CONVERSATION WITH MARY: A MONTH-LY GATHERING

Wednesday 15 June, 11am–12.30pm Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre, 362 Albert Street, East Melbourne 'Conversations with Mary' is a monthly gathering of people interested in prayer and reflection with Saint Mary MacKillop, facilitated by a Sister of St Joseph. The gathering begins at 11am in the chapel at the Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre and includes a light lunch, finishing at 12.30pm.Details: 9926 9300 or admin.mmhc@sosj.org.au

ST COLUMBA'S COLLEGE YEAR 7 2018 ENROLMENT DATES

Columba's College wishes to advise that it has amended the enrolment dates for Year 7 2018 as follows: Application for Enrolment closes Friday 16 September 2016 Offer of Enrolment mailed out Friday 14 October 2016 Offer of Enrolment to be accepted/declined by Friday 28 October 2016 Please visit the College website www.columba.vic.edu.au to download an Application for Enrolment form and for a list of College Tour dates. If you have any queries regarding enrolment, please contact the Registrar on 9331 9128 or email registrar@columba.vic.edu.au

PAST STUDENTS OF AVE MARIA COL-LEGE 'BACK TO AVE DAY'

Sunday 11th September 2016. Register your interest via the Events page on our website at www.avemaria.vic.edu.au Welcoming and honouring all classes from 1963 to 2015.

DON BOSCO WINTER HOLIDAY CAMPS

27 to 30 June (junior camp), 4 to 7 July (senior camp) 52–62 Dromana Parade, Safety Beach This year's Don Bosco Winter Holiday camps are on again. Junior camp is for those aged 9 to 13 years, senior for 13 to 16 year olds. All young people welcome. Details and bookings: www.donboscocamp.org.au or dbc@donboscocamp.org.au

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

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.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL PRESS

11th & 12th June 2016

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 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.

The Mercy of God

This weekend the Scripture readings (2 Samuel 12:7-10,13, Galatians 2:16,19-21 & Luke 7: 36-8:3) offer to us a rich expression of the forgiveness of God. In the Old Testament, Nathan, the prophet, relates to Kind David his turning away from the love of God who provided so much for him. David realises when confronted and says, "'I have sinned against the Lord.' Then Nathan said to David, 'The Lord, for his part, forgives your sin.'"

Jesus while dining with Simon, the Pharisee, criticized Jesus for allowing the woman, 'who had a bad name', to wash the feet of Jesus. The conversation which follows brings to us a very powerful reminder of how much Jesus loves and forgives us, especially when we acknowledge our faith in his forgiveness. Reflect upon these words of Jesus to Simon:

"It is the man who is forgiven little who shows little love". During this Year of Mercy we are invited to seek the forgiveness Jesus freely offers us. Are you able to say: "Lord, forgive the wrong I have done"? Entrance Antiphon: O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, forgive the wrong I have done.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! God first loved us and sent his Son to take away our sins. Alleluia!

<u>Communion Antiphon:</u> There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

Recent Deaths: Daniel Bury **Anniversaries:** Marie O'Brien

Thanksgiving: \$3648.40 **Presbytery:** \$1885.85

Rosters for next weekend 18th & 19th June

6.00 pm 8.30 am 10.30 am

Lectors:

J Harris F Boyle D Nicol

Special Ministers:

J Mammone Volunteer N Zanko, C Johnson

Offertory:

Marino family N McCartney Scavo Family

Counters: Transport:

K Porter, D Lane P Fox, M Green, P Waddington,

Flowers: Church Cleaning: Linen:

M Camilleri, M Hitchcock C Fox

Next week's Readings: Zech 12:10-11, 13:1; Gal 3:26-29; Lk 9:18-24

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Monday: St Anthony of Padua

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Tuesday: Ministers of the Eucharist Meeting in the Parish Centre at 10.30am & 7.30pm

Book Club in the Parish Centre at 1.00pm

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

Thursday: Parish Leadership Team Meeting in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm

RECENT BAPTISMS

Congratulations to **Mitchell McIntosh** and **Lachlan Grech** who were Baptised last weekend. May we remember them and their families in our prayers.

MASS & MORNING TEA

On Friday 17th June (changed from 10th) you are welcome to come and watch the film "Woman In Gold" after 10.00 am Mass. We will have a film with morning tea on the second Friday of the month. Come along and share with us in the Parish Centre.

CHURCH RENOVATIONS Weekly Church Update

The floor of the Nave has been sealed and looks stunning. (pity we have to bring back the pews!). Due to the sanding of the floor and sealing throughout the week little else has been undertaken this week. On Friday the basalt on the Sanctuary was cleaned and sealed. Updated photos are on view in the Hall.

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

The next set of Thanksgiving envelopes are available for collection. The envelopes are in alphabetical street order at the back of the hall. School families have gone home via the school. Please take your envelopes and those in your street or nearby. It would help if all were prepared to assist in the distribution of the envelopes.

If you are not contributing and would like to please contact the Parish Office or collect a Thanksgiving Form from the back of the Hall.

COMING EVENTS FOR OUR 75TH CELEBRATIONS

Celebrating the life of St Vincent de Paul

Guest Speakers presenting the 'Life of St Vincent de Paul', our Patron

Tuesday 21st June at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre - Fr Laurie McNamarra (Vincentian)

&

Wednesday 22nd June at 10.40 am in the Hall - Sr Debra McCarthy (Daughter of Charity)

'Monsieur Vincent'

The 1947 film on the life of St Vincent de Paul will be screened on **Friday 22nd July i**n the Parish Centre with Morning Tea/Supper at 10.45 am & 7.30 pm

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 will be available for purchase at the presentations on the life of St Vincent de Paul and the Screening of the film on the live of St Vincent. The are also available vis the Parish Office or send an email.

ANNUAL ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th – 70th wedding anniversary this year? The Life, Marriage & Family Office invite you and your families to join us at the Annual Anniversary Mass. The Mass will be celebrated at St Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday 31 July at 11am by Archbishop Denis Hart. Couples who register will receive commemorative certificates and packs. To register visit: www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily or contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on: 9287 5587/ Lmf@cam.org.au. Registrations close Friday 15 July.

If you would like to receive a certificate and not attending the Mass at the Cathedral, please complete the form collected from the back of the Hall or Parish Office and return by the 15th July. We will arrange the certificate for you.

Please note the new Parish Phone number 9412 8460. You may also like to visit our Parish Webpage cam.org.au/strathmore

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