

WORLD-RENOWNED EDUCATION EXPERT SPEAKS AT KIDS' CONFERENCE

Tuesday 24 November, 9.30am–4pm Mercy Lecture Theatre, ACU Campus, 115 Victoria Parade, Fitzroy

World-renowned education expert and best-selling author Sir Ken Robinson will be the special guest speaker for the 2015 Kids' Conference, presented by Australian Catholic University (ACU) and History Teachers' Association of Victoria (HTAV) on 24 November. A celebrated intellectual with more than 300,000 Twitter followers, Sir Ken is one of the world's most respected minds in the field of education and creative learning, authoring several novels and presenting at TED Talks. Sir Ken will give the conference introduction via video link from his California base, hoping to inspire teachers and the next generation of creative minds, showcasing their ideas. Now in its fifth year, the conference provides a platform for students—some as young as seven years of age—to present innovative projects relating to history and technologies, fostering creativity in a supportive and encouraging environment. Kids' Conference founders, Stephen Spain (ACU) and Dr Jo Clyne (HTAV), have created an event that aims to personalise learning through problem solving, providing students with an opportunity to share how they engage and learn with emerging technologies within history. 'The idea for the Kids' Conference really came from my own kids and seeing how they were interacting online with friends as well as kids from other parts of the world. This is truly borderless learning,' Mr Spain said. 'The conference aims to highlight how kids are active producers of knowledge in history and already collaborating and developing their own content using a range of technologies. The students are empowered by presenting their work and the delegates can enrich their teaching practice seeing what really works in the classroom.' Cost: \$30. Free for pre-service teachers. Details and bookings: joclyne@htav.asn.au

COLUMBAN CALENDAR

The 2016 Columban Art Calendar is now available at the Piety Stall for the special price of \$8.00. When you purchase the calendar, you are assisting the Columbans.

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 9379 1488. 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.



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14th & 15th November 2015

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.*

A prayer for Today

Everyday I need you, Lord, but this day specially,

I need some extra strength to face whatever is to be ...

This day more than any day I need to feel you near
to fortify my courage and to overcome my fear.

By myself I cannot meet the challenge of the hour.

There are times when human creatures need a higher Power -
to help them learn what must be borne.

And so, dear Lord, I pray hold on to my
trembling hand and be with me today.

This little prayer is perfect for us and we all have struggle and needs which at times seem to overwhelm. Today's Scripture readings call us to remember that all things are passing except the presence of God and the gifts that he has bestowed upon each one of us.

As we begin to prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ at Christmas (Christ Mass) there is a wonderful opportunity for reflection on the important aspects of our lives and the true meaning of all that surrounds us.

May we pray for and be an example to each other of the love of Christ..

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.
Responsorial Psalm: Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope.
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful, pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man. Alleluia!
Communion Antiphon: To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

Recent Deaths: Coral Stiffle
Anniversaries: Verna Egan, Sebastiano LoGiudice
Thanksgiving: \$1437.00 **Presbytery:** \$1420.25
Rosters for next weekend 21st & 22nd November

6.00 pm	8.30 am	10.30 am
<u>Lectors</u>		
L Capparelli	K McCartney	G Johnson
<u>Special Ministers:</u>		
T Dargan, Volunteer	A Henshall, M Gauci	C Johnson, C Picinich
<u>Offertory:</u>		
Capparelli Family	C Attard	G Polo
<u>Counters:</u>	<u>Transport:</u>	
H Tobin, M Schembri	P Fox, G Johnson, E Sheppard	
<u>Flowers:</u>	<u>Church Cleaning:</u>	<u>Linen:</u>
C Murphy	D Group	C Fox
<u>Next week's Readings:</u>	Dan 7:13-14; Apoc 1:5-8; Jn 18:33-37	

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Tuesday: St Elizabeth of Hungary
Saturday: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Tuesday: 75th Anniversary Committee Meeting in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm
Thursday: Pastoral Leadership Team Meeting in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm

CATHOLIC DEAF APPEAL

Thank you to all who generously supported the annual Catholic Deaf Appeal. A total of \$650.60 was donated.

SENIORS ANOINTING MASS AND LUNCHEON

Friday 4th December will be our Annual celebration to acknowledge our Seniors with Mass and the Sacrament of Anointing at 11.00 am followed by lunch in the Parish Centre. Booking forms are available in the porches. Please let those who are housebound know.

MINISTER'S ROSTER

The latest minister's roster has been emailed out this week. For those without an email address the roster is available for collection from the east transept in the church.

YEAR FIVE AND THEIR FAMILIES

This weekend we welcome the year 5 students and their families to our Masses. Please remember them in your prayers. As always may we be an example of faith, trust and love for the youth of our community. AS the Psalmist says "You will show me the path of life".



ENCOUNTER 3

The Faith Development Group invites all parishioners and friends to Encounter 3 (for 2015) on the Papal encyclical 'Laudato Si' (On Care for Our Common Home). Special guest will be Fadi Elbarbar, Catholic School Social Justice Coordinator. A night for information and sharing on Tuesday 24 November, 7.15 - 9.00 pm in the Parish Centre. Refreshments provided. The Encounter Series has been popular with parishioners.

75TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR PARISH 1941-2016

The 75th Planning Committee for the celebration of our 75th next year is arranging a series of events to mark this special moment in our history. During the year our history will be presented in a publication. We are keen to gather as much historical material as possible. If you have memorabilia which we could borrow, please contact Pat McKay or Denise A'Hearn or the Parish Office. Photos loaned will be scanned and returned. Other items are also most welcome, be they stories or artefacts.

EVENING OF PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION & PEACE

As an expression of appreciation for your support of our Parish community this year I invite you to gather with us on Tuesday 15th December at 7.00 pm firstly in the Church for prayers for Reconciliation & Peace in our lives followed by Supper in the Parish Centre. As we are about to commence the 'Year of Mercy' you are welcome to gather with us. Please notify the Parish Office by phone or email.

MARY MACKILLOP CENTRE OPEN DAY

Saturday 21 November, 10am-4pm Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre, 362 Albert Street, East Melbourne Pray in Mary's chapel, tour the museum, enjoy a cuppa with Christmas cake, visit our gift shop, take the walking tour (at 11am). Details: 9926 9300 or mmhc@sosj.org.au

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. All children from Year Prep to Year 6 are welcome.

CATHOLIC BOOK CLUB

Friday 27 November, 7pm Caroline Chisholm Library, Level 3, 358 Lonsdale Street (near the corner of Elizabeth Street), Melbourne Anyone interested in reading and discussing Catholic books and poetry is welcome to join our monthly meetings. This month we are discussing the *Father Brown Stories* of GK Chesterton (1874-1936). Contact: Paul Nixon on 0405 486 531 or www.melbournecatholicbookclub.yolasite.com

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