died recently deceased **Rita Brown. Rest in Peace. Amen.**



ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND **20TH & 21ST JUNE**

6:00pm Vigil Mass

Readers: Nikita. F / Bezlin. M

Eucharistic Minister: Rosario / Ashley

Altar Servers: Jeremy / Bertin / Luke

8:30am Mass

Readers: Sofia. A / Christina. O

Eucharistic Minister: Timothy / Brian

Altar Servers: Fina / Jeanne/ Johan

10:00am Mass

Readers: Marylin. V / Willow.H

Eucharistic Minister: Lloyd / Amelia

Altar Servers: Shenoli / Mary / Gabrina

***The harvest is rich but
the labourers are few,
so ask the Lord of the
harvest to send out
labourers to his
harvest.'***

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READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY-Year A **11th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading: Ex 19: 2 - 6

Responsorial Psalm: We are his people: the sheep of his flock.

2nd Reading: Rom 5: 6 - 11

Gospel: Mt 9: 36 - 10: 8

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY-Year A **12th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading: Jer 20 : 10 - 13

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, in your great love, answer me.

2nd Reading: Rom 5: 12 - 15

Gospel: Mt 10: 26 - 33

Dear Parishioners,

SACRAMENTS FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Our parish warmly welcomes and supports children with special needs in their journey of faith and preparation for the Sacraments.

We recognise that every child is unique, and parents and carers know their children best. We value and respect the guidance and insights that parents can provide regarding their child's abilities, needs, and readiness for the Sacraments.

The parish is committed to working closely with families to ensure that children with special needs are given every opportunity to celebrate the Sacraments in a meaningful and appropriate way. We are happy to make suitable arrangements and provide pastoral support to help each child participate fully in the

sacramental life of the Church.

Parents who would like to discuss sacramental preparation or celebration for their child are encouraged to contact the parish office or speak with the parish priest. Together, we can help every child encounter God's love and grace through the Sacraments.

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES UPDATE

We are preparing thanksgiving envelopes for the next Financial year which will be distributed in the next weekend.

We would request the parishioners who contribute via envelopes to consider contributing via direct debit or credit card. Please contact the Parish Office before **17th June 2026**.

**Please see more information on our website
Rev Fr Martin Jeramias**

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

Did You Know? One in Seven Christians Worldwide Experiences Persecution

An estimated one in seven Christians worldwide experiences persecution or discrimination because of their faith.

In countries including Nigeria, Burkina Faso, Pakistan and China, Christians can face imprisonment, violence, or pressure to abandon their faith simply because they follow Christ.

Yet despite persecution, countless Christians continue to gather for Mass and practise their faith with remarkable courage - even when doing so may place their freedom or lives at risk.

These Christians are not strangers to us. They are our brothers and sisters in Christ, and we are called to stand with them in prayer and solidarity.

Through Aid to the Church in Need (ACN), discover their stories and be inspired by the courage of Mathieu and Pauline, catechists from Burkina Faso who were kidnapped for their faith.

Read their remarkable story by scanning the QR code, or visit aidtochurch.org/bulletin



Congratulation to all the First Holy

Communicant receiving their Sacrament of the First Eucharist this weekend.

Patrick Hughes

Blake Person

Harvey Noah Watterson

Alexandra Albayero

Milana Albayero

Indyana Cruise

Fiona Mary Wood

Johnnie Julian Rudy Hazelman

Liliana Kurtz

Arabella Lahn

Charlie Lucas

Evie Rose Pollard

Aoife Standish



GOLF CLUBS AND BAG

A set of right hand Golf clubs and bag is available
Ideal for beginners .

Please contact Jeff: 0412 550 740

FEAST OF SACRED HEART OF JESUS AND IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

COME TO ME. In love God will occasionally challenge us, rebuke us, call us to repentance. But when we are weary and overburdened, we can experience rest for our souls in the tender love of Christ if we but accept his invitation to draw close to his gentle and humble heart. (The feast was last Friday and Saturday).



MASS TIMES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday & Thursday	6:00 pm Mass
Wednesday	9:15 am Mass
Silent adoration	5:30 - 6:30 pm
Friday	9:15 pm Mass
Rosary	6:30 pm
Saturday	5:00 pm Rosary followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet 5:30 pm Reconciliation 6:00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday	8:30am & 10:00am Mass
3rd Sunday	10:30am Filipino Mass (at Holy Family Hall)

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Monday	6:00 - 8:00 pm Marian Cenacle Group 6:00 - 7:00 pm Holy Eucharist Session
Tuesday	6:35 - 7:30 pm Finance Committee
Thursday	1:00 - 2:00 pm Maintenance Committee
Friday	6:00 - 7:00 pm Youth Group 6:30 - 7:30 pm MenAlive
Saturday	3:45 - 5:00 pm Senior Legion of Mary

CAN YOU HELP VICTIMS OF CHURCH-RELATED ABUSE?

For fourteen years, the Lifeboat Geelong Foundation has been assisting victims of church-related sexual abuse from all over Australia. Generous supporters have donated a number of motor vehicles of varied value (from \$500 to \$20,000!), including cars from deceased estates or which are no longer required. Some have been directly gifted to a victim/survivor in need, while others have been sold to generate funds required to assist victims in a multitude of ways (counselling, rent, utilities and other domestic and personal necessities) or donating **an unwanted motor vehicle, such as a car from a deceased estate** or which, for whatever reason, is no longer required.

Also, since the "Lifeboat Car Project" began in 2020, one single dedicated volunteer has overseen the process, which includes working with the donor to organise a Roadworthy Certificate and assisting recipients or purchasers of the vehicle with the required documentation for Vicroads. He now needs a rest – or at least some help!

So "Lifeboat" also needs a few people who are reasonably familiar with the usual car transfer regulations to assist donors of vehicles (and potential buyers) to negotiate the formal processes. If you or someone you know could help (maximum involvement with four cars per year), please contact Fr. Kevin Dillon (0421 777 360 or frkdillon@outlook.com.au) for more information.

FRANKSTON WINTER SHELTER



Thank you to everyone who has made a financial & goods donation to the shelter already, it is all very much welcomed & appreciated. Also, thank

you to everyone who has already registered to volunteer. We have had an increase in volunteers from St Annes this year from previous years, which is really great and encouraging to see.

We are still needing the following gaps filled: Overnights: Tuesday - fortnightly 2am - 6am, Thursday fortnightly 2am - 6am. You can also register as an emergency for one off shifts when our volunteers are sick or away. Even if you can help out just once, it all helps and is greatly appreciated.

As mentioned in our talks, we are asking the parishioners of St. Anne's to donate multi packs of shapes, tiny teddies & chips. These can be left in the foyer of the church.

Thank you and God bless.

Winter Shelter Coordinator.

Schedule for the Sacraments 2026

First Holy Communion Celebration Starting this weekend

FIRST EUCHARIST CATECHISM SESSIONS FOR NON CATHOLIC SCHOOL FAMILIES

All non catholic school children will need to do special religious education program apart from the sacramental program of the parish. The next session for the children for the preparation of First Eucharist is



Monday 15th June 2026 at 6 -7 pm

Confirmation : We have 42 candidate enrolled for the Sacrament of Confirmation this year.

As part of the confirmation program, we expect every child to attend at least 3 weekend (not weekdays) Masses throughout the program. You can go to any Catholic church around the area.



After the Mass, please see the priest and show the form we have given. He will sign it.

Continue Attending Mass

We encourage you to keep attending Mass even after completing the three required Masses. Every Mass you attend helps you grow closer to Jesus and strengthens your faith.

Please bring this page with you to each Mass and show this side to the priest.

After each Mass, fill in the following details in the order: Date- Name of the parish- and priest will sign it. Every Mass you attend will be recorded and counted. Special gifts and recognition will be awarded to the children who attend the most Masses during the program.