

BOOK LAUNCH

Listening, Learning and Leading: The Impact of Catholic Identity and Mission Thursday 22 May 2014, 5pm - 6pm, Edited by Gabrielle McMullen and John Warhurst this book explores the impact of identity and mission on what we do and how we do it. Contributors include: David Beaver, Fr Frank Brennan sj, Vicki Clark, Bob Dixon, Julie Edwards, Hon Tim Fischer, Denis Fitzgerald, Sr Margaret Mary Flynn ibvm, Jenny Glare, Fr Andy Hamilton sj, Peter Hudson, Chris Lowney, Michael McGirr, Julie Morgan. *Listening, Learning and Leading: The Impact of Catholic Identity and Mission* will be launched by Archbishop Denis Hart Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert St, East Melbourne
RSVP: Thursday 15 May Contact: Lucia Brick: 287 5566 or lucia.brick@css.org.au

THE VICTORIA WELSH MALE CHOIR IN CONCERT

Sunday 1 June 2014 at 2.30pm at Strathmore Uniting Church, Cnr The Crossway and Upland Road. The Victoria Welsh Male Choir is renowned for its rich singing in four-part spine tingling harmony. Tickets available by phoning 9379 3326. Prices: \$25 or Concession \$20. The concert is a fundraiser for "Frontier Services" (serving remote Australia) Afternoon tea is included.

ST MONICA'S TENNIS CLUB, MOONEE PONDS 100TH ANNIVERSARY

Sunday 25 May, 2:30pm Present and past members are invited to attend St Monica's tennis club to celebrate our 100th anniversary. It will be a great opportunity to view new facilities and renew friendships. All welcome Contact: Russell Mogg 0407 850 151

IGNITE YOUTH CONFERENCE 14

National Catholic Youth Conference 25-28 September 2014 in Brisbane. Brochures available in east porch.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL PLAYFROUP

If you have preschool children, please join us on Thursdays between 9.00am and 11.00am in the Parish Centre for play, fun and conversation. For further details contact Fiona McIlldowney 0411 061 978 or just come along. NOTE the earlier start time.

St. Vincent de Paul Parish Prayer

Loving God, through St Vincent de Paul, we seek your guidance and constant protection, for our parish community.

Gathered together as your people, we come as we are, to live out the Gospel message, in a faithfilled, welcoming and caring community.

Grant us your help in our weakness, that we may proclaim to all, your abundant goodness.

We praise and thank you for your gifts given freely, to share with one another.

May we never lose faith in you and always strive to live, in a spirit of strength and gentleness.

On our journey, may we be an example of your love, to those we meet.

Loving God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
may you always watch over us in all we do.

Amen



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Fifth Sunday of Easter

The Weekly Bulletin of the Parish of St Vincent de Paul, Strathmore

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Sunday Mass: **Saturday Vigil:** 6.00 pm **Sunday Morning:** 8.30 am & 10.30 am

Weekday Masses: Tuesday - Saturday 10.00 am

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Open Tuesday - Saturday 7.00 am - 5.00 pm for private prayer

Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation: Saturday 9.00 - 9.30 am or by request

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptism will be celebrated only by appointment and after a preparation evening, arranged through the Parish Office.

First Sunday of the Month: During our weekend Masses

Second Sunday of the Month: 12.00 noon

Third Sunday of the Month: 12.00 noon

Sacrament of Marriage: By appointment with at least six months notice.

*A community celebrating Christ in life by striving to maintain
a strong sense of belonging and generosity of heart.*

***“Do not let your hearts be troubled.
Trust in God still and trust in me.”***

These most encouraging words of Jesus to his friends at the Last Supper offer to us a wonderful encouragement to place our complete trust and confidence in Jesus. We hear Jesus telling us that even though he is leaving, there will always be a place for us in his life.

In many ways we are like Thomas and Philip, wanting to know the answers, wanting to have a clear understanding, wanting to see. Yes we too want to understand, we want a clear path, we want the answers to those things we find difficult, the things we find hard to bear, especially when they are not our way.

Much of the time we want life to be our way, yet we hear Jesus saying:

“I am the Way, the Truth and the Life”.

Here is the challenge for each one of us, to let go and put our trust in Jesus knowing that he will always be there to support, encourage and protect. This does not mean that we will have a blissful life. It means that through all the events in life, Jesus is there with us. May we have the faith, courage and trust to believe in the words of our Gospel today, “Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still and trust in me.”

Explore the possibilities



St Vincent de Paul Parish 2014

Entrance Antiphon: O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: Reg Egan, Mary Zarb, Lubarda Xerri

Thanksgiving: \$1939.60 **Presbytery:** \$1238.00

Rosters for next weekend

6.00 pm	8.30 am	10.30 am
<u>Lectors:</u> S Crombie	M Gavaghan	L Wilson
<u>Special Ministers:</u> F Ferguson, M Mollica	P McKay, R McGowan	G Cascone, L Anderson
<u>Offertory:</u> F Rivellese	B Evans	G Pitney & M Hitchcock
<u>Counters:</u> T Daffey, G Cook	<u>Transport:</u> J Fraser, M Green, E Sheppard, P Waddington	
<u>Flowers:</u> R Attard	<u>Church Cleaning:</u> D Group	<u>Linen:</u> C Fox
<u>Next week's Readings:</u>	Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; 1Pet3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21	

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Saturday: Our Lady, Help of Christians

RECENT BAPTISMS

Congratulations to **Eliza Garvey** who was Baptised last weekend. May we remember her and her family in our prayers.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Thursday: GodStart Team Meeting in the Presbytery at 7pm

CHAPLAINCY SUNDAY 18 MAY

The Melbourne Archbishop's Charitable Fund will conduct the annual Chaplaincy Sunday Appeal in parishes to support the vital work of Catholic Chaplains in prisons, hospitals, youth detention centres and with seafarers. Parishioners are encouraged to offer prayers and a financial donation to assist chaplains to provide hope to those suffering from loneliness, physical illness, mental health challenges and HIV/AIDS. Watch video: www.cam.org.au/chaplaincy More info: 9926 5731. Envelopes are available in the porches of the Church.

PROJECT COMPASSION

Thank you to all who have returned their Project Compassion Boxes. Caritas Australia receipts can be collected from the Piety Stall for those who requested a receipt.

MINISTERS ROSTERS

The next roster for the months of June through to August, in name order, are available on the table in the east transept of the Church. Thank you for your assistance.

FRIDGE MAGNET PRAYER CARDS

Pope Francis has asked Catholics around the world to pray for the Synod on the Family which will take place on 5–19 October. The Archdiocese has produced special fridge magnet prayer cards to encourage Melbourne Catholic households to include this prayer in daily life, perhaps with grace before your evening meal. A letter from Pope Francis and the prayer card are available in the east porch of the Church. More info: Life, Marriage and Family Office silvana.scarfe@cam.org.au

FREE E-BOOK FOR COMPUTER OR E-READER: SON OF GOD: THE DAILY GOSPEL YEAR A-2

This e-book, which may be downloaded free of charge to a computer or e-reader, offers the Gospel for every day of the Liturgical Year A-2 (Sundays Year A, weekdays Year 2), together with a reflection of some 750 words on each daily Gospel. It contains the Gospel passages not only for this present but for any A-2 Liturgical Year in the future, together with their respective reflections. It may be passed on to friends or acquaintances as desired. It carries the Imprimatur of the Bishop of Parramatta. *Son of God: The Daily Gospel Year A-2* may be accessed at the following address: www.catholic-thoughts.info/ebook/

2014 KNOX PUBLIC LECTURE

Wednesday 21 May, 7:30pm The 2014 Knox Public Lecture will be delivered by Bishop Paul Bird speaking on *Living Liturgy: The Vision of Vatican II*. Bishop Paul Bird was ordained a priest in the Redemptorist Congregation in 1975. He completed a Master of Arts at the Catholic University of America in Washington DC, specialising in liturgy. As well as working in parish mission programs, he has also taught in Australia, Singapore, Malaysia and Samoa, especially in liturgical studies. He served for three terms as director of the Institute of Pastoral Liturgy in Brisbane and since 1985 has been a consultant to the National Liturgical Commission. He was Provincial of the Australian Province of the Redemptorist congregation from 2008 until his appointment as Bishop of Ballarat in 2012. Light refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the lecture. Catholic Leadership Centre Corner Victoria Parade & Hoddle Street, East Melbourne RSVP: Friday 16 May Contact: jill.allen@ctc.edu.au or 9412 3304

WALKING WITH POPE FRANCIS:

Interfaith relations in the midst of Contemporary Global Challenges Thursday 22 May, 11am - 12pm Join us for a conversation led by Prof. John Pawlikowski OSM of Catholic Theological Union in Chicago All are welcome. Room M5.30, Australian Catholic University, 115 Victoria Parade Contact: RSVP to edmund.chia@acu.edu.au or 9953 3432

HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME:

If you are unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion please contact the Parish Office on 9379 1488 to be placed on our roster. Also, if you would like to attend Mass on Sunday but cannot do so due to lack of transport we can arrange it for you.

Vision

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Mission

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