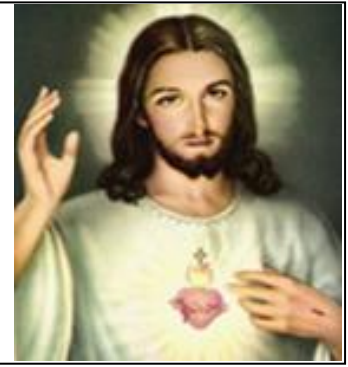




Sacred Heart Parish Preston



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Parish Mass Schedule

Weekend Masses:

Saturday: 6:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am (*Italian*),

10:30 am, 6:00 pm

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Friday: 9.10am

Healing Mass: 1st Thursday of the month at 1.30pm

Next Healing Mass:

Thursday 7 July

Devotional Practices:

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Thursdays 7:30pm

Holy Rosary: Thursday (English) after the 9:10am Mass

Reconciliation:

30 minutes before Mass or by appointment

Baptisms & Weddings:

By appointment only

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time (year C) Sunday 26 June 2022

Jesus chose the road for Jerusalem

Where is my life leading? A question many people ask themselves today –as the things that really matter are lost sight of in a haze of materialism and personal comfort. We read in the weekend papers of people seeking to give their lives a new direction, because wealth and acclaim have left them with a sense of emptiness. If this spiritual emptiness is more widespread in today's world, the problem is not new.

St Paul's advice for the Galatians, in our second reading -describing the 'self-indulgence' of the times as a kind of bondage -is as meaningful today as when it was first written. It is our fundamental decisions that give direction to our lives. In today's gospel reading from Luke, Jesus begins to instruct His disciples, preparing them for the decisions that lie ahead of them. The example of Jesus, in the direction He gives to His life, is clearly affirmed - 'the time draws near for him to be taken up', and 'Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem'. He shared our life to the full; He too had to make the painful human decisions that gave direction to His life. In these decisions, He was 'resolute', faithful to the end in expressing the generous ways of His Father. Our lives are shaped by the basic decisions we have made -concerning family priorities, concerning our professional responsibilities, concerning our attitudes as neighbours and citizens. As this gospel reading takes us into the company of Jesus, let us ask ourselves how responsible we are in the making of these life decisions, and how resolute we are in putting them into practice. Luke presses home the lesson, recalling, at this point, three surprising responses made by Jesus to those who sought to become His followers. Jesus used words to great effect. The crowds followed Him to hear His words of wisdom and encouragement. Many of His off-the-cuff sayings have become proverbial. But the prophet from Nazareth was not the ordinary kind of storyteller, He overturned people's expectations. In the usual way of things, a good story reconciles us, in the end, to the wholesomeness that is inherent to our human affairs; and proverbs sound a note that reassures us that there is a predictable order in things.

The parables of Jesus, however, invite us to leave behind the reassurances of our familiar world, and to enter into the new order of things he called the 'Kingdom' of His Father –where the last may be first, and the one who shows himself to be our true friend may be a traditional enemy .Those who take the invitation to follow Jesus seriously, with all its radical implications, will never regret their decision as the history of the Church as proved age after age.

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So what are the implications for us as "faithful disciples"? - That our lives must be grounded and built on Love which is of the very nature of God incarnate in the mission of Christ Jesus. That is both God's gift to us and our challenge to share with others.



Sacred Heart Parish Prayer

Loving God, we honour the heart of Jesus, your beloved Son. We remember how he opened his heart in love to all people. Open our own heart to receive the gifts that continue to flow so richly from the heart of Christ, who lives with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

| | Saturday 6:00PM Mass - Readers | Saturday 6:00PM Mass - Ministers of Communion |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|--|
| 25-Jun-22 | Teresa Dang Terry Murphy | Charlotte Bainy |
| 02-Jul-22 | Celia Lemos Mary Harb | Peter Bourke |
| 09-Jul-22 | Rohan Lemos Renato Tonini | Terry Murphy |
| | Sunday 10:30AM Mass - Readers | Sunday 10:30AM Mass Ministers of Communion |
| 26-Jun-22 | Ivana Lo Bello Marilene Fortuna | Giovanna D' Intino |
| 03-Jul-22 | Jessica Suppiah Ophelia Swai | Tony Eley |
| 10-Jul-22 | Jessy Thambiraj Eileen Stevens | Ivana Lo Bello |
| | Sunday 6:00PM Mass - Readers | Sunday 6:00PM Mass Ministers of Communion |
| 26-Jun-22 | Carolina Constable Peter Constable | Robert Dullard |
| 03-Jul-22 | Damian Casamento Volunteer | Margaret Bannan |
| 10-Jul-22 | Marijana Jurjevic Tim Rankin | Margaret Rankin |

Cleaning Roster:

Volunteers

Thank you for your hard work



WE PRAY FOR:

The elderly and the sick

Our parishioners, family members and friends, that they may be blessed with constant care, attention and respect.

Those who have died recently:

Filippina Molinaro (RIP 17/6, Funeral Tues 5/7 at 10:30am)

Michael Caligiuri (RIP 13/6)

We Commemorate:

Nellie Perera (3rd Anniversary)

O Lord, may perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.



Solemnities / Feasts / Memorials of the week:

Monday 27 June St Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop, Doctor

(Our Lady of Perpetual Help)

Tuesday 28 June St Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr

Wednesday 29 June Solemnity of the Apostles, Saints Peter and Paul

Thursday 30 June The First Martyrs of the See of Rome



Last Week's Collection: 19/6/22

1st Collection for our Church: \$1,380

2nd Collection for support of clergy: \$605

Thank you for your kind generosity!



THOUGHTS FROM POPE FRANCIS



Dependence increases with illness, with old age, and we are no longer self-sufficient like we were before. Faith also matures here. Jesus is also with us here. Here, the wealth of our faith lived well during our journey through life also springs forth.



Welcome before Baptism

Dear Parents, as you prepare for your child's Baptism, the people of Sacred Heart rejoice that you have chosen to baptize your child and we pray that in the coming years you and your family will continue to know and grow in the love of God, that is everlasting.

The Parish introduces to the Sacred Heart community

Ivy Richards,

in preparation for her Baptism on 17 July.



Whilst Fr Aloysius is away...

Fr Albano Da Costa, Sacred Heart's Italian Community Chaplain, will be acting Parish Priest. All Masses will be provided by Fr Albano, Fr Trinold and other visiting priests.



DATES TO REMEMBER

This weekend 25/26 June there will be a special collection for **PETER'S PENCE** (Annual collection for the Holy Father)

Next Weekend 2/3 July there will be a special collection for Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Sunday (proceeds will be for Open Door Foundation)



PETER'S PENCE: **This Sunday, 26 June, is the Annual Collection for the Holy Father.** This appeal followed the practice already existed since the birth of Christianity to help materially those who have been entrusted with the mission to proclaim the gospel, so that they could dedicate themselves, exclusively, to their ministry of taking care also those who are most in need (Acts of the Apostles 4,34; 11,29).

Please give generously.



World Meeting of Families

22 - 26 June 2022

Every three years since 1994, the Church has celebrated the World Meeting of Families in a different city of the world. In 2022 the event will be hosted by the Diocese of Rome with Pope Francis leading special celebrations. However, the Holy Father has also asked that the World Meeting of Families be celebrated concurrently in every diocese of the world in 2022. The idea is for families to gather locally around their bishop to explore and celebrate the theme of "Family love: A vocation and a path to holiness." You can discover local Australian events or explore the resources with your own family by visiting: www.family.catholic.org.au



Anniversary Mass for Couples at St Patrick's Cathedral

Are you celebrating 25, 40, 50, or 60-70 years of marriage this year? Or did you celebrate one of those milestones in the last two years of lockdown?

You and your family are invited to join the Anniversary Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral. Sunday, 17 July, 2022, 11:00am – 12:00pm

Couples who register will receive a commemorative certificate.

For any queries, please email proclaim@cam.org.au or call (03) 9926 5761.

RSVP: Registrations close Friday 8 July, 2022.



From the Safe Standards Committee:

Thank you to all who attended last Sunday's Volunteers Induction Session.

It was great that so many of our parish volunteers – long standing and beginning were able to come. You will be contacted as we work on updating our parish files and renewing our rosters.

A reminder also that all volunteers, employees and parish leaders are required to hold a current Working with Children Check that is linked to the entities in which they serve. The receipt of this information by the parish will then allow a person to work as a volunteer in the Parish.

Thank you to all who have already taken the responsibility to provide this information or have begun the process.

The Sacred Heart Safeguarding Committee



Projectionists wanted: Do you have time to donate your computer skills as a projectionist at our Sunday 6pm Mass? If so, please contact: Stephen Costello on 0432 405 417 to discuss.



GROWING GOOD MEN

The upcoming **Growing Good Men Weekend** will be taking place at Forest Edge in Neerim East on 12-14 August. This is a great opportunity for Dads and their teenage sons to grow their relationship and for Dad's to be able to affirm their sons as they move out of adolescence into adult life and into men of courage, conviction and generosity. This is a proven program used by menALIVE for over 15 years in all states in Australia.

For more details refer to brochure in the church foyer or contact: emma@cycministries.org.au or <https://cycministries.org.au/>



Sacred Heart Primary School
2023 Enrolments

Enrolments for the 2023 school year are now open and officially close on the 20th June. For a school tour, please contact the school principal on 9487 1001 or via the school website

<http://www.shpreston.catholic.edu.au>

At Sacred Heart School, our students are at the heart of every decision we make. Every day is Open Day and prospective students and their families are warmly invited to tour our school.

LAUDATO SI': ON CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME



How to undergo an ecological conversion

We recognize that conversion is a grace of the Holy Spirit that is not fully dependent on our own actions. We know, however, that we can open ourselves to be available to receive the grace through prayer and commitment and enter a way of life that is in line more with Gospel values. At its most basic level, an ecological conversion involves four steps:

1: Recognizing that we have harmed creation

"...we must examine our lives and acknowledge the ways in which we have harmed God's creation through our actions and our failure to act" (LS 218).

How? by reading scientific reports, such as a Living Planet Report, IPCC Reports on Climate Change, by going through an ecological examen, checking our own carbon footprint, conducting an energy audit, reviewing our consumption habits, looking for food/water/energy waste.

19. Consume more products from certified organic agriculture and livestock

Learn to distinguish the labels, know the varieties of local products, and compare the flavours and qualities. Meet some producers in your region and discuss the conservation of traditional seeds. You can also grow some food in an urban garden or on your own balcony or land.

20. Understand bioclimatic architecture

Consider this step to ensure that buildings, from their design and construction, do not waste materials or energy and are healthy for those who live in them. Propose to those in charge that new public and ecclesiastical buildings are bioclimatic (or at least energy-saving).

We pray for all people in countries that are currently experiencing unprecedented temperatures and flooding this week. May our loving God hold in the palm of His hand all who have lost family, homes, and livelihoods. Amen



Joke Corner

Newly arrived to Australia Irish priest Father John O'Malley was transferred to an outback town. The day after he arrived Fr O'Malley rose early as it was a fine winter's day and he wanted to look around his new parish. He opened his bedroom window and took in a few deep breaths of the fresh morning air.

"Saint Patrick give me strength! What's dat on the grass?"

Father O'Malley spotted a dead donkey lying on his front lawn. He promptly called the local police station.

"Good morning. This is Sergeant Jones. How might I help you?"

"And a top of the morning te yerself. This is Father O'Malley at St Ann's Catholic Church. There's a dead donkey on me front lawn. Would ye be so kind as to send a couple o'yer lads over to take care of the matter?"

Sergeant Jones considered himself to be quite a wit and recognising the Irish accent thought he would have a little fun with the new priest. He said, "Well now Father, it was always my impression that priests took care of the last rites!"

There was a long silence before Father O'Malley replied, "Aye, 'as blue as the sky is today dat is true, but we are also obliged to first notify the next of kin which is the reason for me call."

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All peoples, clap your hands.
Cry to God with shouts of joy!

PENITENTIAL ACT

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words, in
what I have done and in what I have
failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say:
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-
Virgin, all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, / and on
earth peace to people of good will. / We
praise you, / we bless you, / we adore
you, / we glorify you, / we give you
thanks for your great glory, / Lord God,
heavenly King, / O God, almighty
Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only
Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father, / you take away the
sins of the world, / have mercy on us; /
you take away the sins of the world, /
receive our prayer; / you are seated at
the right hand of the Father, / have
mercy on us. / For you alone are the
Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, /
you alone are the Most High, / Jesus
Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the
glory of God the Father. / Amen.

FIRST READING

1 Kings 19:16,19-21

The Lord said to Elijah, 'Go, you are to
anoint Elisha son of Shaphat, of Abel
Meholah, as prophet to succeed you.'
Leaving there, Elijah came on Elisha
son of Shaphat as he was ploughing
behind twelve yoke of oxen, he himself
being with the twelfth. Elijah passed
near to him and threw his cloak over
him. Elisha left his oxen and ran after
Elijah. 'Let me kiss my father and
mother, then I will follow you' he said.
Elijah answered, 'Go, go back; for have
I done anything to you?' Elisha turned
away, took the pair of oxen and
slaughtered them. He used the plough
for cooking the oxen, then gave to his
men, who ate. He then rose, and
followed Elijah and became his servant.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 15(16):1-2,5,7-11

The Response Is:

You are my inheritance, O Lord.

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.
I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.

O Lord, it is you who are my portion
and cup; it is you yourself who are my
prize.'

You are my inheritance, O Lord.

I will bless the Lord who gives me
counsel, who even at night directs my
heart.

I keep the Lord ever in my sight: since
he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

You are my inheritance, O Lord.

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is
glad; even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among
the dead, nor let your beloved know
decay.

You are my inheritance, O Lord.

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness for ever.

You are my inheritance, O Lord.

SECOND READING

Galatians 5:1,13-18

When Christ freed us, he meant us to
remain free. Stand firm, therefore, and
do not submit again to the yoke of
slavery. My brothers, you were called,
as you know, to liberty; but be careful,
or this liberty will provide an opening
for self-indulgence. Serve one another,
rather, in works of love, since the whole
of the Law is summarised in a single
command: Love your neighbour as
yourself. If you go snapping at each
other and tearing each other to pieces,
you had better watch or you will destroy
the whole community.

Let me put it like this: if you are guided
by the Spirit you will be in no danger of
yielding to self-indulgence, since self-
indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit,
the Spirit is totally against such a thing,
and it is precisely because the two are so
opposed that you do not always carry
out your good intentions. If you are led
by the Spirit, no law can touch you.

The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

*Please stand for the Gospel
Acclamation.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening;
you have the words of everlasting life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 9:51-62

As the time drew near for him to be
taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took
the road for Jerusalem and sent
messengers ahead of him. These set out,
and they went into a Samaritan village
to make preparations for him, but the
people would not receive him because
he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing

this, the disciples James and John said,
'Lord, do you want us to call down fire
from heaven to burn them up?' But he
turned and rebuked them, and they went
off to another village.

As they travelled along they met a man
on the road who said to him, 'I will
follow you wherever you go.' Jesus
answered, 'Foxes have holes and the
birds of the air have nests, but the Son
of Man has nowhere to lay his head.'

Another to whom he said, 'Follow me',
replied, 'Let me go and bury my father
first.' But he answered, 'Leave the dead
to bury their dead; your duty is to go and
spread the news of the kingdom of
God.'

Another said, 'I will follow you, sir, but
first let me go and say goodbye to my
people at home.' Jesus said to him,
'Once the hand is laid on the plough, no
one who looks back is fit for the
kingdom of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, /
Creator of heaven and earth, / and in
Jesus Christ, his only Son, our lord, /
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, /
born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered
under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified,
died and was buried; / he descended into
hell; / on the third day he rose again
from the dead; / he ascended into
heaven, / and is seated at the right hand
of God the Father almighty; / from there
he will come to judge the living and the
dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the
holy catholic Church, / the communion
of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the
resurrection of the body, / and life
everlasting. Amen.

**RESPONSE TO PRAYERS OF THE
FAITHFUL:** Lord, hear our prayer.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all within me, his holy name.

