

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS

Friday 11 to Sunday 13 November, St Paul's Missionary College, Nortons Lane, Wantirna South. Invest in your most precious asset: your marriage. A beautiful opportunity to rekindle the closeness, intimacy, love and romance that brought you together. Recharge your relationship batteries and explore the divine nature of your marriage, allowing you both to share your feelings, hopes and dreams with each other in ways that normal, daily living tends to inhibit. There is no group sharing. A priest will be present during the weekend, which is based around Catholic values, but couples of all faiths are welcome. Commences 7pm on the Friday; ends 5pm on the Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided. Details: Marianne and Marcel on 9733 0997 or vicbookings@wwme.org.au or www.wwme.org.au. Cost: Application fee \$55 plus secret donation (within your means) to cover the expenses of accommodation, food and materials for the weekend. Don't stay home because you aren't sure you can afford it!

WEEK-LONG RETREAT: WALKING WITH GOD IN THE WILDERNESS

Sunday 20 November to Saturday 26 November, Wilson's Promontory National Park 'Walking with God in the wilderness' will be an experience of God in nature, with both short (6km) and long (20km) walks throughout the week in the beautiful Wilson's Promontory. A level of personal fitness will be essential. Sleeping will be in shared accommodation. This event is being conducted by the Campion Centre of Ignatian Spirituality, Kew. Cost: \$1,100, including meals, accommodation and guides. Details and bookings: 9854 8110 or secretary@campion.asn.au

VOCATIONS OFFICE ACTIVITIES

You are invited to support the work of the Melbourne Vocations Office by following their events on their Facebook Page: Vocations Melbourne. There are many things designed to support young people in discerning where the Lord is calling them in the future such as retreats, monthly social activities, on line support and spiritual guidance. Please pray daily for vocations!

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.

Visit our website:
cam.org.au/strathmore



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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.*

A Place at the Table - Social Justice In An Ageing Society

Who are the most disadvantaged?

Lack of affordable housing highlights a looming crisis of **homelessness** for vulnerable groups. While home ownership is high for older Australians, the number still paying off a mortgage or in the private rental market is increasing. They can pay up to five times as much for accommodation as people who own their home outright. It is estimated that within a decade, 420,000 older Australians will be living in low-income rental accommodation. Low-cost rentals are scarce, high rents are difficult to maintain on a fixed income, and often the accommodation is of poor quality with insecure tenure. Older people without their own home are struggling and there has been an increase in the number seeking homelessness services. Tragically, many older single women are experiencing homelessness for the first time in old age.

Entrance Antiphon: Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself, and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: Myra Hughes, Desmond Hole, Carmel & Fred Redmond

Thanksgiving: \$1716.15 **Presbytery:** \$1366.95

Rosters for next weekend 29th & 30th October

6.00 pm	8.30 am	10.30 am
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Lectors:

Sean Crombie	B Hanley	J Pattison
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Special Ministers:

J Mammone, K Ferguson	L Sands, A Henshall	C Picinich, J Nesci
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Offertory:

Marino family	K Foletti	M Galliot
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Counters:

M Schembri, K Porter

Flowers:

D Jones

Next week's Readings:

Church Cleaning:

Group B

Linen:

T Giardina

Wis 11:22-12:2; 2 Thess 1:11-22; Lk 19:1-10

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Friday: Sts Simon and Jude

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

This weekend we are invited to support World Mission Sunday. Envelopes are available in the porches of the Church. A collection will be taken up at Notice Time.

ALL SOULS' DAY - COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

On **Wednesday 2nd November** we remember those who have died from our families and our community over 75 years. Masses will be celebrated at **10.00am** and **7.00pm**

RECENT BAPTISMS

Congratulations to **Santiago Florez, Thomas Marriott** and **Amelia Pennisi** who were Baptised last weekend. May we remember them and their families in our prayers.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL REPORT 2015

Parish Outreach Group

The Parish Outreach Group was established to support members of the parish and local community who may be isolated, in terms of not having contact with others, and who would enjoy more regular contact with members of their Parish community.

The group currently has nine members and meets regularly throughout the year to review how activities and visits are going, and to identify anyone else who might be interested in participating in the program. Over the year, outreach volunteers regularly visited individuals and couples in their homes, with a number of new people being added to the list to be visited.

St Vincent de Paul Parish

75TH ANNIVERSARY

ROUND ROBIN TOURNAMENT

Date: Sunday 23rd October, 2016

Time: 2.00pm - 5.00pm

Venue: St Vincent's Tennis Club

**Hit the courts with family and friends or come along to watch.
Seniors and Juniors competition, all levels of play are welcome.
Guaranteed to be a fun-filled event. Registration.
Refreshments provided.**

**To register or for more information, please email -
stvincentstennisclub@hotmail.com by Friday 14th October.**

2016 RERUM NOVARUM ORATION

Tuesday 15 November, 7.30pm, Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne
The release by Pope Francis of the encyclical *Laudato si* heralded the beginning of a new chapter in the history of our rich Catholic social teaching. Pope Francis reminded us of our responsibility to be stewards of God's Creation. World-renowned eco-theologian Fr Séan McDonagh will deliver the 2016 Rerum Novarum Oration on the topic: 'A new day dawns', based on the call by St John Paul II for an 'ecological conversion'. Respondent will be Ms Jacqui Rémond, Director, Catholic Earthcare Australia. All welcome. Refreshments served from 7pm. Details and RSVP: 9926 5727 or justice@cam.org.au

ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL: CLOSING OF HOLY DOOR

Sunday 20 November, 11am St Patrick's Cathedral, Cathedral Place, East Melbourne
To coincide with the closing of the Holy Door in the Basilica of St Peter at the Vatican, the Holy Door of Mercy at St Patrick's Cathedral will be closed by Archbishop Denis Hart on 20 November, the feast of Christ the King. Those wishing to pass through the Holy Door for the final time may do so prior to the commencement of Mass, after which Archbishop Hart will officially close the Door.

IT'S TIME: CLOSE THE CAMPS – BRING THEM HERE RALLY

In support of offshore detainees and the campaign to have them brought to Australia, there will be a Rally on Saturday, 5 November 2016, 1pm State Library, cnr Swanston & La Trobe sts, Melbourne

ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL CHOIR—NEW CD RELEASE

The choir of St Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne have released a CD— Sing, my Soul under the direction of Dr Daryl Barclay and recorded in the Cathedral. Tracks include Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring; Ave Verum Corpus; Ubi Caritas; Panis Angelicus; Sing, my Soul; The Lord Bless You and Keep You. This is the first recording of the choir for many years and a significant musical milestone for the Archdiocese. Available from St Patrick's Cathedral Shop.

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