

# SACRED HEART SANDRINGHAM

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## PARISH NOTICES

### 1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY of LENT

**SUNDAY MASSES :** Vigil Mass 6.00pm Saturday; 9am & 11am Sunday

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| <b>WEEKDAYS :</b> | <i>Mon</i>   | Mass              | 5pm                              |
|                   | <i>Tues</i>  | Mass              | 9.30am                           |
|                   | <i>Wed</i>   | Mass              | 9.30am                           |
|                   | <i>Thurs</i> | Mass              | 9.30am                           |
|                   | <i>Fri</i>   | Communion Service | 9.30am ( <i>Mercy Fernhill</i> ) |

**RECONCILIATION :** *First Saturday of the month at 5pm & other times by appointment*

**READINGS next SUNDAY :** *Second Sunday of Lent Year C*

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|-------------|---------------------------|---------------|
| 1st Reading | .. Book of Genesis        | 15:5-12.17-18 |
| 2nd Reading | .. St Paul to Philippians | 3:17-4:1      |
| Gospel      | .. Luke                   | 9:28-36       |

## LENT

The very beginnings of Lent are tied into the Catechumenate of old. In the early centuries most Christians became Christians through the Catechumenate. By and large they were adults (along with the children belonging to their family) and they received baptism, confirmation and the first celebration of Eucharist at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night. They were not present for the liturgy of the Eucharist before they received these sacraments. They would be present at the Liturgy of the Word, but not at the Liturgy of the Eucharist. They would have their own time of preparation in its place.

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## LENT (cont)

Lent was the period of their immediate preparation for the Easter sacraments, and the whole community joined in this preparation as a renewal of their own commitment of faith.

As time went along and most people were baptized as children, Lent changed its character to be more concerned with those believers who had sinned very seriously (idolatry, adultery & murder). These 'penitents' had to go through a process very like repeating the catechumenate as an act of repentance. They were excluded from communion and were only readmitted to communion on the morning of Holy Thursday so that they could receive communion at Easter.

As the whole congregation had joined in the catechumen preparation earlier, so now the whole congregation joined in the penitents' preparation and time of repentance. So it was that Lent took on a very penitential tone. (Things change as the context, circumstances and culture change).

It is of course a time of conversion and repentance for us all. Conversion means "going beyond ourselves" or "going beyond the way we now think and feel". And this is the constant invitation from the Lord—to go beyond where we are now. You will notice that throughout the gospels, He is always inviting people to this "going beyond".

### **LENT AT HOME :**

Sheets for week one are available for Lenten Reflection in the foyer after Mass.



### **LENTEN TALKS :**

This coming Tuesday March 12th, Sr Mary Coloe PBVM will be speaking to us on "How the New Testament Began". The talk will be in the Church at 7.30pm.

### **ABORIGINAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS:**

On behalf of the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry your Social Justice group offers for sale during Lent, copies of the Aboriginal Stations of the Cross. With each of the fourteen prayer cards is a reflection of the *Artist John Dunn's* personal story paralleled with the steps Jesus took carrying the cross.

They cost \$15.00 a set and as we have only 10 copies don't delay . See us in the foyer after Mass.

### **SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP :**

Will meet on Wed March 13th at 7.30pm in the Foyer.

### **FEAST OF ST. PATRICK:**

Because St. Patrick's Day—March 17th, falls on a Sunday, his feast will be celebrated on Monday, March 18th.

**SCRIPTURE FOR EACH DAY  
OF LENT:**

Monday : Matthew 25.31-46  
Tuesday : Matthew 6.7-15  
Wednesday : Luke 11.29-32  
Thursday : Matthew 7.7-12  
Friday : Matthew 5.20-26  
Saturday: Matthew 5.43-48

**PARENT FAITH NIGHT:**

The first of the Parent Faith Nights for parents of the year 5 and 6 children will be this coming Thursday, March 14th at 7.30pm.

**MELBOURNE CATHOLIC**

March 2019 Edition \$4  
available in the foyer after Mass  
*Women in Faith*

**AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS**

Autumn 2019 edition available  
in the foyer after Mass

**Archbishops' Letter**

responding to the conviction of  
Cardinal Pell available in the foyer.

**Fr Brendan Reed's letter**

on the sexual abuse crisis is also  
available in the foyer.

**MISSIONARY SISTERS  
of ST PETER CLAVER  
Annual Mission Concert**

On Sunday March 31st at St  
Peter Claver Hall, 154 Cotham Rd,  
Kew commencing 2pm.  
Admission free. *See flyer in foyer*

**CATECHUMENATE :**

The next meeting will be on  
Monday March 18 at 7.30pm in the  
Presbytery.

**THE RITE OF ELECTION:**

For the Catechumenate will be  
next Sunday March 17th, at 9am  
Mass. The Presentation of the  
Creed will be on Sunday March  
31st at the 11am Mass and the  
Presentation of the Lord's Prayer  
will be on Sunday April 7th at the  
9am Mass.

**PROJECT COMPASSION:**

Envelopes and boxes for Project  
Compassion are available in the  
foyer after Masses. This is the  
effort of the whole Australian  
Church to give aid to third world  
countries in larger projects.

**SINGING PRACTICE :**

We will commence singing practices to  
prepare for Lent and Easter  
this **Thursday March 14 at 7pm,**  
followed by:

Sunday March 17 at 10am  
Wednesday April 3 at 7pm  
Sunday April 7 at 10am  
Wednesday April 10 at 7pm

**Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre:**

362 Albert Street East Melbourne, Weekend  
Open Day for 2019 on Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> March  
from 10.00am – 4.00pm. Visit the Mary  
MacKillop Museum, the Chapel where Mary  
prayed, as well as the Gift Shop & Refresh-  
ments area for morning or afternoon tea.  
Mary MacKillop Walking Tour at 11.00am.  
Everyone welcome & entry is free.

**COLLECTION COUNTERS :**

**THIS WEEK: Team 4: P Thorp, R Clark, J McCartney, P Myers**

**NEXT WEEK: Team 5: M Cobal, A Power, L Giacomini, C Claffey-Ross**

**CHURCH PREPRATION TEAMS :**

**10/3 K Hardeman & T Fraser**

*No flowers during Lent*

**17/3 S Thorp , C Luppino & B Gravina**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS : *Additional Volunteers needed at all Masses***

**10/3 6pm V Langdon, S Bartl, G Glackin**

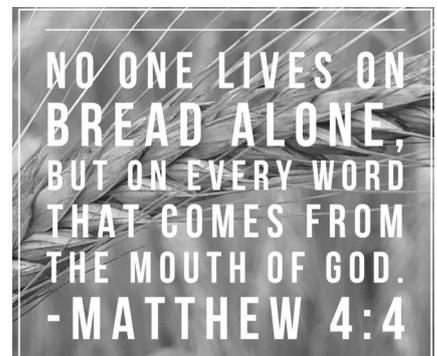
**9am G Ryan, C Battista, K Charon**

**11am C Hill, C O'Reilly, C Le Grand**

**17/3 6pm M Burgess, F Meade**

**9am V Pucella, J Tonna, M McCartney**

**11am J Lamb, D Ridd, Jenny Buck**



**LECTORS & COMMENTATORS :**

**10/3 6pm C Dunn & G Glackin 9am L Surkitt & M Morris**

**11am T Sims & John Buck**

**17/3 6pm M Palmer & H McGrath 9am C Lynch & S Butterly**

**11am C Hill & C O'Reilly**

**THE SICK : Peter Roberts, Martin Cassidy, Sandra Moller, Bonnie Palmer, Kim D'Souza, Des Surkitt, Nancy Camera, Gabriel Quin, Michelle Norton, Lachy Mellas, Marissa Daicos, Dorothy Corcoran, Kelvin Shannon**

**RECENTLY DECEASED : Sr. Diana Gabel PBVM**

**ANNIVERSARIES : Virginia Rupena, Ian Humphrey, Philip Bracchi, Lena Costa, Patricia O'Connor, Joan Ulbrick, Robert Foster, Monica Rudd**

**We respectfully acknowledge the Australian Aboriginal peoples and especially the Boonerwung people of the Kulin Nation, who are the traditional owners and custodians of the Sandringham area.**