

WOMEN FOR THE WORLD CARITAS LUNCH

Friday 8 May, 12–3pm The Harbour Room, The Royal Melbourne Yacht Club, Pier Rd, St Kilda
Caritas Australia invites you to join us for lunch to support our empowering work with women around the world. It will be a sit-down lunch with auction and raffle, and there will be an address by Rupa Rai from Caritas Nepal, who will be talking about Programs work there, with a focus on trafficking.
RSVP: Friday 1 May Tickets and details:
www.caritas.org.au/

ANNUAL MISSION CONCERT

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver will hold their Annual Mission Concert– starring Mike Brady - on Sunday 19 April at the St Peter Claver Hall, 154 Cotham Road, Kew commencing 2pm. Admission is free - a collection will be taken during the Concert. Proceeds will go to assist the missions.

500th ANNIVERSARY OF St TERESA OF AVILA

Renowned theologian and historian Professor Bernard McGinn presents St Teresa of Avila The Contemplative in Action. Wednesday 29 April 2015 at the Catholic Leadership Centre East Melbourne 7.00 - 9.00pm Bookings:

www.trybooking.com/118795

Interactive Workshop Friday 1 May 2015 at The Carmelite Centre 214 Richardson Street Middle Park 10.00am - 12.00 Noon. Bookings:

www.trybooking.com/119358

Teresa of Avila Symposium 21 –23 May for full details Phone 96905430 or

www.thecarmelitecentremelbourne.org

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.

FRIDAY MORNING TEA

Come and share, every Friday morning in the Parish Centre after the 10.00 am Mass.

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.

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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Second 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 - Friday 10.00 am

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Open Monday - Friday 9.00 am - 3.00 pm for private prayer

Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation: Saturday 9.00 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.*

Easter Joy and Peace in the midst of life

There is always a sense of joy and peace when we gather to celebrate special event in our lives. Last weekend would have been one of those special times for many of us as we came together to remember the love of Jesus for each one of us.

The same spirit is present in our Scripture readings this weekend, as Jesus offers his friends, 'Peace'. Peace is something that we all long for and seek in our outreach with others.

The finding of Luke lost in the bush is a wonderful story of outreach and support offered to his family by those who continued to search for Luke. We can only image the joy within his parents. While on the other hand we grieve with the other families impacted upon by the death of little ones in the lake and Stephanie who was to celebrate her marriage this weekend. Again we can only imagine their families grief and pain during these days. Let us remember them and pray with them as they seek to find peace in the turmoil of their lives.

Entrance Antiphon: Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

Recent Deaths: Laurie Mallia

Anniversaries: Leslie Bronkhurst, Patrick Francis, Joseph D'Costa, Marc Mantel

Thanksgiving: \$4218.50 **Presbytery:** \$2046.50

Rosters for next weekend 18th & 19th April

6.00 pm	8.30 am	10.30 am
<u>Lectors:</u> M Henshall	G Delaney	D Nicol
<u>Special Ministers:</u> J Burke, M Mollica	M Thomas, M Gavaghan	L Anderson, C Johnson
<u>Offertory:</u> F Rivellese	C Vega	C & K Lo Giudice
<u>Counters:</u> G Cook, K Porter	<u>Transport:</u> M Green, E Sheppard, P & N Tendam	
<u>Flowers:</u> M Scarpino	<u>Church Cleaning:</u> A Group	<u>Linen:</u> T Sardo
<u>Next week's Readings:</u>	Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 Jn 2:1-5; Lk 24:35-48	

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Monday: Book Club in the Parish Centre at 12.45pm

TUESDAY MASSES

Mass this Tuesday will be celebrated at 10.00am **not** at 7.30am as previously advertised.

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES AND ENVELOPE PACKS.

Please return your Project Compassion offers over the next week. A basket is available at the front of the Church in which you may place your offerings. Thank you to all who have returned their Project Compassion Boxes. So far we have contributed \$ 1838.80 to assist Caritas. For those who requested receipts these are available for collection from the Piety Stall.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY ASSISTING REFUGEE STUDENTS

MERCY CONNECT PROJECT MELBOURNE– Mercy Works Ltd. is currently recruiting volunteers to support Refugee Students and Asylum Seekers in the Melbourne Archdiocese. The volunteer commitment is approximately half a day per week for four school terms. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred but not limited to. Interview process will be in May followed by a Training Day early in June. Please contact Sr. Mary Lewis RSM for an application form and further information. Mercy Connect Project Melbourne Tel: 9326 1895 Website: www.mercyworks.org.au Email: somml@bigpond.com

ANZAC DAY 2015

Centenary of the Anzac Landing at Gallipoli Mass will be celebrated at St Patrick's Cathedral 9:30am Saturday 25 April by Archbishop Denis Hart

EASTER CELEBRATIONS

Thank you to all who participated in our Easter liturgies last week. Especially to those involved in our various ministries generously supporting each of us.

May the peace and love of Christ be there to sustain and guide us all throughout the year.

CHURCH REFURBISHMENT

The storm water drainage is completed and pavement reinstated around the Church. Currently the heaters in the Church are being replaced. The new radiant heaters will be located more centrally and lower, which hopefully will be effective.

ANZAC DAY

Our 10.00 am Mass on ANZAC Day, Saturday 25th April will have a special focus, as we reflect upon the 100th Anniversary of our troupes landing on Gallipoli. You are most welcome to come and celebrate, remember and pray for peace.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Bishop Terry will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at the end of May. Please remember in your prayers the candidates to be Confirmed.

If there are any adults who have not received the sacrament and would like to be Confirmed, please contact Fr Peter

VATICAN II 50 YEARS ON: RESIDENTIAL WORKSHOP AND RETREAT

Friday 22 May to Sunday 24 May Pallotti College, 80 McNamara's Rd, Millgrove This workshop/retreat will begin by exploring the historical, socio-cultural and political contexts which gave rise to the Second Vatican Council. The main part will focus on some of the overarching themes of the principal documents promulgated and how these have been received by the local churches in the last five decades. The weekend will comprise of lectures, group work and audio visual material, with time for socialisation, liturgies, personal prayer and personal reading. The presenter is Dr Edmund Chia BA, MA, PhD, Senior Lecturer in Theology at ACU. A 10% discount is available for early bird registrations before Wednesday 15 April. Cost: \$190 single, \$360 couple (includes accommodation, workshops and meals)

Registration and details: 5966 2585 or admin@pallotticcollege.com.au

MASS FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS

The Life, Marriage & Family Office warmly invite all expectant mothers and their families to the Mass for Expectant Mothers. The Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Denis Hart at St Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday 31 May at 11.00am. Registrations can be made online at: www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily or alternatively by contacting: 9287 5587 or Lmf@cam.org.au. Please note that registration closes on Friday 22 May. Expectant mothers who register will receive a small token of recognition.

Vision

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Mission

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