

## PARISH PRIEST

Fr. Gerard Prunty

### PARISH OFFICES

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"We are a Child Safe Parish"

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#### SCHOOL PRINCIPALS

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Ms Sharon Gillett  
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St. Thomas the Apostle  
and St. Colman's Parishes  
acknowledge and respect the  
traditional custodians of this  
land the Kirrae Wuurong people.

### WEEKEND MASS TIMES

#### ST THOMAS' TERANG

Saturday 6.00 pm  
Sunday 10.30 am

#### ST COLMAN'S MORTLAKE

Sunday 9.00 am

#### Next Weeks Readings:

28th & 29th Nov 2020

1st read: Is 63:16-17, 64: 1,3-8

2nd read: 1or 1:-9

Gospel: Mk 13:3-7

## SVDP

### Garage Sale

1 Bolivar Street Terang  
(behind the Church)

Furniture and  
household goods  
This weekend Sat &  
Sun @ 9am to 2pm

All monies raised to go  
towards St Vincent de  
Paul "Good works"

## ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE TERANG and ST. COLMAN'S MORTLAKE PARISH BULLETIN

To access this bulletin online go to [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)  
and select either Terang or Mortlake Parish.

Jesus Christ, the King

21st & 22nd November 2020

**RECENT DEATHS:** Clare Ryan

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Gerard Lawlor, Aileen O'Brien,  
Gerard O'Brien, Elizabeth Lourey, Sheila Lourey, Frank Pekin,  
Basil O'Sullivan, James Fahey



**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Marie Glennen

*(Names placed on the sick list will remain for 3 weeks unless otherwise notified)*

### SUPPORTING OUR PARISHES:

<u>Weekend 14th &amp; 15th November 2020</u>	<u>TERANG</u>	<u>MORTLAKE</u>
1st Collection	\$ 390.00	\$ 110.00
<b>Planned Giving Program Week 16</b>		
2nd Collection	\$ 225.00	\$ 890.00
Average given	\$ 2,187.43	\$ 269.64
Amount promised per week	\$ 1,637.77	\$ 300.81

### MASSSES WILL RESUME AT TERANG & MORTLAKE

**NEXT WEEKEND SAT 28TH & SUN 29TH NOV**

**with a gathering up to 100 people**

**All attending must sign in, wear a mask, use hand  
sanitiser & social distance**

### TERANG & MORTLAKE ROSTERS

**LINEN:** November Terang: Carmel Moloney  
Mortlake: Anne Blacker

**FLOWERS:** 28th/29th Nov - 19th/20th Dec - ADVENT

**No flowers or cleaning required - new roster will be sent soon**

**COUNTERS:** Not required due to COVID

**Liturgy Rosters: Weekend ~ 28th & 29th November 2020**

**READERS:** 1st & 2nd reading & Prayers of the Faithful

**Terang Saturday 6.00 pm:** Allison Lourey

**Sunday 10.30 am:** Bernadette Wurlod

**Mortlake Sunday 9.00 am:** Mick Murphy

*(Copies of next weeks readings will be emailed to you)*

### Procession of Gifts & Eucharistic Ministers

**Due to COVID19 we will not require anyone for the Offertory  
or to administer Communion ~ Fr Gerry will do this**

**Music Mortlake Sun 9.00 am:** Volunteer

**Lap Top Terang: Sat 6.00 pm:** Ally/Tess Lourey

**Sun 10.30 am:** Grace Moloney

## Weekday Masses

**Thurs 26th November: 10.00am Terang**  
(Mollie Lourey & Gertie Pearson)

**Fri 27th November: 10.00am Terang**  
(Peter, Kevin & Denis Conheady  
Nell & Jim McKinnon)



## **Mercy Regional College Annual Car Raffle ~ Tickets only \$10**

All tickets are to be purchased online.  
If you would like a ticket & do not have access to the internet, please contact Clare or Fr Gerry on 5592 1195 & we will happily purchase your ticket/s for you.  
Drawn on 30th November

## **St Vincent de Paul SVDP Garage Sale**



**1 Bolivar Street Terang (behind the Church) ~**

**Furniture and household goods**

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November @ 9am to 2pm**

**All monies raised to go towards St Vincent de Paul "Good works"**

**Event Cancelled ~ St Vincent de Paul pre-Christmas afternoon for seniors**

The Terang conference of the St Vincent de Paul society wish to advise that due to the Coronavirus, we regret that we will be unable to host our annual pre-Christmas afternoon for senior citizens. We sincerely hope to once again be able to hold this event in 2021. In the meantime, we would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a happy Christmas and to remind you that although we are unable to visit people in their homes at this time, we are still available to offer some assistance (in a covid-safe manner) to people in need.

Our phone number is 0459 047 620.

## **Reflection on the Gospel-Feast of Christ the King Year A** (Matthew 25:31-46)

-Veronica Lawson RSM

"It has long been a common custom to give to Christ the metaphorical title of King." These are the words of Pope Pius XI who established this feast between two world wars in the hope of counteracting the growing secularism "in public affairs and politics" and finding a way towards global peace. Peace would never be achieved, wrote Pope Pius XI, until and unless individuals and nations accept the "rule of our Saviour". In some ways, hope for the global reign of the Prince of Peace seems more remote than ever. The challenge of the so-called Islamic State in the Middle East, of Boko Haram in Africa and of the White Supremacist Movement in the United States have marked new low points in more than a century of violent and ongoing conflict which has claimed the lives of some 180 million people across the globe. COVID-19 has underscored the vulnerability to violence of those rendered poor by the prevailing inequitable economic system. From a Christian perspective, the world needs the sort of leadership that Jesus of Nazareth advocated in first century Palestine, the kind of leadership that Pope Francis is offering to our world.

The gospel for today provides a blueprint for Christian living in general and for leadership in particular. Matthew presents Jesus as both shepherd and sheep: as judge and king on the one hand and as a suffering human ("the least") on the other. Works of mercy are the measure of justice or righteousness. Those who feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, welcome the stranger, and set the prisoners free are "the righteous/the sheep" who will inherit God's empire or kin-dom and have life. Those who fail in these respects are the unrighteous/the goats who fail to recognise the presence of the shepherd/king in the suffering of "the least". Why sheep and goats? While goats grazed with the sheep, they were never imaged as God's people, somewhat unfairly, I suggest. "Sheep", on the other hand, is a frequent biblical designation for the people of God's fold. This gospel story is replete with mixed metaphors. It is the gospel source of the spiritual and corporal works of mercy that have informed the Christian way of life for centuries. It focusses on suffering humanity. In proclaiming an eighth work of mercy, care for our common home, Pope Francis has asked us to expand our horizons and to extend our concern to the suffering of the whole Earth community, human and other than human.

The Feast of Christ the King brings the church year to a close. It invites us to consider ways to achieve the things that make for peace. If we wish God's reign of peace to be realised on planet Earth, then we might heed the invitation of Pope Francis to care for our common home: to engage in "grateful contemplation of God's world" on the one hand and in daily gestures that "break with the logic of violence, exploitation and selfishness" on the other.

**Notices need to be at St. Thomas' Parish Office by 10.00 am next Friday**