

Reflection... (by Richard Leonard SJ)

A man was in his dinghy on a lake when a large yacht rammed him and his dinghy sank. As the man began to drown, the crew of the yacht threw him a life jacket, but the man yelled back, 'I don't need help, for God will soon save me.' Straight I away another boat pulled up beside the man to haul him aboard, but he refused to go saying, 'I don't need help, for God will soon save me.' Just then, the Air & Sea helicopter flew overhead and dropped a ladder, but the man pushed it away yelling out, 'I don't need help, for God will soon save me.'



And with that the man drowns. He meets God and angrily enquires, 'Where were you when I needed you most? I kept believing you would save me and I've ended up here.' 'Don't blame me for your tragic death' replied God, 'I sent you a lifejacket, a boat and a helicopter.'

Traditionally, this Gospel has been used to talk about vocations to the priestly and religious life. While it can apply to these specific roles of service in the Church, to exclusively read the labourers in the harvest as priests and religious undermines the power of Jesus' message. His commission of the seventy disciples must be read over and against his commissions to the twelve. The seventy are called to be evangelisers, to go and prepare the way for Jesus to visit the surrounding villages and towns. This commission is for the whole community. It is the priesthood of all believers. The twelve are later commissioned to serve as leaders of the community.

Through baptism we have all been commissioned to go out to live and proclaim the Good News of Christ, to keep journeying on to all our sisters and brothers and prepare the way for Christ to come into their lives. The number of labourers for this harvest has never been greater. We have never had more Christians in the world than we have right now. If all of us who have been baptised in Christ were living out the Gospel and bringing it to bear in our personal, family, social and national life, then the world would be transformed. As Gandhi once said, 'I would take the waters of Christian baptism tomorrow if I saw Christians living out what they profess to believe.' We seem to have lost our courage, our nerve for the task at hand. We have been consumed by sheepishness and daunted by the wolves.

Jesus reminds us that to live out this commission we need to depend on each other for support, hospitality and kindness. He challenges us to travel light and stick together.

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- 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time -

(Year C - July 4, 2010.)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Within your temple we ponder your loving kindness, O God. As your name, so also your praise reaches to the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with justice.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you.



Alleluia!

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time 0-14

1st Reading:	Deut 30:10-
2nd Reading:	Col 1:15-20
Gospel:	Lk 10:25-37

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.

The Pastoral Cluster at Prayer

WEEKEND MASSES: Holy Family, Bell Park:

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

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

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

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

Grace McKellar Centre: 10.15am - 1st, 3rd, 5th Tues; 1.30pm - 1st Fri Multicultural Centre: Vincentian Village: 3.00pm - Mon

Maryville Nursing Home: 11.15am Wed;

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

OUR LADY'S STATUE: July 5 - Bourke family, Sycamore 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: ANNIVERSARIES:

Lorna Byrne, Marino Toffoli, Noel Pennington, Peter Lineen

Antonio Tino, Michael Haberman, Doreen Bellinger, Fr Paddy Bohan

ONE MONTH ANNIVERSARY: Chiara Tino

BAPTISMS:

Halle George (HS)

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Patrick Duffy°, Wendy Commons, Felix Capicchiano, Bruno Sorgiovanni, David Fort, Agnes Vanjek, Kathleen Lewis, Mary Smith, Paulus Handianto Soetaper Kasa, Patricia McMahon, Margaret Harris, Damian Taylor, Joseph Escorse, Iolanda Marruso

(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, JULY 11, 2010.

(2nd Sunday of the Month)

HOLY FAMILY

Commentators Lectors Special Ministers Welcomers

HOLY SPIRIT:

Projectionist

8.00AM R Allum F O'Neill C Marcantonio, P Walsh

9.30AM

C Simpson D Lunn, A Negro E Di Domenico, I Vanjek, R Allum, J Genova H Verdnik, M Modica, E Glynn, M Baird, J Sheahan V Resciniti, G Cracco

Commentators Lectors **Special Ministers** Welcomers

Ss PETER & PAUL'S:

Commentators Readers **Special Ministers** Welcomers Projectionist

6.00PM

M Lacy M Willett, G Harrison B Murphy, M Willett, R O'Neill M Brown, D McFarlane, P Ryan B Stocks

5.00PM

A Hubbard P Power, P Hubbard P&A Hubbard, P McGlinchy R&K Maddalena

11.00AM

E Strzelecki M Martin L Strzelecki, A/'L Fossey, M Sleeman M&H Broekman, D Dougherty, L Fossey T Martin



Recurring Activities in the Cluster:

Holy Family Casserole lunch - Holy Family Women's Group -	Third Sunday of each month at the Community Centre from 12noon a Casserole lunch BYO to share 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		
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 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 eac	h 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: <u>www.pastoralclustergeelong.org</u>

Cluster News:

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE:

- 1. Office Closure during the School Holidays The Office will be manned by a skeleton staff during the school holidays. If no one is available in the Office, please leave a message on the answering machine and your call will be returned as soon as possible.
- 2. Fr Gerard is away from Monday July 12 at a Conference in Sydney and the following week at a Retreat with the Jesuits.

RELAY FOR LIFE:

The Fund- and Friend-raising for our Relay for Life will include three Parish Sausage Sizzles - Oct 3 Holy Spirit after 11am Mass; Oct 10 Ss Peter & Paul's after 11am Mass and Oct 17 Holy Family after 9.30am Mass.

The Melbourne Cup Luncheon will again be held at the Ss Peter & Paul's Presbytery on Nov 2 and, just prior to Christmas, there will be some Sausage Sizzles after Mass with an opportunity to buy Christmas fare.

Also there will be a Bay Cruise of Corio Bay in February 2011. Please mark these dates in your diary!

PASTORAL CLUSTER LEADERSHIP TEAM:

On Thursday June 24 a meeting with the Pastoral Cluster Leadership Team and representatives of the active pastoral ministries and schools was held. The aim of the meeting was to acknowledge and thank the representatives of the various pastoral ministries, as well as to provide an opportunity for all present to hear about the service ministries and the fine work they are doing and to look at ways the Parish can better support them. The discussion was engaging and fruitful and some good suggestions came about on how we can better engage more people in the Pastoral mission of the Cluster. The Cluster Leadership team will now take these suggestions and look to ways of implementing them.

To the 25 people in attendance, thankyou for your generosity of time for this meeting, but more importantly for the great work you have done, often for many years.

The next Leadership Team meeting will be held July 29 at 7pm at the Pastoral Cluster.

Enclosed in this Bulletin is a Pastoral Letter written by the Archbishop to the people of the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne on Sexual Abuse.

I commend this letter to your reading and prayerful reflection as together as Church we navigate this tragic reality.

LITURGY IN THE CLUSTER IN JULY:

July 10/11... At all our weekend Masses there will be an opportunity for those who wish to receive the Sacrament of Anointing. This is an important sacramental ministry in the life of the Church. As the Sacred Congregation for Divine Worship noted - "When the Church cares for the sick, it serves Christ himself in the suffering members of his Mystical Body. When it follows the example of the Lord Jesus, who 'went about doing good and healing all' (Acts 10:38), the Church obeys his command to care for the sick (see Mark 16:18). The Church shows this solicitude not only by visiting those who are in poor health but also by raising them up through the sacrament of anointing and by nourishing them with the Eucharist during their illness ..."

July 10/11... Again, at all weekend Masses there will be a second collection for the Propagation of the Faith. This missionary outreach by the Church in the developing world provides many with great opportunities, including improvement in health.

Holy Family:

- ⇒ HOLY FAMILY WOMEN'S GROUP will hold their monthly meeting on Monday night, July 5, at 7.30pm. Guest speaker is Mrs Julie Ward who will read some of her poems and talk about her life.
- ⇒ CLOSURE OF PIETY STALL: The Piety Stall will no longer be opened throughout the year. However, during December and January it will open to sell Columban Calendars and Christmas Cards.

If you are looking to purchase religious items we can recommend "Wing and a Prayer" Catholic Bookshop (see notice below). Many thanks to those who kindly volunteered to look after the Piety Stall.

KAND A PRAYER

Catholic Bookshop, Gift Shop, Chapel and Pastoral Centre in Malop St, opposite 'Officeworks'.

Wing and a Prayer offers a wide range of Catholic and Christian books, as well as devotional and prayer items - Rosary beads, medals, prayer books, holy cards, scapulars, etc and other gifts suitable as gifts for First Communion, Confirmation and Baptism.

Wing and a Prayer also contains a large selection of beautiful hand-made gifts, crafted in underdeveloped countries, which through 'Fair Trade' gives a just return to the skilled makers.

COMMUNITY DATES & NOTICES:

July 14... SISTERS OF THE HOLY ANGELS: Luncheon 12noon in Ss Peter & Paul's Ashby Hall, Malone St. Cost \$7.

- Aug 4... GOLDEN JUBILEE MASS: Fr Patrick Flanagan will celebrate his 50th Jubilee with a Mass at noon at St Bernard's Church, Belmont. Many parishioners would know Fr Flanagan and are warmly welcome to attend this special celebration. Please bring a plate to share with a cuppa after Mass.
- Aug 17...
 SILVER JUBILEE OF PRIESTLY ORDINATION OF FR WAHID: Mass will be celebrated at St Clement of Rome, Egan Dve, Bulleen at 7.30pm. Fr Wahid was an assistant Priest at Bell Park. RSVP by July 29 to 9850 3262 or email bulleen@cam.org.au
- Aug 18/19/20: ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE PRODUCTION OF 'JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR': Involving students from St Joseph's and Sacred Heart Colleges, staged at the newly refurbished 'Playhouse Theatre' at GPAC, Lt Malop St. Performances start 7.30pm and tickets are available from St Joseph's College Accounts Office 5226 8111 or GPAC 5225 1200. Adults \$20, Conc/students \$15 and groups 10 or more \$15. Family tickets \$60.
- Aug 20... WORLD YOUTH DAY 2011 SPANISH FIESTA: The official launch of the Melbourne Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to WYD 2011 will be held at St Brigid's Church, Fitzroy Nth, beginning 7pm with Praise and Worship followed by Mass celebrated by Archbishop Denis Hart and the Fiesta at 8.30pm in the adjacent Parish Hall. Contact details ph 9412 3326 or email annaliese.wursthorn@cam.org.au

Aug 20-22... MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: For bookings ph 9899 0824 or email vicbookings@wwme.org.aui

Aug 22... ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS: Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60-70th Wedding Anniversary this year? The Life, Marriage & Family Office invite you and your families to join us at St Patrick's Cathedral for the Annual Anniversary Mass at 11am by Archbishop Denis Hart. Couples who register will receive commemorative certificates and packs. To register ph 9287 5579 or Imf@cam.org.au You can also register online at www.Imf.cam.org.au Registrations close on Friday August 13.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:

SVDP is still in need of blankets, coats, jumpers and any other warm clothing in good condition for all members of the family. Please leave at 162 Fyans St South Geelong. We can also use good clean beds, mattresses, furniture and manchester. Please call 5229 0911 for furniture pickup. We thankyou for your past generous contributions.

Many thanks from the three SVDP Conferences in the Pastoral Cluster.

- Holy Spirit raised \$1,750
- Holy Family raised \$919

Ss Peter & Paul's raised \$900

In addition to the funds raised, the three schools have provided each of the Conferences with some funds as well as food baskets to be distributed to the poor of our area.

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So let us pray in this Eucharist for ourselves, labourers who are putting in a hard day's work in the harvest. Let us pray for the gift of faith and gratitude for the privilege of the commission. Let us also pray that all baptised people will live out their faith in such a manner that it prepares the way for the Christ to come in every village and town. And let us ask for eyes to see the extraordinary flowering of vocations throughout the Church and celebrate how grace comes in many shapes and sizes, even as a life jacket, a boat and a helicopter.

