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First Eucharist Celebration (Group 1) 2:00 pm at

Care of Our Common Home Parish Forum 9:00 am to 1:00 pm St. Francis Xavier, Box Hill

Evening with Jesus and Mary at St Jude's 7:30pm Wednesday, 24 October (REVISED DATE) Apologies

Film and Lunch at St Jude's 10:30am to 2:30pm. More details to follow in coming weeks. For further

Celebrating Our Multiculturalism at St Jude's

PRIMARY	

Mr Tim Mc Mullen 8761 9600 9801 8296 9800 2733 SECONDARY

9754 6611 9758 2000 9758 2000

Low Gluten Hosts are available in this Parish; a supply of consecrated hosts is available at each Mass. The Ciborium will be on the Altar. Anyone who is a Coeliac, or wheat and



SERVICES & CONTACTS:

BAPTISM: 9763 7302 By Appointment 4th Sunday of the month at 12 noon. Welcoming: Sunday prior at 10.30am Parish Mass.

BIBLE STUDIES: Xavier David (AH)

9763 0712

BLESSED SACRAMENT EXPOSITION: 8.30am, Wednesday – Friday

CENACLE OF PRAYER: First Saturday of the month 9.30am

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: 0407 356 899 Leanna Raj

COMMUNITY CENTRE BOOKINGS: Xavier David 9763 0712

FAIR: Parish Office

9763 7302

FITNESS CLASS: Pam Jess

0419 555 694

KNOX DEANERY: Leigh Fleming

LITURGY: Sr Mary Brady

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MARRIAGE: By appointment

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MOTHERS PRAYER GROUP: Thursday at1pm Carmen Leitao 9778 7764

RAFFLE Brendon Considine

0403 187 848

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 6.00pm

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE Carmel Quiney

TENNIS CLUB: Vito Trifilo

0400 485 874

0447 044 920

For all information on our Parish, please check our website pol.org.au/scoresby

1st Reading – A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Say to all faint hearts, 'Courage! Do not be afraid. 'Look, your God is coming, vengeance is coming, the retribution of God; he is coming to save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, the ears of the deaf unsealed, then the lame shall leap like a deer and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy; for water gushes in the desert, streams in the wasteland, the scorched earth becomes a lake. the parched land springs of water.

Gospel – A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha,' that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'



2nd Reading- A reading from the letter of St Iames

My brothers and sisters, do not try to combine faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified Lord, with the making of distinctions between classes of people. Now suppose a someone comes into your synagogue, beautifully dressed and with a gold ring on, and at the same time a poor person comes in, in shabby clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed person, and say, 'Come this way to the best seats'; then you tell the poor person, 'Stand over there' or 'You can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.' Can't you see that you have used two different standards in your mind, and turned yourselves into judges, and corrupt judges at that? Listen, my dear brothers and sisters: it was those who are poor according to the world that God chose, to be rich in faith and to be the heirs to the kingdom which he promised to those who love him.

Reflection by Michael Tate

As we began to welcome the Gospel, we made the sign of the Cross on our foreheads, on our lips and over our hearts. It is meant to be accompanied by the thought: 'May the Gospel be in my mind, on my lips, and in my heart.' It wouldn't be enough to mentally recite that little prayer. We have to do something physical.

Jesus could not have been more physical than in the story of today's Gospel. He stuck his fingers in the man's ears and touched the man's tongue with spittle, saying the Aramaic word 'Ephphatha', 'Be opened'. Our Lord could have healed this man with a simple prayer. But he acknowledged the sheer physicality of the person to be cured. We are not angels, but ensouled bodies and that is how our Lord particularly related to this man in need of healing. It is in the sacrament of Baptism that we imitate the Ephphatha incident in today's Gospel. At one stage, the priest lightly touches the ears and then lightly touches the mouth of the person being baptised. This brings the baptised person into a community formed by hearing and speaking the Word in faith.

We could take a moment to recall the Ephphatha dimension of our baptism. Take your thumb and lightly touch your ears (a parent could do this for an infant) making a prayer along the lines of our baptism: 'The Lord Jesus made the deaf hear and the mute speak. May He again touch my ears to receive His Word and my mouth to proclaim His faith to the glory and praise of God the Father. Amen.'

New Appointments in the Parish We welcome our newly appointed members to our team to fill in vacant roles in the Parish -Parish Secretary: Preethi Pais Community Centre: Xavier David • Accountant/Bookkeeper: Nihal Lawrence **New Principal for Holy Trinity School** • We welcome John Downie who has been appointed as the Principal of Holy Trinity • Primary School, Wantirna South. This appointment was approved by the Archbishop last week. We congratulate John and wish him the best on his new role. **NEIGHBOURING PARISH EVENETS COMING UP GUITAR, VIHUELA & ORGAN** Tuesday 11 September, 7pm St Philip's Church, 60 Junction Road, Blackburn North A night featuring music by Soler, Albeniz, Taverner, Dowland and Zipoli. Guitar and Vihuela played by Geoffrey Morris and Organ by Anthony Halliday. Details: 9878 6597 Cost: \$20 adults, children (aged 0-12) free. Door sales on the night. FORUM FOR PARISHES: POPE FRANCIS' LAUDATO SI Saturday 15 September, 9am–1pm Catholic Parish of Greater Box Hill, St Francis Xavier Church, 1087 Whitehorse Road, Box Hill You are invited to join other parishes to address what steps parishes can take to respond to the Pope's letter and improve our care for our common home, the Earth, what resources are available, and how parishes can help each other in responding to the Pope's call. Cost: adults \$30, concessions available (includes book and light refreshments) Bookings: https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=396569 & Details: Lucia Brick on 9287 5566 or lucia.brick@css.org.au MGL SISTERS WEEKEND Saturday 15 to Sunday 16 September 6 Dunstan Street, North Balwyn The MGL Sisters invite young women to a weekend of talks, sharing, prayer, sisterhood and more to help you discern your vocation and to learn a little more about the life of the MGL Sisters. Details: melanieedwards77@gmail.com

Serve the Lord with Joy

POSITIONS VACANT

Applications are invited from suitably gualified and experienced people for the positions of:

• Youth Ministry Worker, Oakleigh Parishes

- Temporary Parish Secretary, Nazareth Parsh, Beaumaris
- Parish Secretary, St Francis Xavier Parish, Frankston Youth Minister, Youth Ministry Partnership
- Program
- Personal Assistant, Ministry to Priests, Carlton Youth Ministry Leader, St Kevin's
- Parish, Templestowe
- Campus Pastoral Associate, Australian Catholic University, Melbourne
- Business & Office Manager, St Simon's Parish, Rowville
- Project Officer: Plenary Council Project,
- Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation, East Melbourne
- Project Officer-Northern Corridor Service
- Development, CatholicCare, East Melbourne
- Further details can be found on either the Archdiocese
- website at: http://www.cam.org.au/lobs.aspx

SPIRITUAL LEADERS FORMATION PROGRAM

This one-year, part-time program held on Friday mornings in Box Hill is offered to people in various positions of leadership, spiritual formation and outreach ministries. It is suitable for priests and ministers, lay ecclesial ministers, chaplains, community leaders, principals and nurses. The program, which commences 22 Feb 2019, focuses on personal integration of the theory and practice of a contemplative, discerning approach to pastoral ministry. Applications close 16 Nov 2018.

Contact Heart of Life for the brochure and application form: holsc@bigpond.com or tel 9890 1101.

WE NEED YOUR HELP and IT'S EASY!

Pick My Project is a community grant allocation initiative that gives people the opportunity to choose which local community projects get given state government funding.

St Jude's School has submitted a project that seeks to build a **weather protected space that would cover** the middle basketball/netball court. This project would create a shaded protected space that would benefit many groups of peole in our local community including our school, Knox Region Netball Club, visitors to the St Jude's Parish Community Centre, St Jude's parish and St Jude's Fete.

The key of our success with this initiative is local people voting at

Pick My Project pickmyproject.vic.gov.au

Each member of the community can vote for 3 different proposed projects for the local community. Please get behind St Jude's School and help make our weather projected sports recereations space a reality!

