

Liturgy Rosters:

Many thanks for your ministry to the Parish!

We are after more volunteers able to assist with Readings and Prayers on both Saturday and Sunday. If you are able to assist (should only be once every 4 weeks if we share the load) please contact the office or Fr Greg.

This Weekend: 5th & 6th November

Saturday: 6.00pm

Reader: D. Baudinette
Prayers: P. O'Brien
Minister
Computer: A. O'Brien

Sunday: 10.30am

Reader: M. Picard
Prayers: A. McIntyre
Ministers: M. McGennissen
Computer: Vol. please

Next Weekend: 12th & 13th November

Saturday: 6.00pm

Reader: D. Bennett
Prayers: D. Kierce
Minister
Computer: A. O'Brien

Sunday: 10.30am

Reader: K. Arnott
Prayers: J. Sandeman
Ministers: D. Arnott
Computer: A. Francis

Following Weekend: 19th & 20th November

Saturday: 6.00pm

Reader: P. O'Brien
Prayers: D. Bennett
Minister
Computer: A. O'Brien

Sunday: 10.30am

Reader: K. Loftus
Prayers: M. Picard
Ministers: A. McIntyre
Computer: A. Francis

All Saints Outreach Op-Shop: (In Woolworth's Car park) Phone: 5521 1587

The Parish Outreach Op-Shop is in urgent need of good quality bric a brac or furniture.

Please ring Outreach for pick up if necessary. Thank you all for your ongoing support of Outreach.

Outreach is open

Tuesday 10 am - 1pm
Thursday 10am - 3pm
Friday 10am - 4pm
Saturdays 10am - 12 mid-day.

Outreach is a significant fundraiser within the Parish and we regularly need Volunteers to give 3 hours in the mornings or afternoons.

Please contact Kate Howman 0428 235 218 for further information.

Roll up your sleeves; make a difference overseas.

Do you require professional renewal, or are you seeking a retirement challenge? Communities abroad are asking for qualified and experienced Australians able to mentor their people in education, health, administration, trades, agriculture and more.

Imagine yourself re-engaging your vocational passion in Africa, Asia or the Pacific. Since 1961 Palms Australia has been recruiting Australians able to offer mentoring that will allow overseas counterparts opportunities otherwise unattainable. Sharing your skills will strengthen the capacity of workers overseas to serve their communities for generations to come, long after you return home.

Communities in American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste, and Zambia are seeking to fill a variety of roles. Enquire about those roles via www.palms.org.au or by calling 02 9560 533 or 0422 472 567.



6 November 2022

32nd Sunday Ordinary Time Year C



Weekly Services to 08/11 to 13/11

Tuesday: No Mass

Wednesday: 5.00pm Mass

Thursday: 10.00am Mass

Friday: 9.30am Adoration & Morning Prayer

10.00am Mass
6.00pm Evening Prayer

Saturday: 6.00pm Mass

Sunday: 10.30am Mass

Recent Deaths:

Ken Berry (Timboon), Beryl Smid

Anniversaries:

Ann Seabright, Eileen Ryszewski, David May, Doreen Atkinson, Lois Bryant, Anthony Arundell, Pauline Corcoran, Esme Mibus, Cornelius Melis, Jocelyn Perry, Les Shepherd, Dellas Bryant, Bernadette Collins, Kylie Harders, Terry Carr, Eamon Brabender, Coral Hunt, Peg Millar

Prayer Requests:

Margaret Couttie, Noela Clifford, Les Hildebrand, Lea-anne Bourke, Michelle Mutch, Deanne Atkinson

If you have any prayer requests please contact Antonella at the Parish Office; for privacy reasons only Next of Kin may ask for names to be added: Thank you

Baptisms and Marriages

by appointment with Fr. Gregory Tait.

Sacrament of Penance

1st Saturday of the month 10am or any other time by appointment with Fr Gregory



"The Spire"

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Parish Secretary: Antonella Webbstock

Wednesday & Thursday 9.00am till 3.00pm

All Saints Parish is committed to Child Safety - our Child Safety Policy and Code of Conduct are on display on the Parish website and noticeboard in the Tower Entrance of the Church.

All Saints Parish Portland acknowledges the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land on which our Parish Community meets, the Gunditjmarra people. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation and constitutional acknowledgement of first peoples

Remembrance for Holy Souls

During November if you would like to have the names of deceased family and friends recorded please email the Parish Office at:

portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au or text details to mobile 0475 512 530.

Remembrance for Holy Souls

Deceased members of the Tait & Perry families
Deceased members of the Costa, Tripodi & Webbstock families
Deceased members of Mizzi, Sacco & Galea families

Our Finances

Planned Giving for Parish Account

Given last week, inc. EFT: \$ 491.00

Target \$62,400

Total YTD 2022/23 \$ 23,049

Total YTD 2021/22 \$ 22,006

Direct deposit payments for planned giving and donations can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

Account Name: Portland Catholic Church

BSB: 083 532

Account No. 5159 81661

Presbytery Account

Priest support: inc. EFT \$ 639.10

Direct deposit payments for the presbytery account can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

Account Name: All Saints Presbytery Portland

BSB: 083 526

Account No. 24476 6002

Total Missions: \$291

Liturgy of the Word

First Reading

A reading from the second book of Maccabees

It happened that seven brothers and their mother were arrested and were being compelled by the king, under torture with whips and straps, to partake of unlawful pig's flesh. One of them, acting as their spokesman, said, "What do you intend to ask and learn from us? For we are ready to die rather than transgress the laws of our ancestors." And when he was at his last breath, he said, "You accursed wretch, you dismiss us from this present life, but the King of the universe will raise us up to a renewal of everlasting life, because we have died for his laws." After him, the third was the victim of their sport. When it was demanded, he quickly put out his tongue and courageously stretched forth his hands and said nobly, "I got these from heaven, and because of his laws I disdain them, and from him I hope to get them back again." As a result, the king himself and those with him were astonished at the young man's spirit, for he regarded his sufferings as nothing. After he, too, had died, they maltreated and tortured the fourth in the same way. When he was near death, he said, "One cannot but choose to die at the hands of mortals and to cherish the hope God gives of being raised again by him. But for you there will be no resurrection to life!"

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm 16

(R.) Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

Lord, hear a cause that is just,
pay heed to my cry.
Turn your ear to my prayer:
no deceit is on my lips. **(R.)**

I keep my feet firmly in your paths;
there was no faltering in my steps.
I am here and I call, you will hear me, O God.
Turn your ear to me; hear my words. **(R.)**

Guard me as the apple of your eye.
Hide me in the shadow of your wings.
As for me, in my justice I shall see your face
and be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory. **(R.)**

Second Reading

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

Beloved
May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Second reading continued

Finally, brothers and sisters, pray for us, so that the word of the Lord may spread rapidly and be glorified everywhere, just as it is among you, and that we may be rescued from wicked and evil people, for not all have faith. But the Lord is faithful; he will strengthen you and guard you from the evil one. And we have confidence in the Lord concerning you, that you are doing and will go on doing the things that we command. May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead;
glory and kingship be his for ever and ever.
Alleluia!

Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her." Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage, but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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Resurrection is Now

It is this sense of something 'other' that must lead us on to the thought of the barrier that has to be crossed before 'this mortal life has put on immortality'. Death may be a beginning, but we feel that it is also an end. And this we feel in a thousand ways: a loved voice has forever been silenced, vivid experiences leave behind them but wraiths in the form of imperfectly evoked memories, and hopeful strivings and ecstatic fulfilments are so quickly lost. We seem to be elsewhere before we are here, to be otherwise before we are thus, forever to be losing today to yesterday. Death is in us, about us and around us. We live in a world of dead leaves, of the flotsam of long-ebbed tides, of fading footprints upon roads where we may no longer pass and of echoes dying on a wind that scatters ashes.

Any consideration of death, therefore, must involve a consideration of these two great cross-currents of human experience: on the one hand, that all is passing and we with it; on the other, that we are part of a dynamic and creative force which is independent of and triumphs over destruction and decay. These cross-currents appear to be so opposed, so much in conflict with each other, that hope and despair, creation and destruction, seem irreconcilable forces which impel us in this way or in that in frustrating alternation. We cannot relinquish our hold upon creative hope, for, however much we may proclaim our cynical realism, we are unable totally to abandon it; yet, at the same time, we cannot but be piercingly aware of death and decay, however much we proclaim our confidence in the value of our plans for ourselves or for the human race. A facile optimism cannot do more than temporarily conceal the one from us, while abandonment to despair can never fully destroy the possibility of the other.

'In the midst of life', then, 'we are in death.' If there is one certain event in human life, death is it. We know that we shall die. We may attempt to forget it, we may even deliberately ignore it, we may revolt violently against it, but death is inescapable. As we have said, death is the great sign of contradiction. It signifies inevitable, daunting and certain destruction or ultimate triumph and lasting glory. That life is no mere existential phenomenon, episode no mere empty transience, love no mere passing affinity, that there exists, beyond and through all the changes and vicissitudes of living, an eternal life beating at the heart of things, and that death is but the rending of the veil that hides immortality from human eyes – such is the certainty of Christian faith, the assurance of Christian hope and the very substance of Christian love. That love is stronger than death, that hope transcends separation and that faith is the key to fact are of the very essence and meaning of Christianity. The gift of God to man is the present and permanent possession of that for which he yearns. As St. Paul tells us: 'faith is the substance of those things for which we hope.'

Let us, then, face boldly and courageously the certain fact of death, let us see what is the worst that death can do to us and to others and then let us see that, for the Christian, death is not an end, but a beginning. Let us examine how and in what way we can prepare ourselves to pass through that gateway into the unknown. Let us see that the resurrection for which we long is already as much a part of our lives as the death which leads to it. *Dom Aelred Watkin Prologue II*

About the author:

*Dom Aelred Watkin (1918–97), though his career as a historian neither started nor stopped with Downside. Watkin entered the monastery in 1936, having never previously visited. Interested in historical study since boyhood, Watkin followed the usual course of monastic studies until matriculating at Cambridge to read History in 1943. Even before graduating, he became a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society. Watkin subsequently taught in Downside School, rising to headmaster in 1962 and publishing multiple works including *The Great Chartulary of Glastonbury (1946–58)* and *the Registrum Archidiaconatus Norwyci (1946–48)*, drafts of which remain at Downside. From 1975–89 he was parish priest of Beccles, Suffolk, and was elected mayor in 1979, wearing his mayoral chain over his monastic habit. Returning to Downside in 1989, Watkin was made titular abbot of Glastonbury in recognition of his life-long contribution to history.*

Expressions of Interest

The Australian Pastoral Musicians Network and the National Liturgical Council are pleased to announce a combined liturgy and music conference to be held at the Brisbane Hilton from 28 – 30 September, 2023, called *Mystery and Mission: The Art of Liturgical Celebration*.

This important formation opportunity is designed for liturgists, musicians, clergy, cantors, choristers, lay liturgical ministers, composers, teachers, conductors, liturgy teams, catechists, campus ministers and those who plan prayer and liturgy in schools.

We are currently inviting **expressions of interest** from those who would like to **present a workshop** at the conference.

We are looking forward to offering delegates a range of rich workshop topics, and so we invite you to nominate a topic that you think will contribute to this important work of liturgical formation for people in parishes and schools.

Please [click here](#) to complete the electronic form **before Monday 14 November**. Contact us at mysteryandmissionconference@gmail.com if you require any further details.