

MENALIVE WEEKEND: OCEAN GROVE

Saturday 28 and Sunday 29 November

Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic Primary School, John Dory Drive, Ocean Grove The menALIVE men's weekend is an opportunity for men to explore what makes them feel fully alive. During the weekend, the menALIVE team will share about their lives, the challenges they face and the hope they have discovered in seeking to walk this journey with God. The experience of the weekend is powerful and dynamic and many men are inspired and encouraged with a new sense of purpose and mission. The weekend is organised by men in your local community and conducted by an experienced team of menALIVE leaders. It is suitable for all men from 18 years of age. Rediscover God's presence in and purpose for your life. SATURDAY 8-8.45am registration 9pm end of day one Lunch and BBQ dinner provided SUNDAY 8.30am start 9am Mass 1.30pm finish Cost: \$60 (concession available). Included are workshops, morning and afternoon tea, lunch and dinner on the Saturday. Details: Xavier Kenworthy on 0428 497 489 or Matthew Joordens on 0418 139 781 or ogmenalive@hotmail.com

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM - AIRS 29 NOVEMBER 2015

This week on The Journey Fr Stephen Varney reflects on the Gospel of Mark 13:24-32; Sr Hilda Scott OSB in her segment reminds us about "The Comfort of God"; Sam Clear reminds us that God wants to transform us to become the message; Bruce Downes reminds us about the importance of "Sharing Faith" and Byron and Francene Pirola give us great tips on how to ensure a strong marriage. Go to www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

COLUMBAN CALENDAR

The 2016 Columban Art Calendar is now available at the Piety Stall for the special price of \$8.00. When you purchase the calendar, you are assisting the Columbans.

FRIDAY MORNING TEA

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

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

MAJELLAN CHRISTMAS CARDS

Majellan Christmas Cards are now available at the Piety Stall. A packet of 10 cards is \$6.00. Proceeds from the cards will aid Redemptorist overseas Missions.

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.



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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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.*

Christ the King - End of the Liturgical Year

Today marks the end of the Church's Liturgical Year as we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

The notion of Kingship is often misunderstood. We think of a king as ruler lord-ing it over ones subjects. The true meaning of King is one who serves and provides for ones subjects. A valued King is one who sacrifices oneself for others, making sure that all have the basic necessities for life.

Coming to the end of the Liturgical Year we contemplate the Kingship of Christ in these terms of one who sacrifices for us. Jesus giving himself so that we may have life in all its fullness as was the plan of the Father from the beginning of time.

As we ponder back through the year we give thanks for all the blessings we have received, even in difficult and troubled times, we can always be reassured that our God is ever present as a supporting Shepherd, bearing witness to the truth.

Entrance Antiphon: How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is king, he is robed in majesty.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Anniversaries: Margaret Hole, Desmond Hole

Thanksgiving: \$2218.50 **Presbytery:** \$1472.55

Rosters for next weekend 28th & 29th November

6.00 pm **8.30 am** **10.30 am**

Lectors

C Romano A Mucic M Sullivan

Special Ministers:

J Mammone, M Mollica M Thomas, M Gavaghan C Johnson, L Anderson

Offertory:

Hewitt Family D & L A'Hearn Gaston Family

Counters:

P Hill, G Delaney **Transport:** P Fox, G Johnson, E Sheppard

Flowers:

I Marino & A Mazza **Church Cleaning:** E Group **Linen:** T Giardina

Next week's Readings: Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thess 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Tuesday: Sts Andrew Dũng-Lac and companions

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Wednesday: Liturgy Team Meeting in the Presbytery at 7.30pm

Thursday: GodStart Meeting in the Parish Centre at 7.00pm

TUESDAY MASS TIME CHANGE

Mass on Tuesday 24th November, 1st & 8th December will be celebrated at 7.30 am. There will be not 10.00 am Mass, as Fr Peter will be attending Diocesan Meetings on those days.

RECENT BAPTISMS

Congratulations to **Francesca Ambrosino, Lyla Chaseling, Sophie & Max Gamble** and **Jude McCormick** who were Baptised last weekend. May we remember them and their families in our prayers.

SENIORS ANOINTING MASS AND LUNCHEON

Friday 4th December will be our Annual celebration to acknowledge our Seniors with Mass and the Sacrament of Anointing at 11.00 am followed by lunch in the Parish Centre. Booking forms are available in the porches. Please let those who are housebound know.

EVENING OF PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION & PEACE

As an expression of appreciation for your support of our Parish community this year I invite you to gather with us on Tuesday 15th December at 7.00 pm firstly in the Church for prayers for Reconciliation & Peace in our lives followed by Supper in the Parish Centre. As we are about to commence the 'Year of Mercy' you are welcome to gather with us. Please notify the Parish Office by phone or email.



ENCOUNTER 3

The Faith Development Group invites all parishioners and friends to Encounter 3 (for 2015) on the Papal encyclical 'Laudato Si' (On Care for Our Common Home). Special guest will be Fadi Elbarbar, Catholic School Social Justice Coordinator. A night for information and sharing on Tuesday 24 November, 7.15 - 9.00 pm in the Parish Centre. Refreshments provided. The Encounter Series has been popular with parishioners.

75TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR PARISH 1941-2016

The 75th Planning Committee for the celebration of our 75th next year is arranging a series of events to mark this special moment in our history. The timetable for the year will be published next week. An exciting series of events are programed for us to come and share the life of our Parish.

ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL ORGAN RECITAL

Saturday 28 November, 5-5.45pm St Patrick's Cathedral, Cathedral Place, East Melbourne John Mallinson, organist and former Director of Music at St Patrick's Cathedral, will play a program of organ music featuring composers Robert Schumann, WA Mozart, JS Bach, Louis Verne and Edward Elgar. In St Pat's magnificent acoustic, John will be playing the cathedral's extraordinary four-manual organ, built by George Fincham & Sons, an instrument imbued with a rich array of tonal colours and textures. It is sure to be a thrilling and inspiring recital! Cost: \$10 (\$5 concession) Details: paul.taylor@cam.org.au or 9926 5753

GLOBAL CLIMATE MARCH: PUBLIC RALLY

Friday 27 November, 5.30pm State Library, Corner Swanston and La Trobe Streets, Melbourne The Global Catholic Climate March, part of the larger global mobilisations happening in over 3,000 cities around the world, is an integral part of the Month of Climate Action, when Catholics everywhere will be asked like never before to put *Laudato Si'* into action. The rally will be addressed at 6pm by Cardinal Óscar Rodríguez, former President of Caritas Internationalis, and renowned defender of human rights. Cardinal Rodríguez is particularly active in the area of the impact of climate change on the world's poor.

ANNUAL LOURDES DAY MASS

Saturday 5 December, 10am St Patrick's Cathedral, Cathedral Place, East Melbourne The annual Lourdes Day Mass is held to pray for the sick, the infirm, the elderly and their carers. The Mass will be celebrated by His Grace Archbishop Denis Hart and he will be assisted by a number of concelebrants. The Order of Malta, which organises the Mass in conjunction with the Melbourne Archdiocese, will make available a gift pack containing water from the Lourdes grotto, rosary beads and some prayer material to all who attend the Mass. All are warmly invited to attend. Disability access is available at the Cathedral.

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Mission

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