



The Combined Catholic Parishes of Kyneton and Trentham

~ Revealing the Kingdom together ~

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Please Note:

We are still experiencing problems with our phone line. At present, all calls to the office will divert to Fr Declan's mobile.

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) - 26th July, 2020



Just what is the "kingdom of heaven"? There is no doubt that Jesus has a passion for the kingdom and he wants us to share it. The kingdom is a central feature in his mission of teaching and healing. But it remains elusive, even baffling, like the parables he tells that both hide and reveal.

Today Matthew brings Jesus' Parable Sermon to a close with three more stories. Two of them call for decisive action while the third counsels patience. Faced with such different demands we might well pray as Solomon does for the gift of wisdom!

And if we feel both daunted and yet fascinated by the mystery of it all, Paul reassures us today that our lives are in good hands. God's loving purposes will come to glorious fulfilment.

Liturgy Brisbane

Heart of Life Spirituality Centre

Invites you to a Retreat in Everyday Life

'All Shall be Well'

This at-home retreat, available via Zoom, spans five weeks. Beginning on Monday, 3 August 2020, at 1.15 pm, concluding with a closing reflection on Monday, 31 August at 1.45 pm. The retreat's two-part process provides an opportunity for you:

- * to spend some time daily in prayerful reflection, pondering your experience of the day,
- * and to be accompanied by a prayer companion once a week, at a mutually suitable time.

A weekly reflection sheet to help focus your prayer will be made available to you.

Please apply before 27 July to Heart of Life 9890 1101 or info@heartoflife.melbourne (Limited number of participants)

If you are unfamiliar with Zoom and would like to take part – you may still be involved by another means eg. phone, Facetime etc.

A small donation is welcome.

<http://www.heartoflife.melbourne/bookings/donate/>



296 Glenferrie Road Malvern

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Mass Schedule for the Coming Week

Tue July 28th 5pm; Our Lady of the Rosary, Kyneton

Wed July 29th 9am Our Lady of the Rosary, Kyneton

Thur July 30th 9am Our Lady of the Rosary, Kyneton

Fri July 31st 9.30am Our Lady of the Rosary, Kyneton

Sat Aug 1st 9am in Our Lady of the Rosary, Kyneton

Vigil Mass 5.00pm Our Lady of the Rosary, Kyneton

Sun Aug 2nd 10am St Mary Magdalene, Trentham

Saint's Feast Days for the week

July 26 Sts Joachim and Anne

July 29 St Martha

July 30 St Peter Chrysologus, bishop and doctor

July 31 St Ignatius of Loyola, priest

Aug 1 St Alphonsus Maria de Liguori, bishop and doctor of the Church

Wise Words

"Let everyone sweep in front of his own door, and the whole world will be clean."

Johann Wolfgang

Positions Available—Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

Suitably qualified and experienced people for the positions of:

- * Pastoral Associate (2 Positions) Holy Trinity Parish
- * Cleaner Our Lady of the Rosary, Kyneton
- * Asset Coordinator & Management, Property & Infrastructure

Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at: <https://cam.org.au/human-resources/vacancies/>

For positions currently available at Catholic Education Office, Melbourne please click CEM

Child Protection

The Combined Parishes of Kyneton and Trentham, together with the Archdiocese of Melbourne

First Reading: A reading from the first book of the Kings 3:5,7-12

You have asked for wisdom.

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

Responsorial Psalm:

(R) Lord, I love your commands.

My part, I have resolved, O Lord, is to obey your word.

The law from your mouth means more to me than silver and gold. **(R)**

Let your love be ready to console me by your promise to your servant.

Let your love come to me and I shall live for your law is my delight. **(R)**

That is why I love your commands more than finest gold.

That is why I rule my life by your precepts: I hate false ways. **(R)**

Your will is wonderful indeed; therefore I obey it.

The unfolding of your word gives light and teaches the simple. **(R)**

Second Reading A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans 8:28-30

He predestined us to become true images of his Son.

We know that by turning everything to their good God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. **Alleluia!**

Gospel A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew 13:44-52

He sells everything he owns and buys the field.

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field. 'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well, then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.

**"Again, the kingdom of
heaven is like..."**



-Matthew 13:45



IN NEED OF OUR PRAYER

We remember in the charity of our prayer those who have died recently:

We also remember those who's anniversaries occur around this time, especially:

Eternal Rest Grant into them O Lord,
and may Perpetual light shine upon them.
May they Rest in Peace.

For those who are unwell in our community and beyond, especially:

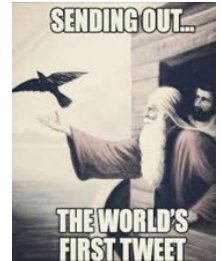
Elizabeth Hutton, Maureen Green, Denise Guzman
Chantel McIntyre, Austin Yeoman, Fabienne Toselli

and anyone who is unwell, especially due to the Coronavirus.

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Family Prayer: You will notice on page 4, there are some family activities for you to share during this time of restricted worship.

Future advertising: We are contemplating the idea of allocating a half or full page to advertise local businesses. If you are interested in this, please contact Father Declan.



Covid 19 Social Restriction Guidelines for worship to date— Stay safe. Please observe social distancing and cleaning guidelines.

- * **Reserve your place** If you would like to come to Mass on any day it is important that you reserve a place. You may do so by calling the Presbytery the day before your attendance between 10.30 am and 1.30 pm. Please be aware that we are limited to twenty members of the congregation for every Mass.
- * **Social Distancing** Please remember social distancing remains mandatory.
- * **When you arrive** You will be asked to sign a sheet giving just your first name and a contact phone number. These will be kept in the Presbytery for Twenty Eight days and then destroyed.
- * **Where you sit** For cleaning and sanitizing after Mass, please leave the kneeler down in the pew where you sit. Your co-operation in this process is much appreciated to alert which pews were used and require the mandatory cleaning. All hard surfaces are sanitised at the conclusion of Mass.
- * **Sanitizing** Hand sanitiser available and it would be appreciated by all in our communities for those attending Mass that you use it, when entering and leaving the Church.
- * **Four square metre rule** Limits the number of people who can be in a building—applies at all times. This is not about distancing between people (which is 1.5 metres), but rather about building capacity.
- * **At conclusion of Mass** Please remember to leave the kneeler down and ensure you use the sanitizer

I am aware how hard it for a lot of people who cannot attend Mass at the moment. So as we can celebrate Eucharist publicly on a limited basis, it's so important that we comply with what is asked of us in these guidelines. A full copy of which is available in each of the sacristy's of our combined parishes. Thank you for your compliance with them. Stay safe. Fr. Declan

Financial Offering. Only if you are in a financial position to do so, you may wish to help towards the upkeep of the parish, especially during this time of Covid 19 restrictions. There are a number of ways to do this. Whatever your contribution, it is most gratefully received.

- **Envelope** which can be left under the door of the Parish Office in Kyneton
- **Online contribution** you may give directly to our bank - details as follows:

<u>St Mary Magdalen Trentham:</u>	BSB 083 347; A/c # 451603919;	Reference: your name
<u>Our Lady of the Rosary Kyneton:</u>	BSB 083 347; A/c # 678889421;	Reference: your name
- The Church Development Fund (CDF) have a link which you can choose to give an online donation as a one off, or continuing, nominating either the Presbytery Account or the Parish Account.

<https://secure.artezpacific.com/registratorTeamFundraisingPage.aspx?teamID=116561&langPref=en-CA>

Hit the above link, which will take you to a page where you can select which Church, Blackwood, Kyneton or Trentham, then follow the prompts:

1. Select the Church you wish to support
2. To the left of your screen select "Support My Parish"
3. The next page you can select from the following options
4. Give one time or set up a recurring offering
5. Select suggested amounts or insert your preferred amount
6. Nominate your offering to Presbytery or Parish
7. Fill in your details
8. Enter your credit cards details.

Please note this set up is a secure site

Something for our young parishioners — or the young at heart

CHILDREN'S DISCUSSION STARTERS

A beginning point for discussion of this week's Gospel with children:

In today's Gospel what precious things did the people find?

What did they do when they found them?

Why do you think they sold everything to buy their treasure?

Jesus says God's kingdom is like a treasure that makes you happy.

What makes you happy about being part of God's kingdom?

How can we share this happiness with others?



JUNIOR WORDSEARCH

God can make us wise

1 Kg5 3:12, 7-12
Ps 119:57 & 72, 127-128, R, v.97a
Rom 8:28-30
Mt 13:44-46

A S O L O M O N L Z R L D Q P
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Try to find these words:

children
dream
happy
heaven
hidden
honest
king
pearl
right
shop
Solomon
treasure