

### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

During 10.30am Mass on the second Sunday of each month, primary school aged children are invited to join us in the Parish Centre for Children's Liturgy of the Word. During each session the Gospel of the day is explored in a way that assists children to understand and make meaning of the message, through stories, pictures and discussion. The children will leave after the Gathering Prayer and return at the Offertory.

### **CULTURED CAFÉ WITH KAREN DOYLE**

Thursday 14 April, 7.30pm Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne  
Karen has studied at the John Paul II institute and is the author of two books as well as 'The genius project', a Catholic women's resource. She has been involved with the SISTERHOOD national Catholic women's movement since it began. Karen speaks on a number of topics, including the feminine genius, the impact of pornography and insights into understanding men and women. She is passionate about seeing men and women reach their full potential in God. Join the Youth Office as we talk to Karen about how you can discover and deepen your faith. Cost: \$10 includes dinner and a drink Details and RSVP: aoy@cam.org.au or 9287 5565

### **THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM – AIRS 10 APRIL 2016**

This week on The Journey Fr Richard Healey reflects on the Gospel of John during the third Week of Easter; Sr Hilda Scott OSB invites us to "Ask God into our Hearts," Bruce Downes The Catholic Guy reminds us that we are "Called to Forgive" and Trish McCarthy in Milk and Honey challenges us to "Enjoy and Savour our Mealtimes." This week's show is also full of great songs, so go to [www.jcr.org.au](http://www.jcr.org.au) or [www.itunes.jcr.org.au](http://www.itunes.jcr.org.au) where you can listen any-time and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

### **ANNUAL MISSION CONCERT**

The Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver will hold their Annual Mission Concert of Sunday 10th April at the St Peter Claver Hall, 154 Cotham Road, Kew commencing 2.00pm. Admission is free - a collection will be taken during the concert. Proceeds will go to assist the missions.

### ***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.



## **ST VINCENT DE PAUL PRESS**

2nd & 3rd April 2016

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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

**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.*

## **After the Resurrection**

In these days after celebrating Easter we most likely reflected upon the Death and Resurrection of Jesus. It is easy for us to contemplate how the friends of Jesus felt as they saw him die on the Cross. They were sad and grieving and at a loss for the one who had given so much to them was not with them any more. As Jesus appeared to them after the Resurrection they were at first apprehensive and afraid for they were not sure if they were seeing a ghost.

Jesus reassured them and offered his peace and consolation to help them understand and believe that indeed he had risen as he said he would.

Today's Gospel shares one of those encounters whereby Jesus not only give them peace, while at the same time sending them out with the Holy Spirit.

We also note that Thomas makes a wonderful profession of faith, "My Lord and my God" as he meets Christ upon his return.

When I was preparing to receive Holy Communion for the first time, Sr Coleman, invited us to say those same words when we received Holy Communion. To this day I say those same words. Since my Ordination I now say those words at the elevation of the host and the chalice after the consecration. This is my act of faith, my proclamation of belief in the risen Lord, now present to each one of us as we come to receive the Risen Lord in the gift of the Eucharist, as did the apostles at the Last Supper. As Jesus said to Thomas:

**"You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe."**

**Entrance Antiphon:** Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

**Recent Deaths:** Mary Adams (Santa Maria), Selina McLean, Marie Stainwall

**Anniversaries:** Laurie Mallia, Henry McConville

**Thanksgiving:** \$1801.50 **Presbytery:** \$1996.75

**Rosters for next weekend 9th & 10th April**

6.00 pm	8.30 am	10.30 am
<b>Lectors:</b>		
L Capparelli	A Mucic	J Pattison
<b>Special Ministers:</b>		
F Ferguson	M Gauci	C Picinich, N Zanko
<b>Offertory:</b>		
F Rivellese	K Foletti	Scavo Family
<b>Counters:</b>	<b>Transport:</b>	
H Tobin, G Cook	M Green, D Meller, P Waddington	
<b>Flowers:</b>	<b>Church Cleaning:</b>	<b>Linen:</b>
A Henshall		C Fox
<b>Next week's Readings:</b>	Acts 5:27-32, 40-41; Apoc 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19	

### **HOLY PLACES COLLECTION**

Thank you to all who generously donated to the Good Friday –Holy Places Collection. A total of \$525.00 was collected.

### **TUESDAY MASSES**

For the next two Tuesdays, the 5th and 12th of April Fr Peter will celebrate Mass at 7.30am in the Parish Centre. There will be no 10.00am Mass on these days.

### **FEASTS THIS WEEK**

**Monday:** The Annunciation of the Lord

**Thursday:** St John Baptist de la Salle

### **MEETINGS THIS WEEK**

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

**Wednesday:** Craft Group in the Parish Centre at 10.30am

Baptism Preparation Meeting in the Parish Centre at 7.00pm

### **CHURCH RENOVATIONS**

#### **Weekly Church Update**

The organ is in the process of being relocated to the apse in the Sanctuary. The Sanctuary has been formed and we are waiting for the basalt to be laid in the coming weeks. The electricians continue to prepare for the new lighting. I notice yesterday around noon when the sun was shining how the colours in the leadlight window of St Vincent de Paul were falling upon the Sanctuary where the new altar will be located. And thought how appropriate. The latest images are able to be viewed in the Hall.

### **FUN RUN - 75TH ANNIVERSARY EVENT**

Our school will be holding its very first School Fun Run as one of our major fundraising events this year.

A Fun-Run is a healthy, fun and active fundraiser that ensures we send the right message to our students about getting active, having fun and maintaining a healthy lifestyle. The main focus of this event is on participation – so yes, it's ok to walk! Family support is most appreciated as we encourage all students to get involved.

This event will take place as follows: Sunday, 17th April 2016 at Windy Hill Football Oval, Essendon. Parents Race 2.0 km **Dress:** Shorts /T-shirts and Runners Time: Event Commences 1pm and Finishes at 4 pm.

There is no need to fill out a sponsorship form – we're just asking for a small entrance fee as part of our fundraising

The funds will allow us to purchase more ICT equipment to be used throughout classrooms and other learning environments.

I would like to participate in the St Vincent De Paul Primary School Fun Run Parent's Race on Sunday 17th April and help raise money for the school

ENTRY FEE: \$20 paid by:

☐ Direct Deposit to St Vincent's PA bank account

BSB 633 000 Account 122 438 500

Please include the reference "FunRun" and name when paying via EFT

### **COMING EVENTS FOR OUR 75TH CELEBRATIONS**

**Sunday 17th April Mass 10.30 am** Mass Celebrating & Remember the start in 1941 with Bishop Terry Curtin, celebrating our 75 years

**Sunday 17th April Fun Run Windy Hill 12.00 noon** Sponsorship.

Run for fun and support our School

**Tuesday 21st June at 7.30 pm in the Parish Centre & Wednesday 22nd June at 10.40 am in the Hall** Guest Speaker Life of St Vincent de Paul, our Patron

### **TASTE & SEE: THE PARABLE OF THE GOOD SAMARITAN**

Saturday 16 April, 9.30am–12.30pm Treacy Centre, 126 The Avenue, Parkville

A moment of refreshment. How are you travelling on your journey through the Jubilee Year of Mercy? Drawing on the parable of the good Samaritan, this reflection morning includes an interview between the Baroness Sheila Hollins (UK) and Eileen Glass (Vice President, L'Arche International) on how we can be the face of God's mercy to others, especially to the most forgotten ones in our society. RSVP: By Monday 11 April [suzanne.hermon@cam.org.au](mailto:suzanne.hermon@cam.org.au) or 9926 5761 Bookings: by Friday 8 April [www.trybooking.com/KVII](http://www.trybooking.com/KVII)

*Please note the new Parish Phone number 9412 8460.*

*You may also like to visit our Parish Webpage [cam.org.au/strathmore](http://cam.org.au/strathmore)*

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