Catholic Parish of Bacchus Marsh

St Bernard's Bacchus Marsh / Our Lady Help of Christians, Korobeit

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18th Sunday in Ordinary time

6th August 2017

HIS FACE SHONE LIKE THE SUN. Through the eyes of resurrection faith, Jesus' first disciples came to understand that, during his earthly life, they had caught glimpses of his unique relationship with God. In his life of unswerving fidelity to the Father's will, the glory into which Jesus entered through his passion and death shone through. "We had seen his majesty for ourselves" wrote Peter.

St Bernard's Mass Times

WEEKEND

Saturday — 5pm (Vigil) New Time Sunday — 8.30am & 10am Reconciliation 1st Rite: Saturday 4:15pm

WEEKDAY

Monday No Mass Tuesday - 5:30pm Wednesday - 9:30 Thursday - 9:30 Friday - 9.30am

1 hour Adoration before every week day Mass

Korobeit

Our Lady Help of Christians

Saturday at 6:30pm

ROSARY: Is held each Monday evening at 7.30pm with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for 1 hour.
Rosary is also held on 1st Friday each month following morning Mass.
Next Rosary date is: 7 August

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: is held on the **1**st **Friday** of the month

from 10.00am to 7pm. You are welcome to come along and spend some time with the Lord.

Next Adoration: 4th August 2017 CHILDREN'S LITURGY is held on 1st Sunday of each month during 10am Mass. Next Children's Liturgy 6th August

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

In a resplendent cloud the Holy Spirit appeared. The father's voice was heard: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him.

FIRST READING DANIEL 7: 9-10, 13-14 His raiment was as white as snow.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.

The Lord is king, let earth rejoice, let all the coastlands be glad. Cloud and darkness are his raiment; his throne, justice and right.

The mountains melt like wax before the Lord of all the earth. The skies proclaim his justice; all peoples see his glory.

For you indeed are the Lord most high above all the earth exalted far above all spirits.

The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth.

SECOND READING PETER 1: 16-19

We heard this voice from out of heaven.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!

This is my Son, my beloved, in whom is all my delight: listen to him. **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL MATTHEW 17: 1-9

His face was shining like the sun.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

When Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

St Bernard's Church continued

MORNING TEA is held on the 1st Sunday of each month (except January) in the Parish Centre.

Next Morning Tea: 6th August Hosts: Museum Committee & Josephite Associates

SENIOR PARISHIONERS MASS - is held on the 3rd Friday of the month in the Parish Centre at 10:30am

Next Seniors Mass: 18th August Everybody is welcome not just the seniors.

PROVIDENCE:

9 Griffith Street off Grant Street Mass will be held on the 2nd Friday of each month at 11am Next Mass: Friday 11th August

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAM 27 August at 11.15am in the Parish

Centre. Registration forms can be downloaded from our website.

www.pol.cam.org.au\bacchusmarsh. Bring Completed Registration Form with copy of Birth Certificate to the program.

Please note: Both parents are required to attend the program.

Coordinators: Peter & Rosemary

Parish Centre Bookings T: 5367 3427 Mon-Fri 9am to 6pm

Hall Managers: Marie & Terry Casey

Hopetoun Catholic Cemetery Bacchus Marsh Rd., Bacchus Marsh

Catholic Museum

88 Main St West Convent Lane, Bacchus Marsh

St Vincent de Paul Society

Shed Hours: Mon, Thurs & Fri 9am-11:45am

Sat 9am-12.00 noon

Welfare Number 1800 305 330 **Shed Enquiries**: 0407 463 847

FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

ON SATURDAY THE SECOND OF
SEPTEMBER ALL FATHERS ARE
INVITED FOR SPECIAL MASS AT
7:15 AM FOLLOWED BY A
BREAKFAST IN THE PARISH CENTRE.
GUEST SPEAKER FR BRENDAN
HAYES, THE PARISH PRIEST OF
TOORAK AND ARMIDALE.

MINISTRIES 5 th /6 th August 2017				
Mass times	5pm Sat Vigil	8.30am Sun	10am Sun	
Min/s of the Word	Trish Davine	Peter Lafranchi/ Margaret Love	James Waters/ Dianne Craig	
Min/s Eucharist	Colin Remedios	Mira Foxford	James Waters	
Gifts Procession	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	
Altar Servers	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	
Piety	29th July Mandy Harrington 30th July Jan& Colm			
Counters #8	Colm Carragher, Maggie Carragher, Jill Braithwaite, Marj Tung			

Catholic Regional College Melton - Year 7 2019

Enrolments Valuing God, Nurturing the Individual, Excelling in Education Applications for Year 7 2019 are now open and close on Thursday 24th August 2017. Enrolment Application forms is available from the College office.

FEAST OF ST MARY MACKILLOP

Sr Mary and the Josephite Associates invite other Parishioners to join them for lunch on **TUESDAY**8th **AUGUST** at Back to Bacchus at 12 noon to celebrate the feast of our Australian Saint. Mass on Tuesday at 5.30 p.m. is an opportunity to pray together to St Mary for the needs of our country and particularly Victoria.

RSVP Sunday evening to Sr Mary 5367 2078 if you are coming to the lunch.

MINISTRIES 12 th /13 th August 2017				
Mass times	5pm Sat Vigil	8.30am Sun	10am Sun	
Min/s of the Word	Vikki Benson	Moira Ross	Carole Ryder Mira Foxford	
Min/s Eucharist	Mary Beaton	Peter Lafranchi	Roy Ryder	
Gifts Procession	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	
Altar Servers	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	
Piety	12 th Aug: Margot Short, 13 th Aug: Kay Lafranchi			
Counters #9	Roy Ryder, Carole Ryder, Henry Gasior, Chris Gasior			
Church Grounds August	Front Garden: Pat O'leary Back/Side: Pat O'Leary Parish Centre/Carpark/Pines: Ron Geurts Back Paddock: Henry Gasior			
Church Flowers	Deborah Hosking	POF for N August	1ary Flanagan	

<u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>

Gerard Wheelahan, Grace Barling, Tony Dickinson, Madge Bourke, Dr Rod Doyle cfc, Mary Shea, Monica Gregson, Fr Gregory Jordan, Lawrence Roberts, John Horne, Fr Geoffrey James Taylor PE

<u>Prayers for the Sick & Frail:</u> (please let us know when your loved one is no longer required on this list)

Hannah Young, Mitchell Tung, Kevin Bridges, Bev Pickett, Mabel McArdle, Brian Harrison, Elle Hillman, Marcus Meno, Carol Wells Lindsay, Kathleen Dally, Barry Walsh, Ken Shaw, Marian Smith, Julie Scott, Gwen Green, Nils Wyren, Helen Evans, Betty Young, Arthur Pape, Paul Mullin, Jayne Wilkins, Adam Hillier, John Canty, Ian Dominguez, Kiahni Holamotutama, Angela Vicum, Ian McKechnie, Gary Ching, Judy Delahey, Pauline McDonald, John Anderson, Joe Gristi, Alicia Holborn, Mario Galea, Jessica Yue, Jack DeLuca, Steven Braszel, Noah Barlow, Matthew Jansen, Ted Cooling, Debbie Marshall, Patricia Yazbek, Andree Greenwood, Kath Wheelahan, Michael Paterson, Teresa Darlington-Canty, Michael Barrett, Onnie Greenwood, Fred Capuano, Peter Roberts, Allison Evans, Sr Marilyn Knolder, Georgia Peacock, Tess Mercieca, Louis Vogels, Loretta Kervin, David Kasprzak, Patricia Marechal, Cynthia Goodyear, Marie Maloney, Arabella Periera, Mitchell Prendergast, John Van Orsouw, Pasquale Gagliarbi, Jordanis Maryo, Justin Fernandez, Mary & Michael Walsh, Frank & Elizabeth Stehmann, Belinda Sillis.

Building works

An information night will be held on the eight of August in the Parish centre, the topic to discuss the proposed plans for the Parish office and Presbytery.

PLEASE NOTE: THERE WILL BE A CATHOLIC MISSION SPECIAL COLLECTION ON 14 AUGUST.

NICENO-CONSTANTINOPOLITAN CREED:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, [bow during the next two lines:] and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

In this year the **100th anniversary of the Fatima apparitions** why not welcome the parish statue of "Our Lady of Fatima" into your home for week or two. All those interested contact Colm Carragher. PH: 53673445 M: 0413223400

ST ANTHONY'S MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT FOR MARRIED AND ENGAGED COUPLES.

St Anthony's will be conducting the highly recommended 'Beloved' series of DVD talks for married and engaged couples to strengthen and enrich their relationship. This is a great opportunity to think deeply about Marriage, get to know ourselves and our loved one better, to strive to be a better spouse, father or mother, and to come closer to God. The program will be starting **Sunday**30th July at 5pm, same time each Sunday for 8 weeks, concluding on Sunday 17th September. Enquiries please see Father John Paul.

The First Spiritual Work of Mercy—Part B

Instruct the ignorant. Catholic theology has always held that our first parents, before the fall, possessed many gifts from God. Some were 'supernatural gifts' because they gave Adam and Eve certain powers that went beyond or above the capacities of their human nature. These included the gifts we call 'sanctifying grace' (which is the divine indwelling or a created share within the soul of the divine life of the Blessed Trinity); the theological virtues of faith, hope, and charity; and the seven sanctifying gifts of the Holy Spirit. They also received other gifts called 'preternatural gifts'. These did not go beyond the capacities of human nature, but rather helped to bring their humanity to certain perfection. Among these preternatural gifts were immortality (freedom from death), integrity (freedom from concupiscence or disordered passions), and impassibility (freedom from suffering) and infused knowledge (an understanding of all things necessary to know without the need of study or instruction). When our first parents committed the Original Sin, they lost all these gifts, both supernatural and natural. Jesus came to restore these gifts to us by his life, death and Resurrection. We have received the supernatural gifts through baptism, which gave us once again a share in the life of God in our souls. However, we did not receive back the preternatural gifts. Because of the loss of the other preternatural gifts, we must struggle with God's grace against the negative effects their loss has caused us. So, we struggle against disordered passions (such as anger, lust, and envy) as we strive to practice the opposite virtues. We must bear all kinds of sufferings of body and soul, which God uses to purify us from self-love. And finally, we find ourselves struggling to learn the truths we need to believe and live by in order to enter eternal life. Our need to acquire truth for ourselves and convey the knowledge of that truth to others is the focus of this spiritual work of mercy.

What is ignorance? Ignorance is a lack of knowledge. For us to learn something, someone must teach us. In the Acts of the Apostles, we find a very good example of how important teaching or instructing another can be. It involves the deacon Philip (Acts 8:26-40) and an Ethiopian court official who was reading the Prophet Isaiah. Philip, inspired by the Holy Spirit, ran alongside the carriage that the court official was riding in and asked him: "Do you understand what you are reading?" The man answered: "How can I, unless someone guides me?" Then Philip got into the carriage with the man and explained to him that the words of Isaiah referred to Jesus. He went on to explain the full Good News about the Lord and ended up baptising the man. Left to himself, the court official could not understand the Scripture passage he was reading. He needed a teacher to instruct him in the truth. In philosophy, we say that the human mind at birth is like a blank sheet. We must learn as we grow through life from what we discover through our senses. All of us start off, with a certain ignorance about life itself. Only God does not have any ignorance, rather he has a limitless understanding of all things. Not only does he know the things that actually exist, but he even knows all the possible things that could exist if he were to create them. Human beings, on the other hand, are limited in what they can know. We cannot know all possible things. But there is a kind of knowledge that is important for each one of us to have. And the most important thing for us is to have knowledge of those things that are essential to the purpose for which God has created us: namely, to know where we came from, where we are going, and how to get there. These truths are supplied by our Catholic faith and must be believed and lived in order to carry out our responsibilities to God and neighbour.

The various kinds and degrees of ignorance. If a person were ignorant of the knowledge required of him by his Catholic faith and by his state in life, this would be a serious form of ignorance. Now, if this essential ignorance results because no one was there to teach him, then his ignorance is one for which he is not responsible. In moral theology, we would call this 'inculpable ignorance'. However, there is also a 'culpable ignorance' that is due to our own fault. Sometimes people want to remain in ignorance deliberately so that they will not know what their responsibilities are. They think that by not knowing them, they are not obliged to carry them out. But, if they deliberately refuse to learn about their essential responsibilities, they will be held accountable before God for this ignorance. Culpable ignorance can also come about through neglect. This happens when persons have an opportunity to learn about their faith but do not put the proper time and effort into doing so. Such ignorance is hardly bliss, but a kind of prison, holding people back from accomplishing many works of charity and mercy, and developing the talents and gifts that God has given them.

Ignorance differs from error and falsehood. Along with ignorance are error and falsehood. If ignorance is the lack of knowledge, error is mistaken knowledge. Somewhere, persons in error received a knowledge that did not correspond to reality. Error can have many causes. For example, if a teacher instructing others is in error, that teacher will pass that error along to his students. This error can be passed on in good faith; in other words, the teacher is not aware that what he is saying is not true. This also applies to the sources of knowledge that one uses such as textbooks, materials on the internet, and the like. If these sources are in error, the one using them will gather knowledge that is unfounded or untrue. Falsehood is a deliberate distortion of knowledge leading a person to error. It means that what is taught or communicated is deliberately distorted in such a way that someone would not be able to come to a clear and true understanding of things as they really are. Falsehood has several causes. It can result if those who are teaching are biased against the truth. Today we talk of people having 'personal agendas' in fields of teaching, broadcasting, and the like. Many times, people who push these agendas, such as the 'gay' or 'radical feminist' agendas, promote values that are in direct conflict with Christian values found in the natural law or revealed by God and taught by the Church. From What To Do When Jesus Is Hungry: A Practical Guide to the Works of Mercy by Fr Andrew Apostoli,