



Western Port Catholic Parish

Immaculate Conception Hastings, St Peter's
Shoreham and St Brendan's Church Somerville

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year B, 27 October 2024

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First Reading

[Jeremiah 31:7-9](#)

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The Lord says this: Shout with joy for Jacob! Hail the chief of nations! Proclaim! Praise! Shout! 'The Lord has saved his people, the remnant of Israel!' See, I will bring them back from the land of the North and gather them from the far ends of earth; all of them: the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour: a great company returning here.

They had left in tears, I will comfort them as I lead them back; I will guide them to streams of water, by a smooth path where they will not stumble. For I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my first-born son.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

[Ps 125](#)

R. The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. (**R.**)

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels
the Lord worked for them!'

What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. (**R.**)

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.

Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap. (**R.**)

They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing:
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. (**R.**)

Second Reading

[Hebrews 5:1-6](#)

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Every high priest has been taken out of mankind and is appointed to act for men in their relations with God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins; and so he can sympathise with those who are ignorant or uncertain because he too lives in the limitations of weakness. That is why he has to make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. No one takes this honour on himself, but each one is called by God, as Aaron was. Nor did Christ give himself the glory of becoming high priest, but he had it from the one who said to him: You are my son, today I have become your father, and in another text: You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

The word of the Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death,
and brought us life through his gospel.

Alleluia!

Mark 10:46-52

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

As Jesus left Jericho with his disciples and a large crowd, Bartimaeus (that is, the son of Timaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting at the side of the road. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout and to say, 'Son of David, Jesus, have pity on me.' And many of them scolded him and told him to keep quiet, but he only shouted all the louder, 'Son of David, have pity on me.'

Jesus stopped and said, 'Call him here.' So they called the blind man. 'Courage,' they said 'get up; he is calling you.' So throwing off his cloak, he jumped up and went to Jesus. Then Jesus spoke, 'What do you want me to do for you?' 'Rabbuni,' the blind man said to him 'Master, let me see again.' Jesus said to him, 'Go; your faith has saved you.' And immediately his sight returned and he followed him along the road.



The Gospel of the Lord.

A Prayer

God, when others cry out,
help us to listen and not
turn them
away.

When their cries are to us,
give us the strength and
courage to respond on your
behalf.

When we cry out to you,
help us to listen then, too,
and rejoice
in the answers you give.
Amen.

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Throughout this liturgical year we have examined several aspects of our faith. We have pondered the history of our salvation, the merciful compassion of God, God's willingness to lead us out of the bondage of our addictions. We have meditated often and long on the person of Jesus, on his life and death, on the meaning of his sacrifice, on his resurrection, on his influence in our lives today. We have considered our own ongoing transformation as disciples of Jesus, baptised into his death and resurrection, commissioned to bring the news of his love to all those with whom we come into contact. We have reflected on all of these wonderful deeds of God, and now we must ask the question: What difference has it made?

Have we merely acquired some information about the biblical readings, about our religious ancestors, about the ministry of Jesus and the life of the early church? Or have our eyes really been opened; have we been enabled to leave behind whatever prevents us from living the Christian life fully, to abandon our exiles or the trappings of our former lives? Have we accepted more genuinely the Christian responsibilities that are ours as baptised followers of Christ, in our own personal lives, in our families, in our relationships with others, at the workplace? To what degree have we been transformed into Christ? How open have we become to the action of the Spirit in our lives? Have we been made a new creation? And do we recognise Christ in our midst?

ST VINCENT DE PAUL APPEAL:

We are in need of Pasta & Sauces, Cans of Tuna, Salmon, Meat & Vegetables, Tins of Soup, Tinned fruit, tins of vegetables, Spaghetti, Diced Tomatoes. Spreads such as Jam, Peanut Butter, Vegemite, Honey. Packets of Sweet and Dry biscuits, Cereal, Tea and Coffee, Long Life Milk, Rice, Two Minute noodles and Cup of Soup packets, and toiletries. Please **do not** donate Sugar, Powdered Milk, Cheese Spreads or Baked Beans.

Thank you for your ongoing support!

Western Port Parish is committed to making our Church a safe place for children and young people and protect them from harm.

LITURGIES THIS WEEK, 28 October—3 November

MONDAY No service

TUESDAY 9.30am Mass at Somerville

WEDNESDAY 9.00am Mass at Shoreham

THURSDAY 9.00am Holy Rosary

Followed by 9.30am Mass at Hastings

1st FRIDAY 9.00am Eucharistic Adoration at Hastings

9.30am All Saints' Day Mass at Hastings

SATURDAY

9.30am All Souls' Day Mass at Hastings followed by Prayers at Memorial Garden

10.00am-10.30am—Reconciliation at Hastings

6.00pm Mass at St Brendan's Church, Somerville

SUNDAY

8.00am Mass at St Peter's Church, Shoreham

PRAYERS AND PETITIONS

Please pray for those who are sick, especially Sandra, Marissa, Amber, Peter Rogan, Bernadette Sexton, Peter Munyan, Tommy Judge, Mary Sloan, Paula Murphy, Pat Tagliabue, Frank Tagliabue, Michael Pound, John Kelly, Janice Danaher, Vicky Mathis, Edna Walsh, Jane Maria, Oliver Munoz, Kathy Burke, Frank Howard, Paul Creed, Mike Mason, Elaine Duyvestyn, James Smythe, Lucy Triffett, Helena Jaskolski, Oscar Dixon-Rotherham, Margaret Sherlock and all those who need our prayers, especially Finian and Kathleen.

May they receive the Lord's comfort and strength. Please pray for those who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Dane Kip Lyons (2 years anniversary) and Bernard David O'Brien.

May they rest in peace.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—Visit an Aged Care Resident

Are you able to visit one of our elderly Parishioners once a week or every fortnight for about an hour or so, for friendship, a chat, or maybe a prayer or going out for a coffee together? Our parishioner, Frances, is now living at Western Port Bay Residential Aged Care in Tyabb, has a 4-wheel walker and can go outside. If you chose to volunteer through MS Plus, you would be covered by insurance, and you could get assistance with all paperwork to get into the aged care home.

For more information, please call Raffaella Mazzeo, MS Plus ACVVS Program Coordinator, t: 03 8399 9608.

NAMES ON ROSTERS BELOW FOR SERVICES NEXT WEEK, 2/11 & 3/11/2024

MINISTRY	Somerville	Shoreham	Hastings		
Lector	Sandy Adolphus	Anthony Grimes	Agnes Smith	Mass Welcomer Hastings	Steve Weir
Eucharistic Ministers	Mary Marshall	Val Fakhry	Lioba Robinson Isobel Wilson	Counters This Week	Barbara & Gerald O'Brien
Commentator	Louise Hennessy	Ann Lorkin		Counters Next Week	Heiman Sissing Hijacinta Svabelj
Mass Prep	Christine Coleman	NOVEMBER: Val Fakhry		Sacristan	Marie Ernestine
Altar Linen		NOVEMBER: Val Fakhry		Audio/Visual	Jesele Baxter
Flowers	Sandy Adolphus	Somerville Maintenance—		Communion to the Sick This Week	Group 2— Anne-Marie Lawson
Cleaning	NOVEMBER: Christine Coleman	Matthew & Louise Street			

RCIA IN OUR PARISH

RCIA stands for the "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults". Our RCIA team is ready to welcome any participants who would like to inquire about becoming a Catholic. The first session will be on **Thursday 31st October at 7:00pm in the Parish Centre**. Please encourage any of your family or friends to consider the inquiry stage. There is no obligation to commit to continuing if the decision is made to not proceed. Please contact the Parish Office with names and details.

BLESSING OF THE MEMORIAL GARDEN IN SOMERVILLE

Dear Parishioners, you are invited to a blessing of the new Memorial Garden at St Brendan's Church on All Souls' Day, which falls on **Saturday, 2nd November 2024**, before the Vigil Mass. *Fr Shymon*

LADIES LUNCHEON

On **Friday 1st November** at Deoro By The Bay at 12 noon. Please call **Val 0409 774 919** if you would like to attend.

JOEY'S CAFÉ—ST JOSEPH'S CRIB POINT

Open to public every second Friday, next time on 1st November, 12.00pm

2024 WORLD MISSION DAY APPEAL—THANK YOU!



We would like to thank you for your generosity supporting the Church in Mongolia and House of Mercy. Thanks to your kindness, people like Chuluunbaatar will have access to the support they need to help them get back on their feet. Your gift will also support a variety of Church programs around the world.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to give, please do so at catholicmission.org.au/mongolia.

You can support this work by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/mongolia, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also assist many other Church programs around the world. **Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/mongolia**



Christmas Catalogue

Copies of Christmas Catalogue of **That Catholic Shop** are available at foyers of our 3 Parish Churches. All proceeds assist the work and mission of Aid to the Church in Need. You can visit www.thatcatholicshop.com to see the entire range and order online.



ALL SAINTS' AND ALL SOULS' DAY

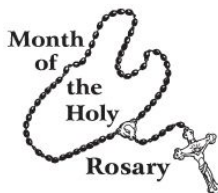
All Saints' and Souls' Days are for many a time to remember our loved ones who played a special roles in our lives.



Our Parish is celebrating these Holy days with two Masses: **All Saints' Day – Friday 1st November, 9:30am Mass at Hastings**

All Souls' Day – Saturday 2nd November, 9:30am Mass at Hastings

CONCLUSION OF MONTH OF THE ROSARY



The Rosary is a priceless treasure inspired by God." Saint Louis De Monfort

You are warmly invited to participate in the conclusion of the Month of the Holy Rosary at Immaculate Church, Hastings. Date: **Thursday, 31 October 2025**

Time: **9:00 AM** - Holy Rosary followed by Mass dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. We look forward to your presence

SALTBUSH BALNARRING BEACH OPEN DAY

A few parishioners attended the open day at the invitation of **Sr Joan Power** at Saltbush, Balnarring Beach (Presentation Family Centre), on Saturday 19th October. The Centre was started by the **Presentation Sisters of Victoria** in 1989 to "provide a place of welcome, comfort and rest to all who call upon it and a retreat within which they might regenerate their spirits". Today, Saltbush provides a peaceful environment for rest, play, growth and connection. The open day was a true celebration of vision, heart, leadership in action. We heard about the history of the Presentation Sisters, their arrival in Melbourne and their desire, through the Saltbush ministry, to provide accommodation for those experiencing hardship and those in difficult situations. This initiative has enriched the lives of over 30,000 people in the last 35 years.

As the Sisters look towards the future, we witnessed an amazing gifting of the final piece of land in Balnarring from the Sisters to the local project. It is an amazing ministry and place. It is right on our doorstep and help is always welcome! To find out more see this link or give them a call on **(03) 5983 1819**. <https://saltbushbalnarringbeach.org.au>

ARCHDIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE FOR THE JUBILEE OF FAMILIES

20 May—4 June 2025 (16 Days/13 Nights)

Parishioners across the Archdiocese of Melbourne are invited to a hope-filled pilgrimage during the Jubilee Year of 2025. Deepen your faith as you journey with your fellow pilgrims through Italy, including Padua, Venice, Bologna, Florence and Assisi. This graced journey will culminate in the Eternal City of Rome for the Jubilee of Families, Grandparents and the Elderly where we will walk through the Holy Doors of St Peter's Basilica. **Fr Andrew McCarter** will accompany pilgrims as Chaplain. Register your place via Harvest Journeys: <https://harvestjourneys.com/PV2555>. Limited hardship subsidies are available on application. Contact proclaim@cam.org.au or 9926 5761

Total givings from the week 17/10-24/10/24

Thanksgiving 1 st Collection – Presbytery	\$671.80
2nd Collection – Church (Including Direct Debits, Credit Cards, cheques and envelopes)	\$837.50
Loose	\$242.05
Tap Machine Donations	\$177.73

Thank you for your ongoing support!