

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A 20th/21st June 2020 Vol 47, No 23 MINICEA

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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: 21st—28th June 2020

Sun 21st 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mon 22nd Sts John Fisher and Thomas More Wed 24th The Nativity of John the Baptist

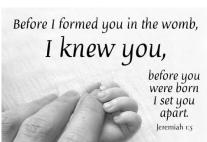
4-5pm St Catherine of Siena Holy Hour

Thu 25th 10:00am Funeral Of Edward Johnston Sun 28th 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Deadline for Bulletin: 10.00am Thursday

"DO NOT BE AFRAID."

Jesus, like a loving parent, reassures his disciples that God will stand with his people in their difficult . discipleship. Like sparrows or hairs, we seem so insignificant as to have little or no value, but not one sparrow falls to the ground without the Father knowing.



God notices the deaths of even the least of Jesus' followers. God does not just know when a sparrow dies, but each time it lights upon the ground. How many times does a sparrow land and take off from the ground? Each time God takes notice. Jesus is not just talking about sparrows, is he? – but about each and every activity of his disciples. Especially when we are acting as his agents in the world.

Today's text is part of the Missionary Discourse in Matthew. Jesus is sending his disciples out to preach to the world, and he is assuring them of God's care for them in everything they do in his name. God also knows how many hairs we have on our head. Again, we are not talking about the hairs on our head, are we? It is another assurance of God's attentiveness to all of our lives. Jesus is encouraging us to keep strong in faith through hard times caused by the opposition our Christian values face in the world. Jesus assures us that God's loving care will always be with us.

Fear in the face of suffering, especially from persecution, is natural. Still, three times Jesus issues instructions about not being afraid. "Do not be afraid." Matthew was addressing his community's present situation: there was reason to be afraid, they were being persecuted for their faith. Ultimately, in the final judgment, Jesus assures his followers, the truth will come out. Meanwhile, they will endure suffering because they are his followers and must still proclaim the truth openly - "proclaim on the housetops."

Disciples will not have it easy. We will have crises of faith as we face the evils of our world. We live both by faith because we do not see evil yielding to goodness and the hope that, as Jesus says, "I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father." He assures us that, until the final reckoning, God is with us, knows us more intimately than any human. What human, no matter how close, knows the number of hairs on our head? God knows us, God is with us and so we have hope as we stand up for Jesus and face the difficulties life throws at us for being his disciples.

Fr Peter Toan Nguyen OP, PP

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Sat 06:00pm Sun 08:00am

9:30am

11:00am 06:00pm

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SANCTUARY CARERS FOR:

Altar Washing: Flowers & Candle:

PRAYERS WRITERS: 28th June Marianne Zabukosek

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WELCOMERS

COLLECTION STATISTICS

Ave Thanksgiving Dom Priests Loose \$4,003.50 \$ Apr

WE PRAY FOR THOSE RECENTLY DECEASED: Lina Agius, Noel De Courcy, Jason Plunkett, Edward Johnston For those whose anniversaries occur at this time: The sick of our parish: Mandy, llena 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 and those visited by St. Vincent de Paul Society this week.

MASS INTENTIONS			
Sun	21 st June	9:30am	For the People of the Parish
Mon	22 nd June	7:00am	Dominican Vocations
Wed	24 th June	12:00pm	Marjorie June Whelan
Thu	25 th June	12:00pm	Barry Hickey
Fri	26 th June	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 June is available on our website http://www.stdominics.org.au to remind us to pray for those mentioned

PARISHIONERS are invited to <u>NEW</u> complete the Membership Form available on our webiste http://www.stdominics.org.au/ Completed form can be returned to the Parish Office by email at secretary@stdominics.org.au or dropped into the Parish letterbox, which is situated in the front of the Church.



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""You ask me whether I am in good spirits. st. In How could I not be so? As long as Faith gives me strength I will always be joyful!" Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati

"Dear Youth. trust in the Lord and he will give you strength! Let him be your life coach" Br Oliver



Hymn: Love that Never Fails - Fr Rob Galea Facebook: St. Dominic's Youth Camberwell - SDYC

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PARISH RESOURCES Parishioners who don't have Internet access and prefer to stay at home can receive the I Dominican or other parish resources by contacting the parish office at 9912 6870 or via email secretary@stdominics.org.au and someone will drop them in your mailbox.

ST CATHERINE OF SIENA PRAYER GROUP:

HOLY HOUR The St Catherine of Siena Prayer Group meets each Wednesday from 4pm till 5pm in the Church for exposition and adoration of Our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament, the Rosary and consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Please come and join us in prayer for the Catholic Church. Bookings are essential Please contact 9830 5489 O'Connor on



kathryn@oconnortravelworld.com.au no later than midday on Tuesdays.

DOMINCARE In this time of social distancing and home isolation for older members of our Parish Community it is timely to draw your attention to a phone number that appears each week on the front of the Dominican, namely that of Dominicare. Dominicare has been part of the parish for decades and is simply a chance for people to help out a fellow parishioner with little tasks like lifts, shopping, nursing home visits and even changing light bulbs. 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.

A REFLECTION, 12th SUNDAY A 2020

This Sunday we have resumed the readings for Ordinary Time, and from now till Advent our Gospels will be



taken from Matthew. And we might note that each Sunday's second reading will be from Paul's letters. And it is to Paul that we turn to today, in particular, for his reflection on death, which will cast light on the line from

today's Gospel, "Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul."

Paul tells us in our second reading that Adam's sin brought death into the world. "Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death." But how can this be? Isn't death natural, a part of life? Isn't this what the well-known verse from the Old Testament book, Ecclesiastes, is saying, "To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven: a time to be born and a time to die"?

On the other hand Paul in today's reading states that bodily death has come into the world through the sin of Adam and later in the same letter, he describe death as "the wages of sin." How can death both be natural and the consequence of sin? We have the Catechism's answer: "Even though man's nature is mortal, God had destined him not to die. Death was therefore contrary to the plans of God the Creator." We find this teaching in the Book of Wisdom: "God made man imperishable, He made him in the image of his own nature; It was the devil's envy that brought death into the world, as those who are his partners will discover."

Fr David Willis OP

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE POLICY

Earlier this year Archbishop Comensoli informed all parishes that the Commission for Children and Young People will be auditing Parishes in the second half of this year. Whilst a date for this audit has not been set, it is important that we are all collectively working ensure that our Parish is complying with the Safeguarding Framework and are safe spaces for children, young people and the vulnerable.

In accordance with Archdiocesan Guidelines and Victorian State Legislation it is now mandatory for all volunteers (with exception to those under the age of 18 years) to have a current Working with Children Check (WWCC) The WWCC can be completed online and as volunteers there is no cost involved. Many volunteers probably have this check already but for those who do not it is now paramount that this course of action be followed through in order to volunteer in our parish. In order to keep our parish records accurate and up to date and to comply with the legislation, please make sure that our office has a copy of your current WWCC. This can either be emailed to

secretary@stdominics.org.au

or dropped into the parish office.

Anyone who would like assistance, please contact the parish office on 9912 6870 and we will be happy to assist you.

Thank you for your cooperation.

JUSTICE & PEACE GROUP NOTES

Refugees and Migrants: National Refugee Week 14-20 June

Few of us have been in exile from another country or resettled into an almost alien culture.

We will rejoice in the success stories, relieved that refugees are at peace and contribute to appeals.

What needs to be said is that we are actually one with those less fortunate and marginalised when we commit to living Christ's message.

Years ago, a rabbi, Hillel, said: "What you hate for yourself, do not do for your neighbour".

To summarise what Francis said last year: the challenges posed by migration and refugee acceptance can be summed up in four, active verbs: welcome, protect, promote and integrate.

DOMINICAN FATHERS SICKNESS & RETIREMENT FUND

special annual collection was supposed to be held during this period but because of COVID-19 crisis we can't held it in the usual way. If you wish to donate for this cause you can do it through the QR Code below or via

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DIVINE MERCY PRAYERS AT ST DOMINIC'S Divine Mercy prayers will not be led on Friday 26th June and 3rd July. It will resume on Friday 10th July.

CUSTOMERS OF THE LATE TERRY KNOLL It would be appreciated if customers of Terry Knoll (deceased) with outstanding accounts for gardening could please contact his brother, John Knoll, on 0419 891 349.

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Parishioners who normally contribute to the Parish Stewardship with envelopes and others who wish to contribute to the Parish may do so by either bank transfer (EFT) or by setting up a credit card direct debit. If you wish to use EFT please contact the Parish Office by phone or by email and you will be sent the Parish's bank details. If you wish to set up a credit card direct debit, you should contact the Parish Office and you will be sent a form to be completed. Any questions please ring 9912 6870 or email secretary@stdominics.org.au

If you wish to contribute to the Priests as well you can do it by EFT (ring the Parish Office) or sending an email to bursar@op.org.au.

PROPER OF THE MASS: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Entrance Antiphon The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed.

Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

Responsorial Psalm Lord, in your great love, answer me.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord,

and you also will be my witnesses. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon Today's Readings

The eye of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season. (12th Ord, Year A) Jeremiah 20:10-13; Psalm 68; Romans 5:12-15; Matthew 10:26-33

Next Week's Readings (13th Ord, Year A) 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16; Psalm 88; Romans 6:3-4, 8-11; Matthew 10:37-42

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