TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **24-25 SEPTEMBER 2022** 

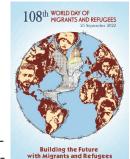
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#### MISSION STATEMENT

St Theresa's Catholic Parish is a vibrant, inclusive and welcoming community committed to living and sharing the good news of Jesus Christ. Under our baptismal mission and inspired by the Spirit, we are bread for one another and nourished we reach out to make a difference in the world.

## Reflection

Recently the United Nations published a paper which creatively described the world as a village of 100 people. Staying consistent with the international statistics the United Nations tells us that our global village looks like this. There are 57 Asians, 21 Europeans, 14 North Americans, 8 Africans, 4 South Americans and an assortment fills up the final four places. There are 52 women and 48 men of whom only 30 are fair-skinned and 70 are dark-skinned. 91 are heterosexual while nine are gay. Only one of us has a University education and yet six people in our village own 64% of our town's



wealth and all of them are Americans. 80 people live in substandard housing without electricity, clean water and sewerage. 70 of us cannot read and 50 suffer from malnutrition.

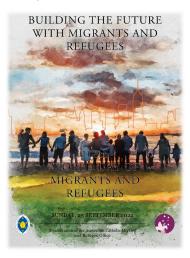
This village analysis sorts out very quickly who Lazarus and Dives are in our world. As hard as life is for some of us and as much as we struggle financially, we are, comparatively, dressed in purple robes and feasting off fine linen. The UN report goes on to say that 1.2 billion people live on \$1.50 a day or less. And while we might be personally very generous in assisting the poor in a variety of ways, our Dives-like countries are not. Australia only gives \$98 per person per year to aid third world development. Canada gives \$108, the UK gives \$112 and the USA's third world development budget is just \$67 per person per year. And for all the moral scorn sometimes heaped upon Scandinavia, Denmark is the most generous country in the world, giving \$649 per capita last year.

The point of Jesus' story in today's Gospel is not to remind us that there are poor people at our gate. It is to implore us to listen and learn. Some Catholics want to vigorously uphold dogma and liturgical laws but do not seem to care one iota for the social teaching of the Church which instructs us that our love of God is truly found in deeds not words.

Given the way we keep repeating the sins of the past and we allow the rich to get richer while the poor die before us, it seems we Christians, who have had the

benefit of the Law, the Prophets and even a man coming back from the dead, will not change the structures that enshrine global injustice. Why?

There is no way around it. Such a change would involve real sacrifice on our part and we are not prepared to pay the price. Jesus, however, reminds us today of the consequences in both our selective deafness toward Lazarus' cry and our lack of action; our comfortable passivity has implications for this world and the next. © Richard Leonard SJ



### RECENTLY DECEASED Sr Marie Carroll MSS

## HEALING FOR THE SICK

## Parishioners:

**Anne Thomas Brian Carter** Mova Schaefer **Greg Logan** Murray Doyle Margaret Barry (past parishioner)

#### Friends and Family

Anna Sinclair (Mary Conaghan's mother) Di Winterton

Erica Armagnacq (Bill Armagnacq's Daughter in Law)

#### Margaret Chiesa

Janette Ansell (Patricia Stevens sister) Will Wildig (Meg Hicks' Brother in Law) Geoff Doyle (Mary Otto's brother)

Anna O'Toole (Maryanne Long's friend)

Madeline (Sally) Grav

(Kathy Sternes' Mother)

Phil Connolly (Glen & Bernadette Whisson's friend)

Kate Sturgeon (Rita Sturgeon's Granddaughter)

Kathleen le Gras (Sister of Sr Una) Shona Kraayvanger

(Gabrielle Adam's daughter)

### Indiana Harman

(Ray & Madeline Taylor's (Granddaughter) Louis Gandini (Lina Pervan's brother) Connie Bamgart(Lina Pervan's friend) Simon Riethmuller (Shirley's son)

Max Shearer (Grandson - Judy Shearer) John Mullen (Helen McNaught's

nephew) Rev. Brian Sparksman

Fr Peter McGrath .CP Molly Schmidt (Aileen Collins' friend)

Peter Brown (Denis' brother)

The Dowling Family

Reg Parsons (Powell family group)

#### <u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>

Daphny Butler Kath Mulligan Barry Arnold Max Osmond Glen Frith Winifred Walsh Marv V. Catterall Rose Anne Mullen Simon Gilliland Ruby Doyle Heather Lowein Jackson Rvan Maureen Ryan Margaret Bowden Laurence Conaghan

#### MASSES READINGS NOTICES

MON	NO MASS			
TUE	NO MASS			
WED	MASS 9AM			
THU	NO MASS			
FRI	9AM MASS			
SAT	6PM VIGIL			
SUN	9.30AM MASS			

If you are Gluten intolerant and require a special host, please advise the coordinator.

## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading: Amos 6: 1, 4-7

You who give yourself to licentiousness and revelry

will be exiled.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps: 145: 6-10

Praise the Lord, my soul.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6: 11-16

Obey the commandments until the coming of the

Lord.

#### **Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make

you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 16: 19-31

During your life good things came your way just as bad things came the way of Lazarus. Now he is being comforted while you are in agony.

Next week's readings

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Habakkuk 1: 2-3, 2:2-4 2 Timothy 1: 6-8, 13-14

Luke 17: 5-9

#### **BAPTISM**

This weekend through the Sacrament of Baptism we welcome

Hunter John Charles Belot and

Spencer Lee Arthur Belot into our parish



Baptisms are held on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month either during Mass at 9.30am or after Mass at 11.00am





## St Theresa's Parish Feast Day Masses

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> October 6pm and Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 9.30am

Everyone is invite to attend mass and join in the celebrations after mass with a Potluck dinner after 6pm on Saturday or morning tea after 9.30am mass on Sunday.

Please bring a dish of food to share



## SPRED FUNDRAISING EVENT 2022

An Evening at the Repertory Theatre Monday, October 24, 7pm for 7.30pm start

> TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW FROM THE SPRED OFFICE

Cnr. Hume & Jellicoe Streets

9am—3.30pm Monday—Thursday 4632 8427 spred@twb.catholic.org.au

SEAT ONLY \$20 OR SEAT + 5 TICKETS IN MULTI DRAW \$25





# 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees

Sunday 25 September 2022

Pope Francis has chosen "Building the Future with Migrants and Refugees," as the theme for the 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2022. The Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee

Office (ACMRO) has prepared the online resources, Migrant and Refugee Kit 2022, Primary and Secondary Schools' liturgy, liturgical notes, prayers of intercessions to assist with the celebration of this special day.

Resources available at: https://acmro.catholic.org.au/newsletters/0822.html



# SEASON OF CREATION

The parable of an unnamed rich man and a poor man named Lazarus challenges our globalised world where actions in one country can so directly affect another. Pointedly, the rich man remains as anonymous as he is uncaring. He is a consumer of fine things.



He does not seek to harm Lazarus as such; rather, the rich man simply fails to see the other person. Even in Jesus' time the story upended a social focus on the rich few and the unimportant rest. The world ignores them, but God will not.

Lazarus' very name means one God has helped. In later times, the name's significance endured and framed part of what would now be termed social welfare. 'Lazaretti' and 'lazar houses' were medieval European terms for leper foundations. In these were diseased people, usually very poor, living apart from the wider community. They were often sited beyond the city gate.

Now we know of communities in need far beyond our city limits. Many people labour in sweatshops making clothing for rich countries, have their forests destroyed for foreign cups of coffee, and watch the waters lap higher on their islands for the sake of foreign consumer habits. The question is: Do we see them and act? © Nick Brodie

## **ATTENTION: CARE & CONCERN MEETING CHANGE OF DATE**

As Monday 3rd October is a public holiday, the monthly meeting of the Care & Concern group will now be on Monday 10th October at 3pm in the parish meeting room.

If you are interested in being part of this parish ministry, please join us on that day.

Thank you for this on-going ministry of service.



#### FOURTH TERM SCHEDULE: 4 October - 9 December 2022

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
CLOSED except for	9.30am to 12.30pm Librarians generally present	9.30am to 12.30pm	9.30am to 12.30 pm   Quadratos Group 4.00pm – 5.30 pm (approx.)	Anam Cara weekly 1.00 pm – 2.30 pm  (a spiritual conversation group in the Ignatian tradition)	Workshops The Pilgrimage of Life
Following Jesus: Finding our way home in an age of anxiety Six sessions 7.00pm – 8.30 pm 17 Oct- 7 Nov; 21 & 28 Nov.	4.00 pm Christian  Meditation	2.30pm – 4.00 pm (Chrysalis group)  Inner Stillness group Fortnightly 5.15 pm – 6.15 pm  For information contact Elaine Bartlett eln01@optusnet.com.au	7 weekly sessions 6 Oct- 17 Nov.  Men Seeking Wisdom 7.00 - 8.30 pm  For information, contact Robie rjayawardhana@gmail.com or Jason: job70644@bigpond.net.au	For information, contact  Clare Smith clare_james1@bigpond.com OR Mary Allen maryallen@iinet.net.au	15 October (flyer available)  Walking the Labyrinth-A Prayerful Pilgrimage to Inner Being (rescheduled)  12 November (flyer available)



# POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER 2022

#### **Abolition of the Death Penalty**

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

Each creature possesses its own particular goodness and perfection Pope Francis Laudato Si' #69 The ecological conversion needed to bring about lasting change is also a community conversion.

Pope Francis Laudato Si' #219

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**Parish Pastoral Council** 

Fr Brian Noonan, Tim Burgess, Gailene Jurgs, Matt Boyd, David Wilson, Kath Doherty, Trish Kennedy-Lee, Glen/ Bernadette Whisson, Greg Hallam, Elizabeth Curtis.

Monica Brennan.

**Finance Committee** 

Fr. Brian Noonan, Warren Dredge, Ray Taylor, Shane Blakeley, Pat Richardson, Tim Burgess.

Liturgy Team

Fr. Brian Noonan, Jan Mayo, Peter Kenny, Peter Nolan, Monica Brennan, Gay Jorgensen, Elizabeth Stewart.

Norma Kenny, Kathy Sternes, Elizabeth Stewart, Libby Rosentreter.

**Baptism Team:** 

Cath Kelly, Jenny Ryan, Tracy George, Bernadette Hede, Anne Anderson, Jan Watkins, Jane Burgess, Catherine Cooper Tracy Stinson, Elizabeth Curtis, Monica

Brennan

**Sacramental Team:** 

Monica Brennan, Kathy Doherty, David Wilson, Gay Jorgensen.

**Consolation Team:** 

Fr Brian Noonan, Peter Kenny, Josephine Nolan, Monica Brennan

**Welcome & Hospitality Team:** 

Paul & Kathryn Marangelli, Maureen Burke.

<u>Family Groups:</u> Contact Parish Office 4639 4688

Care & Concern Team

Coordinator: Mary Otto

Coordinator: David Wilson

0451 131 849



## DATES TO REMEMBER FOR SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

Sat/Sunday 23/24 Sept World Refugees &

Migration Day

Sat/Sunday 1/2 Oct Parish Feast day masses

Saturday 1 October Potluck dinner following Saturday Vigil mass

Sunday 2 October Parish Morning tea after

Sunday morning mass

**3 October** Care & Concern meeting 3pm Monday

#### RCIA ENQUIRY



This is a time when all people who are searching or enquiring about our faith, will be able to have their questions answered.

Those interested in our faith and /or looking to become a full member of the Catholic Church are invited to contact the parish office or Dave Wilson, St Theresa's RCIA Co-Ordinator.

> Dave Wilson on 0451131849 or the office on 4639 4688

## **Care & Concern Meeting**

Care & Concern Meeting 10th October

## **Second & Fourth Tuesday of the Month**

St Vincent de Paul St Theresa's Conference, 4pm, Contact 0408 808 437



#### First Wednesday /month

Parish morning tea at 9.45am, Cobb & Co Museum

#### **Second Sunday**

Mad Toowoomba Group from 7.00pm at St Anthony's. Parish Centre.