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## Reconciliation Times

10.30am Saturdays— St. Mary's  
4.30pm Saturdays — Holy Spirit  
5.00pm Saturdays - St. Joseph's

## MASS TIMES

### St. Mary's Thornbury

Sunday: 9.00am English/Italian  
5.30pm English

Weekdays: Wednesdays only from  
27 Sept— 30 October: 9.15am

### St. Joseph's Northcote

Saturday: 5.30pm  
Sunday: 10:30am Eng/Italian  
Weekdays: Tuesdays only from  
27 Sept — 30 October: 9.15am

### Holy Spirit Thornbury East

Saturday: 5.00pm  
Sunday: 10:00am  
Weekdays: Thursdays only from  
27 Sept—30 October : 9.15am

### St. Anthony's Alphington

Saturday: 6.00pm  
Sunday: 9.00am Italian  
11.00am English  
Weekdays: Fridays only from  
27 Sept—30 October: 9.15am

### FEAST DAYS IN THE WEEK

26 Sept: Sts Cosmas & Damian  
27 Sept: St. Vincent De Paul  
28 Sept: St Wenceslaus; St.  
Lawrence Ruiz & Companions  
29 Sept: Sts. Michael, Gabriel &  
Raphel, Archangels  
30 Sept: St. Jerome

### Recently Deceased

Ivana Sanelli (1mth. anni.)  
David Reginato (1mth.anni.)

### Anniversaries

Antonio Bramato; Antonios Najib  
Taouk; Mounir Nabih Fakhry;  
Domenico Ciccione;  
Antonio & Sestina Acquarola

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26 Sunday in Ordinary Time

24-25 September 2022

## They won't listen!

Parents will certainly understand the point of the parable in today's Gospel. You can almost hear the exasperation in Jesus' voice, 'You've been told over and over again...' But still people refuse to listen. In the parable, the rich man insists that if only the message was dramatic enough, if only Lazarus could return then surely his brothers would listen. 'No,' says Jesus, 'they won't listen, even if someone were to rise from the dead.'

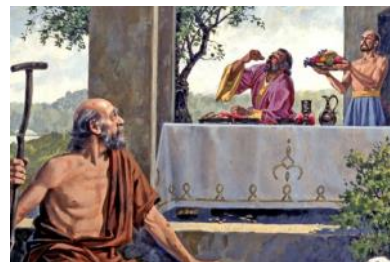
And someone has risen from the dead, and has the listening improved? Is kindness a value for us? Generosity? Are we willing to share with others? Or like the rich man, do we block our ears and close our eyes to the needy at our gates, to the refugees on our doorsteps.

As I write this reflection, men, women and children are locked up in 'Detention' centres, their crime being a desire to live, and see their families live, with some hope. They want a chance for their children to be educated, a chance to live without fear of arrest and torture, a chance to live alongside us and be given a fair go. Apart from these asylum seekers, there are other examples you can think of where Lazarus lies starving on our doorsteps.

What more will it take for us to listen, really listen to the words of Jesus? If you look carefully at the parable and the description of the rich man, it does not describe him as a thief, or a swindler; it is not as if he is the one who caused Lazarus to become poor; in this sense he has done nothing wrong. But this is the point. He has done nothing! Lazarus has been at his gate and he has not reached out to him; he has not seen that he has any responsibility for him – it's not his fault – it's just the way it is. But Jesus holds him accountable for doing nothing.

May our ears and hearts be opened to feel the discomfort of the Gospel; may the Risen One in our midst goad us to act in his name for those like Lazarus in our midst.

Reflection by Dr. Mary Coloe PBVM



## Pastoral Leadership Team report, September 2022

Our combined Pastoral Leadership Team met on Tuesday 13 September to consider matters affecting our four communities. The main items discussed at our September meeting were:

- our vision and mission as a family of parishes - what we want to be, and what we are here to do

- the findings from the Parish Mass times survey, which we'll share with you soon.
- Cabrini Health's plans for St Joseph's Parish House, which are progressing well, and plans to lease out the former convent near St Mary's.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 12 October. We're blessed to have a joyful and enthusiastic team representing our Parishes. Please pray that we'll continue to be guided by the Holy Spirit in our discussions and decisions.

This parish has a commitment to ensuring the safety of children and vulnerable people in our community.

**FIRST READING:** Amos 6:1. 4-7

A reading from the book of Amos

The almighty Lord says this:

Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion  
and to those who feel so safe on the mountain of  
Samaria,

Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans,  
they dine on lambs from the flock, and stall-fattened  
veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp, they invent  
new instruments of music like David, they drink wine  
by the bowlful, and use the finest oil for anointing  
themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not  
care at all.

That is why they will be the first to be exiled;  
the sprawlers' revelry is over.

The Word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Ps 145

**R: Praise the Lord, my soul!**

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,  
who is just to those who are oppressed.  
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,  
the Lord, who sets prisoners free.

2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,  
who raises up those who are bowed down.  
It is the Lord who loves the just,  
the Lord, who protects the stranger.

3. He upholds the widow and orphan  
but thwarts the path of the wicked.  
The Lord will reign for ever,  
Zion's God, from age to age.

**R: Praise the Lord, my soul!**

**SECOND READING:** 1 Timothy 6, 11-16

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy  
As a man dedicated to God, you must aim to be  
saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient  
and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win  
for yourself the eternal life to which you were called  
when you made your profession and spoke up for the  
truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God  
the source of all life and before Christ, who spoke up  
as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I  
put to you the duty of doing all that you have been  
told, with no faults or failures, until the appearing of  
our Lord Jesus Christ, who at the due time will be  
revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all,

the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is  
immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no  
man has seen and no man is able to see: to him be  
honour and everlasting power. Amen.

The word of the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God**

**Gospel Acclamation:** 2 Cor 8:9

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor,  
To make you rich out of his poverty

**Alleluia!**

**THE GOSPEL** Luke 16: 19-31

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.  
Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who  
used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast  
magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor  
man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to  
fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's  
table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the  
poor man died and was carried away by the angels to  
the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was  
buried.

In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham  
a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried  
out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip  
the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I  
am in agony in these flames". "My son," Abraham  
replied "remember that during your life good things  
came your way, just as bad things came the way of  
Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are  
in agony. But that is not all: between us and you a great  
gulf has been fixed, to stop anyone, if he wanted to,  
crossing from our side to yours, and to stop any crossing  
from your side to ours."

'The rich man replied, "Father, I beg you then to send  
Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers,  
to give them warning so that they do not come to this  
place of torment too". "They have Moses and the  
prophets," said Abraham "let them listen to them.". "Ah  
no, father Abraham," said the rich man "but if someone  
comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then  
Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to  
Moses or to the prophets, they will not be convinced  
even if someone should rise from the dead".'

The Gospel of the Lord

**All: Praise to you,  
Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Next Week's Readings**

Habakkuk 1:2-3, 2:2-4

Psalm 94

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Luke 17:5-9

**Prima Lettura:** Am 6,1.4-7

Dal libro del profeta Amos  
 Guai agli spensierati di Sion  
 e a quelli che si considerano sicuri  
 sulla montagna di Samaria!  
 Distesi su letti d'avorio e sdraiati sui loro divani  
 mangiano gli agnelli del gregge  
 e i vitelli cresciuti nella stalla.  
 Canterellano al suono dell'arpa,  
 come Davide improvvisano su strumenti musicali;  
 bevono il vino in larghe coppe  
 e si ungono con gli unguenti più raffinati,  
 ma della rovina di Giuseppe non si preoccupano.  
 Perciò ora andranno in esilio in testa ai deportati  
 e cesserà l'orgia dei dissoluti.  
 Parola di Dio.

**A: Rendiamo grazie a Dio.**

**Salmo Responsoriale:** Sal 145

**R: Loda il Signore, anima mia.**

1. Il Signore rimane fedele per sempre  
 rende giustizia agli oppressi,  
 dà il pane agli affamati.  
 Il Signore libera i prigionieri.
2. Il Signore ridona la vista ai ciechi,  
 il Signore rialza chi è caduto,  
 il Signore ama i giusti,  
 il Signore protegge i forestieri.
3. Egli sostiene l'orfano e la vedova,  
 ma sconvolge le vie dei malvagi.  
 Il Signore regna per sempre,  
 il tuo Dio, o Sion, di generazione in generazione.

**R: Loda il Signore, anima mia.**

**Seconda Lettura:** 1Tm 6,11-16

Dalla prima lettera di san Paolo apostolo a Timoteo

Tu, uomo di Dio, evita queste cose; tendi invece alla giustizia, alla pietà, alla fede, alla carità, alla pazienza, alla mitezza. Combatti la buona battaglia della fede, cerca di raggiungere la vita eterna alla quale sei stato chiamato e per la quale hai fatto la tua bella professione di fede davanti a molti testimoni.

Davanti a Dio, che dà vita a tutte le cose, e a Gesù Cristo, che ha dato la sua bella testimonianza davanti a Ponzio Pilato, ti ordino di conservare senza macchia e in modo irreprensibile il comandamento,

fino alla manifestazione del Signore nostro Gesù Cristo, che al tempo stabilito sarà a noi mostrata da Dio, il beato e unico Sovrano, il Re dei re e Signore dei signori, il solo che possiede l'immortalità e abita una luce inaccessibile: nessuno fra gli uomini lo ha mai visto né può vederlo.  
 A lui onore e potenza per sempre. Amen.  
 Parola di Dio.

**A: Rendiamo grazie a Dio.**

**Canto al Vangelo:** (2Cor 8,9)

**Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gesù Cristo da ricco che era, si è fatto povero per voi, perché voi diventaste ricchi per mezzo della sua povertà.  
**Alleluia.**

**Vangelo:** Lc 16,19-31

Dal Vangelo secondo Luca

In quel tempo, Gesù disse ai farisei:

«C'era un uomo ricco, che indossava vestiti di porpora e di lino finissimo, e ogni giorno si dava a lauti banchetti. Un povero, di nome Lazzaro, stava alla sua porta, coperto di piaghe, bramoso di sfamarsi con quello che cadeva dalla tavola del ricco; ma erano i cani che venivano a leccare le sue piaghe.

Un giorno il povero morì e fu portato dagli angeli accanto ad Abramo. Morì anche il ricco e fu sepolto. Stando negli inferi fra i tormenti, alzò gli occhi e vide di lontano Abramo, e Lazzaro accanto a lui. Allora gridando disse: «Padre Abramo, abbi pietà di me e manda Lazzaro a intingere nell'acqua la punta del dito e a bagnarmi la lingua, perché soffro terribilmente in questa fiamma». Ma Abramo rispose: «Figlio, ricòrdati che, nella vita, tu hai ricevuto i tuoi beni, e Lazzaro i suoi mali; ma ora in questo modo lui è consolato, tu invece sei in mezzo ai tormenti. Per di più, tra noi e voi è stato fissato un grande abisso: coloro che di qui vogliono passare da voi, non possono, né di lì possono giungere fino a noi». E quello replicò: «Allora, padre, ti prego di mandare Lazzaro a casa di mio padre, perché ho cinque fratelli. Li ammonisca severamente, perché non vengano anch'essi in questo luogo di tormento». Ma Abramo rispose: «Hanno Mosè e i Profeti; ascoltino loro». E lui replicò: «No, padre Abramo, ma se dai morti qualcuno andrà da loro, si convertiranno». Abramo rispose: «Se non ascoltano Mosè e i Profeti, non saranno persuasi neanche se uno risorgesse dai morti»».

Parola del Signore.

**A: Lode a Te o Cristo.**

## WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Names will remain for 4 weeks, then a new request is required.

## HOUSE VISITATIONS

Do you or someone you know require any of the following

- Annual House Visits
- Visits to the Sick
- Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the Presbytery on 9484 2907 to arrange a time with Fr Shabin or Fr. Dixon.

## SICK OR HOUSEBOUND / MALATE O CONFINATE A CASA

Se conoscete persone che sono malate o confinate a casa e vorrebbero ricevere visite o la comunione a casa siete pregati di mettervi in contatto contact Parish Offices **9484 2907**

## CHILDREN'S

### LITURGY OF THE WORD

Sunday, 5:30pm Mass during school terms. This is a way for school aged children to gather and understand the Gospel at their age level. **Cancelled until further notice**

## CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

**Every Thursday at Holy Spirit Parish Office room at 10-11am WEEKLY NOW ALL WELCOME!**

Contact: Mirella at Thornbury@cam.org.au

## BAPTISMS: by appointment only

- 1 Sunday of the month - St. Mary's
- 2 Sunday of the month - Holy Spirit
- 3 Sunday of the month - St. Anthony's
- 4 Sunday of the month - St. Joseph's

## First Wednesday of the month.

**St. Joseph's:** 7.00pm: Baptism Preparation meeting the church.

By appointment only.

**St. Mary's:** By appointment only please call parish Office

**St Anthony's and Holy Spirit :**Baptism prep session 1st Saturday of the month 10am with Kevin and Katrina Jansz.

## SENIORS

### Last Friday of the month

**St. Joseph's Seniors Mass every last Friday of the Month at 10.30am in the church.**

Parrocchiani anziani di San Giuseppe sono invitati a partecipare alla **Santa Messa ultimo Venerdì del mese alle 10.30am.**

## First Friday of the month

**St. Mary's** 2.00pm Mass of Anointing of the Sick first Friday of the month.

## "Telephone Prayer meeting"

When: Every Tuesday at 11.30am  
Dial: **07- 5660 6012** (call from home)

Access code: **722762 #**

Cost: Cost of a local call. Open to all.

## Catholic Religious Education

**St. Mary's:** Sundays at 9.45 am. R.E Classes in preparation for Sacraments. Please contact Mirella 9484 2907.

**St Anthony's and Holy Spirit :**Sacramental program 5pm to 6pm in meeting room St Anthony's, six weeks before the Sacrament is received.

## Safeguarding Children, Young

## People and Vulnerable People Committee

Contact Person: Moses El-Fakhri via Parish Office.

## Parish Notices

### Cake Stall at St. Mary's church, Sunday 2 October at 10am.

All proceeds will go to organize the celebrations of Centenary events in 2023.

You can help by baking a cake or slice or by buying a cake on the day, For more information contact Mirella on **9484 2907**. **Cakes may be dropped off on Saturday, 1 October between 10am –11am**

**at the church or on Sunday 2 October at 9am.**

**Your contribution large or small will be gratefully received.**



**The Catholic Alliance for People Seeking Asylum (CAPSA)** is holding a National Week of Prayer and Action to engage the Australian Catholic community to take-action and stand in solidarity with people seeking asylum. This week of prayer starts today, Sunday 25th September. Our combined parishes asylum seeker group is a part of the wider CAPSA community in action. How can you use your time, resources, voice and heart to advocate alongside people seeking asylum? Our parish community is responding practically through the donation of goods each month - so thank you. During this week especially we ask that you:

- Pray – include refugees and people seeking asylum in your prayers.
- Reflect – reflect and meditate on the experiences of people seeking asylum.
- Learn – take time to learn about the stories of people seeking asylum and fleeing persecution.

There are lots more stories and ways to support asylum seekers on the CAPSA website <https://capsa.org.au>



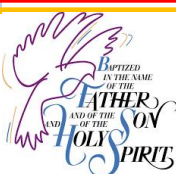
**Daylight Savings begins**  
**Sunday, 2 October** clocks are turned forward 1 hour.

**Fr. Dixon will be on Annual leave from 27 September until 30 October.**

**Fr. Paul Connell will assist with supply for weekend Masses over that period.**

Please note **Weekday Masses will change during Sept and October.**

There will be only one mass celebrated in each Parish on a set weekday. See Front of the Newsletter for times and places. **We wish Fr. Dixon a happy and restful holiday.**



## Sacrament of Baptism

We welcome into the Christian Community:

**Maurice and Therese presenting twins**  
**Juliet Eve and Clara Louise Giardina**

baptized at St. Anthony's church. We congratulate the families and pray for their spiritual growth and wellbeing in the Lord.

**The Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver** will hold their Annual Mission Fete on Saturday 8 October 9am-2.30pm at 154 Cotham Rd., Kew. This year the proceeds will be forwarded to Sr. Mol B Pomoy, OSA Delegate Superior for financial aid to construct a wall needed for landslide prevention and the safety of their Chapel. Enquiries Contact Parish Office.



## How can you contribute to the parish

This QR code is unique to **St Anthony, Alphington and Holy Spirit, Thornbury East** and will give parishioners direct access to our CDF pay web page. To make a payment, parishioners simply scan our CDF pay QR code with their mobile phone and follow a few easy steps.

If you would like to donate via Tap and Go please use the terminal located in the foyer.

The limit is \$5. All you need to do to make a donation is tap the terminal with your credit card/ debit card/smart phone smart watch - donations will go straight in to our Church account.

Presbytery Accounts: **St Mary's & St Joseph's** BSB 083 347 Account 857260792

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