CATHOLIC PARISH OF MELBOURNE and CASTLE DONINGTON

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18 July 2021 LITURGICAL YEAR: SUNDAY B / WEEKDAY 1

Readings: This Week: Sixteenth Sunday of the Year: Jeremiah 23, 1-6; Ps.22; Ephesians 2, 13-18; Mark 6: 30-34. Click on the link to the readings https://www.universalis.com/20210131/mass.htm

Next Week: Seventeenth Sunday of the Year: Kings 4: 42-44; Ps.144; Ephesians 4, 1-6; Mark 6: 1-15.

Sunday, 18/7 /21	10.30 am Melbourne (incorporating Zoom)	16 th Sunday of the Year	Margaret Prodger (RIP)
Monday, 19/7/21	9.15 am Melbourne	Weekday Mass	
Tuesday, 20/7/21	6.00 pm Melbourne	Weekday Mass	Welfare of Ben Chong
Wednesday, 21/7/21	9.15 am Melbourne	Weekday Mass	Margaret Prodger (RIP)
Thursday, 22/7/21	*5.00pm Eucharistic		
St Mary Magdalene (Feast)	Adoration 6.00pm Melbourne	Weekday Mass	
Friday, 23/7/21		Weekday Mass	
St Bridget of Sweden, Religious, Patron of Europe (Feast)			
Saturday, 24/7/21	5.00 pm Castle Donington	Vigil Mass	

Sunday, 25/7/21	10.30 am Melbourne	17th Sunday of the Year	Libby Cuclen's intention

^{*}All Masses in the Melbourne Church incorporate zoom technology until further notice*

*Retirement

On 3 June 2021, our Rev Paul Boshell wrote Bishop Patrick McKinney expressing his desire to retire from active ministry as a Deacon. The Bishop has accepted Paul's request. We are immensely grateful to Rev Boshell for his selfless and generous service to our parish and diocese in many ways since 1997. "Paul would like to thank you all for the support and encouragement that you have given him over the years; it was a great privilege to serve you all". We hope to meet together as a parish community to say thank you to Paul.

1. Painting the presbytery

As funds are limited at the moment, we're looking for volunteers to help paint various rooms in the presbytery at Melbourne. If you're able to give a little time to help with this project, please email Father Joel and he'll sort out the next steps, which will include addressing any Health and safety concerns. Thank you.

2. Gift Aid Claim 2020 - 2021

Thank you to everyone who is making extra efforts to contribute to the parish finances. It is really appreciated. Catherine Arkley is working on the Gift Aid claim for the last financial year and is trying to make sure we claim as much as we're entitled. If you've made an on-line donation or donated via cheque during the year, Catherine may contact you to ask if the donation can be given under gift aid if she doesn't have a valid gift aid declaration for you. She would really appreciate it if you would reply to her emails whether it's returning a signed declaration or to let her know that the gift is not eligible for Gift Aid. If you're making a donation or an offering for a mass, whether cash or cheque, please would you add the following information to accompany your gift:

- 1 Whether we can claim Gift Aid.
- 2 Your full name, address and postcode.
- 3 The date of your gift.

Thank you again for your on-going support.

3. Collection Envelopes

Those who give by envelopes, please collect your own box from the Churches. We need volunteers to kindly help deliver the boxes to those unable to attend Mass. Thanks for doing that.

4. Parish Finances

Our finances remain difficult. If you can please support us by

- making a regular standing order to Sort code: 30-96-18; Account Number: 00347882
- make a one off gift to the Parish. Giving on-line couldn't be easier. All the details are above. Alternatively, pass cash or a cheque to me or Deacon Paul. If you'd like someone to pop round and collect it, please ring Gill Neilson at Castle Donington on 01332812757 or me at Melbourne.

5. Co-ordinators for the hiring of Hall

Melbourne: Rosemary Smith; Castle Donington: Rachel Hallam

7. Booking for Weekend Masses

- Nottingham Diocese have created an online booking portal at www.massbooking.uk
- If you do not have access to the internet, please ring Jo Matthews 07837671831 from Monday to Friday between 9am and 4pm to book your seat.

If you need to cancel you can return use the Cancel option button on the website or ring Jo Matthews 07837671831

If you test positive for Covid-19 after attending a mass, please contact Fr Joel immediately on mcd.joel@outlook.com or 01332862631

8. Winners first May 2021 draw:

1st. 93 Christine Milbourne

2nd. 63 Meryl Baldwin

3rd. 91 Julie O'Dowd

Winners second May 2021 draw:

1st. 98 Dorothy Franklin

2nd. 46 Paul Börg

3rd. 37 Carmel Lycett

Winners first June 2021 draw:

1st. 20 Helen Payne

2nd. 32 Josephine Knight

3rd. 30 Linda Wordsworth 61

Winners second June 2021 draw:

1st. 60 Sue Long

2nd. 100 Vanessa Nicol

3rd. 36 Rosemary Smith David

9. History of the Parish

Tom Stanyard, organist at Melbourne, is compiling a history of the parish. Please cast your minds back as far as you can and let Tom know any notable events, stories or other anecdotes worth including you can remember. Even any myths or legends you might remember your parents telling you! Equally, if you know anyone who has since moved away from the parish, please forward this request on to them so we can gather as much information as possible. If you have any photos these would also be of particular interest.

You can contact Tom on tstanyard@gmail.com

10. Online Coffee Morning

Our virtual (extraordinary) coffee/tea morning via ZOOM will take place on 24/7/21 immediately after the Rosary which starts at 9.40am. It lasts until 12.00 noon. Everyone is welcome.

11. Masses from Bishop Patrick on his Youtube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IGURP2eZKDE

12. Other streamed Mass

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N-1KKTjYfXY



We all need the word of truth, which guides us and illuminates our path. Without the truth, which is Christ himself, it is not possible to find the right direction of life. When we move away from Jesus and his love, we lose ourselves and life is transformed into disappointment and dissatisfaction. With Jesus at our side, we can move forward safely, we can overcome trials, we progress in love with God and neighbour. Jesus has become a gift to others, becoming a model of love and service for each one of us. May the Blessed Virgin Mary help us to take charge of the problems, the sufferings and the difficulties of our neighbour, through an attitude of sharing and service - *Pope Francis*.

First reading Jeremiah 23:1-6

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

I will gather together the remnant of my flock and raise up shepherds for them

'Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them.

Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks! 'See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence. And this is the name he will be called: The-Lord-our-integrity.' **The Word of the Lord.**

Responsorial Psalm 22

The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit.

The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort.

The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.

The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

The Lord is my shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.

Second reading Ephesians 2:13-18

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Christ Jesus is the peace between us

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far apart from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God: in his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, *peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand.* Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father. **The Word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation Jn 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia! The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow me. Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 6:30-34

They were like sheep without a shepherd

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length. **The Gospel of the Lord.**

PRAYERS FROM POPE FRANCIS PRAYER FOR PROTECTION FROM CORONAVIRUS

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign

of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick.

At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.

You, Our Refuge and our Hope, know what we need.

We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us:

He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test

– and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

"We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God".

In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother and seek refuge under your protection.

Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease, cannot be close to them. Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment.

Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew. Plead with your divine Son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and the victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust.

Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers who are on the frontline of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic effort and grant them strength, generosity and continued health.

Be close to those who assist the sick night and day, and to priests who, in their pastoral concern and fidelity to the Gospel, are trying to help and support everyone.

Blessed Virgin, illumine the minds of men and women engaged in scientific research, that they may find effective solutions to overcome this virus.

Support national leaders, that with wisdom, solicitude and generosity, that they may come to the aid of those lacking the basic necessities of life and may devise social and economic solutions inspired by farsightedness and solidarity.

Mary Most Holy, stir our consciences, so that the enormous funds invested in developing and stockpiling arms will instead be spent on promoting effective research on how to prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future.

Beloved Mother, help us realise that we are all members of one great family and to recognise the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer.

Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course.

To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen.