Catholic Parish of Bacchus Marsh

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

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14th Sunday in Ordinary time 9th July 2017

My yoke is easy. During the Vietnam war a soldier once saw a boy carrying a child on his back. 'he must be heavy' the soldier remarked. 'he's not heavy,' the boy replied, 'he's my brother.' Hopefully, we experience the yoke Jesus as light and easy. Serving others and living the Gospel can be burdensome at times but it also brings freedom and joy to our hearts and rest for our souls.

St Bernard's Mass Times

WEEKEND

Saturday — 5pm (Vigil) New Time Sunday — 8.30am & 10am Reconciliation 1st Rite: Saturday 4:00pm

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: 10th July

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

Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

FIRST READING ZECHARIAH 9: 9-10 See how humbly your king comes to you!

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I WILL PRAISE YOUR NAME FOR EVER, MY KING AND MY GOD.

I WILL GIVE YOU GLORY, O GOD MY KING, I WILL BLESS YOUR NAME FOR EVER. I WILL BLESS YOU DAY AFTER DAY AND PRAISE YOUR NAME FOR EVER.

THE LORD IS KIND AND FULL OF COMPASSION, SLOW TO ANGER, ABOUNDING IN LOVE. HOW GOOD IS THE LORD TO ALL, COMPASSIONATE TO ALL HIS CREATURES.

ALL YOUR CREATURES SHALL THANK YOU, O LORD, AND YOUR FRIENDS SHALL REPEAT THEIR BLESSING. THEY SHALL SPEAK OF THE GLORY OF YOUR REIGN AND DECLARE YOUR MIGHT, O GOD.

THE LORD IS FAITHFUL IN ALL HIS WORDS AND LOVING IN ALL HIS DEEDS. THE LORD SUPPORTS ALL WHO FALL AND RAISES ALL WHO ARE BOWED DOWN.

I WILL PRAISE YOUR NAME FOR EVER, MY KING AND MY GOD. SECOND READING ROMANS 8: 9, 11-13

If by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body, you will live.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL MATTHEW 11: 25-30 I am gentle and humble of heart

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

COME TO ME, ALL WHO LABOUR AND BURDENED, AND I WILL REFRESH YOU, SAYS THE LORD.

St Bernard's Church continued

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

Next Morning Tea: 6th August Hosts: St Vincent de Paul Society

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

Next Seniors Mass: 21st July

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 14th July

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAM 23 July 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: Steve & Geraldine

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

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

A Journey of Faith Feast of Tabernacles Tour with Fr Fabian Smith & Fr John Paul Mount From 1 to 14 October 2017 Cost of Tour \$5,365.00 per person For Further Information: speak to Fr Fabian

MINISTRIES 8 th /9 th July 2017				
Mass times	5pm Sat Vigil	8.30am Sun	10am Sun	
Min/s of the Word	Vikki Benson	Moira Ross	Diane craig/ Mira Foxford	
Min/s Eucharist	Mary Beaton	Peter Lafranchi	Roy Ryder	
Gifts Procession	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	
Altar Servers	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	
Piety	8th July Margot Short 9th July Kay Lafranchi			
Counters #4	Chris Eggleston, Brendon Harrison, Dianne Shelly			

St Vincent De Paul

As the weather is getting cold, we are stocking up on extra doona, rugs, and blankets in our Bacchus Marsh shop for sale.

In the footsteps of Mary MacKillop

The sisters of St Joseph invite you to join the National Pilgrimage, giving you the opportunity to journey to significant places in Australia made holy by St Mary MacKillop.

Commence Melbourne 8 November, Travel through Victoria & South Australia, conclude in Sydney 18 November 2017.

Cost EX Melbourne: 2,990.00 (all inclusive: airfaires, accommodation, coach travel, admission fees and meals.)

For further information or a Pilgrimige brochure, please contact Sr Therese Leydon 02 8912 4845 or Sr Amie Bond 02 8912 4818 or at

MMP.NationalPilgrimage@sosj.org.au

MINISTRIES 15 th /16 th July 2017				
Mass times	5pm Sat Vigil	8.30am Sun	10am Sun	
Min/s of the Word	Sandra Ibrahim	Gerard Harrington/ Jenny Hooper	Sr Mary	
Min/s Eucharist	Vikki Benson	Colm Carragher	Carole Ryder	
Gifts Procession	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	
Altar Servers	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	
Piety	15 July Trish Davine 16 July Carol Ryder			
Counters #5	Pat O'Leary, Jo Cowan, Peter Lafranchi, Frank Pomeroy, Stuart Robertson			
Church Grounds July	Front Garden: Volunteer Back/Side: Volunteer Parish Centre/Carpark/Pines: John Tung Back Paddock: Ron Geurts			
Church Flowers	Shirley Long	POF for Na	aim Chdid	

<u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>

Esterina Boratto, Damian Condon, Mick Hogan, John & Muriel Daly, Mercy Kumar, Gwenderlyn Lazarus, Gus Puton

<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.

The Dominican sisters of St Cecilia

I am pleased to let you know that I recently received a letter from Stephen Elder executive director of Catholic education Melbourne informing us of the assignment of four sisters who will be arriving in Bacchus Marsh in January next year to establish a community in the parish. Mother Ann Marie Karlovic OP Prioress General of the Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia, has assigned Sister Mary Rachel Capets OP and Sister Anastasia Reeves OP to work at CRC Melton; and Sister Cecilia Rose Pham OP and sister Maria Joy Zeitoune OP to work at St Catherine in Melton. I am sure you will join with me in assuring the Sisters of our prayers as they prepare for their ministry and work in our region.

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.

"Knights of the Southern Cross meeting in held this coming Monday 10th of July at 8pm in the Parish Centre"

Women's Retreat

From Friday 14th July till Sunday 16th July The Dominican Sisters of St Cecilia will be coming to St Anthony's Melton South to run their Melbourne Retreat for Women. Women of all ages are welcome for a weekend of prayer, talks, discussion and fellowship. No costs involve. Please sign up in the foyer, or leave a message for Fr John Paul at the parish office, or the office at St Anthony's Melton South, and leave your name, number and email. You can learn more about the Sisters of St Cecilia at: www.nashvilledominican.org/

The Fourth Corporal Work of Mercy — Part XII

Shelter the Homeless. Our Lord stressed our responsibility to meet the need for shelter among the least of his brothers and sisters when he told us: "I was a stranger and you welcomed me." We cannot live our life with dignity and security in this world without some place that provides us protection from the elements as well as a place we can call "our own", even if temporarily. After all, St Peter reminds us we are only pilgrims and strangers in this world. We have no permanent place here. Our permanent home is in Heaven. But in the meantime we need adequate shelter. Jesus was homeless. It is said that the world gives everyone two things: a place to be born and a place to die. In a sense our Lord was deprived of both these things. The Scriptures tell us that when he was born in Bethlehem, there was no place for him in the inn. Instead, he was born in a stable among the animals. At his death, he had no place of his own to be buried. The Scriptures tell us that he was buried in a tomb belonging to someone else. "Now in the place where he was crucified, there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb where no one had ever been laid. So, because of the Jewish day of Preparation, as the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there" Even in his childhood, Jesus experienced a form of homelessness. When King Herod was infuriated at the news of the birth of a new king in Israel, he sent soldiers to Bethlehem to kill all the boys in that area two years old and younger. As a result, the Lord sent his angel to St Joseph in a dream telling him to take the Christ Child and his Mother and to flee into Egypt for safety. They remained there until the death of Herod, which occurred, according to some estimates, two years later. During this time the Holy Family were refugees. They no doubt experienced the difficult struggles known by refugees all over the world. During his public life, Jesus was again homeless: "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man has nowhere to lay his head." Our Lord probably slept out in the fields under trees, wrapped in his mantle for protection, as was the custom of the poor in his day. Possibly the most famous example of homes for the needy are those founded by Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Most remarkable was the home she founded for destitute men and women dying in the streets of Calcutta. Mother Teresa was given the use of an abandoned temple dedicated to Kali, the Hindu goddess of death. She changed the name to Nirmal Hriday (Pure Heart) Home for the Dying. Mother Teresa often told the story of a man who was taken into the home close to his death. He only lived for two hours being cared for by the Missionaries of Charity, but he said to Mother Teresa: "I have lived all my life like an animal in the streets, but I die like an angel!"

Recognising the problem. The first step towards sheltering the homeless is to recognise the problem in your area. Find out whether there is a shelter near where you live. If there is, you may want to call or pay a visit to see what you can do to help. You may be moved to volunteer some of your time and service. Volunteers are always needed to cook meals, or get clothes for the residents.

A self-giving love is needed. To offer companionship to the homeless demands a love beyond the ordinary. It demands a self-sacrificing love. This is a love shown for people we do not necessarily know, or with whom we do not enjoy a mutual love. It is shown to strangers and to those who cannot make a return of favour to us, such as the poor. It even goes out to sinners and those who have hurt us. This is often heroic. Jesus had this kind of love for us when he died on the cross for our salvation! To help the poor experience a sense of their dignity and self-worth will require some degree of self-sacrificing love. Those who work with the homeless may have to overcome some initial resistance from those they are trying to help, and they may need to gently break down barriers of hostility or resentment. This means being patient with people's faults, thoughtlessness, ingratitude, or rudeness. Some of the homeless may even be angry at you, despite all the kindness you show them, because they resent their situation and take it out on those who reach out to them. All this requires courage and an unselfish spirit. From all this, it is clear that not everyone can do the actual handson work in a shelter. A person has to be a little "tough-skinned" to work with the homeless. If a person is too afraid, working with strangers can be intimidating. If someone is very sensitive, he can be easily offended by a lack of manners, or a lack of gratitude, or simply by a bad attitude on the part of some of the homeless. These persons might do better working in an auxiliary role, such as cleaning the shelter, stocking food, preparing clothing for the homeless or helping out in other ways behind the scenes. Perhaps he can be a provider of food, clothing, sheets and towels, and the many other essentials that are always needed. Maybe he can organise a collection drive to gather whatever the shelter needs, or work with others to find permanent benefactors to provide for the shelter. Those who are more comfortable interacting with shelter residents can find creative ways to assist. If people have a talent they might volunteer their time and gifts to enrich the lives of those who have very little. Even playing a game of chess or checkers can be a meaningful contribution. In shelters for unwed mothers, helping with the children can be a very rewarding experience.