#### ANNUAL MISSION SPRING FAIR

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver will hold their Annual Mission Fair on Saturday 11th October 9.00am to 3.00pm at 154 Cotham Road, Kew. Proceeds from this year's fair will be directed to assist the Comboni Mission, Gulu, Uganda and St Matthew Parish, Meru, Kenya, Africa. Come to our Fair and support missionaries and the people for whom they are working, with your prayers and help. Enquiries: Phone 9817 3715.

#### SCREENING OF menALIVE FEATURE FILM

Tuesday 21 October, 6pm-9.30pm Palace Cinema Como, Cnr Toorak Rd and Chapel St, South Yarra Our true story feature film 'RISE' has recently been picked up by Pinnacle Films and set for theatrical release across Australian cinemas in November. Join us for a red carpet event at Palace Como Cinema. Our premiere event covers a special screening of 'RISE', Q&A with lead cast, celebrities attending and food and drinks provided. Cost: \$99.99 Bookings: http://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/risepremiere-palace-como-cinema-melbourne-tickets-12440420633 Details: www.risemovie.com/au

#### 50 YEAR REUNION FOR ST PHILOMENA'S, MOONEE PONDS

Saturday 25 October A 50 year reunion for St Philomena's Diocesan Central School, Moonee Ponds class of 1964 is planned for Saturday 25 October. All members of this class are very welcome. We look forward to reconnecting with each of you. Please contact for further details. Liz Dohrmann (Brignell) 0418 136 915 or Julia Impey (Heard) 0407 943 972 or stphils@hotmail.com

#### **CATHOLIC BOOK CLUB**

Friday 31 October, 7pm Caroline Chisholm Library, Level 3, 358 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne Anyone interested in reading and discussing Catholic books and poetry is welcome to join our monthly meetings. In October we are discussing 'Women in the Wall' by Julia O'Faolain (1975). Contact: Paul Nixon on 0405 486 531 or pwn@anthonycooperandco.com.au

#### THE POPE APP

The Pope App links you to the Vatican. Down load free from iTunes.

## 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

### **Explore the possibilities**





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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 Principal: Mr John Grant Telephone: 9379 5723 Facsimile: 9379 2389 Email: principal@svstrathmore.catholic.edu.au Sunday Mass: Saturday Vigil: 6.00 pm Sunday Morning: 8.30 am & 10.30 am Weekday Masses: Wednesday & Friday 10.00 am Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Open Monday - Friday 9.00 am - 3.00 pm for private prayer Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation: Friday 9.30 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.

# Jesus' Gift

Listen to the Scripture Readings this week. Note the wonderful parallel in the reading from the prophet Isaiah. The vibrant flowing account of the friend's vineyard and what it produced, compared to the parable in the Gospel from Matthew's account of Jesus', relaying the story of the landowner and his vineyard. We see here Jesus outlining his own life before us. He came to offer hope and love, joy and peace and ended up being rejected by the ones he came to free. Yet within all of this we note that it was indeed his knowledge, that allowed him to suffer for us, of what is before us all and what we would not have if Jesus, himself, was not prepared to make himself, the sacrifice. Indeed we are all very similar to the tenants of the vineyard. Take a look at yourself and ponder how often you have walked over others to get what you want. Yes we may fail, but at the same time we are able to recognize the need for Christ to lift us up and forgive the hurt we have caused. **Entrance Antiphon:** Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

**Responsorial Psalm:** The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

**<u>Gospel Acclamation:</u>** Alleluia, Alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father, Alleluia!

**<u>Communion Antiphon:</u>** The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

Recent Deaths:<br/>Anniversaries:Eugenie Broad, Julianne (Jules) Hayes, Bernice Muller, Odetta Sequeira<br/>Gladys Tormey

Thanksgiving: \$2603.40	<b>Presbytery</b> : \$952.30	
Rosters for next weekend		
6.00 pm	8.30 am	10.30 am
Lectors:		
L Capparelli	M Gavaghan	F Boyle
Special Ministers:		
J Burke, J Mammone	P McKay, M Gauci	D Meller, G Johnson
Offertory:		
Capparelli Family	B Evans	Modica Family
Counters:	<u>Transport:</u>	
H Tobin, J Burke	J Fraser, D Meller, P Waddington	
Flowers:	Church Cleaning:	Linen:
A Scerri	B Group	A Rogers
Next week's Readings:	Is 25:6-10; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14	

#### FEASTS THIS WEEK

**Tuesday:** Our Lady of the Rosary

#### **MEETINGS THIS WEEK Tuesday: Baptism Preparation Meeting** in the Church at 7pm

#### NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER AND FASTING

The Bishops of Australia invite us all to pray earnestly for the Synod on the Family taking place in Rome 5-19 October and especially to join in a National Day of Prayer and Fasting on Friday 10 October. Bookmark Prayer cards and brochures are available in the porches of the Church.

#### ST VINCENT'S SENIORS SOCIAL GROUP

The committee have organised an outing to "Living Legends" at Oaklands Junction, a retirement haven for retired champion racehorses on Monday 20th October. Cost of entrance, tour and morning tea approximately \$20.00. Transport will be provided for those who require it. Departure from Church at 10.00am. Confirm bookings to Keith Foletti on 9379 4920 or Eileen Sheppard on 9379 7898 by 12th October. Early bookings preferred to facilitate transport arrangements.

#### FRIDAY MORNING TEA

Come and share, every Friday morning in the Parish Centre after the 10.00 am Mass.

#### 2015 COLUMBIAN CALENDARS

The calendars are available at the Piety Stall for \$9.00 each. Sales of the Calendars support the mission activities of the Columbans in poor communities.

#### THE RETURN OF THE PRODIGAL SON RETREAT

Saturday 18 October, 10am-4:30pm Sunday 19 October, 10.30am-4:30pm Campion at Corpus Christi Community, 855 Mickleham Road, Greenvale We need more and more to trust love and surrender, to let go of ourselves, especially of our pride, our wounds, our hurts, our past, to give ourselves over to the forgiveness of those we have hurt and those who have hurt us. Most of all we need to face up to the need to forgive ourselves. The weekend retreat, *The Return of the Prodigal Son*, will explore how this parable still has relevance in our lives, both in terms of healing and restoring relationships with our Loving God, and other significant figures in our life's journey. RSVP: Thursday 16 October Contact: Jane Phelan on 0449 725 425

#### MISSION EXPO II – LET'S GO LOCAL

Thursday 30 October, 7.30pm - 10pm (after SIX30 Holy Hour at St Patrick's Cathedral) Cardinal Knox Centre, Cnr Lansdowne St and Albert Street, East Melbourne This expo presented by the Archdiocesan office for Youth for youth and young adults will showcase a range of organisations that young people can engage with to live the call to mission locally - in the midst of work, school and family life. All organisations are Melbourne-based, have established volunteer programs, welcome young people to volunteer in skilled and non-skilled contexts, identify as Catholic or align with the Catholic tradition and do not require full-time commitment. In addition to the various stalls there will be a program of speakers sharing their stories, which will highlight different settings and types of mission. RSVP: for catering purposes Cost: Free entry, finger food provided. Contact: aoy@cam.org.au or call 9287 5565

#### **ROSARY IN THE PARK**

Saturday 11 October, 12 noon H.V McKay Memorial Gardens, Anderson Rd, Sunshine People across Australia will gather to say the Rosary to mark the 97th Anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun in Fatima. You are invited to join us at H.V McKay Memorial Gardens to pray the Rosary for God's merciful blessing on our nation and for peace in the world, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of Fatima. Enquiries: John 0400 054 696

#### **CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF SCHOENSTATT**

Saturday 18 October, 2.30pm–5pm The Shrine, 85 Studley Park Road, Kew Celebrations will include Solemn Mass, Renewal of the Covenant of Love, Benediction and Adoration, followed by afternoon tea and fellowship. Come along to celebrate this milestone event around the Shrine. **Contact:** Florida Nugara 9794 7077

#### PARISH HALL:

The Parish Hall is available for hire. All enquiries: stvincentshallbookings@gmail.com

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