

**SHINING A LIGHT ON ACCESSIBILITY -
VILLA MARIA AND TRANSURBAN OUT &
ABOUT FAMILY FUN DAY**

Sunday 30 November, 10am-3pm Albert Park
Victoria's biggest celebration of accessible communities is preparing to challenge community perceptions of social inclusion with a huge line up of all abilities and all ages activities. Out & About Ambassador, comedian Tim Ferguson, singer Kate Ceberano and Australian cricket legends Dean Jones and Damien Fleming will be joining the free community event that enables everyone to experience life as it should be – 100 per cent accessible. Some of Australia's top Paralympian's will be sharing their inspiring stories. There will be a range of free modified sports plus a 2km all abilities walk around Albert Park Lake. At 11am, we're aiming to create the largest all abilities Flash Mob to show that no matter a person's age or ability, everyone can participate and have fun. Throughout the day there will be free exercise classes including tai chi and chi ball, two minute massages, an animal farm, jumping castle and face painting. Great prizes are on offer for people who complete a Mission Possible activity passport. Participants access the activities for free when they collect a free wristband from the event area. More info:
www.outandaboutday.com.au

CATHOLIC BOOK CLUB

Friday 28 November, 7pm Caroline Chisholm Library, Level 3, 358 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne
Anyone interested in reading and discussing Catholic books and poetry is welcome to join our monthly meetings. In November we are discussing 'Superstition Corner' by Sheila Kaye-Smith (1934).
Contact: Paul Nixon on 0405 486 531 or
pwn@anthonycooperandco.com.au

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 PLAYFROUP

If you have preschool children, please join us on Thursdays between 9.00am and 11.00am in the Parish Centre for play, fun and conversation. For further details contact Fiona McIlDowney 0411 061 978 or just come along. NOTE the earlier start time.

***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

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Sunday Mass: **Saturday Vigil:** 6.00 pm **Sunday Morning:** 8.30 am & 10.30 am

Weekday Masses: Wednesday & Friday 10.00 am

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Open Monday - Friday 9.00 am - 3.00 pm for private prayer

Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation: Friday 9.30 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.*

What is before us!

As we come to the end of the Liturgical Year we contemplate the universality of all creation. In no other age have we been so informed about the universe and the complexity of that which is beyond and around us. The astronomers and the crafts that we have launched to travel far and wide bring us daily new discoveries that lay beyond what we can see, over a thousand light years away. Through revelation we know that God is the creator of all matter and offers us the opportunity to be aware and share in creation. The wonder and beauty of creation must bring us to ponder the complexity and unfathomable love of God. I'm sure that each of us is moved by the beauty that surrounds us as we watch the documentaries bringing the unknown world into our lives. Jesus offers us a share in all of creation and today's Gospel reminds each of us very clearly how we are called to respond, as the disciple asked: "When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothed you; sick or in prison and go to see you?"

We come before our God and seek the understanding and insight into the love he has for us and his invitation to follow.

Entrance Antiphon: How worthy is the Lamb whom 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 my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!

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

Recent Deaths: Bruce Johnson

Anniversaries: Bryan A'Hearn

Thanksgiving: \$1848.50 **Presbytery:** \$1225.65

Rosters for next weekend

6.00 pm	8.30 am	10.30 am
<u>Lectors:</u> J Harris	K McCartney	J Nesci
<u>Special Ministers:</u> M Mollica, F Ferguson	A Henshall, M Thomas	C Picinich, R Legudi
<u>Offertory:</u> T & J Scott	N McCartney	Scavo Family
<u>Counters:</u> A Monaghan, D Lane	<u>Transport:</u> J Fraser, E Sheppard, M Sullivan	
<u>Flowers:</u> R Attard	<u>Church Cleaning:</u> B Group	<u>Linen:</u> C Fox
<u>Next week's Readings:</u>	Is 63:16-17, 64:1,3-8; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Mk 13:33-37	

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Monday: St Andrew Dung Lac

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Thursday: GodStart Team Meeting at 7pm

RECENT BAPTISMS

Congratulations to **Eve Macheda** and **Liam Smith** who were Baptised last weekend. May we remember them and their families in our prayers.

MASS OF THE ANOINTING AND LUNCHEON

All are invited to come to St Vincent de Paul Church for the celebration of the Sacrament of Anointing and prayers for the sick and senior parishioners of our community. Mass will be celebrated on **Friday 5th December at 11am** followed by lunch in the Parish Centre. To help us to prepare for this celebration forms are available in the porches of the Church. Please return the form by the 30th November, to the boxes in the porches of the Church.

MONISTERS ROSTERS

The next roster for the months of December through to February, in name order, are available on the table in the east transept of the Church. The transport roster is also available. For those with children in the School the roster has been distributed via the children. The roster is also available on the Parish website. Thank you for your assistance.

PRAYER & SUPPER EVENING

Dear Parish Family,

In appreciation for your support I would like to offer my gratitude to you for your involvement within our Parish Community throughout this last year.

You and your family are invited together with our community to gather firstly, in the Church to pray with and for each other, seeking the strength of our God in preparation for Christmas, on Tuesday evening 16th December at 7.00 pm and secondly, followed by light refreshments in the Parish Centre and grass beside the Adventure Playground, weather permitting at about 7.30 pm. This evening will be an opportunity for us to gather together in prayer, for Reconciliation and Peace in our lives, acknowledging God's gifts and seeking his strength and then afterwards in an informal way for a chat and a drink as we draw close to Christmas.

I invite you and your family to share this evening with me and our fellow parishioners.

For catering purposes would you kindly notify the Parish Office by telephone or email.

With every blessing in Christ, Fr Peter

LOURDES DAY MASS 2014

Saturday 6 December, 10.30am St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne
The Order of Malta Australia and the Development Office of the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne invite you to the Lourdes Day Mass, a mass for the sick and fragile in our community. To be celebrated by Most Reverend Denis Hart DD, Archbishop of Melbourne. A blessing of the sick will follow the celebration of the Liturgy with water brought from the spring at the Shrine of Lourdes. Gift bags for all attendees including a bottle of Lourdes water, Rosary beads and more. Wheelchair access by the side door of Albert St - vehicles can approach this entrance. Contact: 9926 5731

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 7th December at 11.00am. Registrations can be made online at: www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily or alternatively by contacting: 9287 5579 or Lmf@cam.org.au. Please note that registration closes on Friday 28th November. Expectant mothers who register will receive a small token of recognition.

2015 COLUMBAN CALENDARS

The calendars are available at the Piety Stall for \$9.00 each. Sales of the Calendars support the mission activities of the Columbans in poor communities.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Christmas Cards are now available at the Piety Stall. \$4.00 for a packet of 5 cards and \$6.00 for a packet of 8 cards.

Vision

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Mission

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