

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Thurgoona



James 2:18

Show me your faith apart from your works and I by my works will show you my faith

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18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

31/07/2022

First reading

Ecclesiastes 1:2,2:21-23

Vanity of vanities, the Preacher says. Vanity of vanities. All is vanity!

For so it is that a man who has laboured wisely, skilfully and successfully must leave what is his own to someone who has not toiled for it at all. This, too, is vanity and great injustice; for what does he gain for all the toil and strain that he has undergone under the sun? What of all his laborious days, his cares of office, his restless nights? This, too, is vanity.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 89(90):3-6,12-14,17

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Second reading

Colossians 3:1-5,9-11

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand.

Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him. That is why you must kill everything in you that belongs only to earthly life: fornication, impurity, guilty passion, evil desires and especially greed, which is the same thing as worshipping a false god; and never tell each other lies. You have stripped off your old behaviour with your old self, and you have put on a new self which will progress towards true knowledge the more it is renewed in the image of its creator; and in that image there is no room for distinction between Greek and Jew, between the circumcised or the uncircumcised, or between barbarian and Scythian, slave and free man. There is only Christ: he is everything and he is in everything.

Gospel Acclamation

Matt 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 12:13-21

A man in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance.' 'My friend,' he replied, 'who appointed me your judge, or the arbitrator of your claims?' Then he said to them, 'Watch, and be on your guard against avarice of any kind, for a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.' Then he told them a parable: 'There was once a rich man who, having had a good harvest from his land, thought to himself, "What am I to do? I have not enough room to store my crops." Then he said, "This is what I will do: I will pull down my barns and build bigger ones, and store all my grain and my goods in them, and I will say to my soul: My soul, you have plenty of good things laid by for many years to come; take things easy, eat, drink, have a good time." But God said to him, "Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul; and this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?" So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.' *universalis.com*

Prayers of the Faithfull:

For our sick, Elaine Pascoe, Dora Croce, Millie Tutt, Greg Baker, Joan Jacobs, Gwen Abikhair, Sam Courtella, Noel Ryan Jackson Davis, Seamus Clancy and Fr John Speakman

We pray to the Lord. **R.** Lord hear our prayer.

For our recently departed, Julie Rigby, Julie Osborne, Terence Clancy and those who's anniversaries occur at this time including Peter Maclean, Br. Michael Foran, Mark Awburn, Jenny Sulicich, John McDonnell, Neville Peterson, Patrick Power and Fr John Ware.

We pray to the Lord. **R.** Lord hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon

Jn 6: 35

I am the bread of life, says the Lord; whoever comes to me will not hunger and whoever believes in me will not thirst.

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MASS TIMES

Saturday (Vigil) - 5pm

Sunday 9:30am

Monday 8am

Tuesday 10am

Wednesday 8:00am

Thursday 5:30pm Mass,
Holy Hour 4:30pm

Friday 8am

Saturday 8am

Anointing of the sick Mass

2nd Tues of month, March June Sept Dec.

Reconciliation

Thurs during Holy Hour 4:45 - 5:15pm

Sat 4:30 to 4:55pm before Vigil

Sun 9 to 9.25am

Or anytime, just ask Fr

Baptism and Marriage By appointment

Working Bee - Sat 9am to 11am



Readers: Sat: 5:00pm Denis Golden

Sun: 9:30am Simon Horsfall

Next week: Sat: 5:00pm Peter Tobin

Sun: 9:30am Steve McCrohan

Cleaning Roster: Sat 6th Aug Yolla & Grace



PARISH NOTICES

Adult Faith Education: Wednesday evenings at 5:30pm in the Parish Centre. This is subject to public health considerations given the uncertainty of the current situation with respect to covid and sessional influenza. See Fr Anthony for further information.

The parish Sacramental Programme will commence with preparations for the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Tuesday 2nd August at 3:45pm till 5:00pm in the Parish Centre and continuing for another three (3) weeks after that. If you have any children in Year 3 or older who have not yet received the Sacrament and you would like them to do so, please come along.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a pre-requisite for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion commencing at the end of October, 2022. Your help in notifying other families who may not see this notice is greatly appreciated.

Meet and Greet: A date and venue has been set to welcome Fr. Anthony Dunne to our Parish. This happy occasion will be held on Friday the 12th August 2022 in Room 1 at the Thurgoona Country Golf Club commencing at 6.30pm. Those who wish to buy their meals can do so at the Bistro. Drinks can be purchased at the Bar in Room 1. All Parishioners, old and new, are so welcomed to celebrate with our Parish Priest Fr. Anthony, on this joyful occasion of “Meet and Greet” together.



Legion of Mary: Mondays 9:30am, Tuesdays 8:45am

Mobile Phones: Please mute your mobile or turn it off during Mass.



NEW PARISH SIGN

With the colours of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, the new Parish Sign in Hartigan Street has the Mass times and parish contacts for anyone wishing to join us in the Celebration of the Mass.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church - Thurgoona SUNDAY MASS TIMES

SAT (vigil) 5:00pm Standard Time
6:00pm Daylight Saving Time
SUNDAY 9.30am All Year Round

Baptisms and Weddings by Appointment - 6088 6222
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WEALTH

St Luke's Gospel makes much of the hindrance wealth creates for discipleship – and ultimately for attaining fullness of life in community with God and fellow human beings. The problem lies not so much wealth in itself as in the desire to have more and more. In Luke's view human beings are insecure creatures. We are afraid for the future and, in that fear, desperately clutch at what would seem to offer protection and security. With wealth we shall not go hungry or thirsty, we will have a good roof over our heads, gain influence and power; we are more likely to have good health, a long life, and enjoy the best life has to offer. The deep fear that feeds our insecurity also feeds the desire for wealth. That desire itself can become insatiable. It can threaten to take over and control everything, making us increasingly insensitive and oblivious to other and deeper values: the needs of our fellow human beings and above all our relationship with God. This is what Jesus illustrates in the parable. His listeners, poor as the majority of them doubtless were, would envy the landowner who's chief problem was finding space to store his harvest. They would envy even more his prospect of being able to sit back later on and enjoy the good life because he had so much security stored up for many years to come.



How keenly, then, they would feel the intervention of God: “This very night the demand will be made for your soul”. “Soul” basically refers to life itself but there is an overtone, surely, of the quality of a person: “what you're worth as a human being”. This is what God will inquire about in terms of capacity for eternal life, for enjoying the riches of life with God. And it is exactly this question about the deeper human values that the man's preoccupation with his wealth has caused him to neglect. The only security that is really lasting consists in being “rich” in the sight of God. This is because relationship with God is the only relationship or attachment that can transcend the barrier of death. The parable powerfully illustrates how attachment to wealth – the desire to acquire, hold on to and enhance it – prevents people from attending to the relationship with God that brings the only security that counts in the long run.

Attachment to wealth is incompatible with living, sharing and celebrating what Jesus is living, sharing and celebrating: the hospitality God is offering both now and in the life to come.

Summary: australiancatholics.com

COVID 19 & Flu Season: To prevent the spread of Flu and Covid and protect vulnerable parishioners you should not enter the church with a fever, bad cough, fatigue, sore throat, shortness of breath or if you are generally sick or unwell.

- Wearing a Face Mask is strongly recommended and encouraged.
- To receive Holy Communion on the tongue please approach after those who have received on the hand.

