# St. Joseph's Parish, Northcote

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#### **Weekday Mass Times:**

8.45am-9.10am Rosary, followed by 9.15am Mass on Tuesday—Friday.

## **Weekend Mass Times:**

**5:30pm:** Saturday—Vigil Mass.

**8.45am:** Sunday—Italian/English Mass.

10.30am: Sunday—Family Mass.

## **Parish Office hours:**

#### Tue-Fri 10am-3.30pm

You may contact the office at any time and leave a message when the office is unattended on 94898008 and and Fr. Minh or Secretary will get back to you as soon as possible.

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

**Saturdays:** 5.00pm or feel free to phone

Fr Minh.

#### **First Wednesday of the Month:**

7.00pm: Baptism Preparation

Meeting in the Church. Appointment Required.

#### **Last Friday of the Month:**

**2.00pm:** Seniors' Mass at the Parish Cen-

tre.

## **Catholic Religious Education:**

**Wednesday:** 4.00pm—5.00pm R.E. classes for State Primary and Secondary School children in the Parish House.

## **ROSTERS:**

### <u>SATURDAY: 29/06 5:30pm</u>

**Commentator:** Yvonne Susanto **Reader:** Sr Therese Denny

**Communion Minister:** Lahiru Perera &

Nadeesha Wijerathne

Musician in charge: Peter Jordan

Sunday: 30/06 8.45am

**Commentator:** Cesarina Zampieri

**Reader:** Kevin Fell

**Communion Minister:** Lucinda Exposto

#### **SUNDAY: 30/06 10.30am**

Commentator: Christiane Khalil

Reader: John Horacek

**Communion Minister:** Milindha de Mel &

Rosanna de Mel

Musician in charge: Nick McKinnon

#### **CHURCH CLEANING (17th June)**

No church cleaning during the renovations

### Thank you for your generous support of our parish:

1st Collection: House: \$435.50

2nd Collection: Thanksgiving: \$ 712.00

**Recently Deceased:** Fr Paul Thien, Maria Giang & Nadim Majid Kairouz **Death Anniversaries:** Haifai Moussa Fakhry & Boutros Saleh Fakhry Sick: Mary Thao

#### **Diary Reminders:**

**Frid 28th June—**2pm—Seniors Mass in the Parish centre

**Sat 29th & Sun 30th June—**Peter's Pence—annual collection for the Holy Father

The church renovations will be postponed until we work out the new cost and how we will raise the money to pay for it.

Sunday Mass will be held in the Parish Centre until further notice



Heart of Life Spirituality Centre at 96 Albion Road, Box Hill, is offering a "Retreat in Everyday Life – an 'at home' retreat" – over five weeks,

beginning Monday, 5 August and concluding 2 September.

During this time, you are invited to spend some time in prayer at home each day pondering your experiences of the day, and on Mondays to come to Heart of Life between 1.15 pm - 2.15 pm to reflect with a spiritual companion on how God might have been present for you.

To register your interest, please call 9890 1101 or email holsc@bigpond.com, no later than Monday 29 July.

## From the Child Safety Officer

### What does it mean to be a Child Safe Parish? (part 1)

There are eight principles that underpin our commitment to child safety at St Joseph's. The first four principles are:

- Our parish has zero tolerance of child abuse.
- All children are entitled to, as a fundamental right, safety and protection from all forms of abuse and neglect.
- Our parish works in partnership with families and the community to ensure that they are engaged in decision-making processes, particularly those that have an impact on child safety and protection.

All adults in our parish have a responsibility to care for children and young people, to positively promote their wellbeing and to protect them from any kind of harm or abuse.

Naomi Brammer

#### **Run Melbourne**

MacKillop Family Services is inviting members of our community to join us in raising funds to support vulnerable children and families by taking part in Run Melbourne, one of the biggest fundraising events in Melbourne, on 28 July. To create a fundraising page visit runmelbourne2019.everydayhero.com/au/ mackillop-family-services/get-started, but don't forget to register and pay your entry fee at <u>events.solemotive.com/run-melbourne/</u>. The first 50 individuals to raise at least \$100 for our cause will receive a MacKillop active tee to wear at the event!

### **Open House Melbourne**

This year's Open House Melbourne will feature one of Australia's oldest orphanages at 237 Cecil Street, South Melbourne. Formerly St. Vincent's Boys Orphanage, tours of this historic site will offer a rare insight into institutional care throughout the 1800s and 1900s.

Currently home to MacKillop Family Services, the building features many historic details including an impressive stain glass windowed chapel and a heritage centre showcasing the life stories of many who passed through its doors.

Saturday 27 July 2018 Date:

10.30 am - 3.30 pm (45-minute tours will run every 30 minutes) Time: Venue: MacKillop Family Services, 237 Cecil Street, South Melbourne VIC 3205

## Corpus Christi (Body and Blood of Christ)- Year C

First Reading: Gen 14:18-20 Second Reading: 1 Cor 11:23-26 Gospel: Lk 9:11-17

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those who were in need of healing.

It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to him and said, 'Send the people away, and they can go to the villages and farms round about to find lodging and food; for we are in a lonely place here.' He replied, 'Give them something to eat yourselves.' But they said, 'We have no more than five loaves and two fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. But he said to his disciples, 'Get them to sit down in parties of about fifty.' They did so and made them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the blessing over them; then he broke them and handed them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd. They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve baskets.

# Reflection on the Gospel

## **Celebrating the Hospitality of God**

The Gospel for today's feast very appropriately tells of the divine hospitality Jesus provided for thousands of people, multiplying loaves and fishes to feed them (Luke 9:11-17).

The twelve apostles, genuinely concerned, for the crowd, make a practical suggestion. Send the people away to find food and lodging for the night. Jesus throws back the challenge: "You provide them with food". They are aghast. In human terms hospitality on such a scale is impossible. But Jesus is going to make them ministers of the hospitality of God.

The people are made to sit down in groups—a clear signal that they are about to be fed. Then, invoking heaven (to show the divine source), blessing and breaking the loaves and fishes (the language has clear Eucharistic echoes), Jesus miraculously makes it possible for the Twelve to feed the entire crowd—not merely adequately but so abundantly that even after all had eaten each of the Twelve has a full basket of broken pieces left over. God is never niggardly in hospitality; on the contrary, overflowing abundance is its mark.

It is significant that in the supply of food Jesus himself does not deal directly with the crowd. He leaves the distribution entirely to the disciples. He is apprenticing them to be ministers of God's hospitality themselves when, after his ascension, he is physically removed from the scene. In this way the episode foreshadows the Christian Eucharist, the rite in which the Church will experience and celebrate God's hospitality as a foretaste of the banquet of the Kingdom.

Brendan Byrne

#### FR ROB GALEA 'COMING HOME' CONCERT TOUR

Fr Rob Galea is an ordained Catholic Priest, a singer and songwriter who has been featured in national newspapers, magazines & TV shows around the world.

He will be performing songs from his latest album, his eighth music production, 'Coming Home'

The tour will be Catholic music as you have not heard before in a new contemporary style for Fr Rob and his band. A quality and uplifting presentation of Christian music that will have you singing along from the start to the finish.

#### Sunday 14th July at 5pm at The Clocktower Centre, Moonee Ponds

Tickets available at www.frgministry.com/tickets