



Holy Family Parish Northeast Mallee

30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sunday, 27 October 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

Anniversaries of Death

Phyllis Taylor, Zoe Teague, Ike Lawry, Brian Boulton, Gwen Murdoch, Roma Mannix, Gerald Hoare, Thomas Maher, Catherine Turner, Rex & Aileen Shepherd, James & Margaret O'Brien, Tom & Danny Schifferle, Patrick O'Rielly, Jack Giddings, Deborah Ann Elliott, Margaret Bryne, Christina Heron, Jane Scanlon, Hugh Kelly, Roma Giddings, Rodney Walsh, Bill Shanahan, Claire Dunstan

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 1st Nov All Saints Day Noon
Saturday 2nd Nov All Souls Day 10am

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

Principal: Kate Quin

2 Murlong St 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,

Northern Zone Meeting

On Monday evening and Tuesday we will be hosting the priests from the Northern Zone here in the parish for the zone meeting.

Finances

1st Collection (Support Clergy)
\$975.20

2nd Collection (Parish Support)
Including C/Cards and D/Debt
\$1090.15

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

Saints / Feast Days

This Week

Mon: St Simon & St Jude

Tues: St Narcissus

Wed: Bl Angelo of Acri

Thurs: St Alphonsus Rodriguez

Fri: All Saints Day

Sat: All Souls Day

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

How can we be humble like the tax collector?

Match up the correct endings

Draw a line from the first half of each sentence to its correct ending.



The Pharisee and the Tax Collector went

you will be honoured.

The Pharisee prayed

"God, have pity on me! I am a sinner."

The Tax Collector prayed

you will be put down.

If you put yourself above others

to the temple to pray.

If you humble yourself

"God, I thank you that I am not greedy or dishonest."

God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, or even like this tax-collector.

Draw the tax collector offering his humble prayer to God.

God, be merciful to me, a sinner!



Gospel Focus– At rights with God

We are told that the tax collector, after his simple prayer, went home 'at rights with God'. What does it mean to be *at rights with God*? It is nothing more and nothing less than the entire Judeo-Christian story. The story of the Old Testament is the story of God calling the people to live in right relationship with God and with one another. The Gospels are the story of Jesus calling all people to a richer understanding of his compassionate Father so that they may once again be *at rights with God*. The story continues and it is our constant challenge to be at rights with God also.

Food for Thought

The Pharisee's prayer names very good actions and attitudes. What's wrong with his prayer?

How do the physical actions of the two men in the parable contrast?

Why does the tax collector's prayer set him at rights with God?

What does this parable tell us about the purpose of prayer?

"Do Not Be Afraid" - Mental Illness and Outreach: Guidelines for parishes

The Australian Bishops Commission for Social Justice — Mission and Service, has produced a booklet intended to be a resource for parishes for ministry to people with mental illness and their families. More information

at <https://www.catholic.org.au/donotbeafraid>

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Invest in your most precious asset.....Your Marriage!

Married couples, come and learn how to keep/rekindle the passion in your relationship and how to keep your love growing! This weekend is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.

Next weekend date: 15-17 November 2019.

Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided. Information/Bookings: Phone Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or

Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website: wwme.org.au

NOVEMBER Dates to Remember

2nd- Mass all Souls Day

3rd - Cuppa after Mass

9th- Rosary in the Park

10th/11th St Marys 100 Anniversary

11th- Over Sixties

Plenary Council 2020: National Theme for Discernment – October:

How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is Humble, Healing and Merciful? This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who shared a passion for participating in the missionary nature of the Church and desire stronger support, involvement and formation among all the baptised who make up the Church.

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.



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.

Wednesday 6th Quambatook at 6pm in Parish House

Friday 9th St Marys School Visit

Culgoa Mass at 5pm

Sunday 9.30am Mass at Sea Lake

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 9.30am Sea Lake	Sun 9.30am Quambatook	Lalbert
Minister of the Word	M Foley	K Quinn G Gook	TBA	Terry Maris	No Services at the moment
Minsters of Communion	C Billing, C Hoare G Bryent, L Stutley	D Dacey, D Kelly, B Ford, M Kiley, T Brady, A Gilmour		Terry	
Presentation of Gifts	H Lewis M Magee	Bowd Family		n/a	
Leader	Fr Matt	Fr Matt		TBA	
Music Ministry	J Taverna	B Grace & C Smith	M Dorigo		
Counting Team	Patsy McDonald	Kerry McCosh			
Cleaning Team				Donna	

Next Week's Roster 3rd November

	Sat 6.30pm Swan Hill	Sun 10.30am Swan Hill	Sun 9.30am 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, J Renda Y Richardson		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	

First Reading Sir 35:12-14, 16-18

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus:

The Lord is a judge who is no respecter of personages. He shows no respect of personages to the detriment of a poor man, he listens to the plea of the injured party. He does not ignore the orphan's supplication, nor the widow's as she pours out her story. The man who with his whole heart serves God will be accepted, his petitions will carry to the clouds. The humble man's prayer pierces the clouds, until it arrives he is inconsolable nor will he desist until the Most High takes notice of him, acquits the virtuous and delivers judgement. And the Lord will not be slow, nor will he be dilatory on their behalf.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 32:2-3, 17-19, 23. R. v.7**(R.) The Lord hears the cry of the poor.**

I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad.

The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The just call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress.

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned.

(R.) The Lord hears the cry of the poor.**Second Reading** 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy:

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing. The first time I had to present my defence, there was not a single witness to support me. Every one of them deserted me – may they not be held accountable for it. But the Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation 2 Cor 5:19

Alleluia, alleluia! God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

Gospel Lk 18:9-14

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke:

Jesus spoke the following parable to some people who prided themselves on being virtuous and despised everyone else, 'Two men went up to the Temple to pray, one a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood there and said this prayer to himself, "I thank you, God, that I am not grasping, unjust, adulterous like the rest of mankind, and particularly that I am not like this tax collector here. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes on all I get." The tax collector stood some distance away, not daring even to raise his eyes to heaven; but he beat his breast and said, "God, be merciful to me, a sinner." This man, I tell you, went home again at rights with God; the other did not. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the man who humbles himself will be exalted.' *The Gospel of the Lord.*

Next Week's Readings:

First Reading: Wis 11:22 – 12:2

Second Reading: 2 Thes 1:11 – 2:2

Gospel: Lk 19:1-10

LIVING THE GOSPEL**Competitive prayer!**

For the Pharisee, his prayer is a competition. He prays aloud so that others can hear him and be impressed. Perhaps he thinks that God is as impressed as those who look up to him? His prayer is also an opportunity to make himself look good at the expense of another. Certainly, prayer is a time to celebrate with God our triumphs and successes, but above all it is an opportunity to be truly honest with God and with ourselves. The prayer of the tax collector is the most honest of prayers. This honesty is what is impressive; not the competitive showing off.

