ANNUAL MISSION CONCERT

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver will hold their Annual Mission Concert– staring 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.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Invest in your most precious asset......Your marriage! Forget life's tensions and interruptions and rekindle the closeness, intimacy, love and romance that brought you together. Recharge your relationship batteries and explore the precious nature of your marriage, allowing you both to share your feelings, hopes and dreams with each other in ways that normal, daily living tends to inhibit. There is no group sharing. Couples and a priest present the weekend. It is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.2015 Melbourne weekend dates : 17-19 Apr, 19-21 June, 21-23 August and 23-25 Oct Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided.Information/ Bookings: Marianne & Marcel (03) 9733 0997 Email:vicbookings@wwme.org.au or www.wwme.org.au

MENALIVE MEN'S WEEKEND

Saturday 16 May to Sunday 17 May Resurrection Parish, 402 Corrigan Rd, Keysborough The menALIVE Men's Weekend is an opportunity for men to explore what makes them feel fully alive. During the weekend, the menALIVE team will share about their lives, the challenges they face and the hope they have discovered in seeking to walk this journey with God. There will be space for men to reflect and opportunities to share with one another about themselves and their lives. These weekends are powerful and dynamic and many men are inspired and encouraged with a new sense of purpose and mission. The weekend is organised by men in you local community and conducted by an experienced team of menALIVE leaders. It is suitable for all men from 18 years of age. Cost: \$30 RSVP: Friday 8 May Details and registration: Glen on 0422 892 541 or glen.dcunha@hotmail.com

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

ST VINCENT DE PAUL PLAY-FROUP

Thursdays between 9.00am and 11.00am in the Parish Centre for play, fun and conversation. For further details contact Fiona McIldowney 0411 061 978 or just come along.

FRIDAY MORNING TEA

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



St Vincent de Paul Press

4th & 5th April 2015 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord The Weekly Bulletin of the Parish of St Vincent de Paul, Strathmore

Parish Priest: Fr Peter J Ray Fr Peter **Email**: Priest.Strathmore@cam.org.au **Parish Administration:** Mrs. Patricia McNicholl Parish Office **Email**: Strathmore@cam.org.au **Presbytery:** 2 The Crossway, Strathmore, Victoria 3041 Web: cam.org.au/strathmore **Telephone**: 9379 1488 **Facsimile:** 9379 1574 St Vincent de Paul Primary School: Woodland Street, Strathmore, 3041 Acting Principal: Mr Shane Byrne Telephone: 9379 5723 Facsimile: 9379 2389 Email: principal@svstrathmore.catholic.edu.au 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.

A Very Happy and Holy Easter to you and your family.

May the risen Lord grace and bless each one of us.



Entrance Antiphon: I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia. **Responsorial Psalm:** This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. **Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, Alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord, Alleluia!

<u>Communion Antiphon:</u> Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: Harry McConville Thanksgiving: \$2791.50 **Presbytery**: \$1168.60 Rosters for next weekend 11th & 12th April 6.00 pm 8.30 am 10.30 am Lectors: S Crombie S McNulty L Wilson **Special Ministers:** F Ferguson, J Mammone A Henshall. M Gauci C Picinich, G Johnson **Offertory:** T & S Comerford D & L A'Hearn S LaVita **Counters:** Transport: F Burke, A Monaghan P Fox, J Fraser, M Sullivan Flowers: **Church Cleaning:** Linen: M Reynolds G Group A Rogers Next week's Readings: Acts 4:32-35; 1 Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Wednesday:
Thursday:Parish Finance Committee in the Parish Centre at 7.30 pmMaintenance & Planning Committee Meeting in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm

TUESDAY MASSES

For the next two Tuesdays, 7th April & 14th April Mass will be celebrated at 7.30am. On these Tuesdays there will be no 10.00am Mass.

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES AND ENVELOPE PACKS.

Please return you Project Compassion offers over the Easter period. A basket is available at the front of the Church in which you may place your offerings.. Thank you for your sacrifices to assist Caritas Australia.

VANUATU COLLECTION

Thank you to all who generously donated to the Vanuatu appeal. A total of \$1156.60 was collected.

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.

PARISH HALL:

The Parish Hall is available for hire. All enquiries: stvincentshallbookings@gmail.com

BROKEN NOT BEATEN': THE CATHOLIC MAN BREAKFAST SERIES

Thursday 16 April, 7–9am 113–123 Queen St, Melbourne Hear former Australian cricketer Rick McCosker tell his story. Rick is perhaps best remembered for the 1977 Centenary Test against England. After having his jaw broken in the first innings, he returned to bat in the second with his jaw wired shut, closing out the match and leading Australia to victory. Rick brings the same commitment and tenacity to life with his family and a long history of service within the Church. Cost: \$45 RSVP: Monday 13 April Bookings: des@menalive.org.au Details: Michael on 0439 172 465

500th ANNIVDERSARY OF St TERESA OF AVILA

Renowned theologian and historian Professor Bernard McGinn presents St Teresa of Avila <u>The Contemplative in Action</u>. Wednesday 29 April 2015 at the Catholic Leadership Centre East Melbourne 7.00 - 9.00pm Bookings: www.trybooking.com/118795 <u>Interactive Workshop</u> Friday 1 May 2015 at The Carmelite Centre 214 Richardson Street Middle Park 10.00am - 12.00 Noon. Bookings: www.trybooking.com/119358 <u>Teresa of Avila Symposium</u> 21 –23 May for full details Phone 96905430 or www.thecarmelitecentremelbourne.org

WORKSHOP: THE GRIEF OF BEREAVEMENT – COMPANIONING THE BE REAVED

Thursday 23 April, 9.30am–3.30pm Treacy Centre, 126 The Avenue, Parkville Loss and Spirituality are intimately entwined. When loss or change comes we are often unprepared. It is a time of chaos. The focus of this workshop will be: exploring the nature of grief in a Christian context; understanding how the type of attachment to the deceased person influences the grief response; being with the bereaved and the role of compassion; the importance of self-awareness and self-care. Participants will be enabled, through discussion, case studies and the support of music, to reflect on their own experience of grief. Facilitated by Marea Richardson, a Registered Guided Imagery and Music Therapist (Music Psychotherapy), Accredited Grief and Loss Counsellor (NALAG) and Spiritual Director working at Campion Centre of Ignatian Spirituality in Kew. Cost: \$25 Registration: Complete the booking form in the attached flyer and submit to the Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation by Thursday 16 April Details: Johanna Carroll on 9926 5765 or ministry@cam.org.au

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

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