

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF MENTONE - PARKDALE



SAINT PATRICK - SAINT JOHN VIANNEY

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Year A) : 2nd February 2020

FATHER MICHAEL'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends, I present three more key points from Pope Francis' letter on the Holy Scriptures.

Third, the **INSPIRATION** of the Scriptures and the risk of **FUNDAMENTALISM**. "The role of the Holy Spirit in the Scriptures is primordial. Without the work of the Spirit, there would always be a risk of remaining limited to the written text alone. This would open the way to a fundamentalist reading." (AI #9)

The inspiration of the Scriptures continues in the living contact that every reader – be they pope or preacher or pauper – has with the Spirit as they read the text. We need to have confidence in the working of the Holy Spirit as he continues in his own way to provide "inspiration ... whenever each believer makes them the norm of his or her spiritual life." (AI #10)

Fourth, **TRADITION**. It is sometimes forgotten that, before becoming a written text, the word of God was handed down orally and kept alive by the faith of a people. ... Biblical faith, then, is based on the living word, not on a book. The **CANON OF SCRIPTURE**, that is the list of authoritative books, was settled by the Church only in the fourth century.

There is continuous interaction between the written scriptures and the living Tradition present in magisterial definitions, scholars' consensus, and the prayerful reflection of the faithful.

"The written character of the Scriptures takes nothing away from its being fully a living word; ... in the same way, the Church's living

Tradition, which continually hands that word down over the centuries from one generation to the next, possesses that sacred book as the 'supreme rule of her faith'". (AI #11)

Fifth, the **BOOK OF THE FAITHFUL PEOPLE OF GOD**. The faithful draw daily nourishment from God's word. We become, like Jesus, a contemporary of all those whom we encounter: we are not tempted to fall into sterile nostalgia for the past, or to dream of ethereal utopias yet to come. (AI #12)

"Sacred Scripture accomplishes its prophetic work above all in those who listen to it. It proves both sweet and bitter." (AI #12)

"The sweetness of God's word leads us to share it with all those whom we encounter." (AI #12)

"Its bitterness, in turn, often comes from our realization of how difficult it is to live that word consistently, or our personal experience of seeing it rejected as meaningless for life." (AI #12)

"The Bible is the book of the Lord's people, who, in listening to it, move from dispersion and division towards unity. The word of God unites believers and makes them one people." (AI #4)

Concluding his homily for the Sunday of the Word of God, Pope Francis appealed: "let us make room inside ourselves for the word of God! Each day, let us read a verse or two of the Bible. Let us begin with the Gospel: let us keep it open on our table, carry it in our pocket or bag, read it on our cell phones, and allow it to inspire us daily."



The AFA is holding a film fundraiser with the screening of *A Hidden Life*, the real-life story of unsung hero, Franz Jägerstätter, who refused to fight for the Nazis in World War II

Based on real events, from visionary writer-director Terrence Malick, *A HIDDEN LIFE* is the story of an unsung hero, Franz Jägerstätter, who refused to fight for the Nazis in World War II. When the Austrian peasant farmer is faced with the threat of execution for treason, it is his unwavering faith and his love for his wife Fani and children that keeps his spirit alive

Don't miss this rare opportunity to see a truly inspiring film highlighting courage and sacrifice.

WHEN: Sunday, 16 February, 2020

WHERE: Palace Balwyn Cinema, 231 Whitehorse Road, Balwyn

TIME: 2PM

ENQUIRIES: Maria Lusby 0438 088 681

Book through:-
<https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=585553&>

All money raised will go to the work of the AFA.

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Notices for Parish Bulletin to the Parish Office by 12 noon Thursday

Recently Deceased

Leonie Clarke, Stanislaw Ciezarek

Anniversaries

Catherine Corry, Carmel Phillips, Jim Noble, Terrance Brennan, Jose Malho, Maria Branco, James Grealish, Generoso Desumma

Prayer for the Sick



Deacon Dr Joe Leach, Elaine Young, Catherine Ternent, Gerald Kenny, Clodagh Dowley, Maroa Shelton, Paul Geri, Lisa Ambrosi, Nick Quill, Theresa Ahearn, Kathleen Cerato, Ron Brown, Nancy

Lopez, Yvonne Provis, Lindsay Brown, Jayden Beyrooti, Darren Lacey, Ann Curtain, Greg McLeod, John Hannan, Maureen Oswald, Jim Lacey, Patricia Walker, Rita Buckner, Carmen Lotzniker, Hector Burra, Patricia Power, Nanette Woodbridge, Sebastian Wolfenden, Ellen Farrugia-Merlo, Anthony Mannion, Peter Zickert.
(PLEASE LET US KNOW IF A NAME SHOULD BE REMOVED)

Prayer / Meditation

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Each day the Church is open from 8:30am to 6:00pm. Please choose a time (1/2 hour) to spend in Adoration.

Each Friday the Blessed Sacrament is exposed

for adoration following the 9:15am Mass until 4:30pm, when Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is given.



Rosary:

1. In St Patrick's Church the Rosary is prayed each day before morning Mass at 8:45am. All welcome.

2. The Rosary is also prayed on Thursday after 10:30am OLSC Mass and on Wednesday evenings, 5pm at Bridie's (9585 5142).



Divine Mercy Devotions:

Are held in St Patrick's Church each Friday at 3:00pm, with the exception of Good Friday.

1st Collection:

Presbytery: \$1,472.60

2nd Collection:

Thanksgiving: \$3,934.25
Loose Money: \$309.55

Vocation View

Christ is 'the light to enlighten all nations'. How are you called to help him bring that light to the world? Pray to discern your vocation.

Pray for Vocations

Pope's Intentions: January 2020

Promotion of World Peace

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

Parish Events

Parish Social BBQ

Save The Date, Mark Your Diary

Friday

14th February 2020

from 6:00pm to 8:30pm.

Venue:-

Lawns at St Patrick's Parish Centre. **BYO** food, drinks & foldable chairs or rugs.
An initiative of the Mentone KSC



MenAlive/KSC

Eddie Woods invites all the MenAlive/KSC men to see the Racing Car Museum next to his workshop. 10am onwards, food provided, **Saturday 8th February**. Mark your diary.

The Bible Study and Sharing Group

The Bible Study and Sharing Group will resume their sessions on Thursday 6th February at 2pm in the Parish Centre.

New Members are also welcome.

Sr Mary Joseph Sze spc



CUPPA & CHAT

Come along following morning Mass each Sunday (open after 9.30am Mass) to enjoy a Cuppa & Chat in the comfort of the new **Parish Community Centre**.

8/9 FEBRUARY 2020

Parish of Mentone-Parkdale

Rosters

Readers:

6:00 pm - N Hadzi (SP)
9:00 am - K Mooney, K Swadling (SJV)
11:00 am - S Dassanayake (SP)
5:00 pm - K Ady (SP)

Extraordinary Ministers:

6:00 pm - T Dillon, J Dillon (SP)
9:00 am - N Perazzo (SJV)
11:00 am - S Henning, A Earle (SP)
5:00 pm - C Giosis (SP)

Procession of Gifts:

6:00 pm - Marshall Family (SP)
9:00 am - Lowe Family (SJV)
11:00 am - D Zuccala, J Vernon (SP)

Extraordinary Minister to the Sick:

N Perazzo (SJV)

Flowers:

A Burn (SJV)

Counters: Team II

S & T Lavery, F & R Grijalvo, J Marshall
C Giosis, P Osboldstone

Sacristans:

St Patrick's - Group 3
M Zickett, K Lyons
St John Vianney's
J Dunstan

Pilgrim Statues:

This Week:

J Vernon, 3/4 Childers St (SP)

Next Week:

Price Family, 3/9 Childers St (SP)

This Week:

Tregonning Family (SJV)

Next Week:

Cracknell Family (SJV)

Adoration Roster:

Week I - Christ, The Priest

Parish and Diocesan News

Milly Camera resumed her studies on the first day of school at St John Vianney for 2020. We thank God for his blessings in the wonderful skill and care she received at the Royal Children's Hospital.



Thanks to Mark Williamson and skilled staff at McLeod Trees who brought the tree down in a day and a half operation. Each massive branch was winched to the ground without any damage at all.



Choir news

After a productive working bee, the St Patrick's Choir are very excited to be moving into their new home in the old Parish Office, with our first rehearsal in the new Choir Room last Thursday evening. Recently, we received a note from a parishioner praising the dedicated effort of the members of the choir. I would like to thank all parishioners for their support of the St Patrick's Choir. As a parish, we are very lucky to have a choir and organ — and now to have this well-equipped Choir Room to continue our efforts to create the 'stunning music and the joy it provides the parish'.

Myfanwy McIndoe, Director of Music

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Other Events

MELBOURNE OVERSEAS MISSION



Thank you for your support of our Annual Appeal Dec 7/8 2019. Projects for disadvantaged people in Papua New Guinea, Peru, Pakistan, Palestine and the many Islands in the Pacific have been funded by this appeal, providing clean water, health, education and improved living standards to those who would not otherwise have had this opportunity.

2020 STRENGTH IN WEAKNESS CONFERENCE

Day of Prayer

Saturday 15th February 2020, 9:00am - 6:30pm at the **Planetshakers Centre, 400 City Road, Southbank.** A day of prayer and renewal for all Christians to come together and be strengthened and encouraged in their faith. Encouraged by Pope Francis' message that we are all called to be saints, the underlying theme of the conference is to rely solely on God's grace and strength - especially in times when your faith could be questioned and challenged. Guest speakers will include Archbishop Peter A Comensoli, Archbishop Christopher Prowse, Fr Augustine Vallooran V. C, Lenyce Willason, Fr Ken Barker MGL and Lalith Perera. This is a **FREE** event! Register at www.strengthenweakness.com.au

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Mass Response

Psalm Response: Who is this king of Glory? It is the Lord!

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, Alleluia!**
This is light of revelation to the nations
and the glory of your people, Israel.
Alleluia!

Memorial Acclamation: We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection, until you come again.

Legend: "CWBII" Catholic Worship Book II

6:00 pm Vigil Mass (Saturday) - St Patrick's

Mass Setting: Mass in Honour of St Ralph Sherwin - Ostrowski
Entrance: CWBII 427
Offertory: CWBII 467
Communion: CWBII 227
Recessional: CWBII 410

9:00am (Sunday) - St John Vianney's

Mass Setting: Mass in Honour of St Ralph Sherwin - Ostrowski
Entrance: CWBII 427
Offertory: CWBII 467
Communion: CWBII 530
Recessional: CWBII 448

11:00am Choral Mass (Sunday) - St Patrick's

Mass Setting: Plainchant
Blessing of the candles: The Lord our God will come with
power to enlighten the eyes of his servants, alleluia.
Processional Hymn: CWBII 427
Credo: CWBII 62
Offertory: *Nunc dimittis* - Charles Wood
Communion: *Responsum accepit*
CWBII 467
Recessional: CWBII 503

5:00 pm (Sunday) - St Patrick's

Mass Setting: Mass in Honour of St Ralph Sherwin - Ostrowski
Entrance: CWBII 427
Offertory: CWBII 467
Communion: CWBII 530
Recessional: CWBII 503

Readings Next Week: 5th Sunday in Ordinary time: Year A

Isaiah : 58:7-10
I Corinthians: 2:1-5
Matthew: 5:13-16

MASSES THIS WEEK

(SP) St Patrick's Church; (SJV) St John Vianney's Church

WEEK DAY MORNING MASSES

Monday, 3rd February
NO MASS

Tuesday, 4th February
9:15 am (SP) 4th week in Ordinary Time
Opening School Mass (SP)
12:00 noon (SJV) Opening School Mass (SJV)

Wednesday, 5th February
9:15 am (SP) Memorial: St Agatha, virgin, martyr
10:30 am (SJV) Mass

Thursday, 6th February
9:15 am (SP) Memorial: St Paul Miki and companions
martyrs
10:30 am (SP) **Ordinariate Mass**

Friday, 7th February
9:15 am (SP) 4th week in Ordinary Time
5:15 pm (SJV) Mass

Saturday, 8th February
9:15 am (SP) Optional: St Jerome Emiliani

WEEKEND MASSES

(Vigil) Saturday: 6:00 pm (SP)
Sunday: 9:00 am (SJV)
Sunday: 9:30 am (SP) **Ordinariate Mass**
Sunday: 11:00 am (SP) (Choral Mass)
Sunday: 5:00 pm (SP)

RECONCILIATION

After the 9:15 am Mass on Wednesday & Saturday
mornings (SP) and 5:15 pm Saturday (SP)

**EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION
RESUMES this Friday 7th FEBRUARY 2020**