

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: The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

Recent Deaths: June Webb, Kath Lane, Doreen Cusack

Anniversaries: Walter Birch, Tamar Knowles, Samuel Heasly, Margaret Hole, Gary Kirwin & Verna Egan

Thanksgiving: \$1773.50 **Presbytery:** \$1163.80

Rosters for next weekend 23rd & 24th of November

6.00 pm	8.30 am	10.30 am
Lectors: J Harris	K McCartney	F Boyle
Special Ministers: T Dargan, F Ferguson	M Thomas, M Gavaghan	C Picinich, A Monaghan
Offertory: Romano Family	H & R Pless	M Beshara
Counters: J Burke, D Lane	Transport: K Doherty, D Nicol, E Sheppard, P Waddington	
Flowers: A Scerri	Church Cleaning: C Group	Linen: M Sullivan
Next week's Readings:	2 Sam: 5:1-3; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43	

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Thursday: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday: St Cecilia

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Wednesday: Liturgy Meeting in the Presbytery at 7.30pm

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

Thursday: GodStart Meeting in the Presbytery at 7pm

RECENT BAPTISMS

Congratulations to **Damon Busuttill, Sam Harper, Mila Holland, Trinity Kaine and Scarlett Tilovski** who was Baptised last weekend. May we remember them and their parents in our prayers.

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

CATHOLIC DEAF APPEAL

Thank you to all those who generously donated to the Catholic Deaf Appeal. A total of \$774.45 was received.

CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA

The Catholic Church in Australia, in its submissions to the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse and in its communications with both the Catholic and broader communities has made the following commitment:

The leaders of the Catholic Church in Australia recognise and acknowledge the devastating harm caused to people by the crime of child sexual abuse. We take this opportunity to state:

- 1 Sexual abuse of a child by a priest or religious is a crime under Australian law and under canon law.
- 2 Sexual abuse of a child by any Church personnel, whenever it occurred, was then and is now indefensible.
- 3 That such abuse has occurred at all, and the extent to which it has occurred, are facts of which the whole Church in Australia is deeply ashamed.
- 4 The Church fully and unreservedly acknowledges the devastating, deep and ongoing impact of sexual abuse on the lives of the victims and their families.
- 5 The Church acknowledges that many victims were not believed when they should have been.
- 6 The Church is also ashamed to acknowledge that, in some cases, those in positions of authority concealed or covered up what they knew of the facts, moved perpetrators to another place, thereby enabling them to offend again, or failed to report matters to the police when they should have. That behaviour too is indefensible.
- 7 Too often in the past it is clear some Church leaders gave too high a priority to protecting the reputation of the Church, its priests, religious and other personnel, over the protection of children and their families, and over compassion and concern for those who suffered at the hands of Church personnel. That too was and is inexcusable.
- 8 In such ways, Church leaders betrayed the trust of their own people and the expectations of the wider community.
- 9 For all these things the Church is deeply sorry. It apologises to all those who have been harmed and betrayed. It humbly asks for forgiveness.

The leaders of the Catholic Church in Australia commit ourselves to endeavour to repair the wrongs of the past, to listen to and hear victims, to put their needs first, and to do everything we can to ensure a safer future for children.

MINISTER'S ROSTERS

Rosters for all involved in Ministries are available in the east Transcept of the Church .

Vision

To be a community celebrating Christ in Life

Mission

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

YEAR 7 2015 ST COLUMBA'S APPLICATIONS FOR ENROLMENT

Applications for Year 7 2015 at St Columba's can be lodged by contacting the College Registrar, Peter Bray, on 9331 9128 or brayp@columba.vic.edu.au to request that an application form be sent. Applications can also be downloaded from the College website at www.columba.vic.edu.au Please note that applications for Year 7 2015 close on Friday 28 February. *School Tours* Bookings for School Tours can be made by ringing Peter Bray or again via the website.

REPORT OF VICTORIAN PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

The Victorian Parliamentary Inquiry into the Handling of Child Abuse by Religious and other Non-Government Organisations is due to report this coming week, 11 – 15 November. For access to the report, the responses by the Church, recent updates, or to sign up for email alerts, visit the Church's website: www.facingthetruth.org.au

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.

COMPUTER TRAINING

Fr Peter will provide computer lessons 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.

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.

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



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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

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 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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Prayer of St Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred let me sow love.

Where there is injury pardon.

Where there is doubt faith.

Where there is despair hope.

Where there is darkness light and where there is sadness joy.

O Divine Master grant that I may not so much seek

to be consoled as to console

to be understood as to understand

to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive

it is in pardoning

that we are pardoned

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Caring for one another