

MORWELL & LUMEN CHRISTI CATHOLIC PARISHES

Morwell Catholic Parish Vision Statement

*"A welcoming, caring and inclusive community,
witnessing to Christ, supporting each other,
sharing our faith with all,
and affirming the dignity of human life".*

Sacred Heart - Morwell

St Vincent de Paul - Morwell East



Lumen Christi Parish Vision Statement

"To reflect the light of Christ to all peoples".

Lumen Christi - Churchill

St Francis de Sales - Boolarra

Our Lady of Good Counsel - Yinnar

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19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C - 10TH AUGUST, 2025

SUNDAY REFLECTION

'All creation', Pope Leo affirms, 'exists solely in the form of coexistence ... always interconnected.' While we might be lonely at times, none of us exists alone. We are all, always, part of something bigger. Focused on encouraging unity, the pope repeatedly calls for the Church to become ever more synodal – more conscious that we travel together. He owns poverty and our riches,' grace to 'feel part of a great-saved alone. As the pope original and unique of char-'wither' if it is directed away called to serve. The pope of the Beatitudes, a path that tween the "already" and the thirsting for justice.' He calls merciful, meek, pure of peace. 'In this context, the spreading the Gospel really he says, 'is not our attempt to conquer the world, but the infinite grace that radiates from lives transformed by the Kingdom of God.' It is not you or me who evangelises, but the Spirit – taking each of us in our seeming ordinariness and changing the world. © Nick Brodie



wants us to 'recognise our allowing ourselves the er whole.' None of us is points out, 'even the most isms' – or gifts – will from the community it is calls us to follow 'the way we tread together, be-"not yet,"" hungering and us to be 'poor in spirit, heart, men and women of pope shows us what means. 'Evangelisation,'

The Harvest is Plentiful

AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH OTHERS WHO ARE ALSO DISCERNING A VOCATION TO MINISTRY, AND HEARING FROM PRIESTS, STORIES OF THEIR LIFE AND CALL TO MINISTRY.

COME AND SEE : Harvest is Plentiful Bishop Greg warmly invites young people from across our diocese to the Vocations Come and See event – a time for those discerning a call to priesthood or religious life. Join us for prayer, hear vocation stories, ask questions, and take the next step in discovering where God may be calling you. **Sunday 17th August 2025, 3pm - 4pm** St Patrick's Parish 142 Princes Hwy, Pakenham . **Come and see where He may be leading you.**

MASS TIMINGS

WEEKDAYS MASSES THIS WEEK

Tues - No Mass

Wed - No Mass

Thurs - No Mass

Fri - No Mass

NEXT WEEKEND MASSES

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5pm - St Vincent's

9am - O.L.O.G.C.Yinnar

10.30am - Sacred Heart

FOR ANY EMERGENCIES or BOOKINGS PLEASE CALL : **51342849** OR **Morwell@cdsale.org.au**

LEGION OF MARY: Tuesdays 10am at the Parish Centre.

CRAFT GROUP: Thursdays 10 - 2pm - Tennis Clubrooms

CHILDRENS LITURGY: Next Sunday during 10.30am mass at Sacred Heart.

† **RECENTLY DECEASED:** Marion Lappin

† **MASS INTENTIONS:** Aileen Santineer, Angela Giglio

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: We pray for Pat Van der Zalm, Roman Brackowski, Dominic Manzo, Reji Roy, Fr. Andrew Wise, Fr. Michael Williamsen, Leanne Embleton and John Osborne

FEAST DAYS: St Clare, St Jane Frances de Chantal, Sts Pontian and Hippolytus, St Maximilian Kolbe, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St Stephen of Hungary

Feast of the Assumption of Mary

Father in Heaven,
all creation rightly gives you praise,
for all life and all holiness come from you
In the plan of your wisdom,
she who bore the Christ in her womb,
was raised body and soul
in glory to be with him in heaven.
May we follow her example
in reflecting your holiness
and join in her hymn of
endless love and praise.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen



Dear Parishioners,

You are warmly invited to join us for a special Mass prepared by the students of St Vincent de Paul Primary School, Sacred Heart Primary School, and Lumen Christi Primary School. Together, we will celebrate as Pilgrims of Hope during this Jubilee year. The theme of this Mass will be on Migrants and the wonderful contribution migrants make within our country and in particular our own parish community. This will be a time to reflect, give thanks, and pray for unity, peace, and hope for all peoples.

Date: Thursday 21st August

Time: 9:30 – 10:30am

Location: Sacred Heart Church

We look forward to coming together as one community of faith, celebrating the gifts and stories that each person brings to our shared journey. With blessings, Morwell Catholic Parish Primary Schools

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DATES	COMMENTATOR	READER	READER	EUCH-MINISTERS
SAT 09/08	JANELLE SZKWAREK	MARION ZAMMIT	SHIRLEY PROSSER	MARLENE THOMPSON
SUN 10/08	THELMA DAVIES	FILOMENNA DELLA FORTUNA	AKSHARA JIFY	IZI FILO
SAT 16/08	JOE DEGUARA	VAL PANTHER	ROSE MICALLEF	LYNN REID
SUN 17/08	MARITA EDWARDS	GORDON SALVADOR	IZI FILO	EVELINA

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COLLECTION FROM LAST WEEK		
MCP	PLANNED GIVING \$1,769.45	PRESBYTERY \$442.75
LUMEN CHRISTI	PLANNED GIVING \$726.00	PRESBYTERY \$340.00

We are committed to the safety, well being and dignity of all children and adults at risk.

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HARRIS



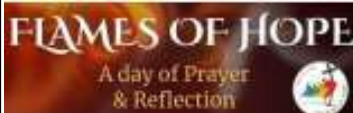
Our newest addition to our
faith family through Baptism.

We pray for him,
his Parents and Godparents.
God bless you all.



THANK YOU TO FR. MARK for celebrating Mass with us over the past three weekends. May God bless you for your time, presence, and ministry.

We also **WELCOME BACK FR. JAMES** next weekend from his holidays — we look forward to seeing Father James again, refreshed and filled with new energy.



FLAMES OF HOPE

As part of the Jubilee celebration, the Diocesan Pastoral Life and Mission Team is offering a day of prayer and reflection which is being facilitated by the Emmaus Spirituality Team. This special day, entitled 'Flames of Hope' is an opportunity for busy people to pause, reflect, and renew their hope in the light of faith. **Thursday, 21 August** at St Brigid's Catholic Church, 19 Church Street, Cowwarr – from 10:00 am to 2:30 pm. Cost is \$25/person. Please register in advance using this link: tinyurl.com/4bdykw5s



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOE BOX INITIATIVE 2025 AUGUST COLLECTION

Operation Christmas Child is a project of Samaritan's Purse. It is a hands-on way for you to bless children in need across the world by filling shoeboxes with toys, hygiene items, school supplies, and fun gifts. In August we will be collecting: **TOYS AND ACTIVITIES.(NEW ITEMS ONLY)** Please see some examples listed in the church foyer.



Guess who turns **90?**
MONICA LAPPIN
May God bless you
and thank you for all that you
do through your time,
care, and dedication.

PARISH DATABASE UPDATE

Please advise the parish office of any changes to address, phone and email details so we can keep our database up to date. Email: Morwell@cdsale.org.au, or phone 5134-2849



LUMEN CHRISTI PARISH NEWS

SATURDAY ROSARY

We invite parishioners and friends to our Saturday Rosary held at 10.00 am at Lumen Christi Church to pray for peace in our world, our community and in our homes.

MORNING TEA will be held after Mass on **Sunday, 17th August**. Please join us to welcome back Fr James and for some much-valued fellowship. A plate to share would be most appreciated.

4th SUNDAY MASS will be held at 9.00am Our Lady of Good Counsel, Yinnar on Sunday 24th August. There will be no mass at Churchill on this day.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK - Parishioners who are housebound and unable to attend Sunday Mass can contact Angela 0427 646 563 if they would like to receive Holy Communion.

REMINDER: Parish Council members are reminded that a Parish Council meeting will be held at 4.00pm on Tuesday 26th August in the school staff room.



R.C.I.A.: (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Have you considered becoming a Catholic or want to know more about the Catholic faith? We will be starting our workshop in September. Perhaps you know someone that you could ask and offer to accompany. For more information or assistance, please contact the office. Tel: 51342849



THANKYOU FROM CATHOLICARE VICTORIA-

CatholicCare Victoria is deeply grateful for the support of our parish during last week's CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. The generosity of our parish community **MCP \$513.95** and **Lumen Christi \$200.00** means that CatholicCare Victoria can continue the mission; to help those in need. For more information about CatholicCare Victoria, please visit: www.catholiccarevic.org.au

POPE'S AUGUST PRAYER INTENTION: FOR MUTUAL COEXISTENCE:

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

LUMEN CHRISTI ROSTER

DATES	READER	COMMUNION MINISTERS	COUNTERS	MUSIC
10/08	P LONG F FORTUNE	BERNICE, ANGE V, MARG MC	A & S DARLING	ANGELO
17/08	DARLING FAMILY	MARG C, PATRICIA, ANGELO	H JUNKER	

"Peace be with all of you " - Pope Leo XIV

Entrance Antiphon: Cf. Ps 73:20,19,22,23

Look to your covenant, O Lord,
and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever.
Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not
the cries of those who seek you.

First Reading: Wis 18:6-9

A reading from the book of Wisdom

That night had been foretold to our ancestors,
so that, once they saw what kind of oaths they had
put their trust in, they would joyfully take courage.
This was the expectation of your people, the saving
of the virtuous and the ruin of their enemies; for by
the same act with which you took vengeance on our
foes you made us glorious by calling us to you. The
devout children of worthy men offered sacrifice in
secret and this divine pact they struck with one ac-
cord: that the saints would share the same blessings
and dangers alike; and forthwith they had begun to
chant the hymns of the fathers.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 89:3-6.12-14.17

**(R.) Happy the people the Lord
has chosen to be his own.**

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
They are happy, whose God is the Lord,
the people he has chosen as his own. **(R.)**

The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. **(R.)**

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.
The Lord is our help and our shield.
May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you. **(R.)**

**Second Reading: Heb 11:1-2, 8-12
(shorter form)**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Only faith can guarantee the blessings that we hope
for, or prove the existence of the realities that at pre-
sent remain unseen. It was for faith that our ances-
tors were commended.

It was by faith that Abraham obeyed the call to set
out for a country that was the inheritance given to
him and his descendants, and that he set out without
knowing where he was going. By faith he arrived, as
a foreigner, in the Promised Land, and lived there as
if in a strange country, with Isaac and Jacob, who
were heirs with him of the same promise. They lived
there in tents while he looked forward to a city
founded, designed and built by God.

It was equally by faith that Sarah, in spite of being
past the age, was made able to conceive, because
she believed that he who had made the promise
would be faithful to it. Because of this, there came
from one man, and one who was already as good as
dead himself, more descendants than could be count-
ed, as many as the stars of heaven or the grains of
sand on the seashore.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 24:42.44

Alleluia, alleluia!

Be watchful and ready:
You know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Lk 12:32-48

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Luke**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There is no need to be
afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to
give you the kingdom. 'Sell your possessions and
give alms. Get yourselves purses that do not wear
out, treasure that will not fail you, in heaven where
no thief can reach it and no moth destroy it. For
where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.
'See that you are dressed for action and have your
lamps lit. Be like men waiting for their master to re-
turn from the wedding feast, ready to open the door
as soon as he comes and knocks. Happy those serv-
ants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I
tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them
down at table and wait on them. It may be in the
second watch he comes, or in the third, but happy
those servants if he finds them ready. You may be
quite sure of this, that if the householder had known
at what hour the burglar would come, he would not
have let anyone break through the wall of his house.
You too must stand ready, because the Son of Man is
coming at an hour you do not expect.' Peter said,
'Lord, do you mean this parable for us, or for every-
one?' The Lord replied, 'What sort of steward, then,
is faithful and wise enough for the master to place
him over his household to give them their allowance
of food at the proper time? Happy that servant if his
master's arrival finds him at this employment. I tell
you truly, he will place him over everything he owns.
But as for the servant who says to himself, "My mas-
ter is taking his time coming", and sets about beating
the menservants and the maids, and eating and
drinking and getting drunk, his master will come on a
day he does not expect and at an hour he does not
know. The master will cut him off and send him to
the same fate as the unfaithful. 'The servant who
knows what his master wants, but has not even
started to carry out those wishes, will receive very
many strokes of the lash. The one who did not know,
but deserves to be beaten for what he has done, will
receive fewer strokes. When a man has had a great
deal given him, a great deal will be demanded of
him; when a man has had a great deal given him on
trust, even more will be expected of him.'

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS

20th Week in Ordinary Time

Jer 38:4-6,8-10

Heb 12:1-4

Lk 12:29-53