

St Therese's Parish Essendon

30 and 31 July 2022

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

St Therese's Centenary 1922 – 2022



First Eccl 1: 2; 2: 21-23 A reading from the book of Ecclesiastes

What do people gain by all their work?

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity! For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

Gospel Lk 12: 13-21 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

To whom will all this wealth of yours go?

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.'

Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do; I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

INTERCESSIONS

Dear friends, through Christ, our refuge and strength, we make our prayers to the Lord.

We pray for the Church: may our communities always be welcoming havens for those in need or distress.

We pray for our world: may the search for justice and peace always take precedence over more selfish motives.

We pray for all in positions of responsibility, from parents, to teachers, to business leaders, to members of government: may the service and well being of those in their care be their unfailing priority.

During Homelessness Prevention Week may we all dig a little deeper, strive a little harder, to get a roof over everyone's head so they have a place they can call home.

We continue to pray for friends and family effected by the COVID pandemic, for those who are ill and for those who care for them.

We pray for those who are ill, especially Dawn Ward, Sr Mary Dennett, Toni Lukauskas, Denise Peyton and Laurie Larmer.

We pray for our own special needs.

We pray for those who have died recently especially Brian Wallmeyer, Christopher Montalti and Fernando Stromei and for those whom we remember at this time, especially Leonard Reddoch, Giovanni Italiano, Alanah Norohna, Domenico Lizio, Angela Faraco, and Carmel Merner.

Loving Father, you are our strength and our refuge. Hear our prayers, and help us to serve your name through right judgment and justice. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

PARI SH CENTENARY – DO YOU HAVE ANY HISTORICAL PHOTOS? As part of the parish Centenary celebrations, we are preparing a digital presentation tracing our journey over the last 100 years, which will also become a digital archive for years to come. If you have any old / new pictures that capture the spirit of the parish over that time, including founding parish families, key events or milestones, or any other parish occasion, please contact the Parish Office so we can arrange to scan your photographs for inclusion in the presentation and archive. Any pictures would be much appreciated. *Centenary Planning Committee.*

ST THERESE'S GARDEN PARISH GARDEN NEWS You may have noticed some changes in the parish garden in recent weeks. The roses have been pruned and garden beds weeded, a number of old and dead plants have been removed and a number of the garden beds look a little bare. Your gardening team is preparing the garden for spring, when beds will be planted with new shrubs, fertilized and mulched. We will also be top dressing the lawns in spring following installation of the irrigation system. So, while parts of the garden may look a little scant in some areas at present, rest assured that we are working to ensure the gardens remain an attractive and ongoing asset for the parish. ***St Therese's Garden Team***

DISRUPTION TO OUR USUAL PROGRAMMING As Fr John enjoys a well-earned break for the next 5 weeks, there are some changes to our usual schedule. There will be no Masses uploaded online and Reconciliation on Saturday evening is suspended until his return. Until 11 September Liturgy of the Word with Communion will replace morning Masses on Tuesdays. Morning Masses from Wednesday to Friday will remain as usual. We are again very grateful for the support of the Columban Fathers in Strathmore who are filling in for Fr John during his absence.

Take a break from Melbourne's cold winter and gather together with young people from across Melbourne for a night of prayer, live music, food and fun.



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PPARISH CALENDAR

Tuesday 2 August	Liturgy of the Word with Communion Parish Leadership Team Meeting	10:00am 7:30pm
Friday 5 August	School Mass for Feast of Mary Mackillop (Year 3)	10:00am
Tuesday 9 August	Liturgy of the Word with Communion	10:00am
Wednesday 10 August	SVDP Essendon Regional Conference in PACE	7:30pm
Saturday 13 August	Annual Appeal: Catholic Care	
Sunday 14 August	Annual Appeal: Catholic Care	All Masses
Monday 15 August	SVDP – Essendon Conference in PACE Function room	7:00pm
Tuesday 16 August	Liturgy of the Word with Communion	10:00am
Wednesday 17 August	Faith Night Sacrament of First Eucharist	7:00pm
Sunday 21 August	RE Programme (Eucharist) Session 1	9:30am
Tuesday 23 August	Liturgy of the Word with Communion	10:00am
Friday 26 August	School Mass in celebration of Grandparents	10:00am
Sunday 28 August	RE Programme (Eucharist) Session 2	9:30am
Tuesday 30 August	Liturgy of the Word with Communion	10:00am

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St Vincent de Paul helpline: 1800 305 330 WEEKDAYS 10:00am–3:00pm

Weekday Masses: Tuesday to Friday 10:00am

Weekend Masses: Saturday 6:00pm, Sunday 9:00am, Sunday 10:30am

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.

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For The Engagement Book



We should like Parishioners to note especially two forthcoming Eucharistic Festivals, one comparatively new and local, the other well-established and universally popular.

On Sunday, October 30th — Feast of Christ the King — there will be the annual Eucharistic Festival on the Footscray Football Ground. This will consist of a

Grand Procession of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Sermon and Benediction. The procession will start at 2.45 p.m. and our Parishioners are especially invited to be present. This Festival is something comparatively new. It is local to the northern and western suburbs, and we should all play our part to make it a big and worthy demonstration of our Eucharistic faith. We commend Father Gilhooley, Pastor of West Footscray, for initiating this public observance for Christ the King, and hope to see all of our Parishioners present on that day.

The following Sunday — November 6th — will mark the Silver Jubilee of the Sunbury Eucharistic Festival. There is not much need to recommend this popular demonstration. But this 25th celebration will be different in this that it will especially feature the Provincial Seminary, Corpus Christi College, which also celebrated a Silver Jubilee this year — the 25th Ordination Anniversary of its first priests.

We are confident that many

Parishioners will be present at this Eucharistic Festival in the lovely grounds of the Salesian College at Rupertswood.

NOTE: There will not be any Baptisms at St. Teresa's on Sunday, Oct. 30th. We feel that all neighbouring clergy should be free to attend the Footscray Festival.

In the picturesque Wiltshire town of Bradford-on-Avon — where the Saxon church founded by St. Aldhelm still stands — Bishop Rudderham of Clifton on Sunday blessed the new church of St. Thomas More, formerly the main meeting room and magistrates' court of the town hall.

When blessing the external walls the bishop, with his procession, passed round the whole of the town hall block, all of which the diocese has bought.

Besides the new church it includes a bank, a hairdresser's premises and two cottages.

Over the altar of the church hangs a Crucifixion scene painted by Mr. Roger Kynaston, to whose home nearby the Mass returned in 1929 for the first time since the Reformation.

Holden Raffle at Parish Bazaar.

At a one-night Parish Bazaar, to be held in St. Teresa's School on Friday, October 28th, the feature will be the raffle of a Holden Standard Sedan, ready to drive away, and valued at £1,020.

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Should Teenages Take the Pledge?



PROBLEM: My parents insist that I make a solemn promise to them not to indulge in any intoxicating beverage, even including beer. I am 17 years old and they want me to bind myself by this promise until I am 21. I have never been drunk in my life, and never feel an inclination to drink more than I should. Are not my parents showing a mistrust of my ability to be moderate in this matter, and making me a laughing-stock of other chaps of my age, by insisting on this pledge? Most of my friends have a glass of beer or even a little something stronger once in a while. Is there anything wrong in that?

ANSWER: We are of the opinion that your parents are very wise in asking you to take this pledge, and we only wish that you could be clear-headed enough about it to see the good in it, and respectful enough towards your parents' to submit cheerfully to their wishes.

It is not really a question of their mistrusting you, or thinking that if you drink intoxicants at all you are bound to become a drunkard. There are many things behind their wish that add to its wisdom.

There is the fact that many parents in the world to-day do not care what their teen-aged children do. They don't care where they go or with whom, or what they do. It is natural that those teen-agers who are under no restrictions from their parents should make a great boast about their freedom. They make others of the same age feel cramped and mistreated if their parents are interested enough to

try to help them get through the age of the teens without physical or moral injury. No doubt you feel a little resentful about your parents' wish just because you have heard others boasting of their freedom and doing whatever they please. Your real reaction ought to be one of gladness that your parents care enough for you to ask you to observe certain rules.

A second consideration is the fact that observers all over the world state that there is too much drinking of intoxicants among teen-agers, and that this is responsible for many of the tragedies and much of the delinquency among them. Now, even if it were certain that you would never drink to excess (no teen-ager can really be certain of that before he starts drinking), it is a great thing and a necessary thing that some teen-agers set the example to others of not drinking. Such an example is one of the most powerful means of reversing the trend of too much drinking among teen-agers, and even saving some of them from tragedy.

Thirdly, your parents have got the authority to make rules for you and to insist on your obedience, even in such matters as this. If you resent and resist their authority, by that very fact you will hurt yourself badly. Our advice is that you smother your resentment and comply with their wish, for your own good and the good of your companions.

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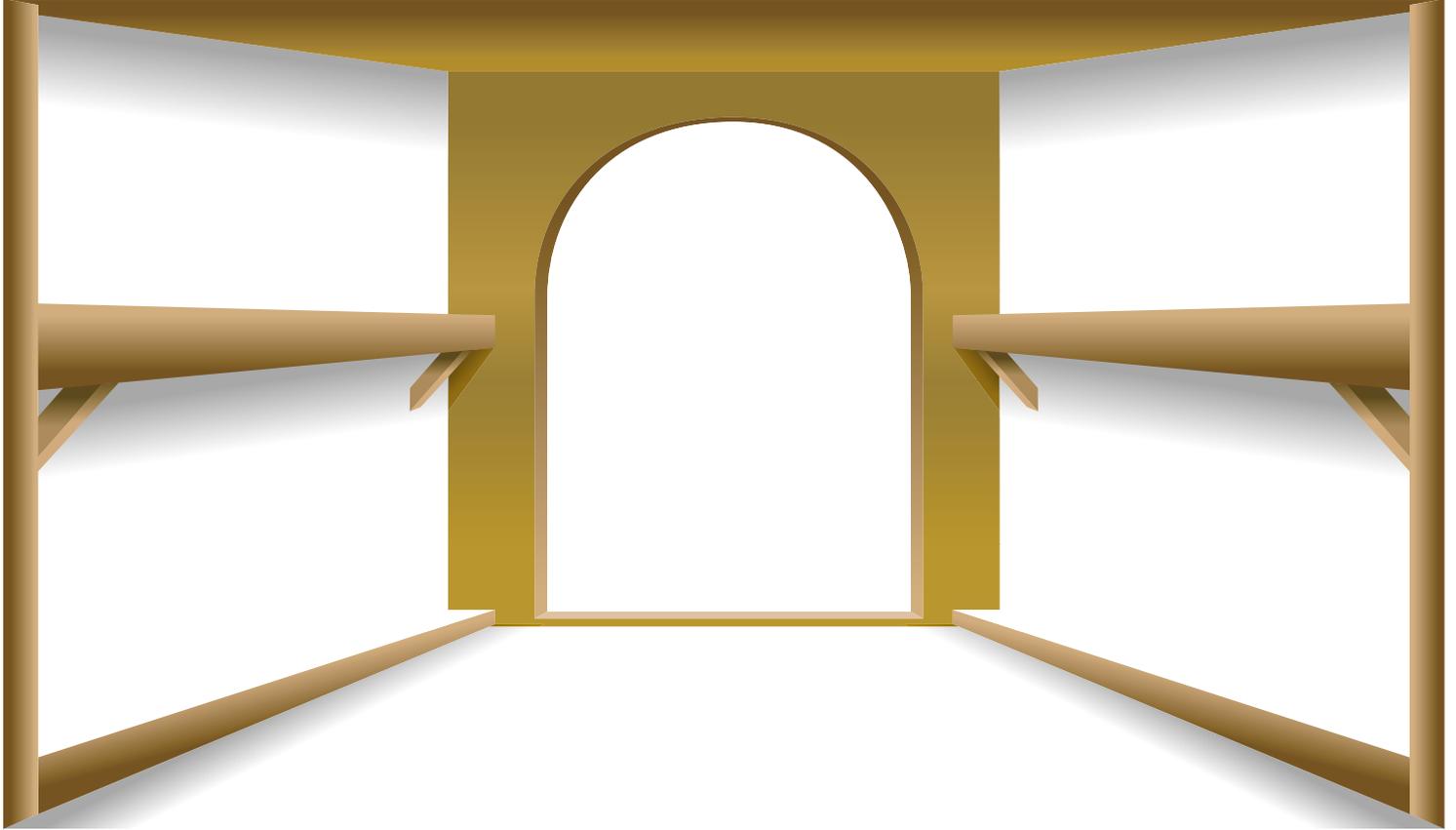
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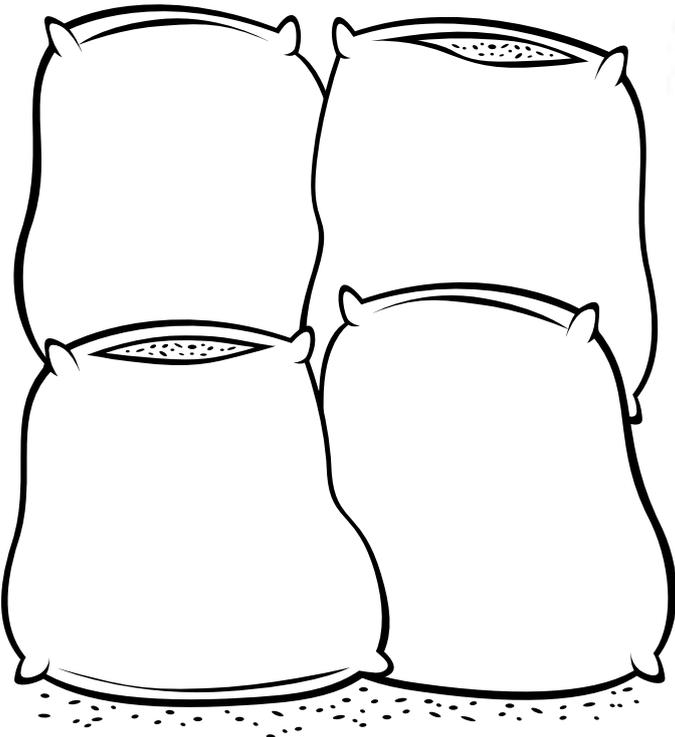
# Earthly wealth does not last

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Instead of wealth and riches, what are the important things in our lives that are worth storing up?



In what ways can we be "rich" rather than "poor" in the sight of God?  
Write an answer on each sack of grain.



Which two of these farmers are the same?

