



Holy Family Parish Northeast Mallee

31st Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday, 3 November 2019



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Office Hours

Tues, Thurs and Fri

10am -2pm

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Incorporating the Catholic Communities of

Sacred Heart Church, Culgoa

St Michael's Church, Lalbert

St Joseph's Church, Lake Boga

St Joseph's Church, Nandaly

S's Peter & Paul, Quambatook

St Mary's Church, Swan Hill

St Mary's Church, Sea Lake

Notices for Bulletin need to be received at the office by Wednesday morning.

Parish Prayer

God our Father,

Through the intercession of the Holy Family our patron, we pray that you bless this parish so that we may love you more.

Help parents to be a good example to their children and our youth to grow in strength as good Christians.

Encircle our families with your loving care; to the sick and the weak grant health; to the aged bring serenity; and to those in sorrow joy.

May we grow stronger in faith and may our love for one another become deeper in our daily life. Amen.



Recent Deaths

Ron Hoare

Dorothy Bishop

Doreen O'Brien

Anniversaries of Death

Patricia O'Loughlin, Sr Rita Hayes, Mary Phyland, Jean Eustace, Dick Livingston, John Hayes, Cliff Hinton, Joe Wilkins, Bernie Conway, Bernie Maher, Robert Isgro, Phillip Clarke, Elsie Wright, Norah Hogan, Thomas Meehan, Francis Walsh, Keith Rowe, Cecil Learmonth, Michele Costa, Hugh Foott, William O'Brien, Les Johnston, Ashley Maher, Jean McInerney, James Gleeson, Jack McGrath, Lucille Nolan.

Weekday Masses

Monday No Mass

Tuesday: 5.30pm Swan Hill

Wed: 10am Swan Hill

Thursday: 10.15am Sea Lake

Friday: 11am Holy Hour Exposition

12 noon Swan Hill

(Friday will be Lay Led)

Weekend Mass Times

St Mary's Swan Hill

Sat 6.30pm Sun 10.30am

St Mary's Sea Lake

Sun 8.30am (1st Sun) 5pm (3rd Sun)

9.30am Assembly (2nd, 4th)

Ecc Ser. (5th) 10am

St Joseph's Lake Boga 8.30am (4th Sun)

St Joseph's Nandaly 5pm (2nd Sun)

9am Assembly (1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th Sun)

Sacred Heart Culgoa 5pm (2nd Friday)

9.30am Assembly (1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th)

S's Peter and Paul Quambatook

2nd Sun 8:30am 3rd Sat 6.30pm

1st and 4th Assembly 9:30am

5th Ecc Service 9:30am

St Michael's Lalbert

3rd and 5th Sun 8:30am

1st 2nd and 4th Assembly 9.30am

Schools within the Parish

Primary

St Mary's Primary School Sea Lake

Principal: Kate Nunn

47 Hannon Street, Sea Lake

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St Mary's Primary School Swan Hill

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Secondary

St Mary MacKillop College

Principal: Michelle Haeusler

53 McCrae Street, Swan Hill

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Sick List

Jarrod Crimmins, Brian Mulcahy, Jack Donohue, Sean Carroll, Thao Nguyen. Ronald Duryea, Jude Lewis, Col Lawry, Yvonne Annan,

Prayer for Rain:

Loving God,

Maker of all things

And protector of your people,

In you we live and move and have our being.

In your mercy come to our aid, send us the

rain we need, and teach us to seek your

lasting help on our journey through life.

We ask this blessing through Christ Our Lord.

Amen.

Finances

1st Collection (Support Clergy)

\$970.50

2nd Collection (Parish Support)

Including C/Cards and D/Debt

\$1050.00

Thank you for your generous contribution to the running of the parish and the support of our priests

VCE Exams

Now that the students have begun their exams please keep them in your prayers for the next two weeks

Saints / Feast Days

This Week

Mon: St Charles Borromeo

Tues: St Bertilla

Wed: St Theophane Venard

Thurs: Bl Giuseppe Antonio Tovini

Fri: St Philip Howard

Sat: Dedication of the Latern Basilica

Child Safe Church

Here in the Parish of Holy Family North East Mallee follow the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian Government and we also implement procedures and standards as directed by the Ballarat Diocesan Office



Complete the Text maze:

"The Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost."

START

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Y	F	J	N	V	K	E	C	Z	F
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FINISH

Gospel Focus– Conversion

When we hear this story about Zacchaeus, our focus is normally on the conversion of heart that appears to take place within Zacchaeus. However, his determination to see Jesus from the outset suggests that the conversion has already taken place within Zacchaeus. It is the muttering, grumbling crowd who are called to conversion; called to soften their hearts and see a faithful man where they have previously only seen a sinner. Throughout the gospel, the welcome and acceptance Jesus extends to the 'outsider' and the 'sinner' confronts and challenges those who would hold themselves up as being better than these others.

Food for Thought

Do you think it is Zacchaeus' height or occupation that makes it most difficult to see Jesus?

What might Zacchaeus have hoped to achieve by just catching a glimpse of Jesus?

What emotions are going on for the crowd who complain about Jesus dining with Zacchaeus?

What prevents you from seeing the godness of certain people?

In what ways are you like Zacchaeus and in what ways are you like the crowd?

Mass of thanksgiving to mark the Ordination of Bishop Shane Mackinlay

Mass of Thanksgiving to celebrate the Ordination of Shane Mackinlay as Bishop of Sandhurst Diocese will be held at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat on Wednesday, November 13 at 7.00pm, followed by supper in the Cathedral Hall.

Palms Australia

Palms Australia assists communities abroad with professional skill development by matching Australian professionals with a dedicated local counterpart. Each of our volunteers is supported with a living allowance. All applicants will be required to complete a Working with Children and Police Check. All candidates for an assignment abroad must complete Palms Australia's pre-departure training in Sydney. Due to current Australian visa regulations, only candidates with Australian/New Zealand residency or citizenship are eligible to apply. Email us at palms@palms.org.au and we can see if your talents match a request from our partners, or go to www.palms.org.au

Study Tour of Biblical Lands 2020

Catholic Theological College are hosting a study tour of the Biblical Lands (Jordan, Israel and Palestinian Territories, Greece) from November 14 – December 7, 2020. An information session will be held Sunday, November 9 from 2.00pm – 4.00pm. For further information contact Jenny Delahunte, email jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au or ph. (03) 9412 3314.

NOVEMBER Dates to Remember

3rd - Cuppa after Mass – Swan Hill
9th- Rosary in the Park
10th/11th St Marys 100 Anniversary
11th- Over Sixties



St Mary's Primary School Swan Hill
100th Anniversary

Friday 8th Nov: Family Fun Night 5.30pm-8.00pm
Sunday 10th Nov: Parish Centenary Mass 10.30am
 St Mary MacKillop and St Mary's School Tours 11.30am-2.30pm
Monday 11th Nov: School Mass St Mary's Primary School 9.15am & blessing of statue. Morning tea for guests, former students, staff & families.
 Kaboom Old Fashioned Sports 11.30am-1.30pm
 St Mary MacKillop And St Mary's School Tours 11.30am-1.00pm
 Memorabilia displays in gymnasium over the weekend.
 New webpage launched, looks amazing
www.smswanhill100years.com

Catholic Theological College Open Day

Wednesday, November 6, 2019 from 4.30pm – 6.30pm. Includes Study Options, Building and Library Tour, Refreshments. RSVP to Jenny Delahunt by Friday, November 1 on 9412 3314 or jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au.

Making A Scene at Christmas

Fr Andrew Hayes has a visiting roadshow of Nativity Scenes as this year is going to visit some of the parish with a small part of the over 500 different nativity scenes which make up the collection.

This year Fr Andrew will be coming to Sea Lake only on Thursday 7th will make another visit next year to other places with the collection.

Services of Remembrance and Blessing of the Graves

Nandaly Sunday 10th Nov 4.30pm
 Sea Lake Thursday 7th Nov 11am
 Quambatook Sunday 10th Nov 8am (TBC)
 Lalbert, Lake Boga, Culgoa, Swan Hill TBC

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve

6pm St Mary's Swan Hill
 St Marys Sea Lake
 8.30pm St Mary's Swan Hill,
 St Peter and Paul's Quambatook
 10.30pm St Mary's Swan Hill

Christmas Day

9.30am St Mary's Swan Hill

This Weeks Roster

	Sat 6.30pm Swan Hill	Sun 10.30am Swan Hill	Sun 8.30am Sea Lake	Sun 9.30am Quambatook	Lalbert
Minister of the Word	Emma Hoare John Hoare	Jordan Wong Elizabeth Milazzo	TBA	Peter	No Services at the moment
Minsters of Communion	J Klabbers, K Hoare M Foley, J Forster	S Colombo, R Jager, E Milazzo, Y Richardson, J Renda		Maris	
Presentation of Gifts	V Barry N Grant	G Harrower T Brady		n/a	
Leader	Fr Matt	Fr Matt		TBA	
Music Ministry	A Woolstencroft	B Grace	M Dorigo		
Counting Team	C Billing	J Taverna			
Cleaning Team				Judy	

Next Week's Roster 10th November

	Sat 6.30pm Swan Hill	Sun 10.30am Swan Hill	Sun 9.30am Sea Lake	Sun 8.30am Quambatook	Lalbert
Minister of the Word	M Foley R Waterson	N Bowd K Quin	TBA	Judy Nyrie	No Services at the moment
Minsters of Communion	M Derham, J Klabbers M Foley, H Lewis	F Fogarty, C Alderuccio, E Balsarini, K Smith, J Ingram		Verna	
Presentation of Gifts	Vietnamese Community	St Marys School		Tom Tuohey	
Leader	Fr Matt	Fr Matt	TBA	Fr Matt	
Music Ministry	J Taverna	St Marys School	M Dorigo		
Counting Team	E Carty	G Murdoch			
Cleaning Team				Judy	

First Reading Wis 11:22 – 12:2

A reading from the book of Wisdom:

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground. Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent. Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it. And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist, how be conserved if not called forth by you?

You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all. Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned, so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 144:1-2. 8-11. 13-14. R. see v.1

(R.) I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.
I will give you glory, O God my King, I will bless your name for ever. I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures.

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God.

The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down.

(R.) I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

Second Reading 2 Thes 1:11 – 2:2

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get excited too soon or alarmed by any prediction or rumour or any letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the Lord has already arrived.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation Jn 3:16

Alleluia, alleluia! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Alleluia

Gospel Lk 19:1-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke:

Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town when a man whose name was Zacchaeus made his appearance; he was one of the senior tax collectors and a wealthy man. He was anxious to see what kind of man Jesus was, but he was too short and could not see him for the crowd; so he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to catch a glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way. When Jesus reached the spot he looked up and spoke to him: 'Zacchaeus, come down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today.' And he hurried down and welcomed him joyfully. They all complained when they saw what was happening. 'He has gone to stay at a sinner's house' they said. But Zacchaeus stood his ground and said to the Lord, 'Look, sir, I am going to give half my property to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody I will pay him back four times the amount.' And Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man too is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.' *The Gospel of the Lord.*

Next Week's Readings:

First Reading: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14

Second Reading: 2 Thes 2:16 – 3:5

Gospel: Lk 20:27-38

**ZACCHAEUS AND THE SYCAMORE**

Jericho is a city of turning points. It is an oasis that serves as a crossroads between Galilee and Jerusalem and between Israel, Jordan and Egypt. It is here that Jesus will take the road that will lead to Calvary. It is also the home of a hated and rich, mercenary tax collector named Zacchaeus. His fellow Jews see him only as a collaborator with the Roman occupation forces. He has reached the peak of his career but is unsatisfied. He has few if any friends. His last chance may be to reform by turning to Jesus. Being short of stature, he climbs a sycamore tree. This is not the stately plant of America, nor that of Eurasia. It is a variety of fruit tree, often known as the "poor man's fig". There is a bit of satire in the fact that he climbs a plant grown for the improvised.