FOUND KEY

A key was found outside the School Hall after Mass last Sunday. Please contact the Parish Office

MELBOURNE PREMIERE SCREENING: HARD TO BELIEVE

Thursday 18 August, 7.15pm, Federation Hall, 5/7 -17 Grant Street, Southbank Saturday 20 August, 2.30pm, Victoria University, Level 9, 300 Flinders Street. Melbourne Join us for the Melbourne premiere screening of *Hard to believe*, which presents a serious investigation into one of the most horrifying medical crimes of our time—organ harvesting. Directed by Ken Stone, the film questions why so few people are paying attention to this crime. Find out why doctors become murderers and why the world is turning a blind eye. Following the film, a panel of featured speakers including Ethan Gutmann (human-rights investigator and author) and Dr Adnan Sharif (Secretary of Doctors against Forced Organ Harvesting) will discuss organ harvesting, particularly in China, where over a million people are said to have been murdered for their organs since the year 2000. Refreshments provided. Cost: \$20 Bookings: (Thursday) http://tiny.cc/prgxcy, (Saturday) http:// tiny.cc/jsgxcy Details: 0404 590 771

KIMBERLEY CATHOLIC VOLUNTEER SERVICE

URGENTLY WANTED: VOLUNTEER WORKERS

The Diocese of Broome, WA, requires volunteers to assist with the work of the local Church on Aboriginal Missions. We are currently urgently seeking a couple to assist the Priest in the community of Balgo and a couple to manage the Warmun Retreat Centre over the wet season. There are several other roles also available. Placements are preferred for a period of 6 months. For further details, and an application form, please contact: Volunteer Coordinator Anneliese Rohr: 0415 526 142 Email: volunteers@broomediocese.org

Web: www.broomediocese.org

Mail: PO Box 76, BROOME WA 6725

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.

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

What is your treasure?

"Watch and be on your guard against avarice of any kind" Jesus warns in today's Gospel.

The parable which Jesus told is most apt for us today, indeed any age. The parable invites us to consider that which is of real value. It challenges us to consider whether we build up empires and wealth, which do not last, that we cannot take with us. As Jesus then continues, 'So it is when a man stores up treasure for himself in place of making himself rich in the sight of God.'

So what is it we need to consider? Maybe it is the challenge to consider am I just building treasure for myself to enjoy or do I use that which I have acquired to be there for the other. I would think Jesus in saying, 'rich in the sight of God' means looking to Jesus as a way of life - love the other as you love yourself or use that which you have, to be there for the other. Storing and acquiring wealth to live a life of comfort is self centered. We are invited to be other centered, to give and share what we have for and with the other. May we take time to reflect on what we are really storing up as a treasure.

Entrance Antiphon: O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay.

Responsorial Psalm: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

Jack Pattison (Father of John), Anne Jones **Recent Deaths:**

Anniversaries:

Thanksgiving: \$2830.50 **Presbytery:** \$995.10

Rosters for next weekend 6th & 7th August

8.30 am 10.30 am 6.00 pm

Lectors:

S Crombie F Boyle M Sullivan

Special Ministers:

A Mammone R McGowan C Johnson, L Anderson

Offertory:

R & A Hutcheon **B** Evans Lo Giudice Family

Counters: Transport:

P Hill, D Nichol D Meller, M Sullivan, P Waddington **Church Cleaning:** Flowers: Linen: C Picinich

E Sheppard

Next week's Readings: Wis 18:6-9: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19: Lk 12:32-48

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Monday: St Alphonsus Liguori

Wednesday: St Dominic Thursday: St John Vianney

MASS AT 7.30am

This Tuesday, the 2nd August Fr Peter will celebrate Mass at 7.30am. There will be no Mass at 10.00am.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

St Vincent de Paul Society Meeting in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm Monday:

Wednesday: Craft Group in the Parish Centre at 10.30am

Thursday: GodStart Committee Meeting in the Parish Centre at 7.00pm

1st HOLY COMMUNION

This weekend we welcome the 1st Holy Communion Candidates and their families to our weekend Masses, as they prepare to receive Jesus in Holy Communion.

CHURCH RENOVATIONS **Weekly Church Update**

During the week the organ continues to be reinstalled. The audio and visual together with the electrical upgrade has continued. The new joinery is almost fully installed in the Sacristies and the new kitchenette at the rear of the Church (the old Baptistery come Piety Stall). The plumbing works will be completed soon.

The new data projectors, audio and lighting will provide us up to date systems.

The relocation of the organ offers an enhanced and more encompassing sound.

The photos this week offer an update even though little can be seen that is different.

WE NEED YOUR ASSISTANCE

As we about to move back into our Church our Liturgy Team need your assistance.

Firstly with the new projectors, equipment and software to present words and images we need your assistance to form a support group to oversee the weekly presentations in the Church. The data will be setup in the Parish Office during the week. We would appreciate your support to help run the laptop during our Masses. Please contact Fr Peter or Patricia in the Parish Admin to express an interest or leave your name on the clipboard at the back of the Hall. Training will be provided to use software we will use called 'Free Worship', which is simple to use, yet powerful in providing our needs.

Secondly, if you would like to consider supporting us as a Lector, Commentator or Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist we would love you to let us know.

Thirdly, as we will have the provision to have a cup of tea or coffee after Mass in the Narthex, we would like to establish a roster, to provide this outreach support. Please consider and we will invite your interest in the coming weeks.

Fourthly, with the relocation of the statue of St Vincent de Paul to the old right-hand confessional beside the east entrance to the Church, we will place a memorial book at the feet of St Vincent. If you would like to remember deceased past parishioners or family members in this book you are invited to submit these to the Parish Office. We require names to be printed clearly with the month of anniversary. A clipboard is also available in the Hall to place the names and months of those you would like remembered.

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Thursday 8th September School Musical Moonee Valley 7.00 pm

Ticketed School Musical with a 75th Anniversary flavour

Tuesday 27th September Mass Feast of St Vincent de Paul 10.00 am & 7.00 pm with Archbishop Denis Hart, celebrating our Feast Day

Friday 7th October School St Vincent de Paul Day 10.00 am Mass School Children Celebrating the 75th Anniversary of our Parish

Sunday 23rd October Tennis Comp St Vincent's Tennis Club Round Robin 2.00 pm Tennis Club A Round Robin event for the 75th anniversary

Wednesday 2nd November Masses All Souls Day

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed 10.00 am & 7.00 pm School/Parish Remembering those who have died from our community over 75 years

Saturday 9th November Fete Day

BYO & Friends In the School Grounds

Friday 2nd December Seniors Mass with Anointing & Luncheon

11.00 am Mass with the seniors of our Parish with Yr 6 children with lunch to follow in the Parish Centre

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