PARISH PRIEST

Fr. Gary Jones

PARISH OFFICES St. Thomas' Terang P.O. Box 25 Terang. 3264 Ph: 5592 1195 terang@ballarat.catholic.org.au

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SCHOOL PRINCIPALS St. Thomas' Terang Mr. Matthew Uzkuraitis Ph 5592 1925

St. Colman's Mortlake Mr. Tim Bourke Ph 5599 2285

Mercy Regional College Ms Sharon Gillett Ph 5593 2011

St. Thomas the Apostle and St. Colman's Parishes acknowledge and respect the traditional custodians of this land the Kirrae Wuurong people.

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

ST THOMAS' TERANGSaturday6.00 pmSunday10.30 am

ST COLMAN'S MORTLAKE Sunday 9.00 am

Next Weeks Readings:

9th & 10th October 2021

1st read: Wis 7: 7-11 **2nd read:** Heb 4: 12-13 **Gospel:** Mk 10: 17-30



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE TERANG and ST. COLMAN'S MORTLAKE PARISH BULLETIN

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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2nd & 3rd October 2021

RECENT DEATHS: Fr John Keane

<u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>: Mary Lawlor, Rex Bond, Brigid McKinnon, John McKinnon, Terry McKinnon, Jack Nolan, Bridgie Nolan, Jim McKinnon, Len May, Enid O'Connor, Andrew Riordon, Shane Riordon



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

(Names placed on the sick list will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise notified)

<u>SUPPORTING OUR PARISHES</u>: Thank you for your ongoing support of our Parishes.

Weekend 25th/26th Sept 2021	TERANG		MORTLAKE	
1st Collection	\$	251.50	\$	42.40
Planned Giving Program Week	<u>. 61</u>			
2nd Collection	\$	200.00	\$	45.00
Average given	\$	1,731.28	\$	267.23
Amount promised per week	\$	1,687.42	\$	300.81

DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS - MASS HAS RESUMED ~ WITH 20 PEOPLE ONLY

See reverse page for details about our return to weekend & weekday Masses

TERANG & MORTLAKE ROSTERS:

LINEN: October

Terang: Betty Lee Mortlake: Rita Pasque

FLOWERS: Not Required

Mortlake Set Up: October - Dulcie Jervies

Liturgy Rosters: Weekend ~ 9th & 10th October 2021

READERS: 1st & 2nd reading & Prayers of the Faithful

<u>Terang</u> Reader will be contacted <u>Mortlake</u> Sunday 9.00 am: Ian Murray

Offertory: Not Required

Eucharistic Minister: Not Required

Music Mortlake Sun 9.00 am: Volunteer

Lap Top Terang: Sat 6.00 pm: Not Required

Weekday Masses

Thurs 7th October: 9.30am Terang

Fri 8th October: 10.00am Terang (Jack & Bridgie Nolan & Jim McKinnon)



Mercy Regional College Annual Car Raffle ~ Tickets only \$10



Tickets can be purchased online. Reichas Drapery also have tickets

If you would like a ticket & do not have access to the internet, please contact Clare at the Parish Office on 5592 1195 & she will happily purchase your ticket/s for you Drawn on 29th November

> **1st Prize: MG3 Auto Excite, valued at \$19,490** Supplied by Callaghan Motors, Warrnambool

> > 14 Other prizes to be won

Gospel Reflection

In the Western world today, somewhere between one-third and one-half of marriages end in divorce. It's a statistic that we hear wheeled out as a sign of the collapse of family values in our society. However, the reverse statistic is also true: somewhere between one-half and two-thirds of marriages are lasting ones. In the last 30-40 years, divorce has transformed from being a shameful scandal to an accepted, even commonplace, fact of life. It would be uncommon not to know someone affected by divorce. Despite those who argue that divorce is too 'easy', it is an emotional and difficult decision for couples to reach and has rippling impacts on children, extended families and friends.

When the Pharisees in the gospel asked Jesus about the law regarding divorce, they really weren't interested in divorce; they wanted to check Jesus' orthodoxy – how he stood in relation to traditional teaching. Rather than respond to them directly, Jesus asks them first of all to name the teaching to which they refer. He then explains that Moses only ever wrote the instruction because the people were so unwilling to listen to God's way.

For the second time in the last few weeks, the gospel shows Jesus welcoming children and praising their attitude as the way to the kingdom of God. Children of the time had no status and were regarded as literally the property of their father. When Jesus laid his hands on the children and gave them his blessing, this was the action of a father 'claiming' the child as their own. To welcome the kingdom like a little child is to enter into living the kingdom of God without any claim to position or status; to recognise our complete dependence on others; to let go of our ideas of who is important and who is not; to allow ourselves to be 'claimed' by Jesus.

2022 Part Time Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) program

Are you interested in gaining recognised education in the provision of pastoral care in the context of parish, aged care or health care?

A part time program is available online and face to face (when covid safe) for successful applicants.

The program offers education, formation and experience through approved and mutually negotiated placement hours and group days.

CPE is recognised by the University of Divinity as 48 points towards theological studies.

For further information and an application form please contact:

Bernadette Wurlod, Clinical Pastoral Educator, Supervisor of Pastoral Care ministry,

University of Divinity Adjunct Lecturer - <u>bernadette@bernadettewurlod.com.au</u> Ph: 0455 033 321

Weekend & Weekday Masses

Fr Gary will be celebrating Mass each weekend <u>Under COVID restrictions.</u> Unfortunately we can only have <u>20 people</u> at each Mass - Bookings Essential. If you would like to attend Mass at either Terang or Mortlake (normal times), <u>you will need to book in each week</u> with Clare at the Parish Office. 5592 1195

We apologise in advice to those who may not be able to attend, due to number limits. Thank you for your understanding & co-operation. Please sign in & wear a mask