Entrance Antiphon: Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

<u>Gospel Acclamation:</u> Alleluia, alleluia! God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: Shiela McKay

Thanksgiving: \$4320.00 Presbytery: \$1222.70 Rosters for next weekend 2nd & 3rd of November

6.00 pm 8.30 am 10.30 am

Lectors:

L Capparelli S Boyle M Sullivan

Special Ministers:

J Burke, M Mollica M Gavaghan, M Gauci G Johnson, C Johnson

Offertory:

T & J Scott C Vega Egan Family

Counters: Transport:

K Porter, T Daffey

J Fraser, M Green, E Sheppard, P Waddington

Flowers: Church Cleaning: Linen:
R Attard F Group A Rogers

Next week's Readings: Wis 11:22-12:2; 2 Thess 1:11-2:2; Lk 19:1-10

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Monday: Sts Simon and Jude

Friday: All Saints

Saturday: The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day)

RECENT BAPTISMS

Congratulations to **Zelie Farrell** and **Sam Henderson** who were Baptised last weekend. May we remember them and their parents in our prayers.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Wednesday: RCIA Team & Candidates Meeting in the Church at 7.30pm

Thursday: Liturgy Meeting in the Presbytery at 7.30pm

COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOUL'S DAY)

On Saturday you are invited to remember those who have died from our community and our families during Mass at 10.00 am. This special day offers us the opportunity to remember those who have died and are now with God. We also pray for ourselves and our families that God will strengthen and support each one of us.

November Mass Offering envelopes are available for those who would like Masses celebrated for the deceased.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Thank you to all those who generously donated to World Mission Sunday Appeal. A total of \$985.90 was received.

PARISH PASTORAL PLAN

Following on from the Parish Pastoral Review, a Pastoral Plan is being developed and you are invited to review the documentation that has been posted on the Parish Web and express your interest. The documentation is also being distributed to parishioners through our School and through the mail. For those who do not receive the correspondence during the week or we do not have your mailing address, the material will be available in an envelope which you can take next weekend.

Also for those who are new to our community a Census & Thanksgiving Envelope is available in the east porch of the Church.

For return of the Expressions of Interest in the <u>Pastoral Plan Programs</u>, boxes are available in the porches of the Church.

MINISTERS OF MINISTIRES

As we draw nearer to the end of the year, would those who will be away during December to February return the form by **Sunday 3rd November**, **2013**, in preparation for the next roster.

SOCIAL JUSTICE IN THE CITY: "HOMELESSNESS."

Wednesday 30 October, 12pm - 1pm St Vincent de Paul's St Francis Conference presents Tony Clarke, Manager VincentCare Community Hub, Glenroy "Homelessness." Tea and coffee provided. St Francis Pastoral Centre Cnr Lonsdale and Elizabeth Streets, Melbourne.

Contact: Paula 9895 5800

2014 COLUMBAN CALENDARS

The Calendars are available at the Piety Stall for \$9.00 each. Sales of the Calendars support the activities of Columbans working to bring the Good News to poor communities and to make our local Church more missionary.

PARISH WEBSITE

Our Website is now up and running. Check it out at 'cam.org.au/strathmore'. Comments and feedback would be appreciated, especially if there are aspects that you would like included.

COMPUTER TRAINING

Fr Peter will provide computer lessens in the Parish Centre on Friday mornings after morning tea, following the 10.00 am Mass, for those interested in the use of computers and the internet. If you have no experience or wanted to improve your skills then you are invited to place an expression of interest, to Fr Peter. Five places are available at a time for about 1 hour.

INDOOR CARPET BOWLS

Each Friday afternoon Carpet Bowls are played in the Parish Centre from 1.30 - 4.30 pm. You are invited to come along and see how the game is played and join in the fun of the afternoon. Instructions will be given for those who are new to the game. Just roll up on a Friday.

Vision

To be a community celebrating Christ in Life

Mission

That we strive to maintain a strong sense of belonging and generosity of heart

THEOLOGY@THEPUB

On Monday 11 November, 6:30pm we will host a Q&A Panel with guests: Fr Dominic Murphy, Anna Krohn and Fr Brian Kelty, who will answer your questions about the Catholic faith. 6:30pm for dinner and drinks or 7:30pm for the talk. theology@thepub is an event for young people 18 – 35. Priests and religious of any age are welcome. Pumphouse Hotel, 128 Nicholson St, Fitzroy. Contact: www.theologyatthepub.com.au

ST AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH, KEILOR 150TH ANNIVERSARY

Sunday 17 November, 11am Parishioners of St Augustine's Church, Keilor will celebrate the 150th anniversary of the blessing of their church by Bishop Goold on Sunday 13 November 1863. The anniversary Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Emeritus, Hilton Deakin. All past and present parishioners are most welcome. St Augustine's Church, Keilor, 100 Harrick Road, Keilor Park. Contact: Parish Office 9338 3793

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Friday 22 November - Sunday 24 November Married couples, we encourage you to invest some "alone time" in your relationship; it underpins your family life. Please join us for a Marriage Encounter weekend. Our weekend helps you to stay connected with each other and gives you skills to maintain your love for each other, in our demanding world. Couples and a priest will present the weekend, which will be based around Catholic values, although there is no requirement to be a Catholic in order to attend. There will be no group sharing during the weekend. Contact: Marianne and Marcel Van den Bronk 9733 0997,

vicbookings@wwme.org.au or www.wwme.org.au

CRAFT GROUP

Interested in craft and great conversation? Everyone welcome on the first Wednesday of every month from 10.00 am-3.00 pm, come along and learn a new skill. Further details available from Christine Gregory on 9379 5497.

FRIDAY MORNING TEA

There is morning tea every Friday morning in the Parish Centre after the 10.00 am Mass. All Welcome.

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

CARDS AFTERNOON

Join us on the last Monday of every month for Cards in the Parish Centre commencing at 12.15 pm. All welcome, please bring a plate to share.

INDOOR BOWLS EVERY FRIDAY:

Please join us for Indoor Bowls at the Parish Centre every Friday afternoon from 1.30 pm. All welcome, equipment provided.

Caring for one another



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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.

Blowing one's own trumpet!

As the saying goes, those who behave this way are considered conceited and full of themselves. Jesus, we know challenged those who considered themselves better than others and uses this story today to help us reflect. It is not an opportunity to judge others, but an invitation to each one of us to take a look at how we live our lives. Do you stop and consider where you need to grow before you look to the weakness of another?

Another saying of old is:

Pride comes before a fall!

These words also are a reminder, as we look to the Gospel and think of the tax collector's acknowledgement of his life, that we also need to consider that we likewise are sinners who seek the forgiveness of one another and our God. To be humble is a gift that we need to ponder and work at, so that we do not fall into a pattern of judging those around ourselves before we look to our own behaviour.