

St Therese's Parish Essendon

20 and 21 August 2022

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
St Therese's Centenary 1922 – 2022



First Reading Is 66:18-21 A reading from the prophet Isaiah

They will gather all of your people from all nations.

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

Gospel Lk 13:22-30 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

From East and West they will come to take their place in the kingdom of God.

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them, 'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

INTERCESSIONS

Let us pray that we may strive to enter the Kingdom through the narrow gate.

We pray for the Church, the Pope, and all of God's people: may we reach out to those who are poor and in need of God's compassion and love.

We pray for those who are struggling to feed and clothe their families: may we be willing to provide from our store of plenty to help those in need.

We pray for mothers who are about to give birth: may they find joy after their pain, delight in their children, and a world that provides a place of safety and hope for the future of our human race.

We pray for our local community: may the Holy Spirit give us all the strength to reach out and support those around us as we look to the post pandemic future.

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. Lord hear our prayer

We pray for those who are ill, especially: Kerri Geary, Dawn Ward, Sr Mary Dennett, Toni Lukauskas, Ana Costea, Laurie Larmer, Maree O'Shea, Don and Nancy Woodall

For our own special needs.

We pray for those who have died recently especially Meagan Carroll, John Boucher and Mary Malone and for those we remember at this time, especially Micheline Matrenza, Leigh Wallmeyer, Isabella Campo, Lou Frilay, Peter Murphy and Margot Mulgrew.

Merciful God, fill our hearts with your love and keep us faithful to you and to the Gospel. Grant this through Christ our Lord. AMEN



CONGRATULATIONS TO FR JOHN on 44 years in the priesthood, which milestone he reached on Friday 19 August. John is enjoying the northern summer on his "Global Pastoral Visitation" tour which began in Canada. Here's a few words from the man himself. 'I'm enjoying my break after 3 years, and had a wedding Saturday of Anna and Luke, after I married Anna's parents' Ruth and Ted (pictured with John) here, way back in 1983. The wildlife is always interesting, and I had a few days in Ottawa, catching up with old friends there. After the wedding, I'm heading to London, then Venice, again to see old friends there too.' We wish John safe travels and send our heartfelt thanks for his contribution to our parish over the four years he has been here with us.



ST THERESE'S MEN'S CHOIR We welcome back the St Therese's Men's Choir who will be singing at the 10.30am Mass on Father's Day Sunday 4 September. Rehearsal for this occasion are scheduled for the evening of Thursday 25 August 2022. Please ring Mick O'Brien on 0403 105 301 to get more details on the location of rehearsal as it is not held in the church. Also anyone interested in joining the choir should contact Mick as soon as possible. It would be wonderful to welcome some new faces and voices to the group.



DISRUPTION TO OUR USUAL PROGRAMMING As Fr John enjoys the remainder of his well-earned break, 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 who are filling in for Fr John during his absence.

CATHOLIC CARE APPEAL Envelopes are still available from church side tables if you'd like to contribute to the appeal.

PARISH CALENDAR AUGUST & SEPTEMBER	Sunday 21 August	RE Programme (Eucharist) Session 1	9:30am
	Tuesday 23 August	Liturgy of the Word with Communion	10:00am
	Thursday 25 August	Men's Choir rehearsal contact Mick O'Brien for details	7.00pm
	Friday 26 August	School Mass in celebration of Grandparents	10:00am
	Sunday 28 August	Social Justice Sunday RE Programme (Eucharist) Session 2	9:30am
	Tuesday 30 August	Liturgy of the Word with Communion	10:00am
	Thursday 1 September	World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation Season of Creation begins	
	Saturday 3 September	Annual Appeal: Priests Retirement Foundation	6:00pm
	Sunday 4 September	Father's Day National Child Protection Week begins Annual Appeal: Priests Retirement Foundation RE Programme (Eucharist) Session 3	All Masses 9:30am
	Tuesday 6 September	Parish Leadership Team Meeting	7:30pm
	Friday 9 September	Student-free day at St Therese's school	
	Saturday 10 September	First Eucharist Mass: Class 4GC	6:00pm
	Sunday 11 September	First Eucharist Mass: Class 4S First Eucharist Mass: Class 4L and RE Programme	6:00pm 10:30am
	Wednesday 14 September	SVDP Essendon Regional Conference in PACE	7:00pm
	Friday 16 September	School term 3 concludes	3:30pm
	Sunday 18 September	Welcoming Mass for Baptism families	10:30am
	Monday 19 September	SVDP – Essendon Conference in PACE Function room	7:00pm
	Saturday 24 September	Refugee Week: Refugee & Asylum Seeker Collection	
	Sunday 25 September	Refugee Week: Refugee & Asylum Seeker Collection Refugee & Asylum Seeker Meeting- PACE function room Parish Baptisms	All Masses 11.30am 12:00pm
Friday 30 September	Friday before Grand Final public holiday office closed		

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Weekday Masses: Tuesday to Friday 10:00am	
Weekend Masses: Saturday 6:00pm, Sunday 9:00am, Sunday 10:30am	
<i>St Therese's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.</i>	
<i>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.</i>	

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The following Obituary Notice appeared in the Melbourne Advocate last week. It is with a deep sense of personal loss that we reprint it now in our own Magazine:

The death occurred at Mount St. Evin's Hospital on October 23, after a short illness, of Mrs. Mary Gorman, widow of James Augustine Gorman, late of No. 7 Edward St., Essendon. St. Teresa's Church was filled with parishioners and friends of the late Mrs. Gorman on Tuesday, October 25, when Rev. Father J. Pierce, P.P., offered Requiem Mass for the repose of her soul. In the sanctuary were Rev. Fathers. P. McQuillan, P.P., Keilor, M. Cuddigan, St. Columban's Mission, T. Ashe, P.P., Diamond Creek, and B. Leonard, P.P., Sisters from St. Columba's College, St. Joseph's Home, Broadmeadows, Ave Maria Retreat House, Franciscan Missionaries of Mary, and Rev. Brothers J. Carey, Principal of Victoria Parade College, and Brother Murphy, Principal of St. Bernard's College, were present at the Requiem. The funeral left St. Teresa's Church immediately after the Mass and proceeded to the

Fawkner Cemetery, where Rev. Father J. Pierce read the burial service, assisted by Rev. Father T. Little, P.P., former parish priest of St. Teresa's.

During her lifetime she was well known for the great interest she showed in parish activities, and the many charitable organisations with which she was connected. When St. Teresa's parish was first formed, Mrs. Gorman assisted at the first house party organised for the church and subsequently made available her home on many occasions for parish activities, and was always ready to undertake any task that may have been asked of her by the parish priest.

For many years she worked hard in the interests of St. Augustine's Orphanage, Geelong, particularly in connection with the annual But-ton Day Appeal, and was the representative of that institution on the Children's Welfare Organisation. Her main charitable interest was in connection with St. Vincent's Hospital, since she founded the Essendon branch of the St. Vincent's Hospital Auxiliary in the year 1930. She was the first and

only president of the Auxiliary, and in the course of the last twenty-six years has directed the affairs of the Auxiliary, with the result that several thousand pounds have been raised for the benefit of the hospital.

Many years ago she was concerned with activities to raise money for the Broadmeadows Foundling Home, and in recent years has been associated with the raising of funds at the annual fete conducted by the Franciscan Sisters at the Ave Maria Retreat House, Essendon. In a social way, her activities were directed towards assisting the funds of the Christian Brothers' College, Victoria Parade, over the last thirty years. She was particularly well known in this connection for organising and training the debutante set for the Old Paradians' Ball since late in the 1930's.

She also trained the Debutante Set each year for St. Teresa's Parish Hall. Her loss will be felt by this Parish, and by her many friends, especially, of course, by her own family, to whom we have already tendered our sincerest sympathy. For ourselves, we hope that St. Teresa's Parish may continue to produce such generous souls.

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Those who are least will be the most important

Luke 13:22-30

My name is

Draw someone who considers themselves more important than others.



Draw someone who is not considered an important person.

People will come from east and west, from north and south, and will eat in the kingdom of God. Indeed, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.

Draw some people from many different lands, sitting at the feast in God's kingdom.

