

# 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> October 2020 Vol 47, No 38 DMINICAL

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We are currently live-streaming Mass from St Dominic's Church at 11.00am on Sundays, and at noon on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

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The Parish office will be closed till further notice. You can continue to contact the Parish staff and priests at the phone number 9912 6870 or via email secretary@stdominics.org.au.

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PARISH CALENDAR: 4th—11th Oct 2020
Sun 4<sup>th</sup> 27th Sunday in Ordinary

Tue 6<sup>th</sup> 9:45am Exercise classes—online

Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Our Lady of the Rosary

Thu 8th 9:30am Exercise classes—online

10:00am Pray the Rosary online

11:00am Funeral of Fernanda De Angelis

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deadline for Bulletin: 10.00am Thursday

# THE FRUITS OF FAITH



The story about vineyards emphasizes the importance of our bearing fruits. Jesus is addressing our daily lives, the work we do and how we pass our days - at school, work, office, supermarkets, playfields... These activities take so much of our time

and energy. Jesus is suggesting that it is at the very places where we spend so much attention and energies that we are under his rule of life. There we must be guided in our activities by what he teaches about: the value and dignity of every human being and the dignity and importance of our own work. Without honest and dedicated workers there would be no harvest and no wine to celebrate.

Each of us needs the middle section of the story - the part about the additional servants being sent to the rebellious tenants in the vineyard. We especially need the part about the son being sent to them, for it is a reminder how far God is willing to go to reach out to us in the particular part of the vineyard we have been given to tend. Jesus is telling us something about God that we need to hear. God doesn't give up on us even when we have turned away from God. God is willing to risk looking foolish in our eyes; willing to come again and again to us. God's love doesn't diminish even when we reject God or live lukewarm lives of faith.

We come to church Sunday after Sunday because we want our lives to reflect the gospel stories we hear. Aren't we grateful that we are given second, third and even more chances to renew our resolution for the coming week to be more fruitful members of God's family? Most of all, aren't we grateful that God sees into our hearts and knows that we want to live good and faithful lives? So, God sends us the Son at this Eucharist to nourish us and moves us to take advantage of this one-more opportunity to respond to God's love.

# THANK YOU, MEMBERS OF JUSTICE AND PEACE GROUP

Many thanks to members of Justice and Peace Group who planned and hosted webinar "TO LIVE LIFE TO THE FULL" which explored the present mental health in Australia, and what

parish communities can do in response. It was a

successful event.

Also special thanks to speakers, Bishop Terry Brady (Social Justice leader), Dr Caroline Johnson (General Practitioner), and Trish Mowbray (disability and mental

health advocate) for their inspiring presentation which encourages people reaching out to those in need.

Fr Peter Toan Nguyen OP, PP

#### ST DOMINIC'S IS A CHILD SAFE PARISH

# **PASTORAL SERVICES**

PRAYERS WRITERS: 11 Oct Tania Wilson

#### **COLLECTION STATISTICS**

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July \$2,156.00 \$81.60 \$0.00

**DOMINICARE** Dominicare has been part of the parish for decades and is chance for people to help out a fellow parishioner with little tasks like lifts, shopping, nursing home visits and even changing light bulbs. In this time of social distancing and home isolation for older members of our Parish Community we want to stress that you should feel free to make contact with us.If you are in need of help, we will do our best to find someone to help out. Leave us a message on 0481 296547 or call the Parish office at 9912 6870 ext. 3. Please also call if you would like to help out.

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#### WE PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Frank O'Brien (Mary Stanley's brother), Fernanda De Angelis

For those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Cornelius O'Connor

THE SICK OF OUR PARISH: Mandy, Ilena Wilson, Shirley Kennedy, Alina Kobylanski, Barbara Dunstan, Sarah Cumming, Yvette van den Driesen, Patricia McInnes, Kathleen Conlan, Martin Blake, Grace Dunn, Michael Taveira, Grazyna Van Egmond, Victoria D'Astoli, Ken Petersen, Patricia Mooney, Joe Markham, Albert Mahoney, Sr Julie Thomas CSB, Ann Stewart, John Meehan, Baby Gracie Bresolin, Janet Hudin, John Carroll, Fr Karl Emerick OP, Joy Patrick, Annette Fleming, Arden Nelson, Bill Fleming and those visited by St. Vincent de Paul Society this week.

MASS INTENTIONS			
Sun	4 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9:45am	For the People of the Parish
		11:00am	Emanuele Bianchi
Mon	5 <sup>tn</sup> Oct	7:00am	Dominican Vocation
		12:00pm	James & Elizabeth Furey
Wed	7 <sup>th</sup> Oct	12:00pm	Marjorie June Whelan
Fri	9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	7:00am	Deceased Dominicans

If you want to have a Mass offered, please call the office at 9912 6870 ext 3.



#### **Our PERPETUAL REMEMBRANCE BOOK**

for the month of October is available on our website

www.stdominics.org.au/remembering-our-dead.html to remind us to pray for those mentioned



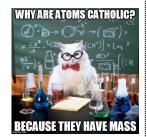
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"Our Lord does not look so much at the greatness of our actions, or even at their difficulty, as at the love with which we do them." St. Therese of the Child Jesus (St. Therese of Lisieux)

Be not afraid, trust in the Lord God and he will help you with all your struggles! Pray to him and ask him for support Br Oliver



**Hymn:** Be Not Afraid - John Michael Talbot **Facebook:** St. Dominic's Youth Camberwell - SDYC

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EXERCISE CLASSES have resumed but in a different way. As the Parish centre is closed Amanda is conducting her classes online through Zoom. You are more than welcome to join the chair-based classes on Tuesdays at 9.45am or the active adults classes on Thursdays at 9.30am If you wish to join one of these classes or both of them please call Amanda at 0410 685 224 or acubit@bigpond.net.au and she will send you the invitation. What you need is a computer/tablet, a towel, drink bottle, a chair preferably without arm rests, a cushion a couple of weights (two cans of soup or equivalent or milk cartons filled with liquid or half full depending on your strength). All are welcome.

WEEKLY PARISH RESOURCES We currently send the Dominican and other parish information by weekly email, as well as place them on our website. Please let us know of anyone who would like to go on our mailing list. We deliver hard copies to those without internet access. Again, please let us know if you or anyone else would like these delivered to your mailbox. Contact the parish office at 9912 6870 or via email secretary@stdominics.org.au.

#### ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI—A Reflection on his Feast Day



Francis was the popular, carefree son of a wealthy merchant of Assisi, Peter Bernadone. However, events occasioned his conversion to a new way of life. First, on the losing side of a battle with the Perugians, he landed in Incarceration severely affected his health. Then, a year after regaining his freedom, and on another military enterprise, he abruptly turned back. Tradition relates this change of plans to a dream he had on the first night of his journey.

Now he was drawn to poverty, prayer, and service of the poor, especially lepers. Tradition further relates that, while praying in the rundown church of San Damiano in 1207, the crucified Christ summoned him to repair his house. Francis immediately added restoring dilapidated churches to his way of life. Then, on the feast of St Matthias in 1209, at Mass in the church of Our Lady of the Angels, Francis discerned that Jesus was calling him to preach the Gospel, just as Matthias had been called to do.

Perhaps to his surprise, a few laymen of Assisi joined him. The Legend of the Three Companions, in the medieval tradition of lives of saints, reports that Francis, with two of his new companions, went to the church of St Nicholas and opened the Bible at random three times, in honour of the Trinity, to discern what God wanted of them.

The Legend continues, "At its first opening, Francis's eyes fell on the text, 'If you wish to be perfect, go, sell everything you possess and give to the poor, and you will have a treasure in heaven.' When he opened the Scripture a second time he read: 'Take nothing for your journey,' and at the third opening the text was, 'If any man wishes to come after me, he must deny himself.' Then Francis said to his companions, 'Brothers, this is our life and the rule of all who will want to join our company." That same year Pope Innocent 111 approved the Rule, referred to later, as the Primitive Rule.

The little band returned to Assisi to live adjacent to the chapel of Our Lady of the Angels at the Portiuncula (Little Patch of Land). The community practiced radical poverty, supported themselves by begging and by taking on whatever manual work they could find, and committed themselves to a form of preaching, marked by simplicity, and empowered by the witness of their lives. Francis soon dispersed his brothers throughout central Italy, thus commencing a period of extraordinary growth and transformation of the life of his followers.

Today is the feast day of St Francis and this year it is the occasion of Pope Francis issuing his Encyclical, Fratelli tutti, that draws its inspiration from the Poverello, the Poor Man of Assisi. May his intercession, and the encyclical of Pope Francis, promote in our troubled times, the wish of the saint to all he met: Peace and all good!

Fr David Willis OP



# PRAY THE ROSARY ONLINE THURSDAY 8th OCTOBER 10AM

The month of the Holy Rosary is October and this entire month is dedicated to the Rosary. The feast day of the Holy Rosary in particular is October 7th. Praying the rosary has been a tradition in the Church for a long time and this

prayer is super powerful as Mary always leads us to her Son, and presents our needs before Him.

So join us on Zoom to pray the Rosary on Thursday 8th https://zoom.us/j/99353688040? at 10am. pwd=RjJUT2tlc0ZYdnJiK1phM0tlYWVIUT09

# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* **JUSTICE & PEACE GROUP NOTES Mental Health and Poverty**

Uncomfortable topics made even more so as we grapple 3 with ways out of a pandemic.

10/10 is World Mental Health Day followed by Anti-Poverty Week commencing on 11/10. The two are inextricably linked and require urgent community and government action.

Excellent reading about Anti-Poverty initiatives on antipovertyweek.org.au. 

this year. Due to COVID 19 pandemic the cards will need to be ordered and will be delivered by Conference members to your home. The packs (8 cards in a pack) will be sold for \$7.00 per pack or 3 packs for \$20.00. Please email John Dowling on

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#### FOOD VOUCHERS AND OTHER ASSISTANCE

As Federal Government assistance is now being reduced in relation to Job Keeper and Job Seeker payments the SVdP expects more assistance will be requested from families and people living by themselves. The Society is here to assist. We expect people that have never requested assistance in the past to seek help. If you, or anyone that you know, needs assistance please telephone the SVdP Call Centre at Box Hill on 1800 305 330 and the volunteer/ staff member will arrange for the closest Conference to telephone the person seeking assistance to discuss their requirements/ needs.

John Dowling - Vice President - Camberwell East Conference/ Camberwell Regional Council.

# SAFEGUARDING COMMITTEE

The parish Child Safety Safeguarding Committee met for the first time on 24 September. The Committee is working to finalise a policy document and a code of conduct that will help



all of us ensure that St Dominic's is a safe place for See <u>www.stdominics.org.au/child-safety</u> for more detail, or call Manuela at the parish office, tel. 9912 6870 ext. 3 Queries, reports etc can be directed to the Committee at safety@stdominics.org.au.

# \*\*\*\*\* **ECUMENICAL JOURNEY AT ST DOMINIC'S**

#### We pray for our fellow Christians



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Christ prayed in his farewell discourse that  $\frac{1}{2}$ 'all may be one' (John 17:21). As part of our ★ commitment to ecumenism at St Dominic's, we are a member of the Canterbury Council of Churches. We pray in particular this month of November for the community at

Highfield Road Uniting Church, and their Minister the Rev Ross Pearce.

further information about our

☆ ecumenical engagement visit www.stdominics.org.au/ecumenical

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#### PROPER OF THE MASS: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

**Entrance Antiphon** Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will.

For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle

of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

**Responsorial Psalm** The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything

I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon** The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

**Today's Readings** (27thOrd, Year A) Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 79; Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43

Next Week's Readings (28thOrd, Year A) Isaiah 25:6-10; Psalm 22; Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20; Matthew 22:1-14

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