IT FEELS LIKE HOME' HIGH TEA

Saturday 16 May, 2–5pm St Joseph's Home, 112B St Georges Rd, Northcote The Little Sisters of the Poor invite you, family, friends and other supporters, to join us for High Tea. On arrival, you will be served with a glass of sparkling wine or sparkling fruit punch, then a wonderful array of foodtraditional scones, sayoury temptations and sweet delights-to be served with a selection of tea and coffee. There will be live musical entertainment consisting of three acts: an opera singer, a piano player accompanied by two singers from Melbourne University, and a 'Triple J Unearthed' indie/pop female artist. Additional fundraising will also be on offer on the day to help you spoil yourself: a silent auction, raffle and a community lottery-the lucky winner gets a car. We would like to welcome you into our home at St Joseph's and look forward to sharing this special day with you all. The funds raised will help us to expand St Joseph's Home, so we can care for the elderly and disadvantaged, who are most in need. Bookings: www.trybooking.com/127954

Details: Sr Velonika on 9489 8444 or at admin1.mel@lsp.org.au, or Karen Butler on 0402 436 104 or at karen.e.butler@bigpond.com.au

PROGETTO CORELLI (AKA CORELLI PROJECT)

Sunday 3 May, 3pm St John the Baptist Catholic Church, 61 Queens Pde, Clifton Hill Come along and hear some beautiful Baroque music performed by talented, classically-trained musicians at this little concert hosted by Our Lady of the Southern Cross Parish, Clifton Hill/ Collingwood. The program includes pieces by Bach, Corelli and Teleman. Entry by voluntary donation. Details: progretto.corelli@gmail.com

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 PLAYFROUP

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.

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

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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 Acting Principal: Mr Shane Byrne Telephone: 9379 5723 Facsimile: 9379 2389 Email: principal@systrathmore.catholic.edu.au Sunday Mass: Saturday Vigil: 6.00 pm Sunday Morning: 8.30 am & 10.30 am Weekday Masses: Tuesday - Friday 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.

ANZC & the Shepherd

Jesus says, "I am the good shepherd" and then shares a story about a shepherd who looks after his sheep, protecting and supporting them so that they are safe and well.

Jesus then goes on to say that he is the good shepherd, like the shepherd looking after the sheep, who knows us and is prepared to give his life, to lay down his life, for us.

This weekend as we reflect on the landing of the ANZACs at Gallipoli one hundred years ago are thoughts go back to the men who were like shepherds seeking to protect and bring peace, love and welfare back into a world divided by war. They to were prepared to lay down their lives for us. As they have loved us we too love them for the sacrifices they were prepared to endure for us.

We not only remember those who lost their lives, we also remember those who came home and continued to forge ahead, striving to rebuild their lives and those of their families, as they like Christ, took up their lives to offer love and peace. **Entrance Antiphon:** The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

<u>Responsorial Psalm:</u> The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

<u>Gospel Acclamation</u>: Alleluia, Alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

<u>Communion Antiphon:</u> The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

Recent Deaths:	Ivan Gardne	r	
Anniversaries:	James Youn	g, John Reynolds	
Thanksgiving;	\$3369.50	Presbytery : \$1134.40	
Rosters for next weekend 2nd & 3rd May			
6.00 pm		8.30 am	10.30 am
Lectors:			
M Henshall		B Hanley	G Johnson
Special Ministers:			
J Mammone, T Dar	gan	M Gauci, A Henshall	C Johnson, L Anderson
Offertory:			
H & R Pless		C Attard	M Scarpino
Counters:		<u>Transport:</u>	
M Schembri, D Lar	ne	P Fox, J Fraser, P Waddington	1
Flowers:		Church Cleaning:	Linen:
R Attard		C Group	A Sullivan
<u>Next week's Readi</u>	ngs:	Acts 9:26-31; 1 Jn 3:18-24; J	n 15:1-8

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Tuesday:St Peter ChanelWednesday:St Catherine of SienaSaturday:St Athanasius

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Monday:
Thursday:Card Group in the Parish Centre at 12.15pmPastoral Leadership Team Meeting in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm

RECENT BAPTISMS

Congratulations to **Dante Barone, Lucas Mangano, Rafa Portia** and **Levi Watts** who were Baptised last weekend. May we remember them and their families in our prayers.

PROJECT COMPASSION RECEIPTS

For those who requested receipts these are available for collection from the Piety Stall.

REAL, LOVE, CARE AND COMPASSION, THE ALTERNATIVE TO EUTHANASIA

The Australian Bishops Conference has produced a leaflet offering reflections and facts on euthanasia. Today there is a real challenge to the dignity of life and this informative leaflet helps us to consider the value and respect we offer, especially to those who are elderly and suffering in illness. The leaflets are available in the east porch of the Church. You are welcome to take one.

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.

PARISH SENIORS SOCIAL GROUP

An excursion to Cranbourne Botanic Gardens is planned for Monday 18th May. All Parishioners are invited. Approximate cost \$35.00 to cover bus hire. A café for tea, coffee and light snacks is available. Also bus tour for those unable to walk is \$6.00 concession. For bookings contact: Therese Dargan 9379 5661, Eileen Sheppard 9379 7898, Alma Henshall 9379 1047 or Keith Foletti 9379 4920. Bookings strictly close Monday 4th May.

STORIES JESUS TOLD: THE PARABLES

Mondays 11 May to 22 June, 6.30–8.30pm (excluding public holiday on 8 June) Mary Glowery House, 132 Nicholson St, Fitzroy This six week course presented by Anima Education will study the stories Jesus told, the 'parables'. With these stories Jesus not only talked about the Kingdom of God, but actually made the Kingdom of God present by announcing it and inviting his hearers to make the radical choice of faith to enter into it. As we hear these stories today, Jesus continues to address us with the same challenge. The lecturer will be David Schütz BTh BA GradDip Min, GradDip LIM. Cost: \$15 per night or \$90 for the whole course. Enrolments and enquiries: 0400 978 938 or david.schutz@cam.org.au

REASONS FOR HOPE A CONVERSATION BETWEEN TWO FRANCISCAN BISH-OPS ON FINDING THE GOOD NEWS IN THE FAITH AND LIVES OF ORDINARY PEOPLE

Thursday 14 May, 7–9pm All Saints Church, 174 Brunswick St, Fitzroy Join us at a special thanksgiving prayer service where Bishop Vincent Long OFMConv will interview Wilfrid Cardinal Napier OFM (Durban, South Africa) on 'Finding the Good News in the faith and lives of ordinary people.' Then, be uplifted by the angelic voices of the Vietnamese Choir of Melbourne! A light supper will follow. RSVP: Friday 8 May to the Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation on 9926 5761 or evangelisation@cam.org.au.

MENALIVE IN THE CITY: SEARCHING FOR MEANING AND AUTHENTICITY

Thursday 28 May, 6–7.45pm St Joseph's Hall, 631 Bourke St, Melbourne (beside St Augustine's Church) When was the last time you felt fully alive? MenALIVE in the City is an opportunity for men to get together and explore the things that matter. Details: 0439 172 465 or michael.bohan@menalive.org.au

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 31 May at 11.00am. Registrations can be made online at: www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily or alternatively by contacting: 9287 5587 or Lmf@cam.org.au. Please note that registration closes on Friday 22 May. Expectant mothers who register will receive a small token of recognition.

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