The Pastoral Cluster at Prayer



Over the last six weeks you have been introduced to the revised texts of the Mass. The revision of the texts are not a change to the structure or ritual of the Mass, but rather have been introduced to better reflect the meaning, theology, spirituality and the richness of the Mass.

This time of revision is also opportune to re-visit some of our liturgical 'actions' in the Pastoral Cluster for the same reason. The changes are based on the reflection on the practice of the Pastoral Cluster over the years, and in consultation with the Pastoral Cluster Liturgy Group. Outlined below is the reason for the changes and the changes themselves.

The Reason for the Changes:

Firstly, Jesus said to his disciples "When two or three are gathered in my name, I will be there with them." (Mt 18:20). In the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy (written at the Second Vatican Council), the Catholic Bishops stated that this statement of Jesus acknowledges four ways he is present every time we gather for Mass.

- ♦ The assembly ie the Community gathered in prayer
- The Word of God
- ♦ The Priest as he presides
- The Eucharist

In our liturgical actions we need to acknowledge and affirm Christ's presence amongst us, especially in the Assembly, the Word of God and the Eucharist.

Secondly, one of the signs of the times is that in the busyness of life we need a sacred space to be quiet, reflective and prayerful. Our liturgy should have moments of silence. As many spiritual writers have affirmed, it is in silence we allow God to be truly present to us.

Thirdly, we wish to continue the Pastoral Cluster practice of honouring special "secular feast days" such as Mothers and Fathers Day. In having a focus on these occasions, we are acknowledging Christ's presence in normal life. In the example given we are affirming Christ's presence in the vocation of Parenthood. We also want to continue to celebrate these occasions in a way that engages our school children and their parents.

Fourthly, now that the experience of being a Cluster is better embedded, we need to standardise some of our liturgical practices.

The Changes:

Before Mass -

- People turn to those around them and greet them
- Notices are read
- Significant moments such as Anniversaries are acknowledged and children for Baptism are welcomed
- ♦ If there are Powerpoint presentations, reflections etc, they occur at this time
- There be a few moments of silence whereby people are invited to reflect on the week that has been, as well as preparing themselves to be attentive to God's Word in light of that week.
- The Priest returns to the Sacristy to be fully vested.

Start of Mass -

- The Commentator from the Sanctuary area formally introduces the Mass
- The Priest processes in with the Reader(s) only. The Special Ministers do not process in.

Liturgy of the Word -

- ♦ After the First, Second and Gospel Readings, there is a significant pause gradually building up over time. The purpose of the pause is to give you some time to ponder God's Word.
- ♦ The Responsorial Psalm and the Prayers of the Faithful are to be read from within the congregation.

Liturgy of the Eucharist -

- The Special Ministers come forward at the conclusion of the Lamb of God.
- ♦ Holy Communion can be received under both kinds, ie the Body and Blood of Christ. Those who wish to partake from the Chalice must have a sip and <u>not</u> put the Host in the Chalice (intinction)

Concluding Rite -

- ♦ At the end of Mass the Priest poses a question, something like "In light of what you have heard in the Scriptures, homily and prayers, what is one specific concrete action you are going to do this week?"
- The Priest processes out of the Church alone and not with the Readers and Special Ministers.

- Fr Gerard and Fr Mick

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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

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

Ss Peter & Paul's: 7.30pm Thurs

Grace McKellar Centre: 10.15am - 1st, 3rd, 5th Tues; **Maryville Nursing Home:** 11am Tues; **Multicultural Centre:** 1.30pm - 1st Fri **Vincentian Village:** 3.00pm - Mon

COMMUNAL PRAYER:

Mon...Holy Family Women's Prayer Group10.00amHoly Family Community CentreTues...Meditation Group5.30pmHoly 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

10.00am St Patrick's Chapel Thurs... Italian Prayer Group 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:

June 13: Kolotelo family, 23 Bostock 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: Jela Skulic, John Sobczynski, Sebastiano Mure, Renato Gasperini, Donald McMahon

ANNIVERSARIES: Jody Peterson, Osorio Almeida, Margaret Hickey, Maria & Stefano Mileto, Mary Bridget Perera,

Martin Donnellan, Mary Attiah, Joseph & Maria Posadowski

BAPTISMS: Evelyn Javni, Franklin Ludowyk, Remy Tobias, Louis Van Ingen (P&P)

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Bernie Dalton, Florence Williams, Pasha Alden, Wendy Commons, Margaret Donaghy, Maria Law,

Peter Farrar, Doris Boyle, Heidi Maguire, Joan Bellew, Kate Jennings, Nevenka Juraga, Joan Gazenbeek, Felix Capicchiano, Dianne Rickey, Liam Shay, Regina Starcevic, Joseph Escorse, Gillian

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Henry, Anthony Dunn, John O'Neill

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

ROSTER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 19, 2011.

(3rd Sunday of the Month)

HOLY FAMILY8.00AM9.30AMCommentatorsK SaundersL Lehpamer

Lectors B Rainbow H Verdnik, T McMahon

Special Ministers A Vanjek, C Marcantonio, P Walsh C&J Taylor, E Glynn, M Fiorillo

Welcomers R&L Allum E Dalton, G Carmody

HOLY SPIRIT:6.00PM11.00AMCommentatorsSr J McGonigalP DelahuntyLectorsJ McKenzieG Brown

Special Ministers G Wright, E Cotter, D Kosmetschke P&B Delahunty, V Trinder Welcomers V Logan I Cleary, L Coles, V Trinder

Projectionist T Dunlop D Brown

Ss PETER & PAUL'S: D Maddalena Lectors K Maddalena

Special Ministers K Maddalena, B Ditkun,

Welcomers Projectionist

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FR MICK'S HOLIDAY:

Fr Mick is away from Monday June 13 until Friday July 1. He will be spending time with his family in the north of Victoria. We wish Fr Mick a restful holiday!

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY:

The Pastoral Cluster Office will be open this Monday but there will be **NO** Mass at Vincentian Village.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH RENOVATION:

Maintenance on the Narthex is being undertaken beginning **Tuesday June 14 through to Thursday June 16**. Entrance to Holy Family Church will be via the side door.

THURSDAY EVENING MASS:

There will be **NO** Thursday evening Mass on June 23. Fr Mick will be away and Fr Gerard will be at the Consecration of the Bishop for the Western Region (which includes the Geelong region) that evening at St Patrick's in Melbourne.

MASS OF THE ANOINTING AT Ss PETER & PAUL'S:

There will be a Mass of Anointing at Ss Peter & Paul's Church, followed by a light luncheon. This Anointing Mass is open to all in the Cluster and beyond.

Venue... Ss Peter & Paul's Church Wednesday June 29

Time... 11am

Luncheon... Ss Peter & Paul's Small Hall

To assist with catering there will be sign-up boards at the back of all Churches on June 19 and 26.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER - Thoughts on Giving

"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone." - Cor 12:4-6

The Spirit gives each of us different gifts. The reason we are given those gifts is so that we may perform different forms of service for the Lord. If you don't use your gifts for the Lord, who will do the special work that God had in mind for you alone?

A VOCATION VIEW:

"There are different gifts, but the same Spirit". Each of us has been graced with certain gifts of the Spirit. And they are active, if we utilise them for the building up of the Church. Name the way the Lord has gifted you.

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 St Vincent de Paul First Monday evening of each month at the Community Centre 7.00pm
 Holy Family meet 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at the Community Centre, 7.30pm

Holy Family meet 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at the Community Centre, 7.30pm Ss Peter & Paul's meet 4th Thursday 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 School - Monday 9.30am-11.30am. 0-3 years Indoor/outdoor play. Ph 5229 8298

Manifold CWL - Holy Spirit Hall, First Tuesdays in the month

Italian Mass - First Thursday of the month in St Patrick's Chapel

. 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 Terry on 5221 7339

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

Ss Peter & Paul's:

- ♦ ST VINCENT DE PAUL will meet on the Fourth Thursday of the Month at 2pm.
- ♦ ARE YOU A FORMER ST PAT'S STUDENT? In 2011 St Patrick's celebrates 100 years of schooling at its Petrel St site. To mark this occasion the school's history is to be researched and published and we are desperately seeking photos and memorabilia uniforms, yearbooks, newsletters and newspaper articles. If you'd like to share your recollections with us a questionnaire is available and we are very keen to listen if you'd rather have a chat. If you'd like to know more ph the school office on 5229 4412. Submissions closing soon!
- ♦ ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL CLASS MASS: Friday June 17, 9.15am

Holy Spirit:

- ♦ ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER COLLECTION: I think we're all feeling the cold, bleak, wet weather at the moment. Thankfully, we have warm homes. I'm sure we're all aware that even in Australia there are many people who are in need of support, especially in this winter time. To assist those in need I commend to you the Annual Winter Appeal for St Vincent de Paul collection. The collection will be held at the Masses of June 18/19. Your support would be greatly appreciated.
- ♦ HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL CLASS MASS: Friday June 17, 11am.

Holy Family:

MONTHLY LUNCHEON: 3rd Sunday each month at 12noon. With winter hitting we are now having a Casserole to Share. All welcome!

Community News:

- June 11-18... FIDDLER ON THE ROOF: This classic musical by Geelong Lyric Society at Costa Hall, Deakin University Woolstores Campus, has opened to rave reviews. Tickets still available for Sat June 11 7.30pm, Thurs June 16 7.30pm, Fri June 17 7.30pm and Sat June 18 5pm. \$37 Adults/\$32 Conc/\$27 Primary aged children. Tickets from GPAC on 5225 1200 or Lisa Zarb 5222 1741 for group bookings. Several parishioners are involved a great night out not to be missed!
- **June 18... LEADERSHIP IN UNCERTAIN TIMES WORKSHOP:** This is a Workshop for Priests in the Geelong region about the important implications of leadership in these complex times.
- June 19... HIGH TEA AND BALLROOM DANCING PRESENTATION: Presented by the Friends of Rice Village cost \$7/head and tickets can be pre-purchased from Rice Village reception or ph 5241 3686 during business hours. All welcome!
- June 23... NEW AUXILIARY BISHOP FOR ARCHDIOCESE OF MELBOURNE: Fr Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM, a Franciscan who came on a boat from Vietnam as a young man, is to be ordained a Bishop at St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne at 7.30pm. He will be the Bishop for the Western Region of the Archdiocese which includes Geelong. Please pray for him as he prepares for Ordination.

WINNERS OF 2011 CAR RAFFLE:

1st - Theobold, 2nd - Mark Davies, 3rd - O'Harmon, 4th - Antoinette Aqueiss, 5th - Helen Selwood, 6th - Chris Earl, 7th - Edna Porter, 8th - Charmaine Hyde, 9th - Spedding, 10th - Fr Loi, 11th - Dalal Ibrahim, 12th - Peter Whittle, 13th - Joan Duffy, 14th - J&P Boxshall, 15th - Jo Davidson (No winners from Geelong)

- Pentecost Sunday -

(Year A - June 12, 2011.)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The love of God has been poured into our hearts by his Spirit living in us, alleluia.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. **Alleluia!**

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

Trinity Sunday

1st Reading: Deut 8:2-3,14-16 2nd Reading: 1Cor 10:16-17 Gospel: Jn 6:51-58



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.