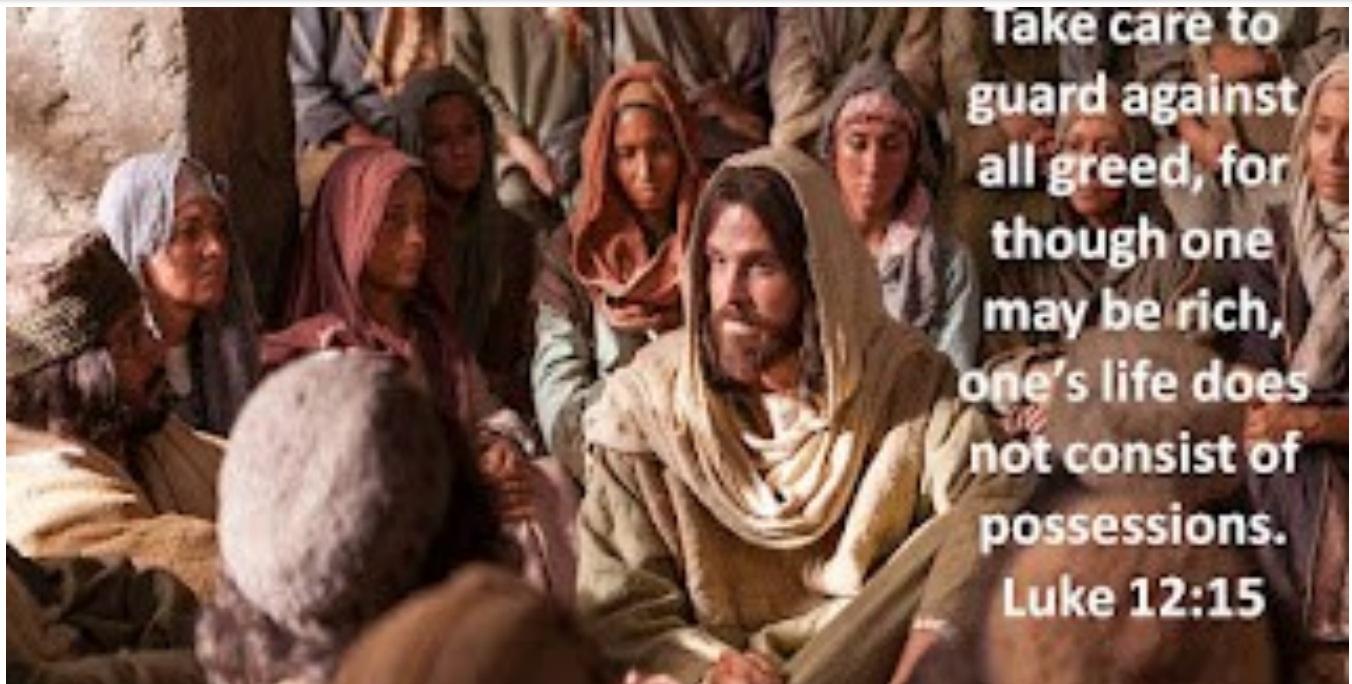




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Upcoming Events - here

- Archbishop's Jubilee Mass - 11am 10th August
- Teddy Bears Picnic - 11am Mass October 26th. Kids, fun, food and activities 12-2pm
- Inaugural: Blessing of Pets and Christmas Fair - Saturday 29th November 11-4pm

We will need more adult volunteers and youth club participation in these events. Please contact the office.

Upcoming Holy Days:

- 4th Aug—St John Vianney
- 6th August, The Transfiguration of the Lord
- 8th August –St Mary of the cross

Youth groups

Quinns Place

This Friday the 8th

Encounter Group

Every 2nd & 4th Sunday

*Next scheduled is this **Sunday***

10th of August at 3pm

Holy Hour 3:30pm

Youth Mass at 5pm

WE HOLD IN OUR PRAYERS

Pray for the sick and their Carers: Rita Fordyce, Fred Verna, Cinzia Paola ,
Joan Watts, Michaela Gabriel, Margaret Raynor Kath O'Malley, Pam Cahill,
Helen Roberts, Phil & Kath Stokes, Audrey Tunks & Therese Simmons



Death Anniversaries: Virgina Speirani

Recent Deaths:

Video Sunday 9am Mass

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Or go to website to copy link: <http://www.melbcatholic.org/s/mornington>

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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
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HOLY HOUR / ADORATION:

Every Friday & every Saturday from 9:45
(after 9:15am Mass)

3:30-4:30pm 2nd & 4th Sundays

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YOUTH GROUPS: QUINN'S PLACE:

Year 7+ Friday's 6pm-10pm Community
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2nd & 4th Sundays of each Month. Com-
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First Reading

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

A reading from the book of Ecclesiastes

What do people gain by all their work?

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity! For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 89:3-6. 12-14. 17. R. v.1

(R.) In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

1. You turn men back into dust
and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'

To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
no more than a watch in the night. **(R.)**

2. You sweep men away like a dream,
like grass which springs up in the morning.
In the morning it springs up and flowers:
by evening it withers and fades. **(R.)**

3. Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. **(R.)**

4. In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. **(R.)**

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 12:13-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do; I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

Communion Antiphon

Wisdom 16:20

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven,
endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

Scriptural Context

Do not worry

This parable and teaching about the love of wealth is followed up by Jesus telling his disciples not to worry about what they will eat and what they will wear. He invites them to look to the birds of the air and flowers of the fields. God provides them with all that they need. Jesus tells his disciples to seek the kingdom and all the other necessities of life will be given to them as well. Rather than focusing on accumulating wealth as the rich man in today's parable, Jesus reassures his disciples that if they focus their lives on the kingdom they will have all that they need.

Gospel reflection

One of the themes running through the gospels is that wealth can be an obstacle to entering fully into relationship with God. It is not wealth in itself that is problematic but rather valuing material riches above everything else and the constant desire to accumulate more and more. We have the story of the rich young man who asks Jesus what he must do to inherit the kingdom and Jesus tells him to sell everything he has and give away the proceeds. The young man goes away sad because he thought that with his great accumulation of wealth he'd be able to buy anything that he needed to gain the kingdom. We also have the saying of Jesus that it is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than a rich man to enter the kingdom of God. The parable in today's gospel depicts

a man who has so much grain that he decides to build bigger barns to store it all. The parable follows Jesus' teaching that 'a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.' The point is about having more than we need. What good is served by one person having more than they need while others do not have enough to meet their needs? The rich man who had the abundant harvest could have stored up all that he needed and still been able to share the abundance with others. Liberation theology introduced the catch phrase, 'live simply so that others may simply live'. The call was for those in wealthier countries to simplify their wasteful and indulgent lifestyles so that others may be able to meet their most basic of needs.

Have you thought? – Greed is good!

In the 1987 movie, Wall Street, the corporate raider, Gordon Gekko, famously declares: 'Greed is good! Greed is right! Greed works! ... Greed – for life, for money, for love, knowledge – has marked the upward surge of mankind!' Whilst the depiction was intended to parody and critique corporate behaviour of the 1980s, in many ways it came to define it instead. In the intervening decades, little has changed. The pursuit of more and more wealth and the ludicrous sums paid to corporate CEOs are exactly the imagery Jesus would use today for his parable.

Living the Gospel – This hoard of yours...

Our modern society is particularly dominated by a mindset of accumulating more than we might ever need. The saying 'Whoever has the most toys, wins' holds more than just a shred of truth for many people. Our consumerist lifestyle nurtures the desire to accumulate more and more 'stuff'. Every time we turn on the television there is a new 'must have' gadget. We talk about built-in obsolescence of manufactured goods and every new technological device makes older models redundant so that we feel we constantly have to upgrade. How would we answer God's question, 'so this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?'



Pope Leo on DRC attack: I pray for persecuted Christians

In the wake of the deadly attack on a church in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Pope Leo XIV launches an impassioned appeal for all efforts to be made to prevent such tragedies, and reassures all Christians suffering violence and persecution that he is praying for them.

By Deborah Castellano Lubov

"I renew my deep sorrow for the brutal terrorist attack that took place during the night of July 26 to 27 in Komanda, in the eastern part of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, where more than forty Christians were killed in church during a prayer vigil and in their own homes."

Pope Leo XIV made the remarks during his Wednesday General Audience in St. Peter's Square, the Pope's first General Audience since his summer break. In his appeal, he decried the deadly attack on the Parish of Blessed Anuarite in Komanda, in the country's Ituri province.

More than 40 people were killed Sunday in eastern Congo's Ituri province when rebels stormed the Catholic church and opened fire on worshippers. At least 38 people, including women and children, were confirmed dead in the church, while several others were killed in a nearby village.

During today's Audience, the Pope said he entrusts the victims to God's loving mercy, adding, "I pray for the wounded and for all Christians around the world who continue to suffer violence and persecution."

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With this in mind, the Pope said, "I urge those with responsibilities at both the local and international levels to work together to prevent such tragedies."

In a telegram of condolences sent in the wake of the attack earlier this week, the Holy Father prayed, "May the blood of these martyrs become a seed of peace, reconciliation, fraternity, and love for the Congolese people."

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Catholic Mission sincerely thanks the parish community of St Macartan's for your generous and compassionate support of this year's Propagation of the Faith Appeal. Your contribution of \$1,000.00 has been gratefully received and will help provide vital care for mothers in Zambia, and empower local Church workers across more than 1,000 mission dioceses around the world.



Through your partnership, countless families will find not only practical help, but also spiritual accompaniment, hope, and dignity. Your gift is more than charity - it is a concrete act of solidarity, and a sign of God's love reaching out to those on the margins.

Thank you for being a living witness of Christ's mission to the world.

St Macartan's Primary School is back for another action packed term! For all things St Macs, please check out the current edition of the St Macartan's Newsletter. [St Macartan's School Newsletter - Week 1 Term 3](#)



National Vocations Awareness Week 2025— Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Strong families and communities are the place where vocations are first nurtured. In this National Vocations Awareness Week, let us pray for all families in our parish, and for those preparing for marriage. Let us also pray that our parish community may always be welcoming and encouraging of vocations to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life.



Australian Catholic Youth Festival

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-SVdP Says Thanks-

Our local St Vincents de Paul conference wishes to thank all parishioners who so generously donated financial and food assistance at our recent Winter Appeal. Financially over \$3,500 was raised which was a great result and a strong indication that parishioners well and truly understand and act upon community needs. We continually require food donations throughout the whole year with a focus on staples which our volunteers distribute to the needy from Monday to Friday. Speaking of volunteers, our team does a great job in distributing food and vouchers to those in need - might you be interested in becoming a volunteer? If so, please give me a call on 0419 225 455.

Once again, thanks for your generosity - please keep it up.

Barry Murphy

Parish Safeguarding

The Archdiocese is in the process of being audited to ensure compliance with the Melbourne Archdiocese Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults framework. Through this audit process, 25 parishes will be checked and staff and volunteers interviewed to make sure we are working within this framework. We will know if we are one of the affected parishes in early August.

Working with children checks are an important component of the framework. Every volunteer must have a current working with children check to volunteer in our parish.

Parish Footy Tipping Competition

Congratulations Father Jude. Father Jude was our best tipper last week. He was our only tipper with 9/9. Our leaderboard top 4 remains with Teresa and Terry sharing top place followed 1 back by Tessa and 1 more back to James. Another 1 behind are Jacinta, Adam and Nathan. Kathleen and John Franks are 1 further behind. 4 Rounds to go before the end of the home and away season and our first prize of \$ 600.

Last week St Kilda pulled off the biggest final quarter comeback in AFL/VFL history. The 5 biggest 3/4 time comebacks feature 3 teams twice and only one interstate team. Do you know who they are? There have been bigger individual quarters. Essendon kicked 94 points against ?? in 2011 and South Melbourne kicked 106 points in one quarter in 1919 against ???.

Thank you. James and Spencer



SOLEMNITY - 8th August

ST MARY OF THE CROSS



Mary MacKillop was a daughter of Scottish immigrants to Australia, born and baptised in Melbourne, Victoria, (1842) cofounder of the Sisters of St Joseph in Penola, South Australia (within the Archdiocese of Adelaide) in 1866 (aged 24) with Fr Julian Tenison-Woods, her parish priest. Mary was known from then as Sister Mary of the Cross. Later she established her Mother House in Sydney, from where she made several visits to New Zealand where her Order grew.

Her Sisters were founded to educate poor children, especially in the country, and their work soon extended to the frail and neglected aged, prisoners, young women in difficulties. Care of the poor with a strong trust in the Providence of God were pillars of her life.

In September 1871 the Bishop of Adelaide excommunicated Mary, during which time she and the Sisters received financial support from Protestant and Jewish families, and spiritual support from the Jesuits. The excommunication was lifted in February 1872.

Difficulties with a number of bishops followed. Mary maintained a great sense of peace from the grace and providence of God as she endured these difficulties.

Mary went to Rome in 1873 to seek papal approval for her young order, the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart. She returned to Australia in 1875 with her rule approved with some changes. Pope Leo XIII gave final approval for the Order in 1885.

In 1902 Mary suffered a stroke in New Zealand, returned to Australia, and died August 8, 1909.

Pope John Paul II beatified her in 1995 and Benedict XVI canonized her in 2010.

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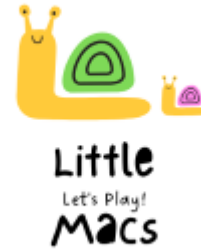
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Little Mac's Playgroup has begun!

We had our very first Little Mac's Playgroup on Wednesday and it was a wonderful morning! The children had lots of fun exploring different activities and making new friends - and so did the parents, carers and grandparents. If you're looking for a relaxed, friendly playgroup and a chance to connect with others in the community we'd love to have you join us next week. We can't wait to meet you!





Jokes of the Week



1) The greedy man and the genie. A man is walking down the beach and comes across an old bottle. He picks it up, pulls out the cork and out pops a genie!

The genie says, "Thank you for freeing me from the bottle. In return I will grant you three wishes."

The man says "Great! I always dreamed of this and I know exactly what I want. First, I want one billion dollars in a Swiss bank account."



Poof! There is a flash of light and a piece of paper with account numbers appears in his hand! He continues, "Next, I want a brand-new red Ferrari right here." Poof! There is a flash of light and a bright red, brand-new Ferrari appears right next to him! He continues, "Finally, I want to be irresistible to women." Poof! There is a flash of light and he turns into a box of chocolates.

2) A rich fool in a Boeing 707: An old lady was on a flight. She was sitting beside a rich, young businessman. After the in-flight meal she took out her Holy Bible and started her devotions. The businessman glanced at her and said, "Do you really believe all that stuff in the Bible is true?"

"Well, yes, as a matter of fact I do," said the old lady.

"Yeah, right..." the man scoffed, "like... what's that guy's name... the one who got swallowed by a whale..." "You mean Jonah?"

"Yeah, Jonah. Do you actually believe he could have survived for three days in the belly of a fish?"

"Yes. I don't know how," she replied, "but I can ask him when I see him in Heaven someday."

Feeling smart, the young man said: "OK, but what if he's not in Heaven because he went to Hell?"

"Then you can ask him yourself when you get there," replied the old lady calmly.

ROSTER

18th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 2/3 August 2025

6.00pm Readers: Brian Scantlebury, Louise Renshaw
Eucharistic Mins: Joyce Ward, Fay Murphy
9.00am Readers: John Azzopardi, Spencer Meier
Eucharistic Mins: Michael Kerr, Patricia Thomas
11.00am Readers: John Rowe, Joan Clements
Eucharistic Mins: Rosina Di Petta, Michael Harrison

19th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 9/10 August 2025

6.00pm Readers : Fay Murphy, Adrian Mitchell
Eucharistic Mins : Tricia Hird, Christina Llopart
9.00am Readers: Don Ziino, Kathleen Ronchi
Eucharistic Mins: Marcelle Azzopardi, Rosemarie D'Silva
11.00am Readers : Esme Higgins, Michael Harrison
Eucharistic Mins: Barb Ensill, Sue Fletcher

20th Sunday of Ordinary Time – 16/17 August 2025

6.00pm Readers: Carmel McGrath, Fay Murphy
Eucharistic Mins: Alis Fisher, Joyce Ward
9.00am Readers: Michael Kerr, Spencer Meier
Eucharistic Mins: John and Mary Lewis
11.00am Readers: Gabriella Failla, John Rowe
Eucharistic Mins: Bridie Sexton, Evelyn Arkins

21 Sunday of Ordinary Time – 23/24 August 2025

6.00pm Readers: Brian Scantlebury, Adrian Mitchell
Eucharistic Mins: Fay Murphy, Christina Llopart
9.00am Readers: Kathleen Ronchi, Don Ziino
Eucharistic Mins: Michael Kerr, Patricia Thomas
11.00am Readers: Esme Higgins, Michael Harrison
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