

St Therese's Parish Essendon

18 & 19 June 2022
Corpus Christi Year C
Vinnies Winter Appeal



First Reading Gen 14:18-20 A reading from the book of Genesis

Melchizedek brought bread and wine.

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine; he was a priest of God Most High. He pronounced this blessing: 'Blessed be Abraham by God Most High, creator of heaven and earth, and blessed be God Most High for handing over your enemies to you.' And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.

Gospel: Lk 9:11-17 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

They all ate and were filled.

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing.

It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, 'Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.' He replied, 'Give them something to eat yourselves.' But they said, 'We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, 'Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.' They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.

INTERCESSIONS

Brothers and sisters, let us now bring our prayers before our loving God.

We pray for the Church: may we be truly Christ's body, blessed to become a source of love and healing for all those in need.

We pray for our world: may those who hunger and thirst for justice find a source of strength and understanding in Christ and his disciples.

We pray for all our young parishioners receiving sacraments for the first time this year, especially those receiving the Eucharist. May God's loving presence sustain them throughout the year.

As we support the St Vincent De Paul winter appeal, we pray that the local, state and federal governments really prioritise ensuring every Australian resident has a place they can call home.

We pray for those who are ill, especially Dawn Ward, Diane Plim, Sr Mary Dennett, John Stein, Ray Fogarty, Michael Daly, Toni Lukauskas, Sr Sarah Ann Carpenter and Dianne Krygger.

We pray for our own special needs.

We pray for those who have died recently especially Giovanni Lo Giudice, Pietro Bonfa, Emidio Padovano and Nicolina Natale and for those whom we remember at this time, especially Pasquale Marchisella, Nancy Woodall, Lorenzo Fasulo, Elizabeth Dettman, Les Hanna, Len Ryan, Michael Reddan and Giuseppe Natale.

Hear our prayers and help us to receive Christ's body and blood as sustenance for serving others in your name. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

**Vinnies
changes
lives
everyday.**

Show your support and
give to our annual appeal



VINNIES WINTER APPEAL THIS WEEK Our SVDP Essendon Conference relies on donations from the annual Winter Appeal to support people living right here in our community, in our neighbourhood. This year, instead of food and blankets, the team are asking for monetary donations or gift cards (such as Coles, Myer, Target etc) so that Companions (people supported here in Essendon) can purchase for themselves what is needed. With the usual generous support of our parishioners, our Conference will support Companions at a time when the needs are great.

TO DONATE

Envelopes Donations can be made with the envelopes available in church this weekend and throughout June. Envelopes can be dropped in Mass collection plates over the next weeks or in the secure drop box next to the parish office door.

Online <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/winter-appeal> Please make sure to allocate your donation to our Vinnies team by putting '**176 Essendon Conference**' in the comments field.

Over the phone using a credit card by calling 13 18 12. Allocate your donation to our Vinnies team by giving the name of our conference '**176 Essendon Conference**'

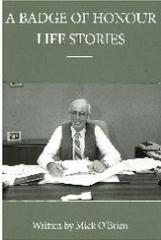
Donations of clothing, doonas and blankets can be taken to the Vinnies shops on Keilor Rd Niddrie or Maribyrnong Rd Ascot Vale.

REFUGEE WEEK

SUNDAY 19 JUNE – SATURDAY 25 JUNE, 2022 Theme: Healing. Australia and the rest of the world have a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to hit the reset button on how we behave towards one another. The importance of human connections has been underscored by the pandemic and such lessons can help us in so many ways. Mainstream and refugee communities alike can draw upon shared hardship to heal wounds, to learn from each other and to move forward. Healing can occur through storytelling, through community and also through realisation of our intrinsic interconnectedness as individuals. To learn more about refugee week go to: <https://www.refugeeweek.org.au/>

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY ASSISTING REFUGEE STUDENTS Mercy Connect Melbourne/ Mercy Works Ltd is currently recruiting volunteers to academically support Refugee and Asylum Seekers in Primary and Secondary schools across the Melbourne Archdiocese and also adult centre. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred but not limited to. Please contact Sr. Mary Lewis RSM for an application form and further information. The training day is in July. Email: somml@bigpond.com

REFUGEE WEEK PRAYER SERVICE Catholics across Australia are invited to participate in a special Refugee Week prayer service, which will be streamed online on the evening of Monday 20 June. The prayer service is being jointly hosted by the Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office and the Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace. The online prayer service will gather together the Catholic community, telling stories through the medium of video and praying together as sisters and brothers in Christ. Bishop Vincent Long OFMConv, will lead the service. Details are here: <https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2022/05/23/refugee-week-prayer-service/>



A BADGE OF HONOUR: BOOK TO RAISE FUNDS FOR REFUGEE AND ASYLUM SEEKER GROUP Parishioner Mick O'Brien, a familiar face at 9:00am and weekday morning Masses, has written and book titled 'A Badge of Honour'. This was a labour of love for Mick and took the best part of three years to complete. The book is both biographical and memoir. Mick is selling the books for \$40 (cost to Mick is \$30 with the additional \$10 to go to support our parish Refugee and Asylum Seeker Group) and can post the book to anywhere in Australia for an additional \$10. If you are interested in purchasing a copy contact Mick either at 9:00am Mass on a Sunday or by giving him a ring on 0403 105 301. Payment details: Account: MD and MT O'Brien, BSB: 063147, Account Number: 28000734

PARISH SUPPORT ENVELOPES Parishioners who support the parish via PSP offerings annually or are behind in their contributions are invited to get things up to date before the 29th June. The next 12 months of (physical) envelopes are now available to collect from the tables at the rear of the pews. They are arranged in Street Name order. If you find a neighbour's envelopes close to yours, please help us save on postage by delivering them.

PARISH CALENDAR	Date	Event	Time
	Sunday 19 June	Refugee Week Begins Winter Appeal – St Vincent de Paul Society Welcoming Mass for Baptism families Refugee & Asylum Seeker team meeting in Boardroom	All Masses 10:30am 11.30am
	Monday 20 June	World Refugee Day SVDP – Essendon Conference in PACE Function room	7:00pm
	Friday 24 June	School Mass for Sacred Heart (Years 3 to 6) Term 2 concludes	10:00am 3:30pm
	Saturday 25 June	Refugee Week concludes	
	Sunday 26 June	Parish Baptisms	12:00pm
	Tuesday 28 June	Mass at Trevi Court Aged Care	11:00am
	Saturday 2 July	Annual Appeal: Opening the Doors Foundation	
	Sunday 3 July	NAIDOC week begins Annual Appeal: Opening the Doors Foundation	All Masses
	Tuesday 5 July	Parish Leadership Team Meeting	7:30pm
	Sunday 10 July	NAIDOC week ends	
	Monday 11 July	Term 3 begins (Staff and student wellbeing day)	
	Tuesday 12 July	Student-free day at school	
	Wednesday 13 July	St Therese's school children back for Term 3	

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St Vincent de Paul helpline: 1800 305 330 WEEKDAYS 10:00am–3:00pm
Mass Online: Follow this [link here](#)
Weekday Masses: Tuesday to Friday 10:00am
Weekend Masses Saturday 6:00pm, Sunday 9:00am, Sunday 10:30am **Reconciliation** Saturday 5:45pm

St Therese's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults. We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of Country of the land on which our church stands and recognize their continuing connection to land, waters and community. We pay our respects to them and to Elders past, present and emerging.

Jesus feeds us so
we can feed others

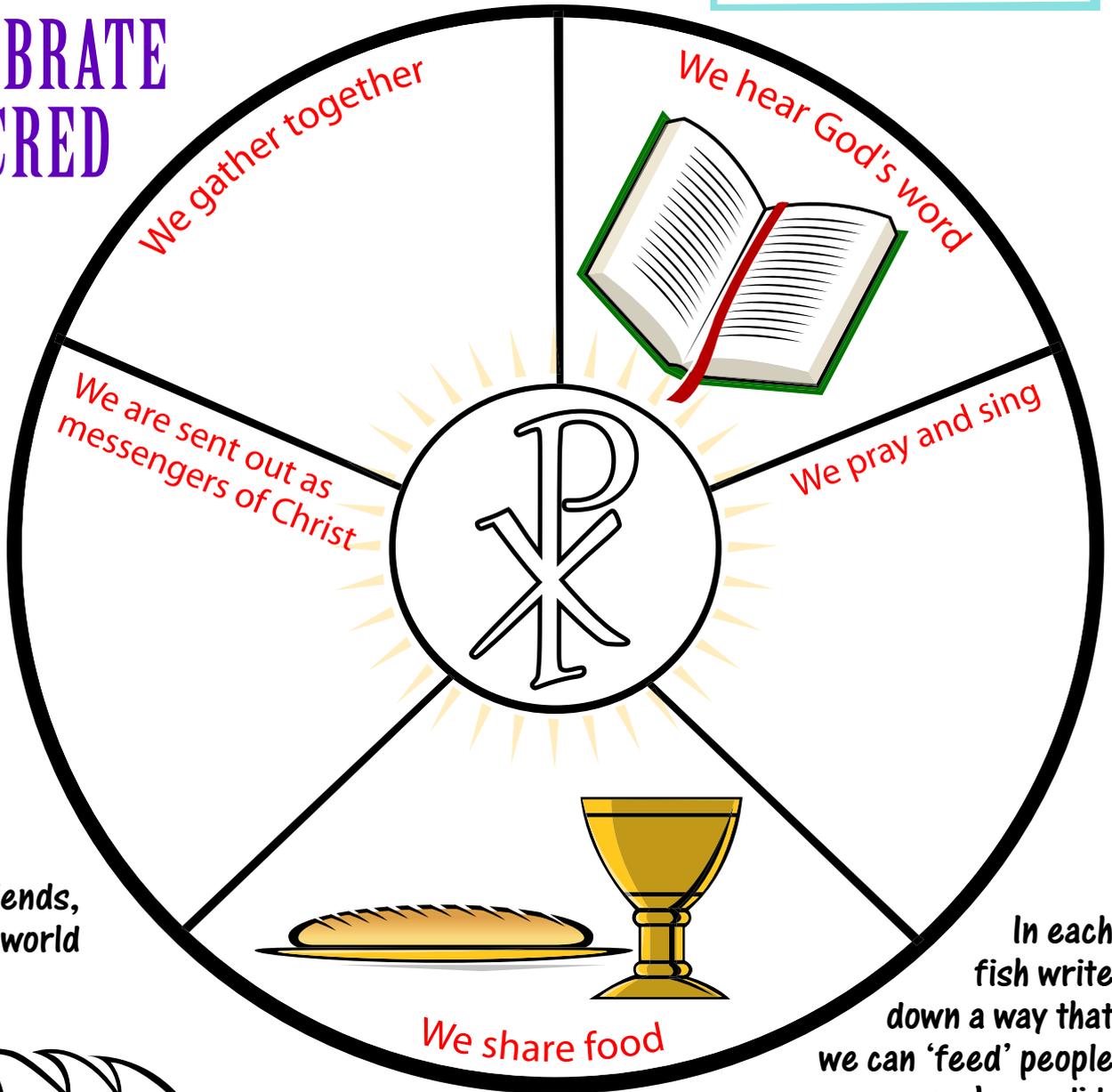


The Body and Blood of Christ, Year C

WE CELEBRATE THIS SACRED MEAL

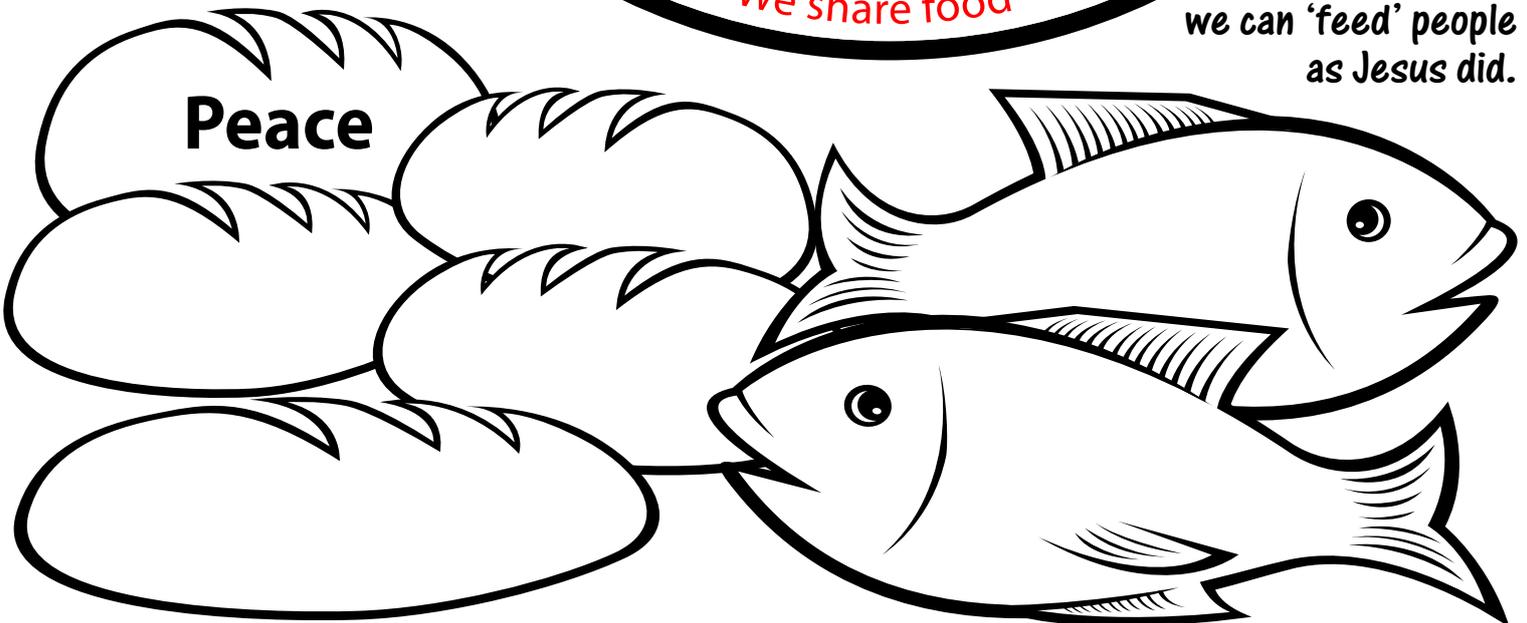
Draw some of
the things
we do
at mass.

Jesus feeds
us when we
are hungry.
Write in each
loaf something
that we, our friends,
families or our world
are hungry for.



In each
fish write
down a way that
we can 'feed' people
as Jesus did.

Peace



Jesus feeds us so we can feed others

Jesus fed 5,000 people with only five loaves of bread and two fish. Draw some of the people whom Jesus fed.



Just as he shared food to feed the hungry people, Jesus wants us to share what we have with people in need. Draw a picture of yourself sharing with others.

