



St Paul Apostle Catholic Community

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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C, 4-5 October, 2025

Last Sunday was the 111th World Refugee and Migrant Sunday. In honour of the year, Pope Leo XVI gave a message to migrants and refugees, published a few months ago. We will include the message in this week and next week newsletters.

Dear Brothers and Sisters!

The 111th World Day of Migrants and Refugees, which my predecessor chose to coincide with the Jubilees of Migrants and of the Missions, offers us an opportunity to reflect on the connections between hope, migration and mission.

The current global context is sadly marked by wars, violence, injustice and extreme weather events, which force millions of people to leave their homelands in search of refuge elsewhere. The widespread tendency to look after the interests of limited communities poses a serious threat to the sharing of responsibility, multilateral cooperation, the pursuit of the common good and global solidarity for the benefit of our entire human family. The prospect of a renewed arms race and the development of new armaments, including nuclear weapons, the lack of consideration for the harmful effects of the ongoing climate crisis, and the impact of profound economic inequalities make the challenges of the present and the future increasingly demanding.

Faced with frightening scenarios and the possibility of global devastation, it is important that there be a growing desire in people's hearts for a future of peace and of respect for the dignity of all. Such a future is essential to God's plan for humanity and the rest of creation. This is the messianic future anticipated by the prophets: "Old men and old women shall again sit in the streets of Jerusalem, each with staff in hand because of their great age. And the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in its streets... For there shall be a sowing of peace; the vine shall yield its fruit, the ground shall give its produce, and the skies shall give their

dew" (Zech 8:4-5, 12). This future has already begun, since it was inaugurated by Jesus Christ (cf. Mk 1:15; Lk 17:21), and we believe and hope in its full realization, for the Lord is always faithful to his promises.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches: "The virtue of hope responds to the aspiration to happiness which God has placed in the heart of every man and woman; it takes up the hopes that inspire human activities" (N. 1818). What is more, the search for happiness, and the prospect of finding it beyond one's place of origin, is certainly one of the main motivations for the movement of people today.

This link between migration and hope is clearly evident in many contemporary experiences of migration. Many migrants, refugees and displaced persons are privileged witnesses of hope. Indeed, they demonstrate this daily through their resilience and trust in God, as they face adversity while seeking a future in which they glimpse that integral human development and happiness are possible. Moreover, we can see the itinerant experience of the people of Israel repeated in their own lives: "O God, when you went out before your people, when you marched through the wilderness, the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, at the presence of God, the God of Israel. Rain in abundance, O God, you showered abroad; you restored your heritage when it languished; your flock found a dwelling in it; in your goodness, O God, you provided for the needy" (Ps 68:7-10).

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Masses

Monday
9am

Tuesday
9am Mass

Wednesday
7pm Mass

Thursday
9am Mass

Friday
9am Mass

Saturday
6pm Mass

Sunday
9am, 11am, 6pm

Please note
Sunday 11am online
Mass is

[https://youtube.com/
live/UFj6la-W4S4?
feature=share](https://youtube.com/live/UFj6la-W4S4?feature=share)

Reconciliation
Saturdays
10am—10.30am

Parish Priest:
Fr Brendan Connell CP

Assistant Parish Priest
Fr OBrien Chanda CP
Fr. Tuan Paul Anh-Do CP

Parish Staff:
Gillian Velupillay (Bursar)
Didi Karkas (Secretary)
Valerie Ferreira
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Readings for NEXT WEEK
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading

2 Kings 5:14-17

Naaman the Syrian went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean. Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; Naaman came and stood before Elisha and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel; please accept a present from your servant." But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing!" Naaman urged Elisha to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, "If not, please let two mule-loads of earth be given to your servant; for your servant will no longer offer burnt offering or sacrifice to any god except the Lord." The word of the Lord

God is not chained.

Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory. The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful — for he cannot deny himself. The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you
Alleluia!

Responsorial Psalm

O sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvellous things.
His right hand and his holy arm
have brought him victory.

The Lord has made known his victory;
he has revealed his vindication
in the sight of the nations.
He has remembered his steadfast love
and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth
have seen the victory of our God.
Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises

Gospel

Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When Jesus saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him.

And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then Jesus said to the Samaritan, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

This is the Gospel, the Good News of the Lord

Second Reading

2 Timothy 2:8-13

Beloved: Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David — that is my Gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of

Reflection

How do I respond to God's invitation to receive his healing and compassion?

How can I show gratitude for the gifts of healing and new life that God has given me?

How do I show gratitude for God's blessings by sharing them, rather than keeping them for myself?

How can I embrace a simpler life, focusing on God and my relationships with others?

We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

St Paul Apostle safeguarding policies can be found on our website at

<https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/endeavourhills> or in hardcopy in the Sacristy



COLLECTORS

This is a reminder for **ALL COLLECTORS** during weekend Masses. Please ensure that you have fulfilled all the safeguarding requirements (including a Working with Children's Check and safeguarding training) If you are in doubt, please don't hesitate to approach Didi at Mass or to call the parish office. We will assist you with completing the necessary requirements.



ANTON NADARAJAH

Anton Nadarajah was one of our longtime parishioners. Faithfully, Anton attended Sunday 9am Mass, at which he took part in multiple ministries. Anton was the sacristan, a collector and the communion minister at this Mass. Anton also helped his late wife, late Dawn Nadarajah, with shoppers at the parish fair. There maybe more areas in which Anton volunteered his time at this parish community. Even after Anton was no longer able to drive, he still occasionally come here to attend Mass. Sadly, on Monday 22nd September 2025 Anton passed away peacefully at View Hills. His contribution to this parish will always be fondly remembered and greatly appreciated. We remember his family at this time of sadness. Anton's funeral will be on **THURSDAY, 9th October at 11am** at St Paul Apostle Church. Follow by private burial afterwards.



GARDENING

We are hoping to do some more gardening on **SATURDAY 18th OCTOBER** from 8.30am to 11am. If you have spare time and are able to assist please come along with your gardening tools. You don't have to stay for the whole duration. Any help will make the work lighter.

BINGO

This is an early notice from the Bingo team. Their last session of Bingo for the year will be on **FRIDAY, 28th NOVEMBER 2025**. Starting time is 8.30pm. As usual, the theme of the final session is 'Christmas'. All whom have joined this event in the past have expressed how much fun they had. If you wish to join or have an inquiry please contact us.

SAFEGUARDING CORNER

Legal obligations

All charities registered with the ACNC must continue to be not-for-profit and pursue solely charitable purposes. They must also keep financial and operational records, and report information to the ACNC annually – including financial information.

Most charities must also comply with the ACNC Governance Standards and, if operating overseas, the ACNC External Conduct Standards.

The Governance Standards do not refer to specific obligations for safeguarding. However, they do require charities to comply with Australian law (Governance Standard 3), and they set duties for a charity's Responsible People (Governance Standard 5). These duties include the requirement to act with care and diligence and in the charity's best interests.

For charities that operate or send funds overseas, there are explicit requirements for protecting vulnerable people (External Conduct Standard 4).

There may be other state, federal or overseas legislation with which your charity must comply, depending on the location and nature of your charity's operations. Charities could consider creating a register of legal obligations, so they are aware of all relevant obligations. You may consider getting legal advice to fully understand your charity's legal obligations.

Readings:

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Habakkuk 1: 2-3; 2: 2-4

2 Timothy 1: 6-8, 13-14

Luke 17: 5-10

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2 Kings 5: 14-17

2 Timothy 2: 8-13

Luke 17: 11-19

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This weekend we pray for:

Those who are sick

Stephanie Kinson, Cecile Potier, Tauasu Vaeafe, Fr. Michael Willemsen, Sebastian Nowakowski, Keith Gilmore, Maria Terezia Szabo, Mavis David, Parama Sivam, Nethanjal Tu'ulakitau, Christopher de Zilva, Christina Williams, Italia Fata, Eva Marie, Kevin Ooi, Rose Liew, Annabelle Ghatt, Marantha Fidow, James Mendis, Oliver Mendis, Merlinda B. Szuba, Marian Meade, "Horse" Ian Price, Josip Dujic, Hector de Santos, Teariki Sword, Rui Manuel Campos, Ruby Reid, Danny Sugunasekera, Dorothy Locke, Piper Anne Spriggs, Grace Sprigg, Ronella Tyrell **and All those in aged care or home-bound with chronic health issues**

Those who have died

Anton Nadarajah, Raymond Anthony Parsons, Maria Antolini, Boy Quilala, Jeannine Georgette Therese Chadwick, Noel McNamara, Neomi Therese Jackson, Shelagh Maureen Gleeson, Lomaga Pa'u, Brendan Sutton **and all who are named in our church memorial book**

May they rest in peace

St Paul Apostle Parish Endeavour Hills
MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST 2025

	Saturday—6pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 11am	Sunday 6pm
1st Sunday	Riona Alveyn Lionel Alveyn Lien Phan	Mary Moore Nila Fernando Rosa Mitchell Rohan Wickramasinghe Jennifer Cunningham	Vianney Clark Antoniette Gargano Stephen Herbert Binitha Mathew Patricia D'Souza	Anne Kankanige Peng Chee Vonny Lai
2nd Sunday	Gertrude Akom Mima Arena Carmeline Don Paul	Sig Romano Anabela Costa Aloma Pereira David Goh Rinku Arora	Sharon Normington Sai Dlinger Naomi Falo Stephen Nasalio Santhanamary	Jenny Catania Brendan Keating Lakni Weerasekera
3rd Sunday	Celine Quinless Riona Alveyn Lionel Alveyn	Mary Moore Nila Fernando Rosa Mitchell Jennifer Cunningham Sig Romano	Vianney Clark Antoniette Gargano Binitha Mathew Patricia De Souza Marie Claire Maillard	Vonny Lai Charlene Nheu Marg Keating
4th Sunday	Bernie Henstridge Lien Phan Celine Quinless	Aloma Pereira Michelle Boissezon Rohan Wickramasinghe David Goh	Naomi Falo Sharon Normington Lauren Rafferty Stephen Herbert Santhanamary	Swineetha Disanayake Dominique Maclou Jenny Catania
5th Sunday	Bernie Henstridge Carmeline Don Paul Mima Arena	Sig Romano Anabela Costa Nila Fernando Rinku Arora	Binitha Mathew Stephen Herbert Sharon Normington	Peng Chee Jenny Catania Marg Keating

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MINISTERS OF WORD/ COMMENTATORS 2025

	Saturday—6pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 11am	Sunday 6pm
1st Sunday	Mary Pegram Liz Spear	Virendra Jayetileke Janina Gorski	Anne Astin Rinku Arora	Stephen Nasalio William Roncon
2nd Sunday	Marg Daly Liseby Lapierre	Grace Sudjono Rosa Mitchell	Mars Sota Beth Sota	Charlene Nheu Mignonne Meerwald
3rd Sunday	Liz Flood Trevor Saldanha	Agnes Giam William Round	Alvita Dias Rinku Arora	Jeremy Ferrao Reg Young
4th Sunday	Mark Rolfe Karen Rolfe	Mary Moore Jodicee Tenisio	Mary Heaton Yvonne Sherwin	Marg Keating Luiza Monteiro
5th Sunday	Marg Daly Trevor Saldanha	Grace Sudjono Janina Gorski	Mary Heaton Jennifer Tanti	Lakni Weerasekera Charlene Nheu

Please note that the above rosters are subject to the completion
of the required SAFEGUARDING documents and training

