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St John's Catholic Parish Heidelberg

# Towards a Parish Vision

### Domenica Chincarini, Parish Pastoral Council Member

The vision of Parish should reflect the vision of Church. The role or vision of Church stems from its very birth, when Jesus commissioned his disciples to "... go therefore and make disciples of all nations..."

While the Parish remains the primary experience of Church for many Catholics, Parish cannot remain static, but must engender the vision or mission of Church, to grow following the call of Jesus in creating disciples asking, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people."

The local Parish, together with family, is where faith is given shape and social support. Parish is where disciples are fostered to enter the world, nourished by the liturgy of the Word and Eucharist.

Therein lies the challenge of outreach and evangelisation, our spiritual identity as Church, to grow the Parish within the local context of its faith community.

Furthermore, Pope Francis's message is that an evangelising parish should above all be focused on fruit, because the Lord wants His Church to be fruitful, as the first call of Christ to Peter, "to go and bear fruit that will last."

This fruit is the spiritual and personal change of its members, its disciples or evangelists. Discipleship embodies a fruitful Church. Parishes that seriously and consistently make disciples, experience raised levels of growth in depth and numbers, because disciples are hungry to pray and worship. Attending Mass functions as spiritual nourishment for disciples. It follows, therefore, that disciples want to serve to grow in their faith. Disciples yearn for a personal vocation; are energised to pass on their faith to their children, zealous in caring for the poor, champions in justice and take risks for the kingdom of God. Parish discipleship must look to a passionate purpose or 'why' of their existence and articulate a vision towards a spiritual growth, that becomes the heartbeat of a parish. This renewed vision of discipleship, provides the case for change.

The signs of a disciple are marked by a basic knowledge in Catholic theology, a daily prayer life, a commitment to Sunday Eucharist, celebrating the sacrament of Reconciliation, serving in ministry, and seeing their lives as a mission field. In our Parish vision or "come follow me" we ask the questions: what are we doing as a parish; how is St John's helping me to become a better disciple; and, what else can be done?

We are active with home visits, RCIA Lectio Divina (scripture), Annual Seminar, Newsletter, Eyrie magazine, Serve the Servers, Alpha and Sacraments to help the disciples on their journey. Our outreach to others includes Austin Hospital, Heidelcare, Vinnies, our Tennis and Netball clubs, as well as the ministries at Mass.

The first steps in this defining vision process is a need to be a welcoming community, for example, awareness of visitors to our parish; extending a welcoming hand to new people to the parish; welcoming parents who bring their young children to parish; inviting people to join us in our liturgies. We must ask ourselves why we come to church; how am I growing; what am I doing to show that I am a disciple?

# Emma Daly

The Eyrie Editor and St John's Primary School parent

In recent months the Parish has renewed our commitment to the Stewardship program. We have been reminded that without ongoing support from our community, the buildings and infrastructure we have the fortune of today, will not stand strong in the future as they have in the past.

The same is for the groups and relationships we build as a community. We come together for a multitude of reasons. For many, it may not be clear why. For some it may be because it's important for us to belong and participate in a Catholic community. For others, because it's a convenient location to have our children attend St John's School. Our school has held a strong reputation in the community for many years and provides a great opportunity as a feeder to excellent secondary schools; also very convenient in location. Can I be bold enough to suggest some of us hold "catholic guilt" and wouldn't dare not be here? For others of us, perhaps it is routine and just what we do because it's what we know and where we spend time.

Whatever our reason for being here we belong as a community and have some great opportunities to build on the great foundations and strong history of St John's

I can certainly attest to being someone who has found it difficult to find the time to invest in looking for new friendships. 'I already have many very fond friends. I don't need new ones'. Taking the time to think about how I might engage in community at St John's, was not something I had given much thought to, if any. For many years, I attended mass at St John's without sharing much conversation with new faces

"As we invest financially in our buildings and operations, we need to invest personally - on building the strength of our community and the relationships we share."

It would be difficult to argue against modern times making us busier than ever before. Many of us work, whether it be full time, part time, even almost all time. Our children are participating in so many activities that sees us spending almost all our spare time as families travelling, taxiing and spending so much of the money we earn on activities that keep our kids on the move; engaging in fun, building their friendships and team sports. It's not uncommon to hear people with young families say, "Our children have better social lives than we do"

Is there a way for us to refocus some of our attention on the opportunities we have on our doorstep here at St John's? We have two active sports clubs, Tennis and Netball. Are there groups or outreach programs in our community we could find a place to be a part of; Vinnies, Heidelcare or maybe join the 'voices from the loft' in one of the choir groups who sing in our church?



Are the social functions that are happening a place you can rally a crowd of people you're already comfortable with, or perhaps meet new people or reconnect with people you once knew well? The St John's Playgroup offers families with preschool children a place for parents and children to get to know each other and have some fun together with people in similar stages of life.

As we invest financially in our buildings and operations, we need to invest personally on building the strength of our community and the relationships we share. Let us be challenged to take down the silos and forge a force for a strong future of engagement in our yards, buildings, celebrations, friendships, outreach and conversations.

....... We would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of this Land, the Wurund people and of Elders past and present, on which our church and school stand. The St John's community joins together in solidarity with our Indigenous brothers and sisters working for justice and reconciliation. ....

# Heidelcare

Heidelcare is a voluntary community organization seeking to offer short term assistance to people living within the City of Banyule; the elderly, the disabled, the socially and economically disadvantaged, families in need and people living alone.

Established in 1982 as an ecumenical organization sponsored by St John's Catholic Church, today's volunteers come from churches of all denomination and from the wider community. We are pleased to work in partnership with Volunteers of Banyule and the City of Banyule to serve a broad range of people needing short term assistance.

#### Services offered by Heidelcare: Driving – to therapy, hospitals, doctors, etc. Family support – in emergency or sickness. (not housework) Visiting - the lonely, ill, disabled, or supplying a meal to a person in temporary need. Handyman – some small emergency jobs.

Shopping – taking someone, or shopping for someone housebound.

### Welcome all to our 35th Annual General Meeting Report 2016-2017

From January to December 2016 volunteers travelled approximately 10,000 kilometres.

29 active volunteers worked 1200 hours on 880 jobs.

Currently 11 volunteers are working on 12 Permanent Rosters covering 50 jobs, over 45 hours each month.

With only seven Coordinators for our yearly roster, five Coordinators are generously doing two months each and we thank them for their generosity.

This year we are thankful and welcome two new younger volunteers from St. Martins; Julie Lane and Therese Brandon.

A very special thank you to all our volunteers for their generosity of spirit and time serving our community with *Heidelcare*.

We are also indebted and very much appreciate the generosity of Lorraine Conway, our Honorary Treasurer, and Ken Grist our Honorary Auditor for assisting us with our financial accounts.

A very big Thank you to Rosemary Vecchies for ALL that she does to keep *Heidelcare* running like a well oiled machine, she is truly amazing!

*Banyule City Council* offered *Heidelcare* the opportunity to participate in two Silent Auctions at the Annual Community Ball at which we raised \$1880 plus \$1666 from the table raffle. A total of \$3547.00. It was decided not to apply for the Jenny Macklin Government Grant this year because of the generosity of the Banyule City Council for this unexpected windfall.

In January 2017, Val Wallis was the recipient of a Jenny Macklin MP Jaga Jaga Community Volunteer Australia Day Award. Merilyn Kennealy was given a Lifetime Award from the Banyule Council for her work with *Heidelcare*.

In Febuary 2017, Rosemary Vecchies and Merilyn Kennealy attended a meet and greet with Jenny Macklin.

We wish to thank Jenny Macklin's office for the printing of our colourful Christmas cards and to St John's for providing access to do other photocopying.

It was decided to open a bank account with the Bendigo Bank and close the Commonwealth account. This is now in place.

Petrol reimbursement of \$2530 was allocated to those volunteers that had travelled more than 50 kilometres from January to December 2016. Those travelling less than 50 kilometres will be carried over to the following year.

We wish to acknowledge the *Banyule City Council* for the generous grant of \$2000 which is used to subsidise the phone accounts and administration costs of the Coordinators who work from home. The grant also helps with the purchase of gift vouchers of \$20 from the Sycamore Tree for the volunteers.

Merilyn Kennealy April IO 2017

President Heidelcare

# The Linen Lady

### Ann Wyatt

Known to many as the "Linen Lady", Ann Wyatt has been making, sewing, washing, ironing and tending to the altar linen since 1983. When the last of Anne's five children was married at St Johns, she was asked by Dorothy Santamaria if she would assist the altar ladies to help clean the altar once a month.

Once a month then quickly turned into weekly for Anne, who has tended our altar now for 34 years. She is still as particular as ever, even now in her early 80's. Anne is a perfectionist in her craft. She ensures the main altar cloths are washed, beautifully pressed and then neatly placed on the altar and pinned straight and even on all sides.

Yes, it is a labour of love for Anne. She is just one of those who serve us as a parish community. A silent "doer" who makes our celebration of the mass even more special with fine tended linen on the table for our banquet with Christ.



### Attend a Parish event at St John's in 2017?

In our last edition for the year, we would like to include a reflection of the events of 2017. We need digital photographs and up to 100 words about the event. Please email your contribution to **heidelberg.eyrie@cam.org.au** by November 25th, or speak to one of the members of our team.

We look forward to featuring your event!

The Eyrie



# Concetta Molinaro

Many years have passed since Concetta, known to us as Connie, joined the St John's community, "more than 40," she told us. In those days, Connie's children were young when she and her husband Tony moved to Heidelberg from Carlton. Since then, St John's has found a special place in her heart and life. She holds particular fond memories of one of our former Parish Priests, Fr Anthony, who she saw as a strongly religious man that shared so much with the community.

Connie was raised by her parents in a wealthy family in the city of Calabria, Italy, while her husband Tony was from a less wealthy family. This presented challenges for them as a newly formed family. Connie remained at home in Italy until her father was comfortable to give her his blessing to go and be with her husband, who had already moved to Australia. Connie was reunited with him in 1959 when she was 32 years of age with two small children, Frank and Rina. There is still "a hole in her heart" for child Enzo, lost to illness prior to her arrival in Australia at just seven months of age. Four years earlier, Tony had migrated to Australia to find a new place to raise his family. Australia offered a place for a new beginning and a prosperous life. Tony died 26 years ago and since then, Connie's son Frank has been the strong male presence in her life.



Around Connie's neck, she carries signs of her devotion and trust in the mission



and charity of Christian life.

A pendant of St Francis Xavier Cabrini, which she was given prior to arriving in Australia, a crucifix and a rosary ring. Connie has worn these for more years than she can recall. Daily prayer and regular participation in Mass and Parish activities have strengthened Connie's commitment and resolve to live a life in Christ. Until recent times, Connie attended weekday Masses at St John's. These days, she usually attends on a Sunday at 10:30am and she is grateful to the Seymon family that make it possible by often transporting her. You will recognise her as the woman who sits in the second row from the front, closest to the isle on the right side of the church.

Connie is clear about the things that have allowed her to reach the age of 90: prayer, peaceful life, and good food! She grows almost all she eats and prepares vegetables and handmade pasta every day for her evening meal. She looks forward to calls from her children when they drop in and pretend to do so for reasons other than sharing a meal. But she is also happy to pretend with them that it's a drop in only by chance.. at dinner time!

Connie is a steadfast, quiet and prayerful presence in our community at St John's.

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### Term 3 Report Mrs Maureen Stella

What an exciting Term Three we have enjoyed at St John's! Schools are incredibly dynamic and busy places of learning and this term, we celebrated many significant events.

It was a joy to join with our school community in celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation with our Year Six students at St Patrick's Cathedral. The students were a credit to their school and families as they participated so reverently in this important sacrament on their faith journey.

This term was an important one for us as a school with our School Review, overseen by the school reviewer, Mr Ian Coffey. Ian met with focus groups of staff, students and parents and these facilitated discussions assisted Ian in writing his school report for us. I thank the Leadership Team and staff for their input into this process as the review work was also undertaken in Term Two, where we wrote our School Reflection Report, reviewing the past four years of the School Improvement Plan and making recommendations for the future. We look forward to implementing our new School Improvement Plan as we continue to work in partnership with our school community to improve our students' learning outcomes.

The life of a school can often be seen in the extra-curricular learning opportunities for the students and this was most evident in this term's Learning Showcase. This year the Learning Showcase theme was 'lt's all about balance'. Our Performing Arts teacher, Ms Jo Campbell worked in partnership with the Circus Crew Company to enable the students to learn the balance routines and to produce a most enjoyable showcase. The students loved the opportunity to perform on stage in front of family and friends.



The PIC (Partners in Community) held a most successful Father's Day breakfast in our school hall with over 300 present. It was fantastic to see such teamwork and coordination by the PIC, in supplying breakfast to so many students and their Dads, Grandads and Carers, and to have Fr Mario lead us in prayer prior to the breakfast. The PIC finished the term with a Footy Day lunch that the students thoroughly enjoyed.

St John's is a very special school and parish community, and it is a privilege to be Principal of this wonderful school. I value working with Fr Mario, dedicated staff, engaging students and such a supportive school/parish community. Thank you to each one of you for your many contributions to the life and spirit of St John's.

### Father's Day Breakfast Friday 1st September, 2017



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# The Sacrament of Confirmation **St Patrick's Cathedral, Sunday 20th August 2017**



## Introducing... LUCY Battagello

### Why did you choose to be a teacher?

I'd always enjoyed being the neighbourhood babysitter, and I loved the idea of being with children everyday as my career! I always looked up to my classroom teachers (and still remember their funny quirks). Thinking back to my own days in primary school, I imagined my teachers' roles to be exciting, varied and tumultuous. I wanted to have the same effect on students as my teachers had had on me. It only seemed natural to follow this instinct and I haven't looked back!

### What is the funniest thing that a

student has asked you or done? Just the other day, we were discussing in class the various ways to write the number seven, when one of the students put his hand up and chimed in about the Latin language and how it has different characters to English. He said, "And the Latin people had their own set of letters they read their words from right to left...and the Latin people...". He was so enthusiastic about his ideas that I just didn't have the heart to correct him!

### Which one of your own teachers most inspired you and why?

I still remember my prep teacher and her zest for life. It's funny the things you remember - she was head over heels for Neil Diamond and Ricky Martin and often got us all up and dancing to their music! She also had the 'coolest' set of keys in the school, with over 30 quirky key chains all connected to create one big lump of bobbly heads and plastic trinkets. She was a real character.

#### What's one thing that your students have taught you? Something that I've learned from students

Something that I've learned from students is that every single day is different, and that the moods and attitudes of both the students and the teacher truly affect the running of the day. Some days, I wonder why my lessons may not be going as well as I anticipated, and I easily forget that we all have good days and not so good days. Regardless of how well you think you have planned, the course of the day can be completely unpredictable, and both teachers and students play a part in deciding how it will go!

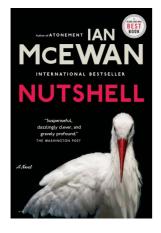
## What's one piece of advice you can share with new graduates starting out?

I would say to take one day at a time, and to not overcommit to things! Take the first term to get used to your new school. I also figured out very early that there is always something to do, whether it is correcting work, putting up displays or reorganising areas of the classroom.



Above all else, I'd say it's so important to have fun and enjoy being around the students who make your work so interesting.

If you had the chance to meet one person, who would it be and why? I would have to say that I'd absolutely love to meet Roald Dahl. From a teacher's perspective, I never could have foreseen the effect that his words have on my class. He writes such beautiful stories that seem to engage the students like no other author can. I just love how we can go from a busy, energetic classroom, to a calm and silent group in a matter of minutes. It would be just fascinating to pick his brain about how his ideas evolved into such masterpieces. Nutshell by lan McEwan



I had heard of Ian McEwan prior to this book, *Atonement* and a few other titles were familiar to me but I'd never read any of his books before. When I heard about his most recent book – *Nutshell*, I was immediately intrigued by unusual narrator. I don't often buy fiction for myself but when I finally did it did not disappoint.

Nutshell follows the fast deteriorating relationship of Trudy, her (soon to be ex) husband John and her lover who also happens to be John's brother Claude. The final character and simultaneously the most important yet passive, is the unborn baby in Trudy's womb who at nine months is as sage and aware as he is unborn. If nothing else, McEwan's thoughtful writing will make you ponder whether you had thoughts in utero that ceased to be remembered after birth or it was really just a dreamless sleep. Some readers may realise that the story of *Nutshell* is actually a retelling of Shakespeare's Hamlet where the characters jostle for space, recognition and autonomy from beginning to end. The book itself is relatively short (although I suppose after reading Yanagihara's *A Little Life*, anything seems short) but packs a punch taking place over the course of only a few days. It is both desperate and dramatic, hellish and humorous - which can only be expected from a self aware foetus with lines such as "Trudy and I are getting drunk again and feeling better" (not that I am condoning excessive drinking). It's a story about rash choices and consequences but ultimately the hope that there's always a choice of path to take – even if you are just minutes old.

I would recommend *Nutshell* to fans of Shakespeare, McEwan, life in the womb and those wanting some good old existential – but accessible, fodder for those moments when you have too much time on your hands.

This review has been kindly contributed by Jeanne Cheong, Andrew's Bookshop, Ivanhoe.

## Choc Fudge Brownies

#### Ingredients:

250g butter, melted

- 2 cups sugar
- 2 tspn vanilla essence
- 4 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 cup plain flour
- 2/3 cup cocoa powder
- <sup>3</sup>⁄<sub>4</sub> tspn baking powder
- 1/2 tspn salt

100g dark chocolate, broken into squares

lcing sugar, to dust

#### Method:

1. Preheat oven 180 °C. Line base and sides of a deep 20cm square baking tin with baking paper.

2. Stir butter, sugar and vanilla essence in a large mixing bowl. Stir in eggs until just combined.

3. Sift flour, cocoa, baking powder and salt into butter mixture. Fold through until just combined.

4. Spread the mixture into prepared tin and scatter the chocolate over the top.

5. Bake for 40 minutes or until firm. Cool on a wire rack for 10 minutes. Remove from tin and cut into squares. Dust with icing sugar. Best served warm with a dollop of cream or ice cream on the side.



#### Mint variation

Crumble a peppermint crisp over the top, drizzle some chocolate peppermint 'Ice Magic' and serve with fresh mint and whipped cream.

#### **Berry variation**

Top brownie with fresh or warmed frozen berries and serve with cream or ice cream.



## El Camino de Santiago

Teresa Lincoln, St John's Parishioner

Life is a journey. Life presents us all with challenges. It is how we face these challenges, learn and respond that is important. For most of us, life is busy and we often don't make the time to listen to the messages we receive daily.

I would like to share with you some thoughts and lessons learned as I walked the Camino a few years ago. Six days of walking approx 20 to 25 kms a day, travelling solo but never really alone. I had no time limits. I was able to take time to see the awe and wonder of God's creation in the beauty I saw and the people I encountered. Each day brought a new day full of unknowns. I did not

know what I would see or who I would talk to; I did know that I had God by my side and plenty of time to pray, to reflect on myself as a wife, a mother, a sister, an aunty and a friend, my time in the world around us and the lessons learned and to look to the future with hope and optimism. In the calmness and serenity of my days I remained mindful that many people are suffering at this time. My thoughts often turned to a young girl I had met on the 6 hour train ride from Madrid. Her story touched me. She had lost two brothers through tragedy, man- made tragedy, war. This journey was not going to be just about me but the people I would met,

I could be to strangers.
Pilgrims have walked the Camino for over 900 years. I was not really doing anything extra ordinary; it has been done before. So why was I doing it? I had committed myself to a time of personal reflection and renewal. I wanted this to be a personal retreat where I could be open to new experiences and the messages of Christ. I reflected on the statement that "preaching Christ makes no difference, being Christlike will have an impact". My interactions and actions with other people will make t the difference.

the attentive listener that I could be

at that moment and the companion



"Lord, keep me safe on my journey by the love I know you have for me."



#### What messages do I want to share with you all?

In life, no two people will share the exact same experiences, the journeys will never be the same. While more than 200,000 pilgrims walk the Camino each year, no one has ever walked it in the exact footsteps I did, stopped at all the same places or met the same people. I had created my own path that no one will do exactly the same.

### What path are you creating as a student, as a teacher, as a friend, as a parent?

When the road is unknown and rocky there is a temptation to be safe and walk with your head down. If you walk with your head down you will miss out on the beauty that surrounds you and people who want to engage with you.

How often do you walk around head down, totally engrossed in your own thoughts or on your mobile without acknowledging the people around you or the awe and wonder of God's creation and the people that make this community?

In life, the fear of falling, stumbling and making mistakes tends to make us cautious. Look to the supports available to you. When I took the advice of a traveller and used the sticks to support me on the walk, I could look up.

What supports do you have in your life that are there for you but you are not open to calling upon them?

In moments of being alone I found great comfort in knowing God walked beside me.

Do you allow yourself to be open the companionship of God?

Companionship is being attentive to others and walking beside them, actively listening before responding.

### Do you truly listen to others and hear their story?

Sometimes we miss the signs that are there to guide us. Never be afraid to seek help if you feel you are lost or to listen when people point you in another direction. It may be the best option.

Do you ever ignore the signs when you know you are struggling?

Finally, be sure you take rests and replenish your body, both physically and spiritually. I realised how comforting a church could be when travelling alone. Each night the churches were full. The singing was powerful and the church was alive and vibrant; filled with people from over the world, united in Christ. I was so far from home yet felt such a sense of community and belonging. This is my church no matter where I am in the world.

# Fr Ted's 50th Anniversary of Ordination

August 6<sup>th</sup> 2017 marked the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Fr Ted's Ordination. St John's parish celebrated the very special occasion with Sunday morning mass, attended by many St John's parishioners, as well as parishioners of other parishes where Fr Ted has previously resided.

Special Prayers of the Faithful, photographs, symbols of his life and dedication to the priesthood were presented at the mass. A subtle hint of Father Ted's other religion, in the form of a Collingwood scarf, could also be seen! A morning tea followed in the hall. Jo Manovella gave a speech on Fr Ted as a Priest, neighbour and friend living amongst us in our community. Fr Ted's great humbleness was the theme that came through loud and clear. Maureen Hegarty (Parish Council Chair) presented him with a gift of vouchers and wine on behalf of the parish. School children from St Johns presented Fr Ted with a collection of drawings and words to celebrate this great achievement.

















# From our Parish Priest

### "I often wonder how, as a society, we have arrived at the point of discussing whether we could assist anyone to terminate their own life."

As part of my ministry at St John's I am often asked to visit patients at the hospitals in our suburbs.

I have a strong working relationship with my colleagues on ward 8 South, in the Olivia Newton-John Health and Wellness Centre; the staff in this ward look after people close to the end of their life, and I am often called to visit and support these patients and their relatives in these final moments.

I have a deep respect towards the members of staff on this ward; it is not easy to journey with people who are preparing to let go of life. It is a very emotionally painful experience for the sick person, for their relatives and for the carers. Medical staff in palliative wards spend their time helping the patients manage their pain and making it possible for them to live life as comfortably and as well as possible.

It is never easy to sit and watch as a loved one lives through their last moments. We feel the need to do something, when the best we can do is to be; to stand by and support our loved one by our silent presence. As I journey through ward 8 South I am often reminded of the time I spent with my father in the last four weeks of his life.

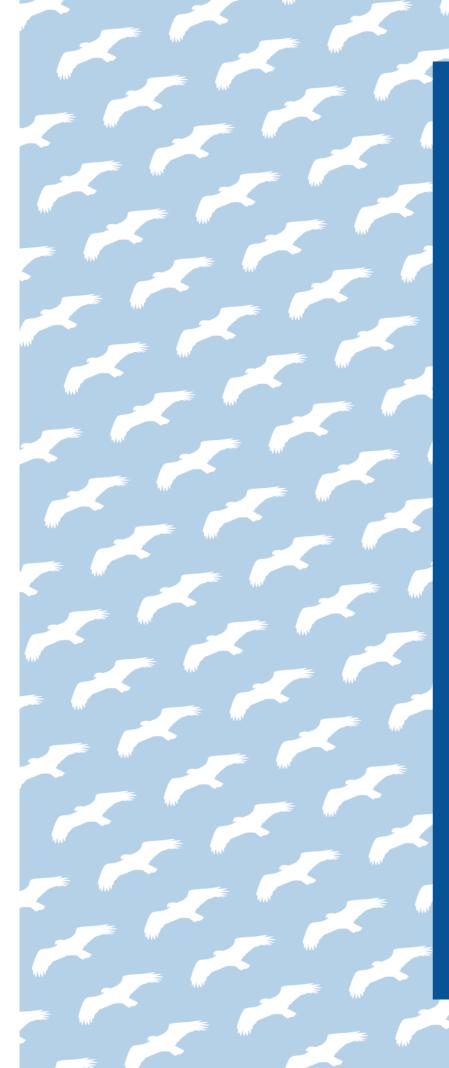
I believe that life is a total free gift from God, giving us an opportunity to get to know our God in whatever shape or understanding that one is comfortable with. In my ministry, I try to help the individual to live each moment of his or her life the best they can.

From within this context, I reflect upon the issue of euthanasia and assisted suicide that is once again being discussed in Australia. The discussion is whether doctors should be allowed to assist people with terminal illnesses to end their life earlier, rather than have to suffer through painful moments. People who have journeyed with loved ones through palliative care know that often once pain is managed and the associated stress is removed, people tend to live longer than originally predicted.

I often wonder how, as a society, we have arrived at the point of discussing whether we could assist anyone to terminate their own life. It seems to me that at some stage we have abrogated for ourselves the right to decide what is good and what is bad. On the one hand we go to extremes to prevent suicide, and yet we have now come to recognise that there are moments where people can be assisted to take their own life! We do not seem to have space for objective truth any longer and if enough of us are ready to put our hand up in favour or a certain course of action, then that action is deemed to be good! The will of the majority rules!

In my experience, the last months and weeks of a person's life, especially when the person and his relatives know that the end is close, are sacred moments. Rather than trying to assist the person to shorten his or her life, I experience these moments as special moments that are treasured by the dying person and by their loved ones. These may not be easy moments but they are treasured moments.

Fr Mario



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### Saturday 11th November

First Communion for children from parish schools at 11am. We welcome them and pray for them.

### Saturday 25th November

Serve the Servers Movie Night in St Monica's after 6pm mass.

#### **Friday 1st December**

Bereavement Mass for parishioners and friends who have lost a relative in the past 12 months. 7:30pm. All welcome.

### Thursday 7th December

Masses with the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick at 9:15am and 11:30am.

#### Wednesday 13th December

Parish Carols Night, hosted by St John's Primary School. BYO picnic for a 6pm start and Carols at 7pm. All welcome.

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