



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

Recently I considered buying a Bose 'sound wave' speaker system. For a small box it gave the best sound reproduction I have ever heard. In comparison to the hi-fi I presently have, its bass notes are strong and true, which gives the music a sense of presence, a foundation upon which the treble rises and falls as the music dictates. This machine allows an exceptional clarity to the sound, so that the composer's work can be properly heard.

In the Acts of the Apostles today we are told that the crowd who heard the earliest disciples of Jesus understood them in his or her own language. Now that's clarity! It wasn't so much the gift of tongues the earliest disciples received as much as their hearers received the gift of ears, of listening.

When it comes to listening in the Church today, some people mistake mono for stereo, uniformity for unity. At the first Pentecost, the earliest Christians had no such difficulty; they knew that speaking the same language was not as important as was careful listening to one another.

The early Church was a very complex and diverse community. Like today they had their struggles with one another. Within a few years of the first Pentecost, there were fights between Peter and Paul over Jewish and Gentile converts. There were people who died for the faith and others who betrayed them to the authorities. Some Christians thought they were for Paul or Apollos rather than for Jesus, and still others thought the end of the world was nigh. Through it all, however, the bass notes played: the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The Second Vatican Council helped us recover the most ancient tradition in our faith, that in various, unexpected and inculturated ways the Word of God has been present in all peoples, in every culture. We now hold that whenever the Gospel has been proclaimed in a new land, it compliments the best in that culture as well as correcting aspects of any culture which oppress, demean and diminish the women and men within it. In this process, what is born between Christ and an individual culture is an inculturated faith, which takes as seriously as the early Church did the context in which our faith is proclaimed and lived.

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- Pentecost Sunday -

(Year B- May 27, 2012.)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, 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 4:32-34,39-49
2nd Reading: Rom 8:14017
Gospel: Mt 28:16-20



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)

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

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:** 11am Tues;

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: **May 28** - Stocks family, 2 Orr St; **June 4** - McMahon family, 301 Church St.

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

MASS AT 'WING AND A PRAYER': Mass is held Mon-Fri 1.05pm in Malop St (next door to Darrel Lea). All welcome!

AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

RECENT DEATHS: Margaret Hedley, Mary Howes, June Tremul

ANNIVERSARIES: Keith French, William Smith, Ella & Gordon Boyle, John Noonan, Br Peter Noonan CTC, Cecilia Humphrey, Jean McGinness, Nicholas Hoare Jnr, Stan Sherwell

BAPTISMS: Amahni Bove-Short, Fletcher Dimovski, Archie Powell, Lexi Talarico (P&P)

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Margaret Dunn, Heidi Maguire, Ljerka Lehpamer, Dympna Murray, John Consedine, Florence Williams, Pasha Alden, Joseph Escorse, Gillian Henry, Yvonne Seales, Margaret Donaghy, Rita Duggan-McDonald, Maria Coppelino, Andrew Stocks, Maria Modica, Margaret Straughan

ROSTER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 2012.

(1st Sunday of the Month)

HOLY FAMILY

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

8.00AM

R Allum

A Vanjek

F Chrimes, J Bartolo, I Vanjek, B McFarlane

U Guardiano, K McArthur

9.30AM

T McMahon

C&J Taylor

P Carmody, D Farrar, R&R Zanardo

M&E Hoffman

HOLY SPIRIT:

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

Projectionist

6.00PM

E Cotter

D Boyle, M Abbott, D Torpy

V Logan, P Ryan

B Stocks

11.00AM

M Currie

P Joyce, B Middleton

V Trinder, M Currie, P Joyce

A Dickson, D King, I Cleary, C Kelynack

L Coles

Ss PETER & PAUL'S:

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

Projectionist

5.00PM

C O'Brien

D Woods

N Neeld, P McGlinchy

RECURRING ACTIVITIES IN THE CLUSTER:

- . **Holy Family Luncheon -** Third Sunday of each month at the Community Centre from 12noon. BYO food and drink to share.
- . **Holy Family Women's Group -** First Monday evening of each month at the Community Centre 7.00pm
- . **St Vincent de Paul -** 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 Wednesday 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

LITURGY IN THE PASTORAL CLUSTER

May 26/27...	FEAST OF PENTECOST
May 30...	CLASS MASS - 10.15am at St Patrick's in the Chapel
May 31...	CLASS MASS - 9.15am at Holy Family Church for Gr 1/2
June 2/3...	FEAST OF THE HOLY TRINITY
June 7...	CLASS MASS - 9.15am at Holy Family Church for Gr 5/6
June 9/10...	FEAST OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
June 13...	CLASS MASS - 10.15am at St Patrick's Chapel for Gr 1/2
June 14...	CLASS MASS - 9.15am at Holy Family Church for Gr 3/4
June 15...	CLASS MASS - 11am at Holy Spirit for Gr 5/6 with Preps
June 17...	CHILDREN'S LITURGY - 9.30am Holy Family and 11am Holy Spirit
June 23/24...	PROPAGATION OF FAITH - Collection at all Masses.
"	CHILDREN'S LITURGY - 11am at Ss Peter & Paul's
June 28...	CLASS MASS - 9.15am at Holy Family Church for Preps

We welcome the children from Holy Family and Holy Spirit Schools who will be making their Confirmation Commitment this weekend:

May 26...	CONFIRMATION COMMITMENT MASS for children from Holy Spirit
May 27...	CONFIRMATION COMMITMENT MASS for children from Holy Family
May 26/27...	CONFIRMATION COMMITMENT MASS for children from St Patrick's
June 2/3...	EUCCHARIST COMMITMENT MASSES - 5pm Ss P&P, 6pm & 11am Holy Spirit, 9.30am Holy Family



MASS OF THE ANOINTING:

At Ss Peter & Paul's with Luncheon to follow on Wednesday June 27 at 11.30am.

NEEDED URGENTLY: The parishes rely on volunteers to help make our liturgies more meaningful and run smoothly. At Ss Peter & Paul's and Holy Spirit we need people to be part of Commentator/Reader Rosters and to assist with the projectionist work at all Masses. We are particularly looking for those in the 20-50 year old group as many of our older parishioners have been involved for many years. Neither task is beyond most. If you can use a computer, even at the basic level, you can handle the requirements of projectionist - it is not difficult. If you can assist please contact Frank at the office on 5278 1343.

5.30PM MASS AT ST MARY'S BASILICA: If anyone is a regular attendee of this Mass and would like to be a Reader or Special Minister of the Eucharist, please contact Sr Anne Lourey on 5222 1977.

START AFRESH FROM CHRIST: Archbishop's Pentecost Letter 2012 - Enclosed in the bulletin this week is a copy of this letter. The Archbishop writes: ***This letter has been prepared with input from young people from our Catholic schools and youth apostolates. The Letter will also be distributed to all Yr 11 and 12 students in our Catholic colleges. The Letter is intended to deepen a personal relationship with Our Lord and to be confident in their role as believers.*** Whilst the focus and preparation is on young people, this letter is an invitation to all of us to start afresh with Christ. The focus of the letter being "Starting Afresh with Grace; our Baptism, Prayer, Sunday Liturgies, Reconciliation, the Gospel and Mission. ***"Whoever accepts the Lord into their life and loves him with all their heart is capable of a NEW START. The person is able to fulfil the will of God, realizing A NEW FORM OF EXISTENCE driven by love and destined to eternity."*** (Pope Benedict XVI)

Cluster News:

PLEASE NOTE:

- ◆ **SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY:** On Monday May 28th all three schools with the Pastoral Cluster staff will gather for a Faith Formation Inservice with Fr Elio Capra. **The Pastoral Cluster Office will be closed on that day and there will be no Monday Mass at Vincentian Village.**
- ◆ **FR MICK WILL BE CELEBRATING HIS 80TH BIRTHDAY IN OCTOBER:** Please put Sunday afternoon, October 7th, in your diary!
- ◆ **ENROLMENTS FOR THREE CLUSTER SCHOOLS:** Enrolments for 2013 close on June 1. If you wish to find out more about the enrolment process please call the school office at Holy Family 5278 4634, Holy Spirit 5229 8298 or St Patrick's 5229 4412.
- ◆ **FESTA DI SANT' ANTONIO:** Domenica 17 Giugno 2012 nella chiesa di St Patrick in Geelong West - alle ore 9.30am, sara' celebrate la festa in onore di Sant' Antonio. S. Messa solenne celebrate da Mons James Murray. Dopo la Santa Messa ci sara' la processione all' aperto nel cortile della scuola. E distribuzione dei Panini. Tutti siete benvenuti.
- ◆ **REMOVAL OF POOR BOXES FROM HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH:** In recent times there has been one robbery and a number of attempted break-ins to Holy Spirit Church. To address this problem the locks have been changed. Furthermore, advice I was given was that sources of temptation for theft from the Church should be minimized. The poor boxes are one such temptation, hence their removal. In a year SVDP collects \$500 from these poor boxes - this amount will be forwarded to SVDP from parish funds. Thanks to Frank Atchison who has removed these boxes. *(Fr Gerard)*
- ◆ **MANIFOLD BRANCH OF CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE** will hold their meeting in the Hall at 1.30pm on **Wednesday June 6.** We will be having a Dutch Auction to raise funds for the 'General Presidents Collection'. These funds will go to Samaritan Inn, a Melbourne based refuge for abused women and children. Please bring along a wrapped gift to auction, also a plate for afternoon tea. For information or transport ph Tricia Joyce 0431 512 354 or Jeanette Sheahan 5278 2063.
- ◆ **THANKYOU:** Rita Duggan-McDonald wishes to thank all those who prayed for her during her recent operation and recovery.

FR MICK'S MATES:

- ◆ The Perpetual Trophy for the Best Community Fundraiser in Geelong was presented at the Cluster Office this week. This is the third year the Cluster has won this award. This great achievement has been realized because of the generosity of effort of the Fr Mick's Mates Organising Committee and all those who, in a whole variety of ways, has supported this community endeavour.
- ◆ On **Saturday June 2** at Bunnings in Corio the Fr Mick's Mates will be hosting a Sausage Sizzle. If you're out that way and shopping please drop in and buy yourself a mouth-watering snag!



WORLD NO TOBACCO DAY: Thursday May 31

Globally, tobacco kills nearly 6 million people each year, of which over 600,000 are those exposed to second-hand smoke. World No Tobacco Day is intended to draw global attention to the negative health effects that come from tobacco use. For more information on how to quit smoking go to www.quit.org.au

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY'S WINTER APPEAL:

Last year SVDP Conferences throughout Victoria provided approx \$10 million in assistance to people in need. There is no magic solution to poverty. It takes compassion, commitment and money. There will be an opportunity for ourselves as parishioners to support St Vincent de Paul in this winter appeal.

A VOCATION VIEW:

Be guided by the Holy Spirit, because with the Spirit comes love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self control.

With God's help, come forward to proclaim to those who are searching for meaning in life.

Community News:

May 31/June 1/2... PARADE - THE MUSICAL: Presented by St Joseph's College Geelong. 71 talented students from St Joseph's will present the story of Leo Frank - an true, moving and inspiring story. Tickets available through SJC Office, 5226 8100 or @ www.sjc.vic.edu.au

June 15-17... TABOR JOURNEY PROGRAM: For separated, divorced or widowed people coping with the loss, grief, heartache and struggle that follows the end of a marriage/relationship. Ph CatholicCare 5221 7055 or email geelong@ccam.org.au

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Pentecost faith holds that while we build our faith on that of all the believers who have gone before us, we have the responsibility to listen to our contemporary culture and put it into conversation with the Gospel. That's why courage is one of the Holy Spirit's pre-eminent gifts. We are not allowed to retreat from the world but are sent out to enter into conversation with it, and hear in this dialogue the symphony God is composing here and now between the treble of our daily life over the continuing bass line of Christ's life, death and resurrection.

Let's pray that this Pentecost Eucharist hones our ears as well as prepares our tongues to clearly receive and proclaim the Gospel of Christ in the market places of our own day and age.