



Pastoral Cluster

Incorporating the Parishes of Holy Family Bell Park, Ss Peter & Paul's Geelong West & Holy Spirit Manifold Hts.

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Reflection... (by Richard Leonard SJ)



PETER'S MONOLOGUE – GET BEHIND ME SATAN!

What does he expect of me? One moment my word is law, in heaven and on earth. The underworld cannot stand up against me. The next, I'm Satan and I am getting in his way. Then to get anywhere we all have to die. I simply don't understand.

Things have been going fine, up 'til now. The people have been really responding to what he says and does. There have been miracles of course, but it's been what the people see in him that really makes you think. They have so much hope. In him, they see God reaching out to them; in their poverty, in their disbelief, in their sinfulness. And so do I.

So when he asked us, 'Who do people say I am?' we gave him the standard answers: Elijah, Jeremiah, one of the prophets, even John the Baptist.

When he asked us who we thought he was, the answer was clear. He was the hope of the poor, forgiveness for sinners, justice for all people. He is the Christ. He is the Son of the living God. I was only saying what everyone else was thinking. You couldn't travel with him and share his life, like we did, and not come to really know him.

He seemed happy at first. I don't really understand what he said next, but it was pretty full on. The Father revealing; me being a rock, changing my name, the power to bind and loose... He was very excited. But then suddenly his mood changed.

He said he was planning to go to Jerusalem. I could not believe it. The people loved him. But because of this the Chief Priest, Scribes and most of Pharisees saw him as a threat to Jerusalem. The Roman are bad enough, but with all the others, Jerusalem is the last place he needs to be. He knows that, we know that, so why do it? It makes no sense.

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PARISH PRAYER:

God our Father, bless this parish so that we may love you more. Help the parents to be a good example to the children and our youth to grow in strength as good Christians.

Encircle our families with your loving care. To the sick grant health, to the aged bring serenity and to those in sorrow, joy. May we grow stronger in faith and may our love for one another become deeper in our daily living. Amen.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:

Heavenly Father, help us to respond to and live out our mission in the Church, and in the world. Help all your people to know their vocation in life and assist them to live it well.

For your greater glory and for the service of your people, call many to be priests and religious. Give those whom you call the grace to respond generously and to persevere faithfully. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS:

Lord our God,
You guide Your people by the ministry of Priests.

Keep them faithful in obedient service to you, that by their life and ministry, they may bring you glory in Christ.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

- 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time -

(Year B - September 13, 2009.)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Give peace, Lord, to those who wait for you, and your prophets will proclaim you as you deserve. Hear the prayers of your servant and of your people Israel.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

I will walk in the presence of the Lord,
in the land of the living.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

My only glory is the cross of our Lord
Jesus Christ, which crucifies the world to
me and me to the world..

Alleluia!

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wis 2:12,17-20
2nd Reading: James 3:16-4:3
Gospel: Mk 9:30-37



The Pastoral Cluster at Prayer

WEEKEND MASSES:

Holy Family, Bell Park:

English... 8am and 9.30am (Sunday)

Holy Spirit, Manifold Hts:

6.00pm Sat
11am - 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

Ss Peter & Paul's, Geelong West:

5.00pm Sat
11am - 2nd and 4th Sundays
9.30am - Italian Mass at St Patrick's
11.30am (2nd Sunday)

Croatian... 11.30am (1,3,4,5th Sunday), 12.30pm (2nd Sunday) - Slovenian...

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Holy Family: 9.15am Tues, 9.15am Thurs

Holy Spirit: 9.00am Wed, 11am Fri and 9am Sat. **Reconciliation after Saturday Mass**

Grace McKellar Centre: 10.15am - 1st, 3rd, 5th Tues; **Maryville Nursing Home:** 11.15am Wed;

Multicultural Centre: 1.30pm - 1st Fri

Vincentian Village: 3.00pm - Mon

COMMUNAL PRAYER:

Mon...	<i>Holy Family Women's Prayer Group</i>	10.00am	<i>Holy Family Community Centre</i>
Tues...	<i>Meditation Group</i>	5.30pm	<i>Holy Family Community Centre</i>
Wed...	<i>Prayer of the Church</i>	<i>Before 9am Mass</i>	<i>Holy Spirit Church</i>
Wed...	<i>Holy Family Women's Prayer Group</i>	10.00am	<i>Holy Family Community Centre</i>
Thurs...	<i>Italian Prayer Group</i>	10.00am	<i>St Patrick's Chapel</i>
Fri...	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	<i>After 11am Mass</i>	<i>Holy Spirit Church</i>
Fri...	<i>Divine Mercy</i>	3.00pm	<i>Holy Spirit Church</i>
Sat...	<i>Rosary</i>	<i>After 9am Mass</i>	<i>Holy Spirit Church</i>

OUR LADY'S STATUE: **Sept 14** - Sheahan family, Sladen St; **Sept 21** - Dyson family, Sydenham Ave.

If anyone would like to have our Lady's Statue or if you could spare an hour a month to help Tina Montalto, ph 5278 9314.

AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

RECENT DEATHS: Angelina Panozzo

ANNIVERSARIES: Dominic Duggan (Darcy), Francesco & Annuziata, Angela Zuclich, Leo, Vera, William, Ellen & Mary O'Brien, Salvatore Rotiroti, Assuntina De Lorenzo, Ron Sells, Imelda Wood, Catherine Conway, Ian Dempsey, Jack Calderazzo

BAPTISMS: Lachlan Sears, George Pamvouxoglou (HS)

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Kathleen Lewis, Wendy Commons, Tom Cleary, Brian Shaw, Margaret Donaghy, Rita Ambrose, Alan Mee, John Kennedy, Rita McDonald, Felix Capicchiano

When you have recovered from illness, please phone the Pastoral Cluster Office on 5278 1343.

ROSTER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2009.

(3rd Sunday of the Month)

HOLY FAMILY

Commentators
Lectors
Special Ministers
Welcomers
Piety Stall
Flowers (Group 1)

8.00AM

K Saunders
B Rainbow
A Vanjek, C Marcantonio, P Walsh
R&L Allum
A&LVanjek
H Thornton, E Di Domenico, P Lee

9.30AM

L Lehpamer
H Verdnik, T McMahan, L Lehpamer
J de Palma, M Modica, E Glynn
E Dalton, G Carmody
E Hoffman

HOLY SPIRIT:

Commentators
Lectors
Special Ministers
Welcomers
Projectionist

6.00PM

Sr J McGonigal
M Ercoli
G Wright
C Horan, C Canny, V Logan
T Dunlop

11.00AM

G Brown
P Murfitt
B Gorman, I Cleary, L Coles, V Trinder
T Cleary, D Brown

Ss PETER & PAUL'S:

Commentators
Readers
Special Ministers
Welcomers
Sacristan
Projectionist

5.00PM

L Middleton
M Gifford
K Maddalena, B Ditkun, M Sleeman
N Neeld

11.00AM

Recurring Activities in the Cluster:

- **Holy Family** Casserole lunch - third Sunday of each month at the Community Centre from 12noon
- **Holy Family Women's Group** first Monday evening of each month at the Community Centre 7.30pm
- **St Vincent de Paul** - Holy Family meet 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at the Community Centre, 7.30pm
Ss Peter & Paul's meet 2nd and 4th Thursdays 2pm in the Small Hall
Holy Spirit meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays 7.00pm in Holy Spirit Hall
- **Baptism Preps** - 2nd and 4th Mondays 7.30pm in the Community Centre
- **Children's Liturgy** - Holy Family - 1st and 3rd Sunday at 9.30am Mass (during school term)
Holy Spirit - 1st and 3rd Sundays at 11am Mass (during school term)
Ss Peter & Paul's - 2nd and 4th Sunday at 11.00am Mass (during school term)
- **Playgroup** - Holy Spirit Hall - Monday 9.30am-11.30am. 0-5 years Indoor/outdoor play. Ph 5278 3558 or mob 0400 722 726
- **Manifold CWL** - Holy Spirit Hall - First Tuesdays in the month
- **Italian Mass at St Patrick's Chapel** - First Thursday of the month
- **Geelong Stroke Support** group for survivors, partners, carers & families meet in the Holy Spirit Hall.
- **Catholic Deanery Solo Group:** Dinner at Desma's every 1st Tuesday of the month at 6.30pm. Bookings phone 5278 2712.
- **Ss Peter & Paul's Luncheon:** Second Sunday of each month, 12noon in the small Hall.
- **Catholic Diners' Club:** Second Tuesday of each month, 6pm at Dromoland. Dinner & Guest speaker. Ph Patti on 5229 9963
- **Pastoral Cluster Community Kitchen:** Each Monday at Ss Peter & Paul's small hall starting at 10am. Contact Kath O'Reilly 5243 3341

Cluster News:

STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM:

During Oct/Nov we will conduct our 2009 Stewardship Program. The program will examine our role as stewards of God's gifts of time, talent and treasure, but it will also examine our stewardship of the earth's resources - water, oil, forests, land, etc. It will seek a financial commitment for the parish, but it will also ask how we use **all** of our practical and material resources.

YEAR OF THE PRIEST - JUNE '09 TO JUNE '10:

When I first came to Geelong in 1959, each of the parishes that constitute the Cluster today had two priests each. This meant that priests spent time knocking on doors to make home visits, enabling priests and families to get to know each other better. With two priests only today across the Cluster, this facet of priestly ministry is well nigh impossible. However, a suggestion has been made that some families might like to invite the priests for a meal during this Year of the Priest. The understanding would be that the meal time is from 6pm to no later than 8pm.

Thankyou to the Holy Family parishioners who have invited Fr Gerard and I to dinner; all vacancies have been taken. In October there will be an opportunity from Holy Spirit to invite either of us and Ss Peter & Paul's in November.

(Fr Mick)

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY:

This year's Social Justice Sunday Statement is titled: *And You Will be my Witnesses*. During World Youth Day 2008, Australia saw thousands of young Christians inspired by the Holy Spirit. Yet many young people are marginalised, excluded and deprived of dignity. The Bishops recall the challenge of Pope Benedict - *What will you leave to the next generation? What difference will you make?* - and present it again to all Australians, young and old. For further details about the Catholic Bishops' Statement, visit the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council website (www.acsjc.org.au) or call (02) 8306 3499.

On the weekend of Sept 12/13, students from Clonard College and Sacred Heart College and the weekend of Sept 20 students from St Joseph's College, will make a short presentation on how they, as young people, actively support Social Justice in Australia and beyond.

BAPTISM OF SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN PROGRAM:

The Pastoral Cluster, together with the Corio parish, offer a Baptism Program for school age children in this region. Earlier in the year the program was offered at the Pastoral Cluster and will now be offered again in Corio. Details of time and place are outlined below:

Enrolment Mass Sunday Oct 18... Corio 10.30am Mass

Blessing Mass - Sunday Nov 1... Corio 10.30am Mass

Evening Workshops: **Wed Nov 4** - 7pm - Ron Lowe Room Parish House, 143 Bacchus Marsh Rd

Thurs Nov 5 - 7pm Ron Lowe Room Parish House, 143 Bacchus Marsh Rd

Presentation and Welcome Mass: **Sunday Nov 8** - 10.30am Mass Corio

Parents interested in baptism for their children who are at school should contact Anna at St Francis Xavier Corio on 5275 4120 on Wednesday or Thursday between 9am and 3pm. **Parents must contact Anna before the Enrolment Mass on Sunday Oct 18.**

SISTERS OF THE HOLY ANGELS LUNCHEON:

On Wednesday Sept 16 at 12noon at the new venue - **Ss Peter & Paul's, Ashby Hall, Malone St West Geelong**. Parking available behind the Hall and Church. Cost \$7 - enquiries to Maureen 5244 1346 or May 5221 3763.

Holy Family:

⇒ FATHER'S DAY RAFFLE:

Holy Spirit:

⇒ THE MANIFOLD CWL ANNUAL MEETING is to be held at the Cluster Community Room at Holy Family Parish Centre, Separation St Bell Park, on Tues Sept 15. Lunch at 12noon followed by annual meeting at 1.30pm. Ladies from Holy Family and Ss Peter & Paul's are most welcome. For transport please contact Pat on 5278 2422, Jeanette 5278 2063 or Trish 5221 1986. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF ADDRESS! Members please bring a plate to share.

Community News:

- Oct 4... CENTACARE'S INAUGURAL CONCERT IN THE CATHEDRAL: 2.30-4.30pm at St Patrick's Cathedral, Cathedral Place Melbourne. Tickets phone 9287 555 or www.centacaremelbourne.org ranging in price from \$25 to \$65.
- Oct 7... SENIORS FESTIVAL: As part of the City of Greater Geelong's Seniors Festival, Kings Australia and Louise King Funerals proudly present Rebecca Hay, Geelong's 'Voice of an Angel' with Melodies by Gershwin. To be held at Lyndon Grove, 131 Surfcoast Hwy Grovedale, 3pm. Bookings preferred - contact Tricia 5222 3688 or email tricia@kingsaustralia.com.au
- Oct 18... SENIORS FESTIVAL: As part of the City of Greater Geelong's Seniors Festival, Kings Australia and Louise King Funerals proudly present Geelong's Tim McCallum and Rebecca Hay in Harmony-Peace-Spirit-Grace at St Mary's Basilica, 3pm. Tickets \$10 from Kings Administrative Office, 25 Myers St and will be available at the door. A donation from the event will be made to Anam Cara House.

A MESSAGE OF HOPE - Understanding the Acts of the Apostles in Today's Culture

St Mary of the Angels Parish Geelong, is hosting a Regional Formation Program on behalf of the Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation. Everyone is welcome to attend. Come along and be educated, entertained, encouraged and enlivened!

Dates: Tuesdays 29 September - 27 October 2009

Time: 7.30pm - 9.15pm

Venue: Parish Centre, St Mary of the Angels Parish - Cnr Lt Myer & Yarra Sts Geelong

Telephone: 5222 1977

Presenter: Fr Chris Monaghan CP

Cost: The parish will cover all costs for this program. The individual fee would be \$60 or \$40 Conc.

I commend especially those who have a role in the liturgical ministry to attend this program as part of your ongoing formation. Clipboards are in the back of each Church for sign-up. (Fr Gerard)

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

- Thoughts on Giving

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me."
(Mark 8:34)

When we truly believe that all we have is a gift from God, then we must be willing to deny ourselves some things so that we can share

FORMER ST ANTHONY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL 26-34 Glenfine Ave Hamlyn Hts

. Rare opportunity in established residential area

- . Develop/Occupy
- . 3 titles (to be sold as one)
- . Land area: 4,105m²
- . Building area: 849m²
- . Zoning: Residential 1

**TERMS: 10% DEPOSIT,
BALANCE 60 DAYS**



I am delighted to announce publicly that the sale of St Anthony's has gone through and the contracts between the Archdiocese and the vendor have been signed. The vendor will take possession of the property at the end of January 2010. At this point I'm unaware of what they will do with the property, but I'm sure as developers they will do something very good for the local area.

A vote of thanks to a number of people - Tim Darcy of Gross Waddell who ran a successful sale campaign, Sue Walker, the Property Officer for the Archdiocese, Chris Colley who has maintained the property over recent times and Trish Stickland who has managed the property over recent times.

- Fr Gerard



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So took him aside and I told him: He can't let this happen! We were sitting by the road a little further along than the others. He was looking tired and worried. He looked up at me and said it. I'll never forget it. 'Get behind me! Satan.'

I must've looked shocked, but he kept on. 'You are an obstacle in my path. Your way of thinking is not God's way.'

I was so angry. He turned and walked back to the others. Slowly I walked back. He was sitting, eating some bread, and as he ate he began to speak. 'If you want to follow me, forget yourself, your life, your fear, and follow me. Even to death.'

What does he expect of us? We have all given up so much for him. We believe in him. We know him to be the Christ. Yet he wants more! Do we follow him to death in Jerusalem?

What does he expect of me?