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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

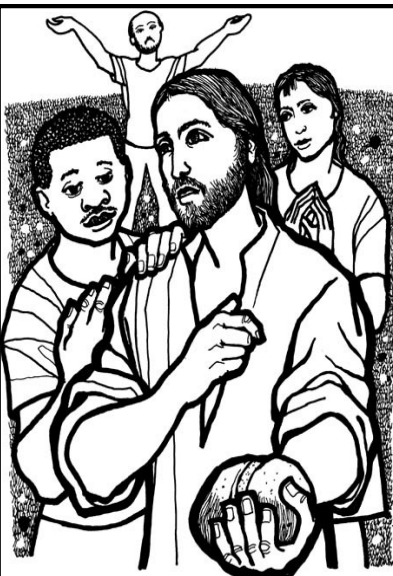
Next Weeks Readings:

24th & 25th July 2021

1st read: 2 Kg 4: 42-44

2nd read: Eph 4: 1-6

Gospel: Jn 6: 1-15



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

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and select either Terang or Mortlake Parish.

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

17th & 18th July 2021

RECENT DEATHS: Terry Moloney

ANNIVERSARIES: Theresa Ryan, Olive Jewell

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Bridgie Conheady

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

SUPPORTING OUR PARISHES:

Thank you for your ongoing support of our Parishes.

<u>Weekend 10th/11th July 2021</u>	<u>TERANG</u>	<u>MORTLAKE</u>
1st Collection	\$ 498.55	\$ 128.20
Planned Giving Program Week 49		
2nd Collection	\$ 296.00	\$ 45.00
Average given	\$ 1,691.21	\$ 287.42
Amount promised per week	\$ 1,687.42	\$ 300.81

**NB: THERE WILL BE NO MASSES THIS
WEEKEND - DUE TO COVID LOCKDOWN**

TERANG & MORTLAKE ROSTERS:

LINEN: July

Terang: Coral Bell

Mortlake: Rita MacDonald

FLOWERS: 24th/25th July & 31st July/1st August

Terang: Mardie O'Sullivan & Jane Heffernan

Mortlake: Mona Timms

Mortlake Set Up: July - Rita Madsen

Liturgy Rosters: Weekend ~ 24th & 25th July 2021

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

Terang Saturday 6.00 pm: Jenni Lenehan

Sunday 10.30 am: Christina Lee

Mortlake Sunday 9.00 am: Pam Smith

Offertory: Terang Sat 6.00 pm: Pam O'Keeffe

Sun 10.30 am: Clare Neal & Family

Mortlake Sunday 9.00 am: Leonie Quinn

Eucharistic Minister: Terang Sat 6.00 pm: Noel May

Sun 10.30 am: Christina Lee

Music Mortlake Sun 9.00 am: Donna Baxter

Lap Top Terang: Sat 6.00 pm: Kellie Lee

Sun 10.30 am: Des & Bernadette McKinnon



Weekday Masses

Wed 21st July: 10.00am Mortlake

Thurs 22nd July: 9.30am Terang

Fri 23rd July: 10.00am Terang
(Anointing Mass &
Theresa Ryan)

Fri 23rd July: 6.00pm Caramut



St Vincent de Paul

The Terang Mortlake Conference of St Vincent de Paul would like to thank all parishioners from St Thomas' and St Colman's for their contribution to our recent Winter Appeal.

Funds raised to date total = \$1,679.15

We would also like to take this opportunity to remind parishioners that if you or people you know require assistance from St Vincent de Paul, we can be contacted on 0459 047 620. All enquires for assistance are treated with strict confidentiality.

Anointing of the elderly or sick at home

Fr Mick is very happy to make home visits to the elderly who can't attend Mass, to anoint them on a monthly basis. If anybody has a name and address who is not currently receiving pastoral care visits, please contact the Parish Office *Fr Mick*

Reflection on the Gospel-16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B -Veronica M. Lawson RSM

In every life, there is need for a balanced rhythm of work and re-creation. With so much pain and suffering in our world at the moment, the demands of living a gospel way of life can overwhelm us and cause us to act as though everything depends on us. While we can never really escape the responsibility of being there for those in need, today's gospel reminds us that there is a time for being out on mission and a time for being with the one who calls and sends us.

The apostles have been busy—preaching, healing and driving out the “demons” as instructed. They now report back to Jesus with an account of their activities and are invited to take time to rest and recuperate. “Come away to a desert place all by yourselves and rest a while” is the invitation that Jesus extends to them. The reference to desert evokes the wilderness of Sinai through which the people of Israel travelled for forty years. For the contemporary reader, it evokes the diversity of life in the desert, on the one hand, and the desertification of so much of the earth's surface as a result of tree-clearing and mindless destruction of forests on the other.

The “rest” that Jesus proposes is short-lived: the crowds pursue him. His response to these crowds is a physical one: he is “moved with compassion”. The Greek verb for being moved with compassion suggests a “gut” reaction in Jesus: he is physically affected in the depths of his being by the plight of the people who are “like sheep without a shepherd”, and he is ready to do something about it. As the story continues, we find Jesus inviting his disciples to accept responsibility for relieving the hunger of the people in the desert. “You give them something to eat” is his instruction to those who would turn the people away.

Like the Israelites of old, the afflicted Earth community in any age needs good leaders or “shepherds” who will “practice justice and righteousness in the land”, as the first reading from the prophet Jeremiah reminds us. The Hebrew word for justice in this context refers to justice in the law courts. The word for righteousness is about right relationship at every level. Jesus demonstrates for his disciples and for us what justice and righteousness entail.

As the gospel story unfolds, we find that Jesus' disciples are well-meaning, though slow to learn. They are a bit like us in that. The more we take time to reflect, however, the more likely we are to respond with the compassionate heart of the “shepherd”, and the more likely we are to achieve lasting justice and right relationship in a world of unconscionable disparities and unprecedented displacement of peoples and of other-than-human species. We might advocate at this time for a more equitable distribution of vaccines so that all may know the saving power of God.