



Pastoral Cluster

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Reflection... by Richard Leonard SJ

One of the things we often hear in times of domestic, local or international crisis is that 'everyone pulled together'. We are rightly proud, and a few times amazed, at how people can set aside their differences and strive for the common good. Sometimes this experience of working together has the long-lasting benefit of breaking down boundaries. Other times, sadly, old enmities, prejudices and suspicions return when the crisis is over.

Trinity Sunday celebrates that whether we are in crisis or not, in season and out of season, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit do nothing but 'pull together' to love and save us. What we glimpse as the best attribute of our family, town or nation defines who our Christian God is, and what they see, how they judge and the way they act toward the world.

A famous icon of the Trinity depicts the three persons at a table where there are four place settings. The final place, in the lower half of the painting, invites the viewer to take the seat and join them. It's profound theology and masterful art, but we can quickly misunderstand it. We are not just personally invited to join in the very life of God, and pull together with them in their loving and saving of the world. The seat at the table is reserved for all of humanity.

In practical terms it is impossible to profess belief in the Trinity, on the one hand, and then work at things which pull the human family apart, on the other. It is scandalous to hold to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and be known as racist, bigoted and sexist, to not care about refugees or those who die each day of starvation. We cannot keep signing ourselves in the name of a Triune God and then work hard at getting richer and more secure while the rest of humanity grow poorer and lack the necessities for human dignity. Ghandi once said, 'I love the New Testament and the Christian ideas about God and I would take the waters of Christian baptism tomorrow if I saw Christians practise what they preach.'

Trinity Sunday is not about theological mathematics, working out how three goes into one. It's about gaining the strength at this Eucharist to pull together to see that all of God's children have the opportunity to hear the good news of how much God loves us as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and so can take their privileged place at God's table. (Cont'd P4)

- Trinity Sunday -

(Year B- June 3, 2012.)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit,
for he has shown us his merciful love.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

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

1st Reading: Ex 24:3-8

2nd Reading: Heb 9:11-15

Gospel: Mk 14:12-16,22-26



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: 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: William (Bill) Blackall, Phyllis Cole, Allen Stewart, Judith Fernando

ANNIVERSARIES: Vincenzo Coloprisco, Robert Salt, Dane Skegro, Gerald Drew, Fr Hugh McDonald, Catherine Jones, Eileen Doherty, Richard McNair, Trish Keorin, Michelle Byons, Rosario Dinaro (1 month)

BAPTISMS: Finn Bonnici, Alessi Deak, India Forsyth, Mia LoPresti (HS)

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

ROSTER FOR NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2012.

(2nd Sunday of the Month)

HOLY FAMILY

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

8.00AM

R Allum

F O'Neill

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

G Harrison

B Murphy, R O'Neill

M Brown, P Ryan

J Lynch

Ss PETER & PAUL'S:

Commentators

Lectors

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

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

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 Eucharist Commitment this weekend:

June 2/3... **EUCARIST 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.

RECEIVING THE EUCHARIST: The children wishing to celebrate their First Eucharist this year will be making their commitment to prepare well at Masses this weekend and next. Fr Ronald Rolheiser OMI, a Canadian priest, has written an excellent book on the Eucharist "**Our One Great Act of Fidelity**". The first chapter of this book is photocopied for your reading and reflection. If you find it helpful in giving you appreciation of the Eucharist, please let me know and we will contact the publisher for subsequent copies. (Fr Mick)

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 - There are still a few copies available at the back of the Church this weekend. 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:

- ◆ **PLEASE NOTE:** The Parish Office will be closed for the Queen's Birthday Holiday and there will be **NO MASS** at Vincentian Village.
- ◆ **FR MICK WILL BE CELEBRATING HIS 80TH BIRTHDAY IN OCTOBER:** Please put Sunday afternoon, October 7th, in your diary!
- ◆ **FESTA DI SANT' ANTONIO:** Domenica 17 Giugno 2012 nella chiesa di St Patrick in Geelong West - alle ore 9.30am, sarà celebrata la festa in onore di Sant' Antonio. S. Messa solenne celebrata da Mons James Murray. Dopo la Santa Messa ci sarà 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 (although the keys remain the same). 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.
- ◆ **ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL - HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH:** The annual winter appeal collection will be held during the weekend of **June 16/17**. These funds will assist those people in our parish who face difficulties during the cold winter months.
- ◆ **THANKYOU:** Barry Hill and his family most sincerely thank Frs Gerard and Mick and parishioners of Holy Spirit for the great support given to them during the long illness and the recent passing of Marj.

A VOCATION VIEW:

God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

When we go out to make disciples of all nations we have a lot to tell.

God is Lord in heaven above and on earth below. Having received the Spirit that makes you God's own children, you are called to proclaim "Glory to the Father, to the Son and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was and who is to come." Alleluia!

FR MICK'S MATES:

- ◆ The Perpetual Trophy for the Highest Community Fundraiser in Geelong has been presented to the Pastoral Cluster. 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.

THE GEELONG CATHOLIC DINERS' CLUB: Come join us for a 2-course meal, stimulating guest speakers and the opportunity to meet new friends, all for only \$28. We meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month at Dromoland House on Pakington St. For more information and reservations please ph Terry on 5221 7330.

CAR RAFFLE: The raffle has been drawn and we congratulate all fourteen winners. Whilst there were no car winners from the Geelong Deanery the sixth and the fourteenth prize winners came from the region. Many thanks to all those who bought tickets and especially to **David Lunn**, the Co-Ordinator, and his assistants **Stuart Robley** and **Louise Fossey**. The profits from the sale of the tickets will go to support our Columban Partnership.



Bowel Cancer Awareness Week:

Bowel cancer doesn't always have symptoms. If you're 50 years or older there's a simple, at-home test you can do to screen for bowel cancer.

www.cancervic.org.au/boweltest

Community News:

- June 5...** **RETIRED OFFICER'S KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS:** Next meeting will be held at the White Eagle (Fellmongers Rd) 12noon - 20th Anniversary.
- June 14...** **FREE TALKS ON MENTAL HEALTH: Using Positive Psychology for Business Success** - 7.30-8.45pm at Geelong West Town Hall Supper Room.
- 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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Most people will learn about the saving love of God primarily through the way they observe us seeing, judging and acting.

It's not by accident that in our Catholic tradition the usual moment we invoke the Trinity is when we make the sign of the cross. It reminds us that 'we cannot have our cake and eat it too'. Every time we profess the Trinity we recommit ourselves to die to self so that God's saving love may be realised for everyone, everywhere.

So let's not only profess our belief in the three persons that make up our one God, but live the life that goes with it, 'In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.'