THE ST BERNARD'S COLLEGE SOCIAL JUSTICE NETWORK (SBCSJN)

SBCSJN is hosting its annual event on Wednesday, 12 August. The topic for 2015 is Raising Our Boys To Be Good Men. The SBCSJN decided this event would look at how we, as parents, a school and a community can impact our boys to achieve meaningful and fulfilling lives. Hence our topic of Raising Our Boys to be Good Men. We have some amazing speakers lined up for the evening: Professor Patrick McGorry AO - Orygen & headspace Tess Walsh - Assistant Commissioner, Victoria Police Scott Holmes - YMCA Ben O'Toole-StepBackThink Joe Pignataro -SBC Old Boy & Writer All of the local community is invited to attend; parents and children. The event will be held in the Boardroom at St Bernard's at 7.30pm -9.00pm, Wednesday, 12 August. For more information and to RSVP (for catering) go to www.sbcsjn.com

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION CONCERT: A FESTIVAL OF VOICES

Sunday 16 August, 3–4.30pm, St Mary's Church, Cnr High and Rossmoyne Streets, Thornbury. Featuring The Italian Cultural Group, Rev. Kevin Kim (tenor), children from St Mary's School and the Compassionate Voices Community Choir. Entry by donation (\$10 suggested). Refreshments provided.

PALLOTTINE CAMINO, 2016

23–25 April, 2016 A pilgrimage walk is taking place next year, from St Christopher's Parish, Syndal to Pallotti College, Millgrove: approximately 65km over three days. You are invited to register your interest early, ahead of an information night scheduled for February next year. Reserve your place and get on the mailing list for info updates and details. Transfers, meals and accommodation are included, together with maps and daily prayer resources. Another blessed time of fellowship and prayer, as well as fresh air and healthy exercise! Details: Lorraine on 0402 217 123 or lorraine613@bigpond.com

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.

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

8th & 9th August 2015 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time 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 **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 - 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.

The bread that I shall give

Clearly there is an intent in the Scriptures today to help us to understand the gift of life offer to us for our journey. Elijah was given bread for the journey when he could not go on. John brings to us the revelation of Jesus as the source of life.

As the Jews complained about what Jesus had said of himself, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven', we are called to reflect ourselves on what Jesus offers and our response.

Clearly Jesus sets before us who he is and what he is offering.

Bread that gives us life now and into eternal life, for as Jesus says, "I am the bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for he life of the world."

Note the words of Jesus well: "For the life of the world" and "so that man may eat it and not die".

Entrance Antiphon: Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

<u>Responsorial Psalm:</u> Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

<u>**Communion Antiphon:**</u> O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: Lorna Leyden, Leslie Bronkhurst, Patrick Francis, Joseph D'Costa, Marc & Mavis Mantel

 Thanksgiving:
 \$2529.50
 Presbytery:
 \$1647.65

Rosters for next weekend 15th & 16th August		
6.00 pm	8.30 am	10.30 am
<u>Lectors</u>		
J Harris	G Cronan	M Sullivan
Special Ministers:		
J Burke, M Mollica	P McKay, M Thomas	C Johnson, A Monaghan
Offertory:		
J Mammone	D & L A'Hearn	Scavo Family
Counters:	Transport:	
M Schembri, J Burke	M Green, E Sheppard, M Sullivan	
<u>Flowers</u> :	Church Cleaning:	Linen:
C Murphy	D Group	P McMahon
Next week's Readings:	Prov 9:1-6; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58	

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Monday:St LawrenceTuesday:St ClareFriday:St Maximilian Mary KolbeSaturday:The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

TUESDAY MASS

This Tuesday 11th August Fr Peter will celebrate Mass at 7.30am. There will be no 10.00am Mass on this day.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Monday:Book ClubWednesday:Finance Committee Meeting in the Parish Centre at 7.30pmThursday:Pastoral Leadership Team Meeting in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm

CATHOLICCARE

This weekend the Annual Appeal for CatholicCare will take place. CatholicCare has been serving and caring for the families of the Melbourne Archdiocese for 80 years and deserves the support of our Catholic community. Please give generously so its much needed work may continue. The collection will be taken up at the Notice time. Envelopes are available.

FRIDAY MORNING TEA

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

REFUGEE POLICY IN AUSTRALIA: A PANEL DISCUSSION

Wednesday 2 September, 7–9pm, The Carmelite Centre, 214 Richardson St, Middle Park. In the first five months of 2015, 105,000 people crossed the Mediterranean seeking refuge in Europe. There are 12 million refugees and 60 million displaced people in the world today. During 2013, 32,200 persons per day had to leave their homes and seek protection elsewhere more than the total number of asylum seekers arriving in Australia in a year. The panel will feature Julian Burnside QC, an Australian barrister, human rights and refugee advocate and author, and Father Ken Peterson, a Carmelite with broad experience in leadership and ministry in a number of parishes. Currently, Fr Ken is a Director of the Sancta Sophia Meditation Community Warburton, working in the areas of spirituality and interfaith dialogue.

THE COST OF 'EQUALITY' – RYAN T ANDERSON

Thursday 20 August, 6–8pm, Central Hall, ACU, 20 Brunswick St, Fitzroy.

Internationally acclaimed author, speaker and scholar Ryan T Anderson is visiting Australia this August. Known for his clear, measured and articulate style, Ryan will share insights into the future of marriage and religious freedom in today's climate. Ryan's one-week tour of Australia has been organised by the Australian Christian Lobby. His Melbourne talk is sponsored by the Life, Marriage & Family Office.Cost: \$15 Bookings: http://bit.ly/1HTxmq1 Details: lmf@cam.org.au or 9287 5587

CATHOLIC CARE'S 80TH ANNIVERSARY GALA BALL

Thursday 10 September, 6.30pm, Plaza Ballroom, 191 Collins Street, Melbourne. To commemorate 80 years of caring for the less fortunate among us, CatholicCare has planned a very special night of celebration and they would love you to be a part of it. On Thursday 10 September, amid the elegant grandeur of the Plaza Ballroom, an exciting line-up of entertainment awaits. The live and silent auctions are guaranteed to thrill, but most importantly, Catholic-Care's Heavenly Gala Ball aims to raise \$100,000 to support families who are disadvantaged and marginalised. You can support CatholicCare by purchasing tickets to the Gala Ball, making a donation or donating an auction item. Cost: \$195 Details: Events Manager Angela Smith on 9926 5722 or angela.smith@ccam.org.au or www.ccam.org.au/galaball

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM

This week on The Journey we kick off the show as usual with the Gospel and Fr Richard Healey; Sr Hilda whose piece this week, "the selfie" is just brilliant; in Milk and Honey, Trish McCarthy explains a few things about right judgement and Bruce Downes The Catholic Guy chimes in with some great advice too. Go to www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

PARISH HALL:

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

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