Entrance Antiphon: Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!

Responsorial Psalm: I will praise your name for ever, my King and my God.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! God loved the world so much, he gave his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Alleluia!

<u>Communion Antiphon:</u> You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: Richard (Dick) Robson, Desmond Hole, David Vogwell, Paula Xerri, Joe

Xerri, Louis Zarb, Rita Vassalo

Thanksgiving: \$2250.00 Presbytery: \$1134.10
Rosters for next weekend 9th & 10th of November

6.00 pm 8.30 am 10.30 am

Lectors:

S Crombie B Hanley L Wilson

Special Ministers:

F Ferguson, T Dargan M Thomas, P McKay R Legudi, M Ruberto

Offertory:

Capparelli Family C Attard S La Vita

Counters: Transport:

F Burke, H Tobin

K Doherty, P Fox, D Nicol, P Waddington

Flowers:

Church Cleaning:

L Harrington, L Shannon

G Group

A Sullivan

Next week's Readings: 2 Macc 7:1-2, 9-14; 2 Thess 2:16-3:5; Lk 20:27-38

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Monday: St Charles Borromeo

Saturday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Wednesday: Craft Group in the Parish Centre at 9.30

Baptism Preparation Meeting in the Church at 7pm.

CATHOLIC DEAF APPEAL

Next weekend we are invited to support the Catholic Deaf Appeal. A collection will be taken up at Notice Time to assist in this ministry.

MASS OF THE ANOINTING AND LUNCHEON

All are invited to come to St Vincent de Paul Church for the celebration of the Sacrament of Anointing and prayers for the sick and senior parishioners of our community. Mass will be celebrated on Friday 6th December at 11am followed by Lunch in the Parish Centre. To help us to prepare for this celebration forms are available in the porches of the Church. Please return the form by the 29th November, to the boxes in the porches of the Church

MINISTERS OF MINISTIRES

As we draw nearer to the end of the year, would those who will be away during December to February return the form by **today**, in preparation for the next roster.

PARISH PASTORAL PLAN

Following on from the Parish Pastoral Review, a Pastoral Plan is being developed and you are invited to review the documentation that has been posted on the Parish Web and express your interest. The documentation is also being distributed to parishioners through our School and through the mail. For those who do not receive the correspondence during the week or we do not have your mailing address, the material will be available in an envelope titled **Pastoral Plan Material**.

Also for those who are new to our community a Census & Thanksgiving Envelope is available in the east porch of the Church.

For return of the Expressions of Interest in the <u>Pastoral Plan Programs</u>, boxes are available in the porches of the Church.

MORNING TEA

Morning tea will be held after the 10:30am Mass on Sunday the 10th of November in the Parish Centre. It is an opportunity to meet the of Asylum Seeker families living in Strathmore. Please come along as we welcome these new families into our community, as well as catch up with friends and family after Mass.

LOURDES DAY MASS 2013

Saturday 7 December, 10:30am The Order of Malta Australia invite you to the Lourdes Day Mass, a Mass for the sick and fragile in our community. To be celebrated by Most Reverend Denis Hart DD, Archbishop of Melbourne. A blessing of the sick will follow the celebration of the Liturgy with water brought from the spring at the Shrine of Lourdes. Gift bags for all attendees including a bottle of Lourdes water, Rosary beads and more. Wheelchair access by the side door of Albert St - vehicles can approach this entrance. St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne. Contact: 9926 5730

2014 COLUMBAN CALENDARS

The Calendars are available at the Piety Stall for \$9.00 each. Sales of the Calendars support the activities of Columbans working to bring the Good News to poor communities and to make our local Church more missionary.

PARISH WEBSITE

Our Website is now up and running. Check it out at 'cam.org.au/strathmore'. Comments and feedback would be appreciated, especially if there are aspects that you would like included.

COMPUTER TRAINING

Fr Peter will provide computer lessens in the Parish Centre on Friday mornings after morning tea, following the 10.00 am Mass, for those interested in the use of computers and the internet. If you have no experience or wanted to improve your skills then you are invited to place an expression of interest, to Fr Peter. Five places are available at a time for about 1 hour.

Vision

To be a community celebrating Christ in Life

Mission

That we strive to maintain a strong sense of belonging and generosity of heart

THE LIFE, MARRIAGE & FAMILY OFFICE

warmly invite all expectant mothers and their families to a Mass for Expectant Mothers that will be celebrated by His Grace, Archbishop Denis Hart at St Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday 1st December at 11:00am. The Mass provides an opportunity to honour every expectant mother and for the Church to impart Her Blessings and wishes on all expectant mothers for a safe and healthy pregnancy. To register, please contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on: 9287 5587 or lmf@cam.org.au. Registrations can also be made online here. Please note that registrations close on Friday 25th November 2013. Women who register will receive a small token of recognition.

TWILIGHT MARKET

St Columba's College Essendon will be holding their Annual Twilight Market in conjunction with the opening of the College Art Exhibition on Wednesday 13th November commencing at 4pm. The market will be held in the College grounds with rides, food stalls and entertainment. If you would like to be a stall holder, please visit our website www.columba.vic.edu.au to download an application form or contact Mr Bill Fitzsimons at the College on 9331 9105 or email fitzsimonsb@columba.vic.edu.au

CORPUS CHRISTI SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

The Campion Team at Corpus Christi, Greenvale offer opportunities for spiritual direction, ministry supervision and live-in retreats. The Corpus Christi Community in Greenvale was founded by Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

More info: www.campioncorpuschristi.com Contact: Jacinta Bright 0425 710 797

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

NOT IN MY NAME

In July 2013, the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference implored us to put the human dignity of asylum seekers ahead of the national interest.

Pope Francis made the most symbolic journey to Lampedusa and deplored what he called the "globalisation of indifference". Have we as a nation, as a community of faith, as a shared humanity, replaced Love of Neighbour with - fear of "the other"? You, and members of your community are invited to hear Mr Kon Karapanagiotidis OAM, founder and CEO of the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre deliver the 2013 Rerum Novarum Oration,

Thursday 28th November 2013383 Albert Street East Melbourne. Light refreshments from 7.00pm for 7.30pm start. All most welcome. Inquires (03) 99265727 or justice @cam.org.au. RSVP for catering purposes by Friday 22 November 2013.

Caring for one another



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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 Tuesday - Saturday 7.00 am - 5.00 pm for private prayer

Sacrament of Penance & Reconciliation: Saturday 9.00 - 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.

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Hospitality

Hospitality is such a natural thing. By nature we are people who welcome into our family a new arrival of a baby or an in-law when there is a wedding in our family.

Perhaps at times we are not so welcoming of a new arrival in our street or our community. The same applies to those who come into our Church. The Gospel today reminds us that God is always welcoming us as his family. He is always there to offer us comfort and support, without judgement.

We find today a wonderful encouragement to stop and reflect, to stop and consider, to stop and take a look. Pope Francis shows through his actions that he is welcoming of all whom he meets. The Pope is inviting us to reflect upon family life and the impact that this institution has upon all of us today, for it is in family life that we first learn to be hospitable and welcoming, to be considerate and kind, to be Christ like.