



# 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)

Today's Gospel focuses on those nagging questions that plague us all from time to time. What will heaven be like? What will happen to me in the resurrection of the body? While these are interesting enough questions on which to speculate and pray, this story from Dan McAuley reminds us that resurrection and a taste of heaven are often closer than we think.



'One day when I was in my early years of High School I noticed this boy from my class walking home from school. His name was Kyle. It looked like he was carrying all of his books. I thought to myself, "Why would anyone bring home all his books on a Friday? He must really be a nerd." I had quite a weekend planned (parties and a football game with my friends the next afternoon), so I shrugged my shoulders and went on.

As I was walking, I saw a bunch of kids running toward him. They knocked all his books out of his arms and tripped him up so he landed in the dirt. His glasses went flying, and I saw them land in the grass about ten feet from him. He looked up and I saw this terrible sadness in his eyes. My heart went out to him. So, I jogged over to him as he crawled around looking for his glasses, and I saw a tear in his eye. I handed him his glasses, I said, "Those guys are jerks. They really should get lives." He looked at me and just said, "Thanks!" There was a big smile on his face. It was one of those smiles that showed real gratitude. I helped him pick up his books, and asked him where he lived. As it turned out, he lived near me, so I asked him why I had never seen him before. He said he had gone to another school before now. We talked all the way home, and I helped him carry his books. He turned out to be a pretty cool guy. I asked him if he wanted to play football on Saturday with me and my friends. We hung out all weekend and the more I got to know Kyle, the more I liked him, and my friends thought the same.

'Monday morning came, and there was Kyle with the huge stack of books again. I stopped him and said, "Boy, you are going to really build some serious muscles with this pile of books every day!" He just laughed and handed me half the books. (Cont'd P4)

### Holy Family Refurbishment Program

Holy Family Church will be closed from **MONDAY OCTOBER 11** and reopening **SUNDAY NOVEMBER 28**.

The 8am and 9.30am Sunday Masses will be in the **MERCY ROOM, HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL**.

The 9.15am Tuesday and Thursday Masses will be in the **PASTORAL CLUSTER COMMUNITY CENTRE**.

## - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time -

(Year C - November 7, 2010.)

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Let my prayer come before you, Lord;  
listen, and answer me.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, when your glory appears,  
my joy will be full.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the  
dead; glory and kingship be his  
forever and ever.

**Alleluia!**

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Mal 3:19-20  
2nd Reading: 2Thess 3:7-12  
Gospel: Lk 21:5-9



### 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:

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

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

## 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...** 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:

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:** Shirley Sharp, Bruno Bernardi, Madge King, Sally Dulce, Maria Natoli

**ANNIVERSARIES:** John Kennedy, Klara Van Slooten, Nicola, Maria Grazia & Concetta Servello, Kevin & Mary Chandley, Andrew Sheahan, Rodolfe Accheni, Georgina Di Domenico, Robert Johnson

**BAPTISMS:** Macie Jones, Charlie Chandley, Jasper Chandley (HS)

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Damian Taylor, Iolanda Marruso, Wendy Commons, Giuseppa Resciniti, Margaret Donaghy, Patricia McMahon, Rosalie & Lance Gilbert, Margaret Harris, Dorothy Sproules, Pat Walsh, Maria Law

*(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, NOV 14, 2010.**

(2nd Sunday of the Month)

### HOLY FAMILY

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

### 8.00AM

R Allum

F O'Neill

E Di Domenico, I Vanjek, R Allum, J Genova

C Marcantonio, P Walsh

### 9.30AM

C Simpson

D Lunn, A Negro

H Verdnik, M Modica, E Glynn, M Baird, J Sheahan

V Resciniti, G Cracco

### HOLY SPIRIT:

Commentators

Lectors

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

### Ss PETER & PAUL'S:

Commentators

Readers

Special Ministers

Welcomers

Projectionist

### 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

## Cluster News:

- ◆ The Parish Office will be closed on **Tuesday Nov 9** for a Planning Day.

### LITURGY IN THE CLUSTER:

- Nov 6/7... This weekend, all Masses within the Cluster are dedicated to remember and pray for the bereaved, in particular parishioners who have died in the last twelve months. Names of parishioners who have died will be displayed on the overhead and read from the Altar. This Mass is specially organised by the three Parish Bereavement Groups.
- Nov 11... Liturgy Meeting
- Dec 4... **ANOINTING OF THE SICK & SENIOR PARISHIONERS LUNCHEON:** A warm invitation is extended to all Senior Parishioners to attend the Mass at 10.30am and Luncheon 12noon at Holy Family Church. If you wish to attend please place your name on the signup board (white form) and indicate if you require transport on the day.  
*If you can assist with catering please place your name on the signup board . Your assistance is welcomed and your support valued.*

### FR MICK'S MATES COMING EVENTS:

Nov 14... **Sausage Sizzle** at Bunnings Corio - all day from 8am to 4pm.

*Fr Mick's Mates are looking for small baskets to make Christmas Hampers and also small jars. Please leave at the back of any Church in box provided.*

### CUP DAY LUNCHEON AT Ss PETER & PAUL'S PRESBYTERY:

Many thanks to all those who organised and attended this happy function. A good day was had by all and approx \$1,800 was raised for Fr Mick's Mates as part of Relay for Life Cancer Research.

## Holy Spirit:

- ◆ **MANIFOLD BRANCH OF CWL** will hold their End of Year Meeting and Lunch on **Tuesday Nov 16** at the home of Tricia Joyce, 21 Waterloo St Geelong West. Meeting at 11am followed by lunch, cost \$10 - food provided. Please bring along a Kris Kringle gift to the value of \$5. 2011 Membership \$20 and Horizon \$20 can also be paid on this day. Scripture Diary will be available for collection. For catering and transport ph Pat Bourke 5278 2422 or Jeanette Sheahan 5278 2063.

## Community Dates and Notices:

- Nov 10... **SISTERS OF THE HOLY ANGELS LUNCHEON:** 12noon in Ss Peter & Paul's, Ashby Hall. Cost \$7.
- " **KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS:** Monthly Meeting 7.30pm in Clairvaux Meeting Rooms Belmont. Members please attend and bring a plate.
- " **CATHOLIC SOCIAL JUSTICE GEELONG 2010 FORUM:** *Violence in Australia, a Message of Peace* -7.30pm at Wesley Uniting Church, Yarra St. Chaired by Cr Barbara Abley AM, City of Greater Geelong. Speakers Rev Dr Kevin Yelverton, *Reflections on Violence and Peacemaking*; Ms Lisa Armstrong-Rowe - *Prevention of Violence Against Women*; and Mr Paul Tobias - *Bullying in Secondary Schools*. A warm invitation is extended to all.
- Nov 11... **FREE TALKS ON MENTAL HEALTH:** Chris Mackey will speak on *Social Anxiety and Avoidance*, 7.30-8.45pm at the Geelong West Town Hall Supper Room. All welcome!
- Nov 13... **ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE AD ALTA AWARDS & 75TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER:** 6.30pm in Bro OS Adams Centre. Tickets \$90 includes canapes, 3-course dinner, entertainment (band 'Tobias'), all drinks. More information ph David Formosa 5226 8120 or [david@sjc.vic.edu.au](mailto:david@sjc.vic.edu.au)
- Nov 14... **ANNUAL COMMEMORATIVE MASS:** For deceased students, staff and benefactors of St Joseph's College, 2pm in the College Chapel. A'noon tea to follow, all welcome!

### THANKGIVING ENVELOPES:

- ◆ The next set of Envelopes are ready to collect today.
- ◆ Some people have a **new number** starting on December 5.
- ◆ **Please note:** All who contribute, either by envelope, credit card or direct debit, have a letter to collect.
- ◆ **If you are 'catching up' for a few weeks, please put all the money in ONE envelope, write the total amount on the front and discard the other envelopes.**
- ◆ Letters are laid out by **street**, regardless of suburb.
- ◆ Please take any **if you can deliver this week** to people who live near you.
- ◆ Take a pink information sheet if you would like to begin contributing regularly by envelope or credit card.

#### **Thanksgiving Statement Format:**

- ◆ The bottom slip **below** the dotted line, is used in parishes where there is a School Building Fund and a % of giving is tax deductible. **This is not the case for the Cluster**, so the amount given (ie the tax deductible percentage) is zero dollars.
- ◆ The information just **above** the dotted line shows the total given from Dec 6 2009 to Oct 31 2010 and your current pledge.

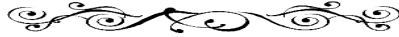
Any queries, please leave a message at the Parish Office and I will return your call, or email [helenbrislane@netspace.net.au](mailto:helenbrislane@netspace.net.au)

## **FAITH FESTIVAL IN GEELONG:**

To mark the beginning of Advent, you are invited to come and join the Faith Festival celebrations from 25-28 November. The communities that make up the Geelong Deanery are coming together to celebrate the faith of the Catholic communities as we enter into the period of hope and joy that is Advent.

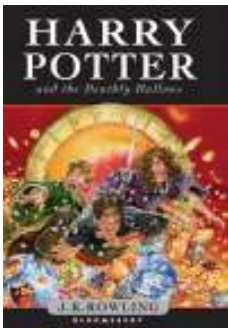
An initiative of the Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation in conjunction with the Geelong Deanery, the festival is an opportunity to reach out to all those who make up our faith communities and offers a variety of opportunities for learning, prayer, reflection and celebration!

Beginning Thursday evening and concluding on Sunday evening, a number of parishes will host the various events and all are invited to attend!



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| <b>Thursday 25 November...</b> | <b>Multicultural Prayer Vigil -</b><br>5.30-9.30pm at St Francis Xavier's, 143 Bacchus Marsh Rd Corio   |
| <b>Friday 26 November...</b>   | <b>School Events -</b><br>Clairvaux Catholic Primary School Belmont and Clonard College, Geelong West   |
| <b>Saturday November 27...</b> | <b>Morning Prayer -</b><br>8-10am at St Therese's, Surf Coast Hwy Torquay   |
| <b>Saturday November 27...</b> | <b>Social Justice Expo -</b><br>1-5pm at Ss Peter & Paul's, Malone St Geelong West. As part of the Expo, afternoon tea will be served from 3pm onwards in the gardens of Ss Peter & Paul's Presbytery followed by 5pm Youth Mass celebrated by Cardinal Napier of South Africa. <b>Please see note below.</b> |
| <b>Sunday November 28...</b>   | <b>Deanery Commissioning Mass -</b><br>5.30-7pm at St Mary's Basilica, Geelong.   |

**HELP REQUIRED WITH AFTERNOON TEA: We require donations of sandwiches, cake/slice for the afternoon tea which will be held 3pm in the Presbytery Gardens. We will need helpers for the setting up and for the serving of tea and coffee. To offer assistance please contact Jeanette Sheahan 5278 2063 or Desma Dougherty 5278 2712.**



## **MUSTER WITH THE CLUSTER** **HARRY POTTER AND THE DEATHLY HALLOWS**

Come and see it with all your friends in the Cluster

Tickets \$10

6pm **MONDAY NOV 22** at Reading Cinemas, Waurin Ponds

Tickets available through School Offices

Also 100 tickets available through Cluster Office

Tickets must be purchased by **NOVEMBER 12!**



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Over the next four years, Kyle and I became best friends. When we were in our last year of school we began to think about university. Kyle wanted to study overseas, I was going to stay at home. I knew wherever we were that we would always be friends, that the miles would never be a problem. Kyle topped our class at school. I teased him all the time about being a nerd. He had to prepare a speech for graduation. I was so glad it wasn't me having to get up there and speak. But when he took the microphone he looked great. He was one of those guys that really found himself during high school. He filled out and actually looked good in glasses. He had more dates than I had and all the girls loved him. Sometimes I was jealous.

"Today was one of those days. I could see that he was nervous about his speech. So, I smacked him on the back and said, "Hey, big guy, you'll be great!" He looked at me with one of those looks (the really grateful one) and smiled. "Thanks," he said. As he started his speech, he cleared his throat, and began. "Graduating from school is a time when you can thank those who helped you make it through the tough years. Your parents, your teachers, your siblings, maybe a coach, but mostly your friends. I am here to tell all of you that being a friend to another person can save someone from hell. Let me tell you a story." I just looked at my friend with disbelief as he told the story of the first day we met. He had planned to kill himself over the weekend. He talked of how he had cleaned out his locker so his mother wouldn't have to do it later and was carrying all his stuff home. He looked hard at me and gave me a little smile. "Thankfully, my friend saved me from doing the unspeakable. I looked at hell, but the kindness of a friend showed me heaven. And he didn't even know it and I haven't looked back since."

If we want to know what heaven or the resurrection is like, then Jesus says, go and do likewise.