



Sacred Heart Parish, North Albury, pays respect to the Wiradjuri people, the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather to celebrate our faith and worship God. We acknowledge with respect elders past, present and emerging.

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time 24th/ 25th September 2022

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Mass Times

SATURDAY VIGIL: 6.00 pm

SUNDAY: 9.30 am

Live-streaming on Sunday 9.30am Mass by accessing our website.

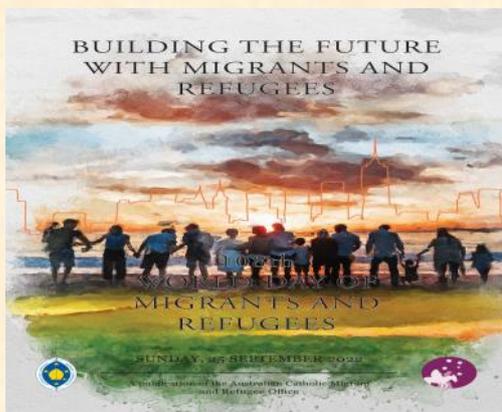
WEEKDAY MASSES: This Week:

Wednesday & Friday 9.30am

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY: 5.15 PM-5.45 PM

BAPTISMS—By appointment.



Migrant and Refugee Sunday this year invites us 'to build a better future together'.

It adds the realistic qualification: 'wherever we might be right now'. It recognises that more refugees than ever before are now being driven from their homes and displaced by war, famine, drought and fear for the future. They rely on the support of other nations many of which are determined to shut them out, not to offer them hospitality. 'Where we are now' includes the challenge we face of handling and recovering from Covid, of economic challenges that demand great changes, and of threatening rifts in international relationships.

In Australia, however, where we are now is in a space of possibility. With the change of government and a softening of language and actions concerning refugees, both they and people who care for them have dared to hope for a more compassionate policy. The sympathy expressed for the Nadesaligam family and subsequent grant of permanent residence, the release from long-term detention of many vulnerable people, and other small changes have encouraged hope of a policy based on compassion and not on deterrence.

World Migrant and Refugee Sunday encourages us to ask how we can build a better future together. As with other large goals such as addressing climate change this can seem overwhelming. The task is enormous and the resources are few. We need to find a patch of rock at which we can chip away and go from there. As in all worthwhile human enterprises small is beautiful. There are many ways in which we can give to refugees our time, our resources, our voice and our heart.

The most important gift is of our heart. We can take refugees into our heart by reading their stories, listening to them speak, allowing time to imagine what it is must be like to flee from Ukraine fearing for your life and desperate to find food and a night's shelter for your family, or what it must be like to be locked in a Melbourne hotel room, able to see people living normally outside but unable to join them. We can also pray for refugees, ensure that they are prayed for in our parish Masses, and we can make opportunities to meet them and to fit faces and stories to the word refugee.

If our heart is moved the way we spend our time will naturally follow. We can take time to write to our local member of Parliament, to attend meetings of support, to visit and support impoverished refugees in our local area, and join advocacy groups.

Refugee Week this year focuses on advocacy and settlement. They also invite us to give our voice and our resources. In Australia no lasting move from a cruel to a compassionate policy can happen unless the majority of Australians support it. Advocacy is vital. The most important form of advocacy is personal- (Con't page 3)

Parish Community



We pray for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith especially:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Kevin Smith, Marisa Copperwaite,

Maureen Toner, Gerald Murphy, Desmond Ratcliffe.

ANNIVERSARIES: Margaret Doyle, Peter Lawler, Maureen Brady, Molly Livermore, Berta Bihler, Albert Terhaar, Betty Arendarcikas, Laurel Lindsay, Valerie Burton, Bill Stewart, Muriel Freund, John Richardson, Elsie Dunn, Alfred Jeffery, Frances Slater, Phyllis Ryan, Denes Todor, Mal McPherson, Bridget Delenc, Roy Clear, Peter Conroy, Armer Boyle.

Gather our loved ones into your arms. Quiet our doubt and anger and send us your healing grace. Through Christ our Lord.

Prayer for the Sick

We pray for all those who are sick. May they draw strength and healing from God's presence with them and from our prayers and thoughts for them. May they have peace in their hearts and know they are greatly loved by all.

We offer our prayers believing that God's presence and power can do more than we can ever know. Amen

ROSTERS

Sat / Sun: 24th / 25th September

| Ministry | Vigil | 9.30am |
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| Commentator | Kellie Gordes | Bede Hart |
| Lector 1 | Volunteer | Sr Patricia Weekes |
| Lector 2 | Catherine Cutler | Volunteer |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Michael Regan Justin Clancy | Mercedes Goss Susan Hayhoe |
| Cantor | Ann McIntyre | Bob Mathews/Mary Buckley |
| Musicians | Judy Foley | Val Hayes |
| Counters: Margaret Brown & Moira Porta (Monday) | | |

Sat / Sun: 1st / 2nd October

| Ministry | Vigil | 9.30am |
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| Commentator | Colleen Day | Ed Brown |
| Lector 1 | Sr Loretta Corrigan | Margy Brown |
| Lector 2 | Justin Clancy | John Dowling |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Anna Farrell Jeneice Harding | Sue Betts Moira Porta Mercedes Goss |
| Cantor | Judy Lindsay | Simon Goss |
| Musicians | Catherine Cutler | Val Hayes |
| Counters: Anne Gordes & Lorraine Willis (Sunday) | | |

Thought for the Week (Pope Francis):

"If we want to cooperate with our heavenly Father in building the future, let us do so together with our brothers and sisters who are migrants and refugees. Let us build the future today! "

Prayer for Migrant and Refugee Sunday 25 September 2022

Lord, make us bearers of hope, so that where there is darkness, your light may shine, and where there is discouragement, confidence in the future may be reborn.

Lord, make us instruments of your justice, so that where there is exclusion, fraternity may flourish, and where there is greed, a spirit of sharing may grow.

Lord, make us builders of your Kingdom, together with migrants and refugees and with all who dwell on the peripheries.

Lord, let us learn how beautiful it is to live together as brothers and sisters. Amen. (Pope Francis)



Parish News

The conversations we have with friends and family, over morning tea at work or in the pub. As we speak up for refugees we naturally come to know more about their situation and their treatment, and join passionate people in their advocacy.

As we look at the extreme conditions of people languishing in detention and in immediate flight from war and famine we may easily overlook people in the Australian community who have waited for a long time for a response to their appeal for protection. They lack income support and often suffer from mental or physical illness. They need people to befriend them and help support them in other ways. We can do this by taking time for both prayer and action.

This year, the Catholic Alliance for People Seeking Asylum (CAPSA) will focus their National Week of Prayer and Action (25-30 September) on things we can do now, that will help build the future we want: an Australia that welcomes people seeking asylum and treats them with humanity and compassion. Through using our voice, heart, time and resources – we have the opportunity to connect with and advocate alongside people seeking asylum and refugees to build this future.

For further information and to get involved visit:

www.capsa.org.au/nwpa_2022/

Murray Valley Sanctuary Refugee Group –Fundraiser

Famous Fakes Auction—Saturday 22 October 2022

Splitters Creek Community Centre, 29 Altmeier Lane, Splitters Creek. 1.30pm Viewing and nibbles. 3.00pm Auction. Gold Coin entry. For more information call Lynette Frauenfelder **0423 488 366**

'Walking with Wisdom Series'

(In person or via Zoom), 4 x Thursdays, 6-27 October, 10am-12.30pm. This series offers a time to explore the depths of wisdom in our own heart, to recognize wisdom in the encounter with another....to dwell in the Heart of Contemplation. Led by spiritual directors Carole Carmody rsm and Julie Adam. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, Rear 41 Stanhope St, Malvern VIC. Cost \$30 per session or \$100 for the series.

Book and pay via www.heartoflife.melbourne, email: office@heartoflife.melbourne, or tel (03) 9890 1101.



This weekend we welcome into the community of the Christian church through the sacrament of Baptism:

Harry Jude Poynter son of Brad & Emily

Harry Martin Phillips son of Daryl & Grace

Jimmy Michael McLaurin son of Joel & Danielle

Parish Pastoral Council

The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will take place on Thursday 13 October in the Parish Hall at 6.00pm. If you feel called to make a contribution to the life of our parish community by joining this body as an active participant please contact Fr Martin.

Alternatively, if anyone wishes to discontinue their service as a current member of the council at this time they are also asked to contact Fr Martin or Ed Brown (chair person) Email: browne@ww.catholic.edu.au

'Mindfulness & Meditation', via Zoom, Saturday 15 Oct 2022, 10am-2pm (AEST).

When we are present to the 'now', centredness and relaxation become a natural part of life, and we know how to act from a heart of love. We invite you to bring an open mind and heart, for these few hours of prayer in the practice of mindfulness and meditation, to journey with others and within oneself. Led by Paola Cheng, a qualified meditation teacher, spiritual director and social worker, who brings an inclusive and gentle approach to her sessions. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Cost \$50. Book and pay via website: www.heartoflife.melbourne, email: info@heartoflife.melbourne or tel 9890 1101.

Parish Morning Tea

Morning Tea will take place as usual first Sunday of the month 2 October at the conclusion of the celebration of 9.30am Eucharist in our parish hall. If possible please bring along something to share.

Divine Mercy Pilgrimage

Celebrating the Feast Day of St Faustina at the Marian Hills Shrine on Sunday 9 October. Includes - confessions - 12.30pm mass (Fr Bradley Rafter) - 1.30pm BYO lunch - 2.30pm Eucharistic procession.

6503 Hume Hwy, Kyeamba - Manuela Tetley 0420 933 829 or Fr Rafter 0449 129 270

Readers, Commentators & Eucharistic Ministers Roster Oct, Nov, Dec 2022, Jan 2023

A new roster beginning in October is being compiled for Readers, Commentators & Eucharistic Ministers. If you are already on the list you don't need to reply unless you wish to place a preference for time/ministry or have dates when you will be unavailable.

If you are not currently involved in one of these important ministries of service you are welcome to add your name to the list at the Swan Street entrance. Alternatively, you can email the parish office with relevant information.

New Roster will be out next weekend.



Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Prophet Amos

The almighty Lord says this: Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion and to those who feel so safe on the mountains of Samaria. Lying on ivory beds and sprawling on their divans, they dine on lambs from the flock and stall-fattened veal; they bawl to the sound of the harp, they invent new instruments of music like David, they drink wine by the bowlful, and use the finest oil for anointing themselves, but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all. That is why they will be the first to be exiled; the sprawlers' revelry is over. The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm 145

(When the Psalm is sung, the words will vary slightly but the meaning remains the same.)

Response: Praise the Lord my soul.

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is he who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R**

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down.
It is the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord, who protects the stranger. **R**

He upholds the widow and orphan
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God from age to age. **R**

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to
make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!

A reading from the First Letter of St Paul to Timothy

As one dedicated to God, you must aim to be saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle. Fight the good fight of the faith and win for yourself the eternal life to which you were called when you made your profession and spoke up for the truth in front of many witnesses. Now, before God the source of all life and before Jesus Christ, who spoke up as a witness for the truth in front of Pontius Pilate, I put to you the duty of doing all that you have been told, with no faults of failures, until the Appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, who at the due time will be revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all, the King of kings and the Lord of lords, who alone is immortal, whose home is in inaccessible light, whom no one has seen and no one is able to see: to him be honour and everlasting power. Amen.

The word of the Lord



A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 16: 19-31 (Abridged Version)

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'There was a rich man who used to dress in purple and fine linen and feast magnificently every day. And at his gate there lay a poor man called Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to fill himself with the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even came and licked his sores. Now the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried.

'In his torment in Hades he looked up and saw Abraham a long way off with Lazarus in his bosom. So he cried out, "Father Abraham, pity me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames". "My son," Abraham replied, "remember that during your life good things came your way, just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted here while you are in agony." . . . The rich man answered, "Father, I beg you then to send Lazarus to my father's house, since I have five brothers, to give them warning so that they do not come to this place of torment too." "They have Moses and the prophets," said Abraham, "let them listen to them." "Ah no, father Abraham," said the rich man, "but if someone comes to them from the dead, they will repent." Then Abraham said to him, "If they will not listen either to Moses or the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone should rise from the dead." The Gospel of the Lord.