



ONE MISSION, TWO PARISHES



Fourth Sunday of Easter – Year B Sunday 21 April 2024

Administrator

Fr Dean Mathieson

Parish Secretary

Sonya O'Farrell

Wednesdays,

Thursdays & Fridays

10am – 2pm

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday Vigil

ST: & SL: 6pm

Sunday

St Luke's 8:30am

St Timothy's 10:30am

St Timothy's 5pm (Vietnamese)

WEEKDAY MASSES

St Timothy's:

Wed & Thurs - 9:15am

Fri - 10am

1st Wed of the month

@ 10.00am Mass of Anointing

St Luke's:

Tues - 5pm

Wed, Thurs, Fri - 9:30am

Sat - 9am

Rosary after each morning Mass

RECONCILIATION

SL: Sat 9.30am-10am

5.30pm – 5.50pm

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

SL: Tues 5:30pm-6:30pm

Good Shepherd Sunday

The image of Christ as our Good Shepherd has always appealed to human nature. One of the earliest paintings of Christ in the Roman catacombs represents him as carrying an injured sheep on his shoulders. This is a manifestation of love which touches our innermost feelings. We do not mind being likened to sheep in this context. There is something guileless about a sheep, and at the same time a lot of foolishness. Does not this describe the vast majority of men, even many of those who openly oppose Christ? Is there not something very sheeplike about the man who, because God gave him a limited intellect, thinks he knows all things and needs no further help from God? The sheep who thinks it knows as much, and even more, than the shepherd and sets out to fend for itself, is no more foolish than the man who thinks he can do without God's revelation and God's Church.

There are many who are not so fortunate as we, who either through no fault of their own or through their own fault do not hear his voice and do not know or follow him. This is an opportunity he gives us to show how we appreciate all he has done for us. He died on the cross for all men. He wills all men to profit by his death, and his statement "them also I must bring" is a direct appeal to us to cooperate with him in this work. Every Christian is a missionary. The very fact of living the Christian life in its entirety, in the midst of our fellowmen, is of itself a powerful example to outsiders. It influences for good the lax Christian and the non-Christian. It makes them stop and think and look into their consciences. This is generally the first step on the road back to God.

The devout Christian will not stop at good example only. If he truly loves God, he must truly love his neighbor and must want him to have a share in his own good fortune. He knows there is welcome and room in heaven for all men, and he knows that the greater the number there the greater will be God's eternal glory. He will strive then by every available means to help his neighbor into Christ's fold.

After good example, prayer will be his most potent weapon. Day in, day out the devout Christian must pray for the conversion of his fellowmen who are wandering aimlessly in the barren desert of this life far from God. He must also learn all he can about the truths of his faith in order to be able to help honest enquirers. He must also cooperate with any parochial or diocesan societies for the propagation of the faith, insofar as his family and financial state allow him.

The sermon preached by our Saviour nearly two thousand years ago is still echoing and re-echoing around the world, calling on his faithful flock to do all in their power to help those other children of God who are still outside the fold. Do not shut your ears to this call of Christ today. Give him a helping hand by helping your fellowman to see the light of the true faith.

Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

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Prayer to Saint Timothy

O God, who adorned Saint Timothy with apostolic virtues, grant, through his intercession that, living justly and devoutly in this present age, we may merit to reach our heavenly homeland. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Patron Saint of stomach and intestinal disorders.

Prayer to Saint Luke the Evangelist

O St. Luke, you were chosen to reveal in preaching and writing God's love for the poor. Moved by the heavenly Spirit of Love, you detailed the life of Jesus, showing His divinity and His genuine compassion for all human beings. Help those who already glory in God's name to persevere in one heart and one mind and inspire all people that they may hear the Good News of Salvation. Amen

Patron Saint of artists, physicians, surgeons, students and butchers.

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY / VOCATIONS SUNDAY

Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pope Francis tells us:

“There can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord! I would like to say this especially to you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him.”

Let us pray for the young people in our community, and in our families and circle of friends. May our prayers help them to be open to the Lord's call to consecrated life or priesthood.

Pledge to Pray

The Vocations Office in Melbourne has partnered with some others in a project, 'Pledge to Pray' - an on-line platform for individuals to pledge prayers for vocations. It is based upon the idea of the 'Invisible Monastery'. I invite you to 'pledge a prayer' for vocations at www.pledgetoprayer.com.au this is a site dedicated to encouraging prayer for vocations in Australia.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD

Saturday 6pm SL
6pm ST
Sunday 8:30am SL
10:30am ST
5pm ST

20 and 21 April

Janice D Souza
Kelvin Chen
May McKeown
Molly Hemsley & Andrew Johny
Youth group

27 and 28 April

Ian Holmes
Maria Deayton
Peter McKeown
Ryan Yee & Eli Tutor
Ha Cao & Loc Le

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

Saturday 6pm SL
6pm ST
Sunday 8:30am SL
10:30am ST
5pm ST

Olive Hammill
Peter Naughtin
Megan McLean
Laura Cigana
Youth group

Godfrey Thong
Mary Italiano
Margaret Gearon
Anico Yee
Hoang Nguyen

SLIDE OPERATORS

Saturday 6pm SL
6pm ST
Sunday 8:30am SL
10:30am ST
5pm ST

David Prabha
Michelle Chen
Paul Tierney
Lee Min Yee
Theresa Nguyen

Choir
Michelle Chen
Megan McLean
Manny Gonzalez
Toan Tran

SL WELCOMERS 20/21 APR

6:00pm Libby Theodore
8:30am Joe Brogno
ST 10.30am Volunteer

SL CHURCH CLEANING

27th April – Bernard's Team
Bernard O'Malley, Joanne Nolan,
Melina Barcellona & Anne Allsopp

SL CHURCH FLOWERS

20th April - Jo Adams
27th April - Marie Parker

ST CHURCH FLOWERS

Parishioners

ST COUNTERS

This week Team 3:
Peter Deayton & Kelvin Chen
Next week Team 4:
Mary Choy & Eileen Tam

SL WELCOMERS 27/28 APR

6:00pm Tony Fernandez
8:30am Marie Pekish
ST 10.30am Volunteer

ST CHURCH CLEANING

27th April @ 8am
Hoang Nguyen, Anico Yee,
Dzung Vu & Trong Nguyen.

WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER this weekend all who are sick, especially Bernadine O'Meara, Maura, Kit Bing Fan, Tony Keaney, Kathryn Holmes, Therese O'Donoghue, Stewart Davis, Mark, Jerry Donoghue, Margaret Hayes, Kevin Bolton, the Italiano family and all those Parishioners unable to be among us this weekend. For all who have died especially those who tragically lost their lives in Sydney last weekend, for the casualties of war in Ukraine, Israel and Gaza and for those whose anniversaries occur about this time especially Dallas Lapsley, Kevin Campbell, Margaret Stainsby, Grace Morton, Bernard Milner, Clifdon Rennick, Claire Kerin, Brian Blanchfield, William Grealy, Josie Defina, David Nguyen, Thomas Cattle, Teresa Mulder, Michael Luscombe, & Patrick Hannebury. May they rest in peace.

PROJECT COMPASSION: Project Compassion Boxes can be left at SL in the basket near the picture of St Joseph and at ST in the basket near the Holy Oils cabinet on the sanctuary. www.caritas.org.au/project-compassion or phone 1800 024 413. So far we have dispatched \$1,954.50 from St Timothy's and \$2,773.20 from St Luke's to Caritas. Receipts have been issued to those who requested them. Thank you for your amazing generosity.

SPECIAL CONGRATULATIONS to Maria and Peter Deayton, longtime parishioners of St Timothy's, on their 60th Wedding Anniversary which they celebrated this week! May God continue to bless them and their family.

Resources

MELBOURNE CATHOLIC: [The season of new beginnings](#)

MAJELLAN FAMILY MEDIA: [Sydney in Our Hearts: Healing after Violence](#)

THE JOURNEY THIS WEEK: On The Journey This Week: On The Journey This Week: Fr Joshua Whitehead says we're invited to reflect on our approach to faith, is it something that you do, or do you allow yourself to be led by God, the Good Shepherd? Mother Hilda says that words from God will fill up that space between your heartbeats. Plus, Fr Tony Percy, Pete Gilmore and Fr Dave Callaghan. The Journey podcast available at www.jcr.org.au

A.C.U. ONLINE TRAINING FOR MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: Enrolment is now open for this program which runs weekly from April 9th to 14th May. Further details can be found [HERE](#)

PALMS AUSTRALIA: Would you like to volunteer overseas? An In-Person Information session is happening on April 22nd at Sacred Heart Primary School, Oakleigh. More information [HERE](#)

STEWARDSHIP CORNER:

The First collection is for the priest and retired priests.

The Second collection is for parish expenses

ST: Weekly First Collection Presbytery Envelopes: \$177

Thanksgiving Stewardship Envelopes this week: \$200

Vietnamese Donation: \$281.05

SL: Last week's Church Stewardship Envelopes: \$400

Last week's Presbytery Stewardship Envelopes: \$329

Parish Groups & Contacts

Volunteers and Rosters

ST: Corrie Quimbo 9412 8499

SL: Margaret Gearon 0409 807 135

Baptism Preparation

ST: Mary Italiano 9412 8499

Vietnamese Community

Hoang Nguyen 0422 400 116

Andy Tran 0422 382 109

Vietnamese Youth

Theresa Nguyen 0415 158 749

Parish Collection Preparers

ST: Barry Silvester &

Michael Kawalewski

Stewardship Counters

SL: Dale Dixon - 0433 885 087

Steve Kilroe-Smith - 0404 864 232

Parishes Safeguarding Committee

Theresa Nguyen, Mary Italiano,

Darren McLean - 0417 774 504

Janette Clark - 9877 2292

Parish history

SL: Margaret Gearon - 0409 807 135

Parish Accountant

Bernard Negline

SL: Hall Hire

Sonya O'Farrell @ the

Parish Office - 9877 2292

Church Sacristan

ST: Margaret King & Hoang Nguyen

SL: Greg Grant - 0401 644 474

Church Housekeeping

ST: Margaret King 9412 8499

Church Cleaning & Flowers

SL: Megan McLean - 0419 347 693

Church Linen

SL: Beryl Kanagalinggam

Parish Garden Maintenance

ST: Des Connors, Leo Watson,

Anico Yee & Vietnamese Community

SL: Darren McLean - 0417 774 504

Parish Choirs

ST: Mary Italiano & Theresa Nguyen

SL: Lina & Maria Mafi

0411 136 043

St Vincent de Paul Conference

For Assistance: 1800 305 330

(Monday to Friday 10am-3pm)

Parish Contacts:

ST: John McCoy

SL: Tony Lobo &

Steve Kilroe-Smith

Entrance Antiphon: The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

Response to the Psalm: The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

Eucharistic Acclamation: We proclaim your Death O Lord and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Communion Antiphon: The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.



HOLY HOUR & Confession

St Luke's
Tuesdays, 5:30pm-6:30pm
(Note day/time change)

The Holy Mass - The Gloria and Collect (Opening Prayer)

The Gloria is a hymn of praise. The opening verse is taken from the angels' announcement to the shepherds of the birth of Our Lord (Lk 2:14). The Greek version appeared about the year 380 in the Apostolic Constitution and the New Testament Codex Alexandrinus (fifth century), both of which contain the Gloria almost exactly in its present wording. By the sixth century, it was used on Sundays and feasts. The Gloria is omitted during Advent and Lent to highlight the mood of preparation and penance.

The Gloria is indicative of the glory of God. Coming together in the Mass, the faithful give glory to God. The Gloria has two primary sections: In the first part, we praise and thank the Heavenly Father who has revealed in creation and throughout salvation history His glory to His people. In the second part, the hymn focuses on Jesus not only as the Lamb of sacrifice but also as the triumphant Christ. The Gloria ends with a Trinitarian acclamation.

The Opening Prayer or Collect (for summing-up or gathering) concludes the Introductory Rite. This prayer is addressed to God, the Father, and commemorates the particular day (such as a feast day) or highlights the spirit of the liturgical season. The prayer ascends to the Father "through Jesus Christ," the mediator ("...No one comes to the Father but through me" - Jn 14:6), and in the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete and Advocate, who is the personified union between Father and Son as well as the uniting force between the Church and God. Here we invoke God's divine assistance as we begin the offering of the Mass.

William Saunders

“My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.”

1 John 3:2