

St Martin of Tours - Parish of Macleod

'A faith community where Christian service thrives and shared ministry is developed'



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St Martin's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

**We deeply respect the
Aboriginal
Community of Wurundjeri
upon whose land our
Parish resides**

PARISH TEAM

Fr Michael O'Connell
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If you need the ministry of
Fr Michael or Sr Maria
please ring the Parish
Office. This includes
viaticum and all the
opportunities for healing
through the Anointing of
the Sick and Reconciliation.

SCHOOL

Jacqueline Marshall
St Martin of Tours School
School Principal
Tel. 8458 7500

PARISH GROUPS

Parish Pastoral Council

David Grasso (Chair)
ph 9401 6338

Child Safeguarding Committee

Sandra Ryan
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Robert Broadbent
Parish Office Team
Ph 9401 6338

Communion to the Sick Ph 9401 6338

St Vincent de Paul

Helpline
1800 305 330
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OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday 9.00am to 5.00pm (closed for lunch 1.00pm-2.00pm)
NEWSLETTER ARTICLES: Please email or contact the Parish Office prior to 12.00 noon on Wednesday.

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5.30pm
Dawn Mass 8.00am
Family Mass 10.00am

MASSES THIS WEEK Mon 22/2 9.15am, Tues 23/2 9.15am, Wed 24/2 LOTW, Thur 25/2 9.15am, Fri 26/2 9.15am
Saturday 8.30am Mass Reconciliation 10.00am

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT 20TH & 21ST FEBRUARY 2021

Loving God,
as we begin our Lenten journey
we pray that the mists that can cloud
our vision may lift, so that we may see
the road that lies before us and so come
with open hearts to you, the source of
living water. Melt what is frozen within us,
warm our hearts, and lift our spirits that
we do not lose heart in our capacity to
grow, or in your desire
to lead us safely home.
Amen



'It's all about hope', C J Monaghan CP pg 6

Lenten reflection.....

Just a few months ago in Advent we explored the idea of waiting in hope and endeavour for the birth of Jesus. His birth in the world and in our hearts. The Lenten scriptures take us further on the journey. We are assured that our hearts are forever embraced by the heart of God. Should we allow it, God will renew and strengthen us, that we may always walk the paths of love and mercy.

Jan Newell

Fr Michael's message.....

This time during the lockdown I experienced a felt pressure....It's not easy to identify where it comes from. I just felt it. I also heard others tell me that they were feeling stressed. I heard too of the reality of economic hurt in this community. Ash Wednesday reminds us of our vulnerability and mortality. "Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return." Perhaps one of the gifts of Covid19 to us is that we've had to remember this reality, that we're not in control of everything. And yet, in the realm of what we are able to control, the pandemic has also taught some to notice, and then do, what matters most to them in life. As we begin Lent we have the opportunity to again commit to the Lord Jesus as our top priority in life. In Lent we also are able to remember his teaching about how strongly he identifies with the poorest/neediest in our midst, and so a Project Compassion box is an important way we can respond to him!

RITE OF ELECTION

This weekend at the Vigil Mass we celebrate the Rite of Election with our RCIC catechumen Yasmine at St Martin's Parish. Our RCIA catechumens, Christina, Jason, Ann and Rachel will be journeying to the Cathedral this weekend for the Rite of Election at Mass on Sunday at 4.30pm to be celebrated by Archbishop Peter. We continue to pray for them as they continue on the path to becoming full participants in the Church at the Easter Vigil.

MACLEOD NEWS

MASSES Currently the 5.30pm and 10.00am Masses have registration via QR code. Registration sheets are available in the foyer for signing for all other Masses (these have a 75 person limit). Please help us to keep the Church sanitized between Masses. Let us know if you can help on the day. Please be patient waiting to register with QR or other; it may take a little longer for entry while we introduce this new way! We ask that you wear a mask when inside the Church. We appreciate your co-operation in this regard.

THE QR CODE FOR REGISTRATION IS BEING USED AT THE 5.30PM VIGIL MASS AND THE 10AM FAMILY MASS. THIS MEANS WE CAN INCREASE OUR CAPACITY TO 150 AT THESE MASSES. PLEASE BRING YOUR MOBILE PHONES TO REGISTER. HELP WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR THOSE PARISHIONERS WITHOUT A PHONE OR WHO ARE UNFAMILIAR WITH THE QR SYSTEM. WE ARE HOPING THIS WILL BE A SMOOTHER ENTRY THAN THE TRYBOOKING SYSTEM!

TO ACCESS THE CODE, OPEN THE CAMERA FUNCTION ON YOUR MOBILE PHONE AND HOVER OVER THE READER AS IF YOU WERE TO TAKE A PHOTO. IN A COUPLE OF SECONDS YOU SHOULD SEE A LINK APPEAR AT THE TOP OF YOUR PHONE SCREEN. CLICK ON THE LINK AND FILL OUT THE DETAILS, SUCH AS NAME, PHONE CONTACT. PRESS AND SUBMIT THE FORM AND WAIT FOR THE GREEN TICK! YOU ARE NOW GOOD TO GO!!

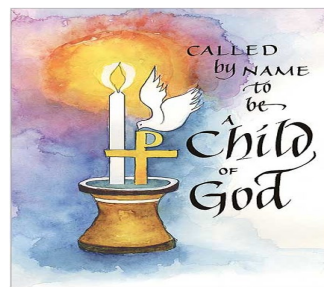
Remember face masks are mandatory in the Church as per the current guidelines.

BAPTISMS THIS WEEKEND—NOON

This weekend we welcome into our faith community the following children who are being baptized:

**ZOE VERONICA SMALE
CHRISTIAN IVAN VERROCCHI
ISABELLE MARIA MISALE**

We assure them of our prayerful support. We pray for them, their families and Godparents. May God keep them always in his love.



RECENTLY DECEASED: Estelita Dizon Calica

ANNIVERSARIES - THOSE WE REMEMBER FONDLY AT THIS TIME: Janette Chebli (40 day anniversary), Elvira Mendoza, Patrick Leehy, Michelina Napolitano, Richelmo Daru, Mary Hobson, Giuseppe Leggio, Elizabeth O'Brien, Maria Tosetto, Antonio Latina, Trevor Munro, Slavko Golob, Vincent Rowan, Mary Evans, Mary Spiteri, Mark Watson, Annie Roberts, Marjorie Baker, Maria Addamo, Maria D'Agostino, Betty Conway, Susan Murphy, William Sullivan, Kathleen Denier, Michael Hehir (Snr), Pamela Nair, David Kemp, John Gleeson,

LORD THAT I MAY BE WELL AGAIN - PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Bernie Herridge, Kate Mulholland, Sr. Mary Fankhauser, Cheryl Parker, Patricia Valente, Robyn Atherton, Philomena & Leo Boek, Fr Kevin Mogg, Danilo Mikac, Anne-Maree Silfo, Michael Nicholls, Elizabeth Martin, Tony Ryan, Sr Margaret McHugh, Michael Burgess, Annette Lewis, Richard Mc Aliece, Katrina Jackman, Brian Flynn, Maureen Miller, Brigid Harding, Joan McKeegan, Terry Walsh, Judith Price, Sophie Nathan, Merle Fernandez, Scott Fitzgerald, Danielle Wintle, Helen Clark, Joan & Barry Pobjoy, Br Brian Brandon, James Lang, Joseph Grima, Dr. Carlo R.H. Magno, Nola Etery, Ben Dymond (parent at school)

BAPTISM TEAM Volunteers are invited to join the current Baptism Team. This is a great opportunity to meet new families and guide them through the baptism program here at SMOT. To find out more about the role please ring the Parish Office on 9401 6338. Training will be provided. The Team, including Fr Michael, will meet on Monday at 7.30pm in the Community Centre. If you are interested to attend please feel free to join us.

ALTAR SOCIETY Altar society is inviting new members to join our roster beginning after Easter.

For more information please contact Pia 9459 6187 or Margaret 9457 2108.

ST MARTIN OF TOURS CATECHIST PROGRAM

The cut off dates for enrolment in 2021 are as follows:

Thursday 20 May for First Eucharist

Thursday 26 August 2021 for Reconciliation

Leaflets with more information are in the foyer of the Church and also on the website. All parents must register their children for the program via the Parish Office.

RCIA & RCIC ENQUIRY FOR 2021

RCIA-Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and RCIC—Rite of Christian Initiation of Children.

We warmly welcome anyone interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith for yourself or for your children/grandchildren.

Please see Fr Michael or Sr Maria for further information.

POLICE CHECKS AND WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS Many people have expired WWCC and Police Checks. Our guidelines regarding child safeguarding require **ALL** volunteers to have a current WWCC and Police Check where relevant. Anyone who does not have a current registration cannot volunteer in their ministry until their registration is renewed. Please refer to the SMOT website under the safeguarding tab for information on how to renew your checks.

GARDENING: TIM O'HANLON 0433 952 705 **GENERAL HOME MAINTENANCE:** Bernie Power 0409 936 860

HAIRDRESSING FOR WOMEN & MEN: Hair Cut PH: Uni 9402 8264/0433 614 399 Pensioner Rates. Can attend home.

LENTEN 2021



First Sunday of Lent
21st February 2021



Jamila is a Rohingya refugee living in a camp in Bangladesh with her elderly mother and baby daughter. With the support of Caritas Australia, and through Caritas Bangladesh, Jamila has been able to gain access to emergency food, shelter, counselling, and vocational training that will help to support her family.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 to help mothers like Jamila be more for her family and her community.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

WAY OF THE CROSS—LENT Simply Jesus: Reflect. Renew. Recommit

This Lent, across our Archdiocese, we are being invited to reflect on the way and person of Jesus, renew ourselves in his love, and recommit ourselves to the path of discipleship. After a year where the regular structures that help us live a life of faith, and grow in our relationship with Jesus were largely absent, we are encouraged to use Lent to reflect more deeply on our relationship with Jesus and be more attentive to nurturing its growth. To aid us in this, a Way of the Cross resource has been developed incorporating images, Scripture, music, reflection and prayer. The resource provides a meaningful way into the powerful story of Jesus' Passion, inviting a new or renewed intimacy with him.

Along with other resources, it can be accessed at: www.melbournecatholic.org/lent2021

LOOK TO JESUS LENT & EASTER RESOURCE (personal use)

The primary focus of Look to Jesus - 52 Daily Reflections for Lent and Easter will be individual prayer, contemplation on a daily scripture verse from the readings of the day, and a quote from Pope Francis. Stocks of this booklet have sold out!!!! Alternatively, you are welcome to sign up to the Look to Jesus podcast

[here for Apple](#) and [here for Android](#). (copy and paste the link into your internet browser)

LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUP— ITS ALL ABOUT HOPE

This program will begin on 23 February at 7.30pm via ZOOM, led by Sr Anne, and continue up to Holy Week. This year's Lenten program explores the theme of hope over six weeks, using prayer, biblical reflection and insightful exploration of the Easter liturgies. It is a program that will create energy for all the things the Lord wants to do with us, and for us. SIGN UP for attendance at these sessions with your details on the sheets available in the foyer!! We will then forward the Zoom link to you. Please pick up the booklet from the sacristy if you are participating. Cost is \$10 for the booklet.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Dear Parish family, Lent is upon us (17th February – 2nd April 2021).

Our faith has endured the trials of the past year and now it's time to renew that faith by sharing in Our Lord's Passion. Like Mary, let us walk with Jesus in the Stations of the Cross, which at St. Martin of Tours, will be held every Friday morning in Lent, after the 9:15am Mass in the Church. Leaflets will be provided. Please contact Philomena Lewis 0403910446 for further queries.

Ash Wednesday ashes will be distributed at all Masses across the weekend.

WORLD DAY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE - 20 February
Recognises the need to promote social justice, including tackling poverty, exclusion, gender equality, unemployment, human rights and social protections.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION Due to COVID restrictions, the Christian Meditation Group which meets on Wednesday evening will be meeting on Zoom. We will begin meditation at 7.30pm and end approx. forty minutes later. All are welcome. For enquiries, please contact Joan McKeegan on 0418 584 970.

RELIGIOUS GIFT SHOP will re-open on 21 February after the 10am Mass. Please wear a mask when browsing for gifts and exit through the double doors when you have made your purchase. Please use the hand sanitizer prior to and after your visit. This exit is only to be used by people visiting the shop in line with covid guidelines.

To view our Safeguarding Children & Young People Code of Conduct, go to www.smot.org.au

PARISH ROSTERS 20th & 21st Feb 2021 Year B (1st Sunday of Lent)	DIARY DATES Friday 19 9.15am Mass Saturday 20 8.30am Mass Reconciliation 10.00am 5.30pm Vigil Mass (QR code)	
SATURDAY VIGIL 5.30PM SACRISTAN: J PENTONY COMMENTATOR: FILL IN PLEASE READERS: J O'CONNELL COMMUNION MINISTERS: F ESPOSITO* P McIVER, R WEBSTER, C ANDERSON, N MIRON WELCOMERS: S ROSE, MUSIC: M O'LEARY	Sunday 21 1st Sunday of Lent 8am & 10am Mass (QR code 10am only) Monday 22 9.15am Mass Tuesday 23 9.15am Mass 7.30pm Lenten Group via Zoom (Sr Anne) Wednesday 24 9.15am Liturgy of the Word (Sr Anne) Thursday 25 9.15am Mass Friday 26 9.15am Mass Stations of the Cross after Mass	
SUNDAY 8.00AM SACRISTAN: A FERNANDEZ COMMENTATOR: J PURCELL READERS: T VITEZ COMMUNION MINISTERS: M LLOYD, A FERNANDEZ, F CARNOVALE WELCOMERS: TO BE FILLED	Saturday 27 8.30am Mass Reconciliation 10.00am 5.30pm Vigil Mass—Prep Welcome Mass Sunday 28 2nd Sunday of Lent 8am & 10am Mas	
SUNDAY 10.00AM FAMILY SACRISTAN: J POWER COMMENTATOR: R BROADBENT READERS: J LEWIS, M MUDALIAR COMMUNION MINISTERS: T D'ALESSANDRO*, M GRASSO, J POWER, AM POWER, P BASILE, C ASSOUD, J PAVONE WELCOMERS: L ANGEL, G SCHWABE MUSIC: ROB DI G	MARCH Monday 1 9.15am Mass Tuesday 2 9.15am Mass 7.30pm Lent Group via Zoom (Sr Anne) Wednesday 3 9.15am Liturgy of the Word Thursday 4 9.15am Mass	
PARISH ROSTERS 27th & 28th February Year B (2nd Sunday of Lent)	THIS WEEK'S READINGS: Gen 9: 8-15; Ps 24: 4-9; 1 Pet3: 18-22; Mk :12-15 NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Gen 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18; Ps 115:10. 15-19. Rom 8:31-34; Mk:P2-10	
SATURDAY VIGIL 5.30PM SACRISTAN: D BORTOLIN COMMENTATOR: M FITZPATRICK READERS: M DI FABIO, S RYAN COMMUNION MINISTERS: J LANE, J SCANLON, D LUNARDI, S RYAN, A CALDERONE K FORD WELCOMERS: M CASTILLO, S RYAN MUSIC: H TOMBOLATO	ADVANCE DIARY DATE..... Anointing of the Sick Mass will be celebrated on Saturday 20th March at 11 am. WELCOME TO CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE 2021. Explore our face-to-face and online units in biblical and theological studies, sacraments and liturgy, spirituality and ministry, and pastoral care. Our programs can support your parish in faith enrichment and ministry training. New courses and units available now. See ctc.edu.au for further details.	
SUNDAY 8.00AM SACRISTAN: K PILKINGTON COMMENTATOR: T JACKSON READERS: N RAJASINGHAM COMMUNION MINISTERS: A FERNANDEZ, M LLOYD WELCOMERS: M LLOYD	Associazione Culturale "L'Aurora" Italian Language classes run by Associazione Culturale L'Aurora will start at St Martin of Tours, 2-12 Silk St Rosanna, on Saturday 20th February 2021. Classes will run during school terms and will be of 2.5 hours duration from 1:30pm - 4:00pm every Saturday. Students from Prep to Year 12 are welcome to enrol. The tuition fee for the year is \$240.00 per student. (\$60 / term). More information phone: 0424 902 167 or send us an email at laurora@optusnet.com.au	
SUNDAY 10.00AM FAMILY SACRISTAN: J POWER COMMENTATOR: J MCINERNEY READERS: D WOLLERSHEIM, FILL IN PLEASE COMMUNION MINISTERS: C & J STARMANS, P BASILE, C KEITH, P FUMEI, J SAMUEL WELCOMERS: P BASILE, T JORDAN MUSIC: J LACHAL	CATHOLIC SCHOOLS GUIDE This edition of the guide has 36 colleges listed. It is an important story for those families who may not be attending a Catholic primary school but who may be interested in reading about Catholic education. Copies available in the foyer.	
	VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED AT ALL MASSES TO HELP THOSE WHO ARE UNABLE TO USE THE QR CODE. IF YOU CAN ASSIST IN THIS ROLE AND ARE HAPPY TO USE YOUR OWN PHONE TO HELP OUT PLEASE LET THE OFFICE KNOW WHICH MASS YOU ARE AVAILABLE FOR. All Catholics in Melbourne continue to be dispensed from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass until further directed by the Archbishop. Daily Mass is streamed from St Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne . Masses are livestreamed daily on our Archdiocesan YouTube channel and on Sundays to view on free-to-air TV via C31 (channel 44 on digital TV). Copy and paste the links above to access these options.	