

STAR WOMEN SPEAK

Thursday 12 May, 7pm for 7.30pm George Reed foyer of the FayByrne Centre, 70–84 Martin Street, Gardenvale Star of the Sea Past Students' Association warmly invites you to the next presentation in our 'Star Women Speak' series, featuring Krystyna Campbell-Pretty (class of 1969). Melbourne-based philanthropist and committed lover of the arts, Krystyna will showcase her recent donation to the NGV of a French Haute Couture collection spanning the years 1880–1980. In a career spanning almost 38 years, Krystyna worked as a researcher and strategic management consultant alongside her late husband, Harold, in a very successful business providing strategic counsel to major multi-national organisations. Currently Krystyna focusses her energies on philanthropic and other endeavors with a number of organizations, particularly on providing opportunities for disadvantaged children to experience the visual and the performing arts. She is a current member of the Foundation Board at the National Gallery of Victoria. Cost: \$35, students \$20, includes wine and finger food Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/190130>

SOUTHERN STARS SOCIAL CLUB

The Southern Stars Social Club for single Catholics would be delighted to welcome you as a new member. If you are in the 25 to 60 age group and would like to meet up with fellow single Catholics, come and join us. Details: Peter on 9885 2167 or sssc.online@gmail.com

2016 HOLY LAND AND JORDAN PILGRIMAGE

24 October to 8 November Chaplain Michael Kalika, parish priest at Sacred Heart Kew, and coordinator John Canavan, Divine Mercy Publications, invite you to join them for a 16-day spiritual journey to walk in the footsteps of Our Lord in the Holy Land, as well as visiting Petra and Amman in Jordan. Cost: \$6,450 per person, twin share Details: Kathryn O'Connor on 9830 5489 or kathryn@oconnortravelworld.com.au

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

During 10.30am Mass on the second Sunday of each month, primary school aged children are invited to join us for Children's Liturgy of the Word.

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 9412 8460 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.

Please note the new Parish Phone number 9412 8460.



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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.*

Our Mothers

One would think that every day is a Mother's Day when we ponder and reflect upon the impact our mothers have in our lives. That indeed is the very reason we set aside one special day each year to remember, celebrate and give thanks for the love and sacrifices our mother offer to us every day. Like myself we sometimes take for granted the things our mothers do for us. This weekend may we remember our mothers in a very special way and say a big thank you.

Thank you for the life which you have given me.

Thank you for:

My body to act. My mind to think

My memory to remember. My heart to love.

Thank you for giving me:

So many things to enjoy

So many things to learn

So many things to do

So many things to love.

Entrance Antiphon: Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven will return as you saw him go, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm: God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age, alleluia.

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: Kevin Martin Bignell, Vera Jane Hunt, Domenica & Francesca Murdaca, Giuseppe & Franceso Mammone

Thanksgiving: \$4126.00 **Presbytery:** \$1436.80

Rosters for next weekend 14th & 15th May

6.00 pm	8.30 am	10.30 am
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Lectors:

S Crombie	M Gavaghan	D Nicol
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Special Ministers:

T Dargan	M Gauci	C Picinich, N Zanko
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Offertory:

Capparelli Family	B Evans	Children's Liturgy
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Counters:

B Tormey, P Hill	<u>Transport:</u> P Fox, D Meller, P Waddington
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Flowers:

A Scerri	<u>Church Cleaning:</u> N McCartney
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Next week's Readings: Acts 2:1-11; Rom 8:8-17; Jn 14:15-16, 23-26

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Saturday: St Matthias

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Monday: Book Club in the Parish Centre at 1.00pm

Wednesday: Parish Education Board Meeting in the School at 7.30pm

SENIORS MORNING TEA AND FILM

This Friday the 13th May the film Gran Torino will be shown in the Parish Centre after the 10.00am Mass. All welcome to view this film with morning tea.

CHAPLAINCY SUNDAY 2016 SPECIAL COLLECTION

Next Sunday the Melbourne Catholic Archbishop's Charitable Fund will conduct the annual Chaplaincy Sunday Appeal to support the vital work of Catholic Chaplains in hospitals, prisons, youth detention centers and seafarers. You are asked to offer prayers and a financial donation to help provide continued spiritual and emotional comfort to families facing illness, pain, grief and death. Envelopes will be available at the back of the hall.

CHURCH RENOVATIONS

Weekly Church Update

The painting of the ceiling is completed and the electricians continue to install the lighting tracks for the spot lights on the Sanctuary. The doors to the new internal entrances have been relocated. Current photos are in the Hall showing the update progress.

Children's Liturgy of the Word this weekend during our 10.30 am Mass

75th ANNIVERSARY MEMORABILIA

The 75th Anniversary Committee has produced some commemorative memorabilia for this anniversary year. These include a battery operated Flameless Wax Candle (\$10) & Lantern (\$15) and 375mL bottles of Botrytis Semillion wine (\$15). All with an image of St Vincent de Paul glass stained window. These items are available for purchase after Mass this weekend. If you would like to place an order for any of the items you may do so after Mass, ring the Parish Office or send an email.

ST VINCENT'S SENIOR SOCIAL GROUP

The Senior's Social Group have organised a visit to TAA/Australian Airlines Museum followed by lunch at Skyways Hotel on **Thursday 19th May** commencing at 9.30am. Cost will be approximately \$15.00 which includes museum entrance and lunch. To book contact Therese Dargan on 9379 5661 or Keith Foletti on 9379 4920 by Sunday 15th May.

PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

All are invited to share in prayers for Christian unity at the Uniting Church, Strathmore this Thursday starting at 7.30pm.

WORLDWIDE 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. 2016 Melbourne weekend dates : 17-19 June, 19-21 Aug, 11-13 Nov Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided. Information/Bookings: PH: Marianne & Marcel (03) 9733 0997 Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website: www.wwme.org.au

ARCHBISHOP MARK COLERIDGE: KNOX PUBLIC LECTURE 2016

Monday 16 May, 7.30pm Catholic Leadership Centre, Corner Victoria Parade and Hoddle Street, East Melbourne

'From wandering to journeying: thoughts on a synodal Church'. Journey and pilgrimage are important themes in scripture and throughout Christianity. They provide a background for considering Pope Francis' election in 2013, his decision to convene two Synods in 2014 and 2015, his proclamation of the Year of Mercy in 2016 and his recent publication of the Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia*—seeing all these as part of a process which is far from over. This gives a context for the recent proposal of the Australian Bishops to move towards a Plenary Council for Australia in 2020, seeing the preparation for the Council, its celebration and implementation as part of the same process, which seeks to make the Church more genuinely synodal in the way foreseen by Vatican II and treated more explicitly by Pope Francis.

RSVP: By Wednesday 11 May to 9412 3304 or jill.allen@ctc.edu.au

Our Vision

To be a community celebrating Christ in Life

Our Mission

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