

RUN MELBOURNE FUNDRAISER FOR REFUGEES

Sunday 26 July, Federation Square. Run Melbourne is back! Team CatholicCare will once again participate in this year's event to raise money for our refugee and settlement programs across Melbourne. Register now at www.ccam.org.au/runmelbourne. Say YES to refugees and join our team at <https://runmelbourne2015.everydayhero.com/au/team-catholiccare>. You will receive a welcome pack with fundraising tips and, if you register and join our team by 1 July, also a complimentary Team CatholicCare t-shirt. CCI Personal Insurance will donate \$40 for every participant who registers with Team CatholicCare. Even if you can't participate in the event, we would still love you to support our participants by making an online donation through the CatholicCare everydayhero page. All money raised through the run will help us continue to help refugees settle well in Australia. Thank you again for your support. See you at the start line! Details: 9287 5517

ACHIEVING PREGNANCY NATURALLY

The Billings Ovulation Method® can assist you in having the baby of your dreams. If you have been trying to have a baby without success, our teachers can provide essential information, which will give you the best chance to achieve your pregnancy naturally. For a free information leaflet, please call Billings LIFE on 1800 335 860

MASS FOR SOLO CATHOLICS

Sunday 19 July, 10.30am St Cecilia's, 37 Hillside Parade, Glen Iris Fr Gerard Dowling will celebrate Mass at 10.30am, followed by Christmas in July Lunch 12pm, Glasshouse Restaurant, Caulfield Racecourse New members welcome. Details: Peter 0418 502 297

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.

PARISH HALL:

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

HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME:

If you know of anyone who is unable to attend Mass and would like to receive Holy Communion at home please contact the Parish Office on 9379 1488. Also, if you know of anyone would like to attend Mass on Sunday but cannot do so due to lack of transport we can arrange it for them. Please let us know as we would love to assist.



St Vincent de Paul Press

4th & 5th July 2015

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 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.*

LAUDATO SI' A SUMMARY

The Encyclical takes its name from the invocation of Saint Francis of Assisi, "*Praise be to you, my Lord*" which in the *Canticle of the Creatures* reminds us that the earth, our common home "is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us" (1). We ourselves "are dust of the earth (cf. *Gen 2:7*); our very bodies are made up of her elements, we breathe her air and we receive life and refreshment from her waters" (2). "This sister now cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her" (2). Her cry, united with that of the poor, stirs our conscience to "acknowledge our sins against creation" (8). Taking the words of the "beloved" Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, the Pope reminds us: "For human beings... to destroy the biological diversity ... by causing changes in its climate ...; to contaminate the earth's waters, its land, its air, and its life – these are sins"(8).

The appropriate response to such penitence is what St John Paul II already called a "global ecological conversion" (5). In this, St Francis of Assisi is "the example par excellence of care for the vulnerable and of an integral ecology lived out joyfully and authentically. [...] He shows us just how inseparable is the bond between concern for nature, justice for the poor, commitment to society, and interior peace" (10).

Entrance Antiphon: Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

Responsorial Psalm: Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! The spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries:

Thanksgiving: \$3333.90 **Presbytery:** \$1189.90

Rosters for next weekend 11th & 12th July

| 6.00 pm | 8.30 am | 10.30 am |
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| Lectors | | |
| S Crombie | B Hanley | G Johnson |
| Special Ministers: | | |
| J Mammone, F Ferguson | R McGowan, P McKay | C Picinich, C Johnson |
| Offertory: | | |
| T & J Scott | B Evans | G Polo |
| Counters: | Transport: | |
| M Schembri, K Porter | M Green, D Meller, E Sheppard | |
| Flowers: | Church Cleaning: | Linen: |
| A Mammone | B Group | N McCartney |
| Next week's Readings: | Amos 7:12-15; Eph 1:3-14; Mk 6:7-13 | |

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Saturday: St Benedict

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Monday: St Vincent de Paul Society Meeting in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm

Thursday: Pastoral Leadership Team Meeting in the Presbytery at 7.30pm

Friday: Senior's Morning Tea and Film in the Parish Centre after 10.00am Mass

PETER'S PENCE –ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY FATHER

Thank you to all who generously donated to the Peter's Pence appeal last weekend. A total of \$811.15 was collected which will support Pope Francis in his care of those who are marginalised throughout the world.

AFTER MASS ON FRIDAY 10TH JULY - FILM & MORNING TEA

All are invited to watch the film "The Imitation Game" and share morning tea on the 10th July in the Parish Centre after the 10.00am Mass.

ANNUAL MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS

Annual Anniversary Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday 26th July at 11.00am. Couples who register will receive commemorative certificates and packs. To register: 9287 5579 www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily. Registrations will close Friday 10 July.

If you are celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th-70th wedding anniversary this year and not attending the Cathedral and would like to receive a commemorative certificate, you are welcome to fill in a form found in the porches of the Church and we will arrange a certificate for you to distribute here on the 25th or 26th July.

FRENCH LEGION OF HONOUR - WWII PILOT

Parishioner Laurie Larmer is to be presented with the French 'Legion of Honour' next Tuesday. Even though Laurie sees himself as 'just doing what we trained to do', it is in recognition of his courage and determination to bring about peace. For this we congratulate Laurie.

BREAKFAST BRIEFING: POPE FRANCIS AND THE CARE OF OUR COMMON HOME

Friday 31 July, 7.15am for a 7.30am start, finish 8.45am Cathedral Room, Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne. Pope Francis has published his long-awaited encyclical *Laudato Si'* on our relationship with the whole of creation. The encyclical places the care of creation, our 'common home', at the heart of Christian theology. He calls on our fragile world to leave behind the myth of unlimited material progress and proposes instead a 'sense of fraternity that excludes nothing and no one' and an understanding of the Earth as a 'shared inheritance'. Catholic Earthcare Australia has provided a list of main themes of the encyclical and some practical actions for us all. Joseph Camilleri, an emeritus professor from La Trobe University, and Andrew Hamilton SJ have written insightful local initial reviews of the encyclical for our reflection. Please join us for a Breakfast Briefing: Pope Francis and the Care of our Common Home, with Australian delegate Jacqui Rémond, Director of Catholic Earthcare Australia. Jacqui was part of a small delegation of six Global Catholic Climate Movement (GCCM) members who met with His Holiness Pope Francis and joyfully received the Pope's encyclical. Bookings: <http://www.trybooking.com/IDMRCost>: \$20 RSVP: Friday 24 July (Please advise of any special dietary requirements) Enquiries: Lucia Brick 9287 5566, or lucia.brick@css.org.au

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. 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

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM

This week on The Journey, Sam Clear shares some of his story whilst walking the famous Camino pilgrimage route in Santiago, and Fr Dave Callaghan reminds us that Sin is a symptom of the disease of our hearts which only Jesus can heal. We also hear from Sr Hilda Scott OSB, Trish McCarthy and Bruce Downes "The Catholic Guy". Go to www.jcr.org.au to subscribe or to www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime.

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