

Catholic Parish of Bacchus Marsh

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

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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A 8th October 2017

THE FRUITS OF THE KINGDOM. THE TENANTS IN TODAY'S GOSPEL HAD RECEIVED MUCH FROM THE LANDOWNER WHO HAD ESTABLISHED THE VINEYARD. IT WAS ONLY FAIR THAT HE SHOULD RECEIVE A SHARE OF THE FRUITS OF THE CROP. LIKewise, WE HAVE RECEIVED MUCH FROM CHRIST WHOSE GRACE PRODUCES IN US THE FRUITS OF TRUTH, GOODNESS, PURITY, LOVE, HONOUR AND VIRTUE. WE PAY OUR DUES TO CHRIST WHEN WE SHARE THESE FRUITS WITH OTHERS.

MASS & DEVOTION TIMES THIS WEEK

Please note changes for this week.

St Bernard's

1 hour Adoration before every **weekday** Mass

Monday	no Mass
Tuesday	5:30pm
Wednesday	no Mass
Thursday	no Mass
Friday	no Mass
Saturday	5:00pm (Vigil)
Sunday	8:30am & 10:00am

RECONCILIATION – 1ST RITE

Saturday	4:15pm
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Our Lady Help of Christians

Saturday	6:30pm Mass
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ROSARY is held **each Monday at 7.30pm** with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for 1 hour.

Rosary is also held on the **first Friday** each month following morning Mass.

Next First Friday: 3rd November

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION is held on the **first Friday** of the month from **10.00am to 7:00pm**. All are welcome to come along and spend some time with the Lord.

Next Adoration: 3rd November

CHILDREN'S LITURGY is held every **Sunday** during **10:00am Mass**.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON CF. ESTH 4:17

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

FIRST READING ISAIAH 5:1-7

The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 79:9, 12-16, 19-20, R. ISA 5:7

R. The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

You brought a vine out of Egypt; to plant it you drove out the nations. It stretched out its branches to the sea, to the Great River it stretched out its shoots.

Then why have you broken down its walls? It is plucked by all who pass by. It is ravaged by the boar of the forest, devoured by the beasts of the field.

God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see.

Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted. And we shall never forsake you again; give us life that we may call upon your name. God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

R. The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

SECOND READING PHILIPPIANS 4:6-9

Do these things and the God of peace will be with you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION CF. JN 15:15

Alleluia, Alleluia!

I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL MATTHEW 21:33-43

He leased his vineyard to other farmers.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON CF. 1 COR 10:17

Though many, we are one bread, one body, for we all partake of the one Bread and one Chalice.

St Bernard's Church (continued)

MORNING TEA is held on the **first Sunday** of each month (except January) in the Parish Centre **after 10:00am Mass**.

Next Morning Tea: 5th November

Hosts: Parents & Friends

SENIOR PARISHIONERS' MASS is held on the **third Friday** of the month in the Parish Centre at **10:30am**.

Next Seniors Mass: 20th October

Everybody is welcome, not just the seniors.

PROVIDENCE AGED CARE

9 Griffith Street, off Grant Street

Mass will be held on the **second Friday** of each month at **11:00am**.

Next Mass: 13th October

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAM

22nd October 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 a copy of Birth Certificate to the program.

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

Coordinators: Kate & Danny

Parish Centre Bookings

Tel: 5367 3427 Mon-Fri 9:00am to 6:00pm

Hall Managers: Marie & Terry Casey

Hopetoun Catholic Cemetery

Bacchus Marsh Road, Bacchus Marsh

Catholic Museum

88 Main Street West

Convent Lane, Bacchus Marsh

St Vincent de Paul Society

Welfare Number: 1800 305 330

Shed Enquiries: 0407 463 847

**Shed Hours: Mon Thu Fri 9:00am-11:45am
Sat 9:00am-12:00noon**

St Vincent de Paul

The Saint Vincent de Paul Op Shop (The Shed) is closing. The last trading day is **Friday 20th October**. Most of the items will be relocated to the new Vinnies store, Grant Street, Bacchus Marsh.

The new Vinnies store will open **early November**. We are calling for more volunteers for the new store.

If you would like more information, please ring **0417 525 617**.

KSC Meeting

Monday 9th October at 8:00pm
Parish Centre

MINISTRIES 7th & 8th October 2017

Mass times	5pm Sat Vigil	8:30am Sun	10:00am Sun
Min/s of the Word	Maureen Zahra	Carole Ryder / Marj Tung	Sr Mary / T Taylor
Min/s Eucharist	Colin Remedios	Peter Lafranchi	Jenny Kearney
Gifts Procession	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Altar Servers	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Piety	7th October 8th October	Mandy Harrington Jan & Colm Carragher	
Counters #7	Denis Everard, Bernard Coburn, Mary Flanagan, Patrick Flanagan		

LIFE, MARRIAGE & FAMILY SUNDAY – 8 OCTOBER 2017

Family, Food and Faith: Enhancing the aroma and flavour of your family life.

New video and print resources highlighting the place of family means as a rich source of social, spiritual and physical nourishment have been produced by the Life, Marriage & Family Office. Print copies of the booklet are now available.

The accompanying videos can be viewed online at:

www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily.

We encourage you to read, watch and share these free resources with anyone you think will find them helpful.

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2018

Dear Parents, we would like to bring to your attention changes to our enrolment process for 2018 for children who attend either government or other private schools.

Preparation and active participation in these Sacraments is very important for the development of the spiritual journey of your child. Therefore, for the benefit of your child, it is crucial for you to make it a priority to enrol your child in the Parish Sacramental Program.

Please arrange a meeting time with **Naim Chdid**, our new **Sacramental Coordinator**, through the Parish Office during the month of November 2017 to enrol your child. All information and dates will be given to you at the Sacramental Enrolment Meeting.

Friday 3rd and 17th November between 2:30pm – 6:30pm

Friday 10th and 24th November between 10:00am – 3:00pm

MINISTRIES 14th & 15th October 2017

Mass times	5pm Sat Vigil	8:30am Sun	10:00am Sun
Min/s of the Word	Trish Davine	Jan Carragher / Allan Comrie	Diane Craig
Min/s Eucharist	Mary Beaton	Colm Carragher	Jenny Kearney
Gifts Procession	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Altar Servers	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Piety	14th October 15th October	Carmel Shea Jan Farnelo	
Counters #8	Colm Carragher, Maggie Carragher, Jill Braithwaite, Marj Tung		
Church Grounds October	Front Garden: Colm Carragher Back/Side Garden: John Tung Parish Centre/Carpark/Pines: Graham Hooper Back Paddock: Ron Geurts		
Church Flowers Fri 13 th October	Christine Condon & Bernadette Kearney	POF October	Dolores Turcsan

RECENTLY DECEASED

ANNIVERSARIES

Domenica Amato, John King, Glen D'Sylva, Max Walker, William(Bill) Lang, John Brook, Ellen Kealy, Bernard Wale, Kevin Blood, Pat Barry, Richard Coleman, Agnes O'Kane, Kit O'Kane, Mary Wheelahan, Fr Barry Robinson, Jeff Curran, Tim Shea, Vincent Condon, Isabel Aquino.

Prayers for the Sick & Frail

(please let us know when your loved one is no longer required on this list)

Hannah Young, Mitchell Tung, Kevin Bridges, Bev Pickett, 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 Dominquez, 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, Cath 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.

Sienna Cordell is our lovely little St. Bernard's girl with Cerebral Palsy. The Melbourne Marathon is coming up in two weeks, and this year Sienna is going to walk the last 50 metres herself! This is a huge effort for her, and is only possible because of your support in the past. If you would like to sponsor Sienna in the walk, please contact Jenny on 0408 104 155. We will be at all Masses this weekend. All money raised will go towards Sienna's physio costs.

Aladdin Bus Trip

The bus will depart from the Parish Centre at **12:15pm on Saturday 14th October 2017.**

2018 Columban Calendars

now available from the Piety Stall – **\$9.00** each

Melbourne Catholic, October 2017

now available from the Piety Stall – **\$4.00** each

If you wish to receive the weekly Bulletin electronically, please leave your email address on the clipboard in the foyer of the church.

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.

25th Annual Feast in Honour of The Hearts of Jesus & Mary

Saturday 14th October 2017

Josefina Maria's Two Hearts Chapel
274 La Cote Road, Greendale

11:00am - Holy Rosary

11:30am – Holy Mass

Eucharistic Procession with the Two Hearts Statues and the Maltese Brass Band, or Benediction and Adoration as per the weather on the day.

Followed by light lunch in the hall.

Main Celebrant: Most Rev. Bishop Peter Connors

For further information, contact:

Jacinta **0424 381 835** or Clare **0415 806 217**

or email: twoheartscentre@bigpond.com

CHILD SAFETY WORKSHOPS

Volunteers are kindly requested to attend any **one** of the following Child Safety Workshops:

Sunday 29 October, 12:00pm – 2:30pm, St Anthony's

Saturday 11 November, 11:00am – 1:30pm, St Bernard's

To maintain our child safe environment, it is compulsory for **all volunteers** to attend a session.

Please **RSVP** on the clipboard in the foyer of the church.

The Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy – Wrap-Up

Practice the Works of Mercy every day

We have looked at the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Now, our challenge is to live them each day. We should do this for three reasons.

1. To live our Christian vocation and fulfil the mission of the Church

The love that we show to one another by doing the works of mercy is the sign of our true Christian vocation. We see this clearly in the Gospel where Jesus tells us we will be known as his disciples by the love we have for one another (see John 13:35). When we carry out the works of mercy we fulfill Jesus' commandment to "love one another as I have loved you" (John 15:12) because the works of mercy are the very fruits of Jesus' love in our lives. Not only each individual but the Church as a whole has the obligation to bear these fruits of love in the world.

Pope Benedict XVI wrote in his first encyclical that the Church herself has a mission of love: "Love of neighbour, grounded in the love of God ... is also a responsibility for the entire ecclesial community at every level: from the local community to the particular church and to the Church universal in her entirety. As a community, the Church must practise love." He went on to say that we can contribute to a better world only by doing good now, with full commitment and wherever we have the opportunity. Living the works of mercy achieves this goal.

2. To build a civilisation of love and truth

Pope John Paul II emphasised that to be faithful followers of Jesus we need to build a civilisation based on the Christian values of love and truth.

When the Holy Spirit came at Pentecost, he created such a community among the first disciples of Jesus. Despite their ethnic, cultural, and language differences, the effect of the Spirit's coming was to restore a unity of peace and charity that had suffered greatly because of Original Sin and personal sin. Sin tends to separate while love tends to unite.

In these critical times, we are well aware of the danger of violence, terrorism, and the whole culture of death. Prayer, sacrifice, and reparation are essential to countering the negative effects of selfishness and sin in the world. But we must also reach out in a very concrete way to those who are in need. Practising the works of mercy helps us to move out of a self-centredness which focuses only on one's own personal needs and concerns, and directs us out towards the needs and concerns of others. It is through the daily living of these works of mercy and love that we will heal the ravages of war, of hatred, of violence, and ultimately of sinfulness.

If we are to spread the Kingdom of God we must do the works of mercy that the Lord has taught us. Like the effect of yeast in a mound of dough, the values of the Gospel will enter into and transform the culture and values of our society. The desired result will be a world where peace and charity will reign.

Pope John Paul II also emphasised that peace requires the recognition and respect of the God-given dignity of each person. In other words, there can be no peace without justice. The works of mercy provide us with the opportunity to let all persons know they are children of our Heavenly Father as well as the brothers and sisters of Christ. What will emerge from this will be a community united in the love and peace of Christ himself. This is what prompted St Augustine to say that "in the end, there will be only one Christ loving himself". This means that the love Jesus shares with us and makes real in our hearts will be shared with one another, beginning here on earth and then for all eternity in Heaven.

3. To work out our salvation

In the Book of Deuteronomy, Moses set before the people the Lord's Commandments. He then told the Israelites: "See, I have set before you this day life and good, death and evil. If you obey the Commandments of the Lord your God which I command you this day, by loving the Lord your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his ordinances, then you shall live" (Deut 30:15-16).

In a similar way Jesus tells us in his account of the final judgement that he has set before us: the choice of life and death in terms of whether we carry out the works of mercy or not. The Lord tells us that at the Last Judgement we will receive eternal reward or punishment depending on whether we have served him or neglected him in his neediest brothers and sisters. He will separate those who have loved him by the practice of the works of mercy from those who have neglected him, like a shepherd separating sheep from goats. He will say to those who failed to love him: "Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison, and you did not visit me." (Matthew 25:41-43)

We certainly do not want to be on that side because they "will go off to eternal punishment"! Rather, let us strive to live the works of mercy that we may hear Jesus tell us: "I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me" (Matthew 25:35-36). If we do these things, we may hope to be among the righteous who will go to eternal life!

The Corporal Works of Mercy

- (1) **To feed the hungry**
- (2) **To give drink to the thirsty**
- (3) **To clothe the naked**
- (4) **To welcome the stranger**
- (5) **To visit the sick**
- (6) **To visit the imprisoned**
- (7) **To bury the dead**

The Spiritual Works of Mercy

- (1) **To instruct the ignorant**
- (2) **To counsel the doubtful**
- (3) **To admonish sinners**
- (4) **To bear wrongs patiently**
- (5) **To forgive offences willingly**
- (6) **To comfort the afflicted**
- (7) **To pray for the living and the dead**