# ST COLUMBA'S COLLEGE

Academic Excellence Scholarships St Columba's College is offering Academic Excellence Scholarships for prospective Year 7 2019 students, as well as Year 9 & Year 11 2018. Details and online registration are available on the College website at www.columba.vic.edu.au Registration closes Friday 28 April 2017.

**College Tours** All bookings for College Tours are now made online via the College website. Principal's tours are being conducted on Saturday 29 April at 9 am & 10:30 am.

For all other enrolment enquiries please contact the College Registrar on 9331 9128 or email registrar@columba.vic.edu.au

# NOTRE DAME PARIS CATHEDRAL OR-GANIST IN RECITAL

Friday 5 May, 6.30pm St Patrick's Cathedral, Cathedral Place, East Melbourne This recital, by visiting choir organist at Notre Dame Cathedral Paris, Johann Vexo, and chant soloist Damien Rivière, presents a rare opportunity to hear a magnificent miscellany of music for organ and voice from these illustrious French musicians. Cost: \$20 Details: Paul Taylor on 9926 5753 or paul.taylor@cam.org.au



#### Catholic Theological College Study Tour - Pilgrimage "The Experience of Catholic Culture"

21 Sept – 21 Oct 2017 Ireland, England, Germany and Italy. This tour is confirmed but there are still a few places available. Details on College website at www.ctc.edu.au/studytours

Contact: Rev. Dr Max Vodola or Dr Frances Baker rsm on (03) 94123333.

# *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**

15th & 16th April 2017 EASTER SUNDAY of the RESURRECTION of the LORD Year A The Weekly Bulletin of the Parish of St Vincent de Paul, Strathmore **Parish Priest:** Fr Peter J Ray **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**: 9412 8460 **Facsimile:** 9287 5536 St Vincent de Paul Primary School: Woodland Street, Strathmore, 3041 **Principal:** Mr Shane Byrne Telephone: 9379 5723 Facsimile: 9379 2389 Email: principal@systrathmore.catholic.edu.au Sunday Morning: 8.30 am & 10.30 am Sunday Mass: Saturday Vigil: 6.00 pm Weekday Masses: Tuesday - Saturday 10.00 am **Our Church is Open:** Tuesday - Friday 7.00 am - 5.00 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.

# May the celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord fill you with every blessing and peace.

# During these Easter days may we reflect on the love of our God for each one of us.

# May the peace and joy of Jesus Christ be with us all, throughout the days of Easter.

# **CATHOLICE CHURCH INSURANCE EASTER RAFFLE**

Catholic Church Insurance kindly donated an Easter Hamper to be raffled. Thank you to everyone who bought tickets. Congratulations to Usha Almond who won the raffle. **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.

**<u>Recent Deaths:</u>** Fay Powell (Funeral Mass Friday 10.00 am)

Anniversaries: Dennis O'Gorman, Adele O'Gorman

 Thanksgiving;
 \$2358.50
 Presbytery:
 \$1195.00

Rosters for next weekend 22nd & 23rd April:

6.00 pm	8.30am	10.30am
Lectors:		
M Henshall	B Hanley	M Chris
<u>Special Ministers:</u>		
T Dargan, K Ferguson	R McGowan, A Henshall	T Sequeira, G Johnson
Offertory:		
A Timmins	G Cronan	S La Vita
<u>Counters:</u>	<u>Transport:</u>	
M Schembri, Volunteer	M Green, D Meller, P Wadding	gton
Flowers:	Church Cleaning:	Linen:
A Scerri	Group B	T Sardo
Next week's Readings:	Acts 2:42-47; 1 Pet 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31	

## PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES

Project Compassion Boxes are know due to be returned. Thank you for your generosity.

## MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Wednesday: Faith Development Meeting in the Parish Centre at 4.30pm

## **RECENT BAPTISMS**

Congratulations to **Zoe Macheda** and **Ryder & Harper Williams** who were Baptised last weekend. May we remember them and their families in our prayers.

#### ST VINCENT de PAUL PRIMARY SCHOOL CELEBRATES 80 YEARS

This year St Vincent de Paul Primary School is celebrating 80 years. You are invited to help us celebrate by attending Mass on Sunday 21st May at 10.30am and then join us for an open morning to view the school. You are also invited to attend our 80 years celebration day on Wednesday 24th May at 10.15 to 1.30pm. We are asking parishioners if they would like to share photos and stories with the students. Flyers with more details are available in the porch of the Church.

## MASS FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS

The Life, Marriage & Family Office warmly invite all expectant mothers and their families to the Mass for Expectant Mothers. The Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Denis Hart at St Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday 14 May (Mother's Day) at 11.00am. Registrations can be made online at: www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily or alternatively by contacting: 9287 5587 or Imf@cam.org.au. Please note that registration closes on Friday 5 May. Expectant mothers who register will receive a small token of recognition.

# Easter Vigil - Gospel Matthew 28:1-10

After the sabbath, and towards dawn on the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala and the other Mary went to visit the sepulchre. And all at once there was a violent earthquake, for the angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled away the stone and sat on it. His face was like lightning, his robe white as snow. The guards were so shaken, so frightened of him, that they were like dead men. But the angel spoke; and he said to the women, 'There is no need for you to be afraid. I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here, for he has risen, as he said he would. Come and see the place where he lay, then go quickly and tell his disciples, "He has risen from the dead and now he is going before you to Galilee; it is there you will see him." Now I have told you.' Filled with awe and great joy the women came quickly away from the tomb and ran to tell the disciples.

And there, coming to meet them, was Jesus. 'Greetings' he said. And the women came up to him and, falling down before him, clasped his feet. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers that they must leave for Galilee; they will see me there.'

#### Scripture Reading for Easter Morning Masses First reading Acts 10:34,37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

#### Second reading Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

Gospel John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.' So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.