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**Are you aware that we have an
OH&S committee
That is Occupational Health &
Safety**

**They are there to look out for any
dangers and safety issues in our
Parish.**

**If you know of any, please let
Fr An know.**

UPCOMING HOLY DAYS:

- Mon 22nd: St Mary Magdalen
- Thur 25th: St James, Apostle
- Fri 26th: St Anne & St Joachim,
parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:

- **NEXT WEEKEND: 27/28 July:**
Propagation of Faith

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **MPWLC: Mornington Peninsula
Welsh Ladies Choir. Performing
here at St Macartan's on
Saturday 27th July 2-3pm.**

Entry cost by donation!

**There will be a parishioner run morn-
ing tea to follow—please bring a
sweet plate.**

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, Pat Guest, Sinead Ryan, Rita Fordyce, George Cerolini, Maggie Campbell, Anne Hosemans, Michael Kesik, Jane Payne., Paul Cowling, Peter Clark, Philip Stokes & Barbra Solech.



Recent Deaths:

Death Anniversaries:

Funeral service information:

Video Sunday 9am Mass:

LIVESTREAMING: <https://vimeo.com/event/4451118>

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 11 Term 2: 28 June](#)

Padua Newsletter:

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TO DONATE TO OUR CHURCH ACCOUNT & FOR THANKSGIVING:

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First Reading

Jeremiah 23:1-6

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The remnant of the flock I will gather to me, and bring them back to their pastures.

'Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks!

'See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks –when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practicing honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence. And this is the name he will be called: The Lord-our-integrity.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 22 (23). R. v.2

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. (R.)

2. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.

If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff, with these you give me comfort. (R.)

3. You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. (R.)

4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me

all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. (R.)

Second Reading

Ephesians 2:13-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Christ, our peace, has made us one.

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

Gospel Acclamation

John 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 6:30-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

They were as sheep without a shepherd.

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

Communion Antiphon

Psalm 110:4-5

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful,
has made a memorial of his wonders;
he gives food to those who fear him.



**MORNINGTON
PENINSULA
WELSH LADIES
CHOIR**

**Yes, They will be hear on Saturday 27th July 2-3pm,
entry cost by donation.**

MPWLC

The Mornington Peninsula Welsh Ladies Choir was formed in May 2018 In the south-east corner of Australia in the state of Victoria. Tom Buchanan OAM agreed to direct this new choir which quickly established itself as a welcoming, friendly community of singers who love working together, exploring the rich tradition of Welsh choral singing, and creating beautiful music. Under his expert guidance the 35+ voice choir has grown in stature and now performs regularly throughout the Mornington Peninsula and the city of Melbourne. What makes us a 'Welsh' choir is not that we sing in Cymraeg, the Welsh language, although this is part of what we do. More importantly, our choir is modelled on the iconic village choirs that have become so synonymous with Welsh culture. The history of Welsh ladies' choirs extends a long way back, with one of the best known early examples being the Royal Welsh Ladies' Choir. The RWLC was based in Cardiff and was active from the 1880s until the end of World War II.

We are proud to bring this choral tradition to the Peninsula and to add a new, antipodean chapter to its rich history

Historical Context

Prayer and reflection

Jesus demonstrated how important it is to engage in times of quiet prayer and reflection. When you expend a lot of time and energy in the service of others it is essential to reflect on those experiences, to learn from them and consider what you'd do differently next time. It is also important that any ministry that seeks to be based in the message of Jesus can only remain so if it is fuelled by prayer. Only through prayerful dialogue with God can we learn what God desires for us.

Gospel Reflection

Fifty years ago the word 'stress' was only ever applied to materials like steel and the wings of planes. But since then, along with 'pressure', it has first crept into our language and more lately become an everyday term. Everyone experiences stress now. You can even hear Grade One students talk about the stress they're under at school! Perhaps it's the ever-growing pace of life or an innate competitiveness but pressure and stress have become part of daily life for most people in the so-called civilised world. Although he may never have used the words 'stress' or 'pressure', Jesus knew all about the demands of ministry with other people. When the disciples returned from their first efforts away from Jesus he knew that they needed some time out to debrief, to pray and to re-energise themselves.

He ordered them all into a boat and they headed for a lonely place where they could be by themselves and rejuvenate. Jesus recognised the importance of taking time out. If you are engaged in a vocation or ministry that sees you meeting the needs of others, you need some time out to reflect on your experiences; time to hold those people up to God in prayer; time to make sense of your work and the interactions you've shared; time to simply recharge your batteries so that you can once again give fully of yourself.

Unfortunately, when Jesus arranged for himself and the disciples to have some time out, the crowd anticipated where they were going and actually beat them there! When the disciples arrived at their lonely spot, they were once again overwhelmed by the crowd. However, Jesus recognised the demands of the crowd as being more urgent than the demands of the disciples and himself. He took pity on them – he was moved by compassion – and responded to their need.

Volunteering - Something we can all do.

This week we are asking for more readers at Mass. Yes, the **CHOIR** is vital in the Church so as people can enjoy praising the Lord in a special way.

We need you!

Yes, if you can sing and even if you lack confidence, please consider it.

Otherwise, Fr Geoff has threatened to sing SOLO!

For the 9am choir please contact Louise on 0409 558 922

Or for the 6pm Sat night or 11am choir please contact Veronica 0418 358 213

HIGH SPIRITS CATECHISM CLASSES

4pm Tuesday evenings!

First Reconciliation (Confession)

- Short Info Night – Tuesday 23rd July 4 pm
- Lesson 1 – Tuesday 25th July
- Lesson 2 – Tuesday 30th July
- Lesson 3 – Tuesday 6th August
- Lesson 4 - Tuesday 13th August
- RECONCILIATION CEREMONY EVENING 7 pm Tuesday 20th August

First Eucharist (Communion)

- Lesson 1 – Tuesday 3rd September
- Lesson 2 – Tuesday 10th September
- Lesson 3 – Tuesday 17th September

School Holidays 20th September – 7th October

- Lesson 4 – Tuesday 8th October
- Lesson 5 – Tuesday 15th October
- Lesson 6 – Tuesday 22nd October
- Lesson 7 – Tuesday 29th October

Tuesday 5th November Cup Day Holiday

- Lesson 8 – Tuesday 12th November
- Lesson 9 – Tuesday 19th November
- Sunday 24th November Sacrament of First Eucharist (11am Mass)

Please note all First Reconciliation & First Eucharist classes are from 4 pm to 5 pm

To join please contact Mr Michael Kerr 0412 263 770

Or email the office: mornington@cam.org.au

Pope: Reconsider the development of lethal autonomous weapons

Pope Francis sends a message to a Hiroshima conference on "AI Ethics for Peace," emphasising the symbolic importance of discussing peace in a city scarred by atomic tragedy.

By Francesca Merlo

As religious leaders from across the world gather to discuss "AI Ethics for Peace" in Hiroshima, Japan, on 9 and 10 July, Pope Francis sends a message, pointing out that discussing peace and artificial intelligence in the city that still suffers the consequences of the atomic bomb that almost destroyed it completely in August 1945, "is of great symbolic importance".

AI and Peace

Artificial intelligence and peace, he says, are two issues of supreme importance. The Pope recalled his most recent appeal on this matter to the political leaders of the G7 as they gathered in Puglia, Italy. During that meeting Pope Francis emphasised the importance of keeping decision-making in human hands rather than relying on machines, explaining that "the machine makes a technical choice among several possibilities based either on well-defined criteria or on statistical inferences. Human beings, however, not only choose but in their hearts are capable of deciding".

True decisions

He says that true decisions require human wisdom and evaluation and an over-reliance on artificial intelligence could undermine human dignity. This is precisely what we saw in Hiroshima and continue to see today, and "among the current conflicts impacting our world – including



the hatred of war – we hear more and more about this technology", he adds.

It is crucial, the Pope continues, that, "united as brothers and sisters, we remind the world that in light of the tragedy that is armed conflict, it is urgent to reconsider the development and use of devices like the so-called 'lethal autonomous weapons' and ultimately ban their use". Reiterating his plea, at the heart of many of his appeals throughout his pontificate, he repeats: "No machine should ever choose to take the life of a human being".

Contribution of all to a just regulation

Bringing his message to an end, Pope Francis asks that as we look at the complexity of the issues before us, "we recognise the contribution of the cultural riches of peoples and religions in the regulation of artificial intelligence". This, he emphasises, "is key to the success of your commitment to the wise management of technological innovation".

Finally, Pope Francis expresses his hope that the gathering might "bear fruit in bringing about fraternity and cooperation", before praying that "each of us may become instruments of peace for the world".



Jokes of the Week



1: The young pastor was teaching the 23rd psalm to the Sunday school children. He told them that they were sheep who needed guidance. Then the priest asked, "If you are the sheep then who is the shepherd?" (Obviously meaning himself). A silence of a few seconds followed. Then a young boy said, "Jesus. Jesus is the Shepherd." The young priest, obviously caught by surprise, said to the boy, "Well then, who am I?" The boy frowned thoughtfully and then said, "I guess you must be a sheep dog."



#2: A kindergarten teacher was observing her the children in her classroom while they drew pictures. She would occasionally walk around to see each child's artwork. As she came to one little girl who was working diligently, she asked what the drawing was. The girl replied, "I'm drawing God." The teacher paused and said, "But no one knows what God looks like." Without missing a beat, or looking up from her drawing the girl replied, "They will in a minute."

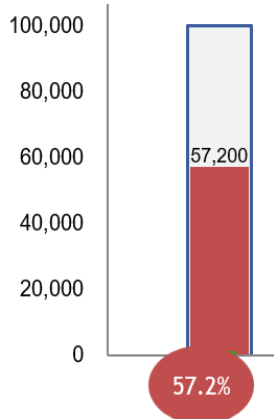
Dear Friends,

Sundays, 21 and 28 July are commemorated as Sea Sunday, the day set by many Christian churches to remember, celebrate and pray for seafarers and their families. In the Catholic Church, Sea Sunday is supported by Stella Maris around the world. Seafarers work tirelessly in the high seas throughout the year bringing to Australia more than 90 per cent of the goods we need. Stella Maris has put together a number of liturgical resources for parishes to use, such as prayers of intercession, parish bulletin text and a digital poster (see main picture above), as well as a message from Cardinal Michael Czerny. To access the resources and to support the Sea Sunday Appeal 2024, visit the

[Stella Maris website.](#)

Blessings,
Michele Frankeni
Australian Catholics editor





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Currently you have donated

\$57, 885

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

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Parish Footy Tipping Competition

It's a crowded leader board! Our best tippers last week were Chris Houlihan and Olivia Jolly who both tipped 8/9. Mel Fisher is still in the lead by one from Lachlan Jolly, John Frank, Maree O'Halloran and Chris while Mary Lane, Nathan Barden and Peter Keightley are only 1 further back.

The 30th Olympic games are about to commence. Interesting that women make up 55.6% of our 460 athletes selected to go. Women are becoming more prominent in our game too. Women umpires in our AFLW are on the increase while in the media, who was the woman who became the first female on air commentator in 2009? In addition, do you know who was the first female commentator to be banned by 2 teams in 2023?

If you have any questions or queries please email or call one of our administrators:

James Barrett flob@bigpond.net.au—0418 491 781

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SAVE THE DATE!!!

Padua College Vinnies Annual Quiz Night – Friday 9th August – Venue = Mornington Campus – 7pm start.

Led and organised by Year 12 Catholic Action Program (CAP) class.

\$10/ticket. Massive silent auction from donors from around the Peninsula.

Get a table (10) together or send names to be added to a table.

Great night – Great fun – Great cause.

All monies raised to Mornington Peninsula St Vincent de Paul outlets.

To receive a TRY BOOKING link and any questions - mwilliams@padua.vic.edu.au

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

16th Sunday of Ordinary Time - 20/21 July 2024

6.00pm Readers Adrian Mitchell, Marlene Tesmann

Eucharistic Mins Christina Llopart, Alis Fisher

9.00am Readers Michael Kerr, Paul Girolami

Eucharistic Mins Richard Jolly, Pat Girolami

11.00am Readers Michael Harrison, Joan Clements

Eucharistic Mins Evelyn Atkins, Bridie Sexton

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 27/28 July 2024

6.00pm Readers Fay Murphy, Carmel McGrath

Eucharistic Mins Michael Turner, Joyce Ward

9.00am Readers Kathleen Rochi, Spencer Meier

Eucharistic Mins Joseph Thoppil, Patricia Thomas

11.00am Readers Irene Hackett, Terry Roberts

Eucharistic Mins Rosina diPetta, Sue Fletcher

18th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 3rd/4th August 2024

6.00pm Readers Brian Scantlebury, Louise Renshaw

Eucharistic Mins Christina Llopart, Tricia Hird

9.00am Readers Michael Kerr, Kathleen Ronchi

Eucharistic Mins Marcelle Azzopardi, Patricia Thomas

11.00am Readers Gabriella Fialla, Michael Harrison

Eucharistic Mins Sheila Goddard, Sandra Barrett



WELCOME TO GOD'S FAMILY

This week we Congratulate:

Noah & Willow who were baptized on Saturday 13th July

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