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#### Reflection... (by Richard Leonard SJ)

teacher asked her grade one class to paint something of their own choosing. All the children got busy about the task. As the teacher walked around she noticed Beckie was particularly focused on her painting, 'What are you painting Beckie?' asked the teacher. 'I'm painting God, Miss' replied the little girl. 'Well that must be difficult because no one knows what God looks like.' At which Beckie stopped, looked up and confidently announced, 'But they will when I'm finished.'



The names Christians give to God – Father, Son and Spirit – are both ancient and important. But we should never think they exhaust the possibilities of God's reality. Creator, mother, lover, redeemer, Saviour, higher power or friend all go some way to help us put words around our experience of our God, who is more and beyond all names we can possibly use.

The naming of God, however, is an important, but secondary focus to today's feast. There are two other facets to it that are more central.

The first is that the Trinity declares that relationships are at the very centre of God. We believe that the Father, Son and Spirit are in full communion, communication and relationship with each other at all times, in all places. To know Jesus is to know the Father and the Spirit and vice versa. They are one. This special relationship also indicates to us that nothing should matter more in our lives than our relationships with one another. To be like the God we profess every Sunday is to commit ourselves to our relationships, in all their varieties. To work hard on our relationships is, for a Christian, to touch the divine.

The second extraordinary thing we celebrate today is that the Father invites us into this loving relationship with Him, Jesus and the Spirit.

What is especially consoling about this is that we are the only world religion that believes our God took our flesh. So through Jesus' life, teaching, compassion and sacrificial love we not only discover who he is, but, at one and the same time, we find out what God and the Spirit are like.

Some people think themselves unworthy of such invitation. Others argue they have to be a better person to deserve such an offer. (Cont'd P3)

# - Trinity Sunday -

(Year C - May 30, 2010.)

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Blessed be God the Father and his only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit:

for he has shown that he loves us.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

#### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Corpus Christi**

Gen 14:18-20 1st Reading: 2nd Reading: 1Cor 11:23-26 Gospel: Lk 9:11-17



### **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.

# The Pastoral Cluster at Prayer

WEEKEND MASSES:

Holy Family, Bell Park: **Holy Spirit, Manifold Hts:** Ss Peter & Paul's, Geelong West:

English... 8am and 9.30am (Sunday) 6.00pm Sat 5.00pm Sat

> 11am - 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays 11am - 2nd and 4th Sundays

> > 9.30am - Italian Mass at St Patrick's

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

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Holy Family: 9.15am Tues, 9.15am Thurs

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;

1.30pm - 1st Fri **Multicultural Centre:** Vincentian Village: 3.00pm - Mon

COMMUNAL PRAYER:

Mon... Holy Family Women's Prayer Group 10.00am Holy Family Community Centre Tues... Meditation Group 5.30pm Holy Family Community Centre

Wed... Prayer of the Church Before 9am Mass Holy Spirit Church

Holy Family Women's Prayer Group Holy Family Community Centre Wed... 10.00am

Italian Prayer Group St Patrick's Chapel Thurs... 10.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament After 11am Mass Holy Spirit Church Fri... Fri... Divine Mercy 3.00pm Holy Spirit Church Sat... Rosary After 9am Mass Holy Spirit Church

OUR LADY'S STATUE: May 31 - Kolotelo family Bostock Ave, June 7 - Lamaro family Griffen St.

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:** Anna Kosic, Benjamin Hanlon-Ward

ANNIVERSARIES: Fr Hugh McDonald RAN, Robert Salt, Leo O'Dwyer, Dorothy Cushen, Mihajlo Germanjuk, William Smith,

Gordon Boyle, John Noonan, Bro Peter Noonan CFC, Cecilia Humphrey, Jean McGinness, John Kennedy,

Gerald Drew, Nick Hoare Jnr, Stan Sherwell

**BAPTISMS:** 

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Dianne Rickey, Patrick Duffy°, Wendy Commons, Felix Capicchiano, Bruno

> Sorgiovanni, Jim Hudson, David Fort, Agnes Vanjek, Kathleen Lewis, Mary Smith, Paulus Handianto Soetaper Kasa, Patricia McMahon, Margaret Harris

(Please note: After approx five weeks names will be deleted from the sick list -

please phone the office if you wish names reinserted)



# ROSTER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 6, 2010.

(1st Sunday of the Month)

**HOLY FAMILY** 8.00AM 9.30AM Commentators R Allum T McMahon A Vaniek C&J Taylor Lectors

F Chrimes, J Bartolo, I Vanjek, B McFarlane G&P Carmody, D Farrar, R&R Zanardo **Special Ministers** M&E Hoffman, L d'Aprile

Welcomers U Guardiano, K McArthur

**HOLY SPIRIT:** 6.00PM 11.00AM Commentators Sr Sibberas M Shilling Lectors J O'Neill M Gurrie

D Boyle, M Abbott, T McShanag V Trinder, M Currie **Special Ministers** 

A Dickson, D King, I Cleary, C Kelynack Welcomers C Horan, V Logan, P Ryan

Projectionist B Stocks L Coles

Ss PETER & PAUL'S: 5.00PM Commentators C O'Brian Readers D O'Brian

**Special Ministers** N Neeld, S Beamond, J Jess

Welcomers Projectionist

### RECURRING ACTIVITIES IN THE CLUSTER:

Holy Family Casserole lunch -Third Sunday of each month at the Community Centre from 12noon a Casserole lunch BYO to share

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 3rdTuesdays 7.00pm in Holy Spirit Hall

Baptism Preps -2nd and 4th Mondays 7.30pm in the Community Centre

1st and 3rd Sunday at 9.30am Mass (during school term) Children's Liturgy -Holy Family -

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 School -Monday 9.30am-11.30am. 0-3 years Indoor/outdoor play. Ph 5229 8298

Manifold CWL -Pastoral Cluster Centre, First Tuesdays in the month Italian Mass -First Thursday of the month in St Patrick's Chapel

Geelong Stroke Support Group -Survivors, partners, carers & families meet in the Ss Peter & Paul's 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

If you wish to know more about these groups, as well as about our Sacramental Program for children in non-Catholic schools, our Baptism and Wedding procedures, our Partnership with the Columbans in the Philippines and so on, please visit our webpage:

www.pastoralclustergeelong.org

### **Cluster News:**

#### LITURGY IN THE PASTORAL CLUSTER:

May 29/30 - Trinity Sunday

May 30 - Year of the Priest for the Pastoral Cluster Mass at Ss Peter & Paul's, 11am, with Luncheon to follow.

#### **RELAY FOR LIFE- Celebrate Remember Fightback!**

"On behalf of Cancer Council Victoria, please accept our sincere thanks for your contribution at the Geelong Relay for Life 2010. Your dedication to lead a team is a prime example of the commitment you share with Cancer Council Victoria in our efforts to fight back against cancer... Fr Mick's team raised \$7,985.10... This year over 25,000 Victorians will participate in 42 Relay for Life events across the State. 80 teams participated at the 2010 Geelong Relay for Life and I am pleased to announce \$209,887.35 as the total figure for this year's event. This is an inspirational effort and we are grateful for your part in this achievement."

- Brett O'Farrell, Relay for Life & Community Development Manager, Cancer Council Victoria. (Letter 12 May 2010)

# First Meeting for preparation for next year's Relay for Life Event will be held Thursday 10 June 2010 at the Pastoral Cluster Office, 7.30pm.

All team members and others are very warmly welcome.



#### NOTES FROM THE OFFICE:

- 1. Fr Mick will be away from Monday 31 May until 25 June. Fr Mick will be spending some time with his two sisters and brothers at Merimbula. We wish him a restful and peaceful holiday. Then on 28 June to 1 July Fr Mick will be attending the Diocesan Priests' Assembly.
- 2. On behalf of the Pastoral Cluster we wish Trish Stickland, the Office Manager, many happy returns for a significant milestone birthday this week.

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While both of these responses to God's invitation are understandable, they fail to take into account that in Jesus we have been made worthy of God's love and if we are waiting to get to a certain level of goodness to deserve God's love, we will wait forever.

God invites us into the compassionate embrace of the Trinity where we are and as we are, so that we can become all that God knows we can be. We don't have to get good to get God. We have to get God before we can get good.

Let's not be like the small boy who once said to me, 'The feast of the Trinity is all about that old bloke, his younger son and that bird.' On this Trinity Sunday let's celebrate the intimacy and dignity to which we are called by signing ourselves with the focus of our love - Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

## **Holy Spirit:**

- ⇒ MANIFOLD BRANCH OF CWL will hold their monthly meeting in the Pastoral Cluster meeting i room, 1.30pm on Tuesday June 1. Cluster ladies most welcome to attend. Apologies or transport to Pat Bourke 5278 2422 or Jeanette Sheahan 5278 2063.
- SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL HOLY SPIRIT CONFERENCE: A long time member of the Manifold Hts Holy Spirit Conference of the SVDP Society, Margaret Cody, has retired from her position as Treasurer of the Conference after a term of more than 13 years. Margaret has given wonderful service in this important role and fortunately she will stay on as a Conference member. Her successor as Treasurer will be Ted Dickinson.
- ⇒ AD2000: June issue now for sale at the SVDP Stall, price \$4. Included in this issue Missal Translation; Archbishop Hart Interview; Background to Vatican II's Liturgical Reforms; New Survey of Young Catholics; plus World News, Letters.

#### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

"But whenhe comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth." (Jn 16:13)

Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to help us know the truth. So why not ask the Holy Spirit the truth about your stewardship?

Are you sharing your time and talent with God and others? Do you ive a fair amount of your treasure to do the work of the Lord?

Can you hear the Spirit's answer to those questions in your heart now?
What more is He calling you to do?

### **Ss Peter & Paul's:**

- FESTA DI SANT'ANTONIO: Domenico il 13 Giugno, La Chiesa di St Patrick, Britannia St Geelong West. Alle ore 11.30, celebrante Mons James Murray. Dup la Santa Messa: Ci sara una Processione nel cortile della scuola. Ci sara servito un rinfresco, con bevande, panini e spuntini. Ci sara musica e divertimenti per bambini nel pomeriggio.
- ⇒ **ST BERNADETTE'S GROTTO:** On behalf of the parish of Ss Peter & Paul's, I extend heartfelt thanks to the Panozzo family who kindly donated the St Bernadette's statue at the Grotto in memory of their parents, Giovanni and Angelina Panozzo.

## **Holy Family:**

- ⇒ **CASSEROLE LUNCHEON:** You are invited to join parishioners from Holy Family on the third Sunday of the month at 12noon at the Pastoral Cluster Centre for a BYO Casserole Luncheon.
- RENOVATION TO HOLY FAMILY CHURCH: I am in the process of obtaining quotes for the renovations of Holy Family Church. The renovations are part of the Golden Jubilee Celebration of Holy Family. The renovations include an upgrade of the lighting fixtures (with the possibility of a significant lighting feature subject to cost); rendering the back wall; new carpet; parquetry floor for the Sanctuary; re-varnishing the pews (this is proving to be a difficult task because of the heating under seats); steam cleaning the brick walls, roof and exterior; upgrade of the Chapel area, etc. A significant process which will require a considerable outlay and, in the short term, some inconvenience. The organising committee will present the proposed improvements soon.

### GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS FOR HOLY FAMILY PARISH

This year Holy Family celebrates its Golden Jubilee. This occasion is worthy of celebration. I would like to call a meeting of people who have ideas and who are prepared to organise events to celebrate this occasion. The meeting...

Venue: Pastoral Cluster Community Centre

Date: Thursday 3rd June

Time: 7.30pm

#### **COMMUNITY DATES & NOTICES:**

June 1... RETIRED OFFICERS KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS: Next meeting will be held at the White Eagle, Fellmongers Rd, at 12noon.

June 10... FREE TALKS ON MENTAL HEALTH: Chris Mackey will speak on Positively Parenting Teenagers at the Geelong West Town Hall (Supper room), 7.30-8.45pm

June 18... SPECIAL EUCHARISTIC OPPORTUNITY: Chris Miller will speak on The Power of the Eucharist at St Mary's Basilica after the 7pm Mass. Chris is a renowned lay speaker on the Eucharist - contact details Paul Mora 5251 2284 or Kevin Butler 5265 6193.

#### ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:

SVDP is in urgent need of warm blankets, doonas, clean mattresses and winter coats for all the family. Please leave at 162 Fyans St South Geelong, Monday-Friday 9am-5pm or phone 5229 0911 for mattress pickup.

Winter Collection: Collections will be taken up on June 12/13 at Holy Family and Ss Peter & Paul's and June 19/20 at Holy Spirit. Proceeds of the collections will go to the local SVDP Conferences who support families in need.

#### **COMBINED CAR RAFFLE 2010:**

Congratulations to the winners. Of the four major lucky winners of cars, one was from Bell Post Hill - Bev Perrett. Again, thanks to all those who supported the raffle. Your support is making a contribution to our Columban Partnership.

#### MARY MACKILLOP CANONISATION TOUR - Departing 15 October:

Jetset Belmont, in conjunction with Trafalgar Tours, are offering an 11-day Tour of Italy for 11 days which includes tickets to the Canonisation at St Peters. Cost is \$2995 per person, plus airfare. Contact Jetset Belmont for details.