

TEA & COFFEE AFTER MASS NEXT WEEKEND

You are welcome to share a cup of Tea or coffee in the Narthex after each Mass. This is an opportunity for all to stay and enjoy a cuppa and chat after Mass on the second Sunday of each month. This is one way we can get to know those whom we see yet not sure who they are.

ST COLUMBA'S COLLEGE -YEAR 7 2020

A final reminder to parents if you currently have a daughter in Grade 5 and wish to enrol her at St Columba's College, please ensure that you have submitted an Application for Enrolment Form to the College. Forms can be downloaded from the website www.columba.vic.edu.au or contact the Registrar on 9331 9128.

Applications for Year 7 2020 close Friday 17 August 2018.

ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP FEAST DAY

Wednesday 8 August, 12.30pm Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre, 362 Albert Street, East Melbourne Join the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart in feast day celebrations of St Mary Mackillop. Mass will be celebrated at 12.30pm with light refreshments to follow.

Cost: Free Contact: admin.mmhc@sosj.org.au or 9926 9300

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK

The Church in Melbourne needs more priests and religious. Each one of us can do something about this. First-pray each day. A simple prayer may be the cause of one person saying 'yes'. Secondly –talk about the possibility of a vocation to others. Lend your voice to the call of the Lord.

VOLUNTEER WITH PALMS AUSTRALIA- TEACHERS ALWAYS REQUIRED!

East Timor needs Teachers – Ready to take your skills to new heights in the mountains of Timor? Contact Christine on 02 9560 5333. The parish and school community of Hatubulico have requested two volunteers: a Secondary Teacher/Mentor and a Community Development Mentor. For more opportunities, visit palms.org.au/volunteer Can't commit just yet but would like a look? Try a short Encounter tour to Timor Leste or Samoa- Call us 02 9560 5333 or go to palms.org.au/encounters

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

PIETY STALL

The Piety Stall has a wide selection of gifts and cards for Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation.



St Vincent de Paul Press

4th & 5th August 2018

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

The Weekly Bulletin of the Parish of St Vincent de Paul, 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

Our Church is Open: Tuesday - Friday 7.00 am - 5.00 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 does Jesus mean by saying 'Do not work for food that does not last'? He is saying that he is the one that lasts and sustains us for ever. (This weekend's Gospel)



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: The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Alleluia!

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

Recent Deaths: Bill Dolan

Anniversaries: Shirley Evans, Lorna Leyden, Rosemary Premier

Thanksgiving: \$4452.50 **Presbytery:** \$1314.45

Rosters for next weekend 11th & 12th August:

6.00 pm **8.30am** **10.30am**

Lectors:

B Duggan R Savage L Wilson

Special Ministers:

G Harris, F Ferguson A Henshall, R McGowan N Zanko, L Anderson

Tea/Coffee after Mass

M & M Green A Mucic, S Peiris Volunteer

Offertory:

T & S Comerford A Mucic Children's Liturgy

Counters:

S Peiris, B Tormey **Transport:**
M Green, D Meller

Flowers:

L Harrington, & L Shannon **Church Cleaning:** **Linen:**
Group B C Fox

Next week's Readings: 1 Kg 19:4-8; Eph 4:30-5: 2; Jn 6:41-51

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Monday: The Transfiguration of the Lord

Wednesday: St Mary of the Cross

Friday: St Lawrence

Saturday: St Clare

TUESDAY MASS THIS WEEK

On Tuesday Fr Peter will celebrate Mass at 7.30 am, there will be no 10.00 am Mass.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Wednesday: Parish Education Board Meeting in the School at 7.30pm

Friday: Fr Peter's Photos in the Parish Centre after the 10.00am Mass

CATHOLIC MISSION

Thank you to all who generously donated to the annual Catholic Mission-Propagation of the Faith appeal. A total of \$736.30 was collected.

FRIDAY PHOTOS & MORNING TEA

Fr Peter will be showing his photos from his latest holiday in Italy after the 10.00am Mass. All welcome to attend and share in morning tea.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - NEXT SUNDAY

During 10.30am Mass on the second Sunday of the month the primary school aged children are invited to join us for Children's Liturgy of the Word.

First reading Exodus 16:2-4,12-15

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our heart's content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!' Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them in this way to see whether they will follow my law or not. 'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your heart's content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God." And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

Second reading Ephesians 4:17,20-24

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live. Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

Gospel John 6:24-35

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?' Jesus answered: 'I tell you most solemnly, you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat. Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life, the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you, for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: *He gave them bread from heaven to eat.*' Jesus answered: 'I tell you most solemnly, it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread; for the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' 'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus answered: 'I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.'

CATHOLIC CARE SUNDAY APPEAL

Next weekend we are invited to donate to the annual Catholic Care appeal. A collection will be taken up at Notice Time and envelopes will be available in the porches.

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