

Parish of St Monica Moonee Ponds

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The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

6th October, 2024

Worship Timetable—Moonee Ponds

Sunday: **8.30 am** (*Italian & English*); **10.30 am**; **5.30 pm**
Tuesday - Friday: **9.15 am**
Saturday: **8.00 am**
8.30 am—Reconciliation

Worship Timetable—Strathmore

Saturday Vigil: **6.00 pm**
Sunday: **9.30 am**
Tuesday - Friday: **10.00 am**

Parish Office Hours

Tuesday

to

Friday

9.00 am - 3.30 pm

October is World Mission Month!

Dear friends,

October is World Mission Month, and this year Catholic Mission is supporting the work of the Church in Mongolia. Social stigma, poor access to services, and the harsh Mongolian winter mean that the most vulnerable people will often struggle to access the support they need to help them get back on their feet.

Recognising this need, the Church has begun work on the House of Mercy. When complete, the House of Mercy will provide shelter to many in need, including people experiencing homelessness, domestic violence, or those in need of first aid services.

As Pope Francis said during his 2023 visit to Mongolia, *“This House of Mercy is meant to be the point of reference for a variety of charitable works, hands outstretched towards our brothers and sisters, struggling to navigate life’s problems. A safe haven, in other words, where people can find a listening ear and an understanding heart.”*

This World Mission Month, we are called to “invite everyone to the Banquet” (Matthew 22:8) and reflect on how fortunate we are to live in a place we sometimes call the ‘lucky country’. You are invited to support the Church in Mongolia and provide critical assistance to our brothers and sisters in need.

In June, I had the opportunity to meet His Eminence, Giorgio Cardinal Marengo, the Apostolic Prefect of Ulaanbaatar Bator in Mongolia during his visit to Catholic Mission in Strathmore. He shared with real joy his experience as a missionary in Mongolia since his ordination to the priesthood over twenty years ago. He also shared some of the challenges which the Church faces.

His Eminence was able to share with those gathered how vital the support of Catholic Mission is for the growth and development of the Church in Mongolia. The services which his local Church seeks to support e.g. the House of Mercy greatly benefits from the support which we—when we support the World Mission Sunday Collection in a few weeks’ time—are able to provide.

With every peace,

Fr Tony.



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.

ROSTER FOR NEXT SUNDAY 13th October 2024 — The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Mass Time	Reader		Extraordinary Minister	
8.30 am	L Bani RSC	A Catalfamo	S Maurici	A Savino
10.30 am	J Trethowan	F Baker RSM	L Connors	
5.30 pm	T Wilson		E McMahon	R McMahon

CHURCH LINEN

September — R Farfalla

CHURCH VACCUMING

TEAM 2 - Fri 11th October at 2.00pm

Please remember in your prayers...

Recently Deceased

Rev Michael Morgan PE

Anniversaries

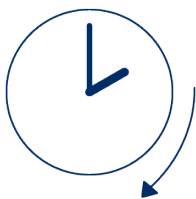
The Sick & Seriously Ill

Please remember in your prayers all those in our Parish who are sick and suffering serious illness, together with their families and loved ones who care for them.

First Sunday of the Month—Cuppa ● This Sunday, being the First Sunday of the month, there will be cuppa after both 8.30am & 10.30am Mass. All are welcome to come and spend some time with your fellow parishioners.

School Building Works ● Refurbishment works and extension of the original 1815 school building (closest to Robinson Street) are taking place. As a result, the yard behind the church will be unavailable for parking for the duration of the project, which is expected to last twelve months.

Daylight Saving Begins this weekend ●



Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday 6th October at 2.00am. Clocks are turned forward by 1 hour to 3.00am.

Altar Servers ● We are seeking to revive the ministry of altar servers within our Parish. Students who have received First Holy Communion may train to become an altar server. If your child is interested please collect an information and consent form (available from the Parish Office or the priests after Mass) and return it as soon as possible. Details of training will be advised in due course. If you have any questions, please see Fr Tony.

Interim Mission & Pastoral Council ●

Expressions of Interest are open for membership of the Interim Mission and Pastoral Council. Click here <https://forms.office.com/r/VS4xaFZqmS> for the EoI form.



Next Project Circle ● **Tuesday 8th**

October - From 7.00pm to 9.30pm - stay for as little or long as you like. Project Circle is a group, a time and a place where you can work on your ongoing project or start something new!

Anyone wanting to get creative and share experience can meet at: **St Vincent de Paul Parish Centre** behind St Vincent de Paul Church, **Strathmore**. Enter from The Crossway.

Cost: Gold coins to cover tea/coffee/use of room

More Info: Contact Rosa 0412 445 239 or Belinda tompkins.bel@gmail.com



Catholic Theological College—Engaging Your Faith - October 2024 online presentation—Cost From \$25 per session or \$40 if seeking teacher accreditation. Book and pay directly through [Try Booking](#).

For more information and to register: <https://ctc.edu.au/engaging-your-faith/>

Chorus Ecclesiae ● is pleased to have received special permission from the National Library of Czech to perform as an Australian premiere their published transcription of Heinrich Isaac's recently discovered Missa Presulem Ephebeatum. Performance will also include other motets for St. Martin and the Blessed Virgin Mary, featuring composers such as Fawknyer, Marenzio, de Monte, and Phillips. With the generous support of the Robert Saltzer Foundation, we are excited to bring this wonderful concert with some of Melbourne's finest talent to the beautiful St. Mary's Catholic Church in Ascot Vale. To purchase tickets, please visit www.chorusecclesiae.org.au

Child Safety Update • There is an old African proverb which states it takes a village to raise a child. In much the same way, it takes a whole parish to care for and be responsible for the safety of our children and vulnerable adults.

Working with Children Checks—A reminder that **all parish volunteers** need to have a valid WWCC with the Parish listed as one of the places where you undertake child related work. That means all

- Readers
- Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
- Ministers of Communion to the Sick
- Musicians & Choir Members
- Church Cleaners

need to have a WWCC—if you are unsure, please contact the Parish Office or speak to one of the priests. Registered teachers are exempt from requiring a WWCC but are required to notify WWCC if they engage in child-related work other than their teaching—Click here to notify WWCC [Teacher notification](#)

Child Safeguarding Training—All volunteers need to undertake safeguarding training. You may undertake this training online [Online Safeguarding Training](#) The parish will also be running some inperson sessions in the near future—please keep an eye on this Bulletin for details.

Code of Conduct Declaration—Thanks to all those who have completed their Code of Conduct Declaration. Again, this is a requirement of all volunteers. We will be following up with those yet to complete their declaration.



A communion that radiates

How can we be more fully a sign and instrument of union with God and of the unity of all humanity?

Participation, governance and authority

What processes, structures and institutions in a missionary synodal Church?

Co-responsibility in mission

How can we better share gifts and tasks in the service of the Gospel?



Stewardship Corner

“So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name.”

Genesis 2:19

The creation story reminds us of two important points. First, since the start, God has put the entire world into our care. Second, stewardship has been around since the beginning of mankind, it isn’t something recently invented by the Church. Just as past generations built our Church, it is now our responsibility to continue to nurture and develop these gifts for future generations.

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Special Collections 2024	
Lent	Project Compassion
29 th March	Good Friday – Holy Places
5 th May	CatholicCare
2 nd June	SVdP Winter Appeal
16 th June	Propagation of the Faith
30 th June	Annual Collection for the Holy Father
18 th August	The Archbishop’s Campaign
20 th October	World Mission Sunday
10 th November	Pastoral Care Appeal—Prison Ministry

Readings at Mass

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B — 6th October, 2024

First Reading: Genesis 2:18-24

A reading from the book of Genesis

They were two in one flesh.

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them; each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man.

The man exclaimed:

'This at last is bone from my bones
and flesh from my flesh!
This is to be called woman,
for this was taken from man.'

This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 127

R. May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

O blessed are those who fear the Lord
and walk in his ways!
by the labour of your hands you shall eat.
You will be happy and prosper . **R.**

Your wife will be like a fruitful vine
in the heart of your house;
your children like shoots of the olive,
around your table . **R.**

Indeed thus shall be blessed
the man who fears the Lord.
May the Lord bless you from Zion
in a happy Jerusalem
all the days of your life!
May you see your children's children.
On Israel, peace! . **R.**

Second Reading: Hebrews 2:9-11

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

He who sanctifies, and those who are sanctified have one origin.

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind.

As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation: 1 Jn 4:12

Alleluia, alleluia!

If we love one another,
God will live in us in perfect love
Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 10:2-16

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

What God has joined together, no one must divide.

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body.

They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them. 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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Adults: [Sunday Readings - Sunday Readings Year B \(weebly.com\)](#)
Children: [October 6 - Sunday 27 Ordinary - PRAYING WITH CHILDREN YEAR B 2023-2024 \(yearbprayingwithchildren.org\)](#)