

ST. MONICA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Moonee Ponds

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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

20th June 2021

We respectfully acknowledge the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation, as the traditional caretakers of the land which is the St. Monica's Catholic Parish. We acknowledge the Elders, past & present. May we, too, be good stewards of this land.

**WELCOME
BACK TO
CHURCH**

ORDINARY MASS TIMES

Saturday: 8am & 6pm (Vigil for Sunday)

Sunday : 8.30am (Italian & English); 10.30am; 5.30pm

Tue-Fri : 7am; 9.15am

Reconciliation on Saturday: 10am & 5.30 pm

**Please continue
to check in for
Masses with our
QR Code**

The days grow shorter and colder, the worse of the winter lies ahead as we find ourselves struggling to cope with COVID pandemic and the chaos it has brought into the lives of so many.

It is so easy to lose heart, as an individual, a family or parish, when we the challenges facing us threatened to overwhelm us.

Our Gospel has the apostles out on the lake when the storm hits, threatening to overwhelm them and they panic, feeling abandoned, by the Lord whom they presumed would save them: Master, do you not care? We are going down!

It is that moment of feeling abandoned by the Master, whom they think, does not care whether they go down or not, Jesus as Lord and Master shows himself firstly as he chastises the apostles for being men of little faith and secondly, by then stilling the wind and the sea.

Into the storms that we experience in life, the Lord, our Master, comes. He does not abandon us, he does leave us to drown, instead he challenges us to remain firm in the faith we have in Him whom 'Even the wind and sea obey.'

In the words of one of our hymns for this weekend, we sing as we pray: Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts, shine through the darkness. Christ, Master, be forever our light, our comfort, our hope, our joy! Amen

SUNDAY LITURGY @ *Home*;

[For Adults:](#)

[For Families with Young Children:](#)

PLEASE PRAY FOR: *The elderly and the sick*

Marius Fernando; Dantina Frederico; Stella Mammone; Gino Salvo; Rosa Di Pietro; Lucia Bordin;
Ursula McWhinney; Justin Diviny; Stephanie Jouhari; Anna & Garry Henneken; Nicholas Gillman; Jillian Eolzella;
Loretta Bastian; Sally O'Farrell; Peter Ferrigno; Caterina Timpano; Charlie Tiang; Lena Savoia; Anne Ryan;
Margaret Whelan; Geraldine Macken; Sr. Marguerite Moloney (1st Pastoral Associate of St. Monica's); Sean McIntyre

RECENTLY DECEASED

*We remember in prayer,
Vincenzo Misale ;
Errol Bramwell
May they rest in peace.*

ANNIVERSARIES

*In Faith, Hope and Love, let us pray for repose of the souls of
Caterina Larobina; Monica Mannix; Rose McTaggart; Bernice Shallue;
Dennis Fay; Jack Dillon; Emily O'Brien; Joseph Arnold;
Marnie Rossiter; Stuart Clarke; Margaret Rossiter; Clifton Clarke;
Rose Misuraca; Br. Aloysius Tobin; Gladys & Ernest McDonald;
Moya Root; Russell Mogg; Mary Connors
whose anniversary occurs at this time*

We pray for the repose of the souls of those having funerals at St. Monica's this week

† Thursday Vincenzo Misale

BAPTISMS

We continue Baptisms under strict COVID-19 guidelines.



This weekend we welcome into our Parish Community

*Isla Grace Koulaouzos
Ethan Blaise Fox
Jake Marcos Galgano
Leo Domenic Tennenini*

Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network

POPE'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION JUNE—The beauty of marriage

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

Click here for [June reflection](#)

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS RECIPIENTS

This year three ex-parents from our Parish School have been recognized and honoured.

- * Rob Hulls AM
- * Vivienne Nguyen AM
- * Megan O'Connell OAM



RE-IMAGINING OUR LOCAL CHURCH AS MISSION COMMUNITIES

The Way of the Gospel—the path of missionary discipleship—has always been adapted by every generation to fit the local circumstances. How this is arranged has varied according to time and place. How might our local communities of faith continue to address the missionary call of the Gospel into the future? How might we invite people into the fullness of the Gospel of life, and do so with a sense of vibrancy and vitality?

'Take the Way of the Gospel': Together we Pray

You are invited to take up the invitation from Archbishop Comensoli to pray for our Archdiocese as we begin the journey of 'Take the Way of the Gospel'. This significant time of discernment begins with prayer and with calling upon the Holy Spirit to lead and guide us.

Parishes, families, prayer groups, school communities—all are welcome to join in this weekly online prayer opportunity for our Archdiocese. To allow for differing availabilities, each week the same session will be run twice:

Wednesdays 7.30–8.00pm: June 23, 30 and July 7 & 14
[Zoom meeting link here](#)

Thursdays 12.30–1.00pm: June 24 and July 1, 8 & 15
(repeat sessions) [Zoom meeting link here](#)

When the Sacred Scriptures are read in the Church,
God himself speaks to his people, and Christ, present
in his word, proclaims the Gospel. GIRM 29

Due to current restricted numbers, please book for weekend Masses on our website
www.stmonicasparish.com.au

COVID-19 Implications for the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

As of 11.59pm Thursday 17 June 2021, the following measures will apply across Metropolitan Melbourne and will be in place until otherwise advised.

- **Face coverings:** must be carried at all times
- must be worn indoors & outdoors (outdoors where 1.5m physical distancing can not be maintained)
- **RELIGIOUS GATHERINGS and CEREMONIES**
- Permitted for up to 75 people indoors (numbers include celebrant, musicians & technicians).
- Density quotient of 1 person per 4 sqm applies
- **FUNERALS:** (indoor and outdoor): Permitted with no more than 75 people (and those necessary to conduct the funeral). Children under 12 months old are not counted towards this cap.
- **WEDDINGS:** (indoor and outdoor): -Permitted with no more than 20 people (including the two persons being married, celebrant, two witnesses)
- **QR Contact tracing:** 15-min threshold removed
All venue attendees must register

Under no circumstances should anyone awaiting a COVID-19 test verification, including Clergy (even without presenting symptoms) attend a church or parish setting until a diagnosis is confirmed. Additionally, under no circumstances should anyone attend who is closely connected to people who are awaiting test results or who have tested positive.

Plenary Council Prayer

*Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.*

*O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia
and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.*

*Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to
recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.*

*Give us the courage to tell our stories
and to speak boldly of your truth.*

*Give us ears to listen humbly to each other
and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.*

*Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,
that we may live the joy of the Gospel.*

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
bread for the journey from age to age.
Amen.*

*Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us*

[Plenary Council Website](#)



COVID MARSHALS NEEDED –

All parishes must now use the Victorian Government QR Code Service and have COVID marshals in place to ensure people are checking in at all Masses when restrictions lift. We are looking for willing and able volunteers to fulfil this role so our Masses and services can continue without interruption. If you are interested in volunteering please contact the parish office or email Fr. Andrew via stmonicaspastoralteam@gmail.com ASAP. All volunteers are required to have a current Working with Children Check and to have St. Monica's as a registered organization.

St. Monica's Moonee Ponds New QR Code



Location code 5G3 PLY

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Download the Service Victoria app or visit: go.vic.gov.au/check-in Open the app and enter: 5G3 PLY

"He asked them, 'Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?'" – MARK 4:40

Do you really trust God? Is God your first choice or last resort? Is your faith something you just do on Sunday or do you live the Gospel message every day of the week? Many of us know about God. How many of us have a personal relationship with Him? Start now, open your heart to receive our Lord. Talk and listen to Him throughout the day, in all circumstances.

Current Job Vacancies

Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced people for the positions of:

- ◆ Parish Secretary, St Leonard's Parish, Glen Waverley
- ◆ Pastoral Care Worker, Sacred Heart Mission, St Kilda
- ◆ Domestic Support, Catholic Parish of Mansfield
- ◆ Pastoral Worker, Bayside Catholic Mission, Brighton
- ◆ Member and Community Relations Coordinator, Catholic Social Services Victoria (CSSV), East Melbourne
- ◆ Parish Secretary, Parish of St Vincent de Paul, Strathmore

Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at: <https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

Should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact Human Resources at hradmin@cam.org.au

June

- **20th** 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time & World Refugee Day
- **24th** Nativity of St. John the Baptist
- **27th** 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- **29th** Saints Peter and Paul Apostles



ST. MONICA'S

Charismatic Prayer Group

Every Thursday 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start
Symons Centre

Date	Topic	Speakers
24 June	"Revelation Gifts"	Carmel Risson
1 July	Tales of Pastoral Associate	Abygaile

Many people have felt the need to return to God with faith and hope. The meeting will consist of songs of praise, scripture reading, a spiritual talk on the Nature of Catholic Charismatic Renewal, and prayers for the needs of the people. We invite the next generation to step up to foster their life in the Holy Spirit. Enquiries: Adrian 0403 512 936.

PARISH ZOOM MOBILE SCRIPTURES REFLECTION & DISCUSSION

with Fr. Tony

Friday at 7pm

[Click here for Link](#)

(Meeting ID: 914 0120 3888)



Support My Parish In these challenging times the Catholic Development Fund (CDF) and the Archdiocese of Melbourne have partnered to build an online parish payment portal, *CDFpay for Parishes*. This site enables you to make quick and easy online thanksgiving payments – you can set-up a recurring payment, if you haven't done so already, or you can choose a one-off offering. The Moonee Ponds site is live and found at

<https://melbourne.cdfpay.org.au/details/?id=96>

We thank you in advance for supporting our parish.

Safeguarding Children and Young People: Is your Working with Children Check up to date?



Once our parish life turns to a new "Covid Normal" it is a timely reminder that **All Volunteers must hold a Working with Children Check**. There are no exceptions and we are required by law to enforce this requirement. Please update your WWCC to include St. Monica's as a volunteer, or apply for a new WWCC at <https://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/>

This week we have the readings for next Sunday Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time for our Parishioners to make some time during the week to read and reflect on.

FIRST READING (Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24)

A reading from the book of Wisdom

Death was not God's doing,
 he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living.
 To be – for this he created all;
 the world's created things have health in them,
 in them no fatal poison can be found,
 and Hades holds no power on earth;
 for virtue is undying.
 Yet God did make man imperishable,
 he made him in the image of his own nature;
 it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world,
 as those who are his partners will discover.

The word of the Lord. – *Thanks be to God.*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**(R.) I will praise you, Lord,
 for you have rescued me.**

Some I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me
 and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.
 O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,
 restored me to life from those who sink into the grave.

(R.)

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him,
 give thanks to his holy name.
 His anger lasts but a moment: his favour through life.
 At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn.

(R.)

The Lord listened and had pity.
 The Lord came to my help.
 For me you have changed my mourning into dancing,
 O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever.

(R.)

SECOND READING (2 Cor 8:7. 9. 13-15)

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

You always have the most of everything – of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

The word of the Lord. – *Thanks be to God.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death

and brought us life through his gospel.
 Alleluia!

GOSPEL (Mk 5:21-43)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him.

Now there was a woman who had suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years; after long and painful treatment under various doctors, she had spent all she had without being any the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse. She had heard about Jesus, and she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his cloak. 'If I can touch even his clothes,' she had told herself 'I will be well again.' And the source of the bleeding dried up instantly, and she felt in herself that she was cured of her complaint. Immediately aware that power had gone out from him, Jesus turned round in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples said to him, 'You see how the crowd is pressing round you and yet you say, "Who touched me?"' But he continued to look all round to see who had done it. Then the woman came forward, frightened and trembling because she knew what had happened to her, and she fell at his feet and told him the whole truth. 'My daughter,' he said 'your faith has restored you to health; go in peace and be free from your complaint.' While he was still speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

