

## PARISH PRIEST

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

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

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## St Mary of the Cross

7th & 8th August 2021

### RECENT DEATHS: Frank Quinlan

ANNIVERSARIES: Adrian O'Connor, Mavis O'Connor,  
Frank Moloney, Kathleen Moloney, Wal Wickes, Al Wickes,  
Lily Hester, Sianne Hester, Marie McAloon, Alice Collard,  
Mary Kenna



### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

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

### SUPPORTING OUR PARISHES: Thank you for your ongoing support of our Parishes.

<u>Weekend 31st Jul/1st Aug 2021</u>	<u>TERANG</u>	<u>MORTLAKE</u>
<u>1st Collection</u>	\$ 537.10	\$ 123.80
<u>Planned Giving Program Week 53</u>		
<u>2nd Collection</u>	\$ 1,856.00	\$ 650.00
<u>Average given</u>	\$ 1,671.90	\$ 288.23
<u>Amount promised per week</u>	\$ 1,687.42	\$ 300.81

## DUE TO COVID LOCKDOWN THERE WILL BE NO MASSES THIS WEEKEND

### TERANG & MORTLAKE ROSTERS:

LINEN: August Terang: Margaret Irving  
Mortlake: Carmel Orford

FLOWERS: 14th/15th August  
Terang: Denise Bond & Carmel Moloney  
Mortlake: Anne Blacker

Mortlake Set Up: August - Claire Adams

### Liturgy Rosters: Weekend ~ 14th & 15th Aug 2021

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

Terang Saturday 6.00 pm: Loraine Jansen  
Sunday 10.30 am: Tony Meade  
Mortlake Sunday 9.00 am: Ian Murray

Offertory: Terang Sat 6.00 pm: David & Irene Irving  
Sun 10.30 am: Des & Bernadette McKinnon  
Mortlake Sunday 9.00 am: Don Murray

Eucharistic Minister: Terang Sat 6.00 pm: Mary Boland  
Sun 10.30 am: Bernadette Heffernan

Music Mortlake Sun 9.00 am: Volunteer

Lap Top Terang: Sat 6.00 pm: Noel & Adele Richards  
Sun 10.30 am: Des & Bernadette McKinnon

### WEEKEND MASS TIMES

#### ST THOMAS' TERANG

Saturday 6.00 pm  
Sunday 10.30 am

#### ST COLMAN'S MORTLAKE

Sunday 9.00 am

#### Next Weeks Readings:

14th & 15th August 2021

1st read: Apoc 11: 19, 12: 1-6,10

2nd read: 1 Cor 15: 20-26

Gospel: Lk 1: 39-56



## Weekday Masses

**Tues 10th August: 11.00am Mortlake**  
(*Frank Quinlan Funeral - Private*)

**No Weekday Masses this week**  
**due to COVID lockdown**

## Thank you

**Thanks to all for your support & gifts on**  
**the occasion of my 40th Anniversary.**  
**It was great to be home to celebrate**

*Fr Michael*

## ***Strength for this Challenging Time***

**We pray for your love and compassion to abound as we walk through this challenging time. We ask for wisdom for those who bear the load of making decisions with widespread consequences.**

**We pray for those who are suffering with sickness and all who are caring for them.**

**We ask for protection for the elderly and vulnerable to not succumb to the risks of the virus.**

**We pray for misinformation to be curbed that fear may take no hold in hearts and minds.**

**As we exercise the good sense that you in your mercy provide, may we also approach each day in faith and peace, trusting in the truth of your goodness towards us.**

## **Reflection on the Gospel- Feast of St Mary McKillop (Matthew 6:24-34)**

'Today's trouble is enough for today!' These are the concluding words of the gospel for today's feast. We are "not to be anxious". Rather, we are invited to be single-minded in our commitment. The challenge of this gospel is to live in the present, in right relationship and connection with the whole Earth community and to trust in the goodness and providence of God.

In *What Makes Us Tick?* Hugh Mackay claims that there is an epidemic of anxiety in the Western world. He reflects on our need to embrace our connectedness with ourselves, with each other, and with nature. If our innate desire to connect is frustrated or neglected, Mackay believes that the desire to control and the desire to be taken seriously will "expand unhealthily". From a faith perspective, it is all a question of daily attention to the right ordering of our relationships with the material world, with one another and with God. Anxiety inhibits healthy living and impacts negatively on our communities.

The challenge not "to be anxious" appears six times in this one gospel reading. Three times in this passage Jesus tells the assembled crowd, including his disciples, not to worry. They are not to be anxious about food or drink or clothing. Neither are they to worry about what tomorrow might bring. It is clear that Jesus does not discount the human need for food and drink and clothing, for he states explicitly that God knows that they need all these things (6:32). Jesus' concern is with their "little faith" or their lack of trust in God's capacity to provide for the needs of all living beings. He challenges his listeners to be attentive to the processes among all living things, such as the way the birds of the air are fed and the lilies of the field are clothed. He also invites attentiveness to the life-sustaining processes at work in our own bodies. The hairs of our head, for instance, grow without any effort or anxiety on our part.

Jesus places all of this in the context of the right ordering of our relationships with the whole Earth community, expressed in terms of seeking God's kin-dom and God's "righteousness". There is an echo here of Matthew 5:6 where those who hunger and thirst for righteousness are said to be blessed and told that they will "be filled". In other words, God will care for them in the same way as God cares for the birds of the air and the lilies of the fields. There is no better role model for this than St. Mary McKillop who learned from childhood what it meant to trust in the providence of God. She also learned that the bounty of God is mediated through the compassion of those who have the means to meet the needs of all who struggle to survive. We might take time this week to find out more about this remarkable Australian woman.

***Notices need to be at St. Thomas' Parish Office by 10.00 am next Friday***