



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 was accosted by a fundamentalist Christian in the street. He asked me whether I had given my life to Jesus Christ. I have. He asked me if I spoke in tongues. I can, but don't. He asked me if I had made the necessary sacrifices for the Holy Spirit to come into my life. At this point I said that as a Jesuit I was poor, chaste and obedient for Christ, which I think is a decent effort in that direction.

Mind you, in saying I take the vow of poverty I always think of my mother, who, on seeing Jesuit real estate for the first time said, 'If this is poverty, I'd like to see how you guys live chastity - it all seems pretty loose and fast to me.'

The problem with our evangelical brothers and sisters is that they often think the Holy Spirit can be reduced to external signs.

We know, however, from the first Pentecost and from our own experience that the Spirit works in unpredictable AND ordinary ways. From the Acts of the Apostles we learn that where the Spirit of God is active all sorts of gifts are present:

- boldness to stand up for what we believe;
- the ability to hear and listen;
- an end to fear that locks us in on ourselves;
- confidence in the salvation won for us in Christ;
- fidelity to Jesus' commandment to love;
- clarity about what's true; and
- an 'at homeness' with God.

The problem for many of us is working out where the Holy Spirit is leading us. This requires the gift of the discernment of spirits.

St Ignatius Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits, left the church a guide for working out how we can tell if and where the Holy Spirit is leading us. One summary of them goes like this:

1. Don't make a decision when you're down. Let the crisis pass and take time to weigh all the options.
2. The Holy Spirit enables us to let go of our unhealed past and not live in the unknown future. The Holy Spirit draws us to deal with the here and now, as it is, not as we may like it to be.

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Pentecost Sunday

(Year C - May 19, 2013.)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Spirit of God dwelling within 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:

The Most Holy Trinity

1st Reading: Prov 8:22-31

2nd Reading: Rom 5:1-5

Gospel: Jn 16:12-15



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

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 20:** 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 5278 9314.

AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

RECENT DEATHS: Ailsa Rey

ANNIVERSARIES: Filippo Leone (1month), Agata Gulli (1month), Bruno Linic (1month), Clare Middleton, Katie Dacre, Peter Bordonaro, Stipe Tabak, Elisabetta Pitaro, Giustino Cavallo, Ken Mircev, Mary Howes, Marianna Macarol, Kath Wickham, Luke Walsh

BAPTISMS: Ataya & Ryla Carr, Adriana Scholz (HF), Charlotte Atkins, Connor Lancaster, Nash Perus, Austin Villarosa (HS)

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Margaret Donaghy, Rita Duggan-McDonald, Maria Modica, Margaret Straughan, Theo DaCosta, Veronica Duffy, Winifred Atkinson, Providenza Rinella, Francis Remedios, Ida DaCosta, Margaret Dyson, Cheryl Lambert, Craig Cole, June Bongiorno, John & Mary McMahon, Patrick Duffy (Ireland), John Bohan, Craig Leite

Roster for Next Sunday, May 26, 2013

(4th Sunday of the Month)

HOLY FAMILY

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

8.00AM

F O'Neill

L Kelly

L Sells, E Kelly, B McFarlane

L&E Kelly

9.30AM

M Lukesic

M Baird, P Gizycki

D Lunn, P McBride, J McMahon, C Simpson, V Resciniti

E Glynn

HOLY SPIRIT:

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

Projectionist

6.00PM

M Lacy

G Harrison

C McShanag, G Harrison, E Cotter

M Brown

T McShanag

Ss PETER & PAUL'S:

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

Projectionist

5.00PM

A Henderson

G Tolan

A Henderson, G Tolan, Dean Dougherty

R&K Maddalena

11.00AM

M Foley

J Fraatz

H&M Broekman, D Dougherty, M Mirabile, M Foley, J Gailius

M Broekman, D Dougherty, D Lipinski

R Zarb

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
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)
 - Holy Spirit School - Monday 9.30am-11.30am. 0-3 years Indoor/outdoor play. Ph 5229 8298
- **Playgroup -** Holy Spirit Hall, First Wednesday in the month
- **Manifold CWL -** First Thursday of the month in St Patrick's Chapel
- **Italian Mass -** Dinner at Desma's every 1st Tuesday of the month at 6.30pm. Bookings phone 5278 2712.
- **Catholic Deanery Solo Group -** Second Sunday of each month, 12noon in the small Hall.
- **Ss Peter & Paul's Luncheon -** Second Tuesday of each month, 6pm at Dromoland. Dinner & Guest speaker. Ph Terry on 5221 7339
- **Catholic Diners' Club -**

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

Cluster News:



WARM WELCOME...

Please Note: The Archbishop of Melbourne confirmed the nomination of **Fr Luka Pranjc** as a Croatian Chaplain in Geelong. Fr Luka was Croatian Chaplain in Adelaide and will be transferring to Geelong where his appointment will begin on 13th June, 2013. We wish Fr Luka a very warm welcome as he administers primarily to the Croatian community of Geelong. He will build on the fine pastoral and spiritual care of Fr Stjepan Gjnc. (Fr Gerard)

PLEASE NOTE:

- ♦ Fr Gerard is away for two weeks and we welcome the Columban Priest who will be his supply.
- ♦ **Ss PETER & PAUL'S FEAST DAY - Saturday June 29th:** Mass of Anointing at 11am followed by lunch. Further details in coming weeks.
- ♦ Third Sunday Holy Family BBQ in May will not be held.
- ♦ Thankyou for your generous support of Caritas - Project Compassion. Together we raised \$5,850.
- ♦ **ARCHBISHOP'S PENTECOST LETTER FOR YOUTH:** At the entrance of the Churches is a pamphlet **"Faith Expands our Hearts in Hope"**. In the pamphlet is the web address www.cam.org.au/Youth Letter. At this address you can watch a video and read Archbishop Hart's letter. Maybe we can encourage teenagers to view it.
- ♦ **CHAPLAINCY SUNDAY APPEAL (2ND COLLECTION - ENVELOPES AVAILABLE):** The total amount raised for the 2012 Chaplaincy Appeal across the Archdiocese was \$175,411 which was outstanding and we thank you most sincerely for your support and the generosity of our parish community. Through this generosity we were able to support our ministry to seafarers and provided funding to the major specialist public hospitals and to the parishes that hold responsibility for pastoral care in the larger public hospitals. We hope that with the funds raised in 2013 we may also be able to employ more chaplaincy hours and to provide additional funding to both the prison and youth justice ministries.
- ♦ **HOLY SPIRIT ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** A collection for the annual Winter Appeal for the Society's help will be taken up at all Holy Spirit Masses on the 1st and 2nd June. Your support will be gratefully appreciated.

Fr Mick's Mates -

THANKYOU FROM RELAY FOR LIFE:

You were one of 93 teams who came together, walked the track and raised funds to fight cancer. I'm thrilled to announce the total raised for this year's event is \$234,426.48 - a phenomenal effort! You can feel proud knowing your team, Fr Mick's Mates, contributed \$17,484.65.

Brett O'Farrell

Community Development Manager, Relay for Life, Cancer Council Victoria

Liturgy in the Cluster:

- ◆ **CONFIRMATION COMMITMENT MASSES:** As part of the preparation for Confirmation, the candidates and their parents will make a short commitment at the Masses on May 18/19 (Pentecost Sunday) and May 25/26 (Holy Trinity Sunday). We pray for the young candidates as they continue on their faith journey towards Confirmation.
- ◆ **EUCCHARIST COMMITMENT MASSES:** As the candidates begin their more immediate preparation for the reception of Communion, they will attend parish Mass to announce their intention to the Parish and seek the support of the parishioners. These commitments will take place during Masses on the weekends of June 1/2 and June 8/9.
- ◆ **HOLY HOUR OF CORPUS CHRISTI:** As part of the programme for the Year of Faith, the Holy Father will lead a Holy Hour of Eucharistic adoration, praying for the needs of the Church on the 2nd June, Solemnity of Corpus Christi. In St Patrick's Cathedral in Melbourne on the same day there will be a Procession and Holy Hour after the Solemn Mass at 11am. **IN THE CLUSTER**, we will have an Hour of Adoration, praying in union with Pope Francis for the needs of the Church, on **Sunday 2nd June after the 9.30am Mass at Holy Family, Bell Park**. Parishioners from the three parishes are invited to participate.

Thank you to all who contribute regularly, to support our parish.

- ◆ For those who give **WEEKLY** or **MONTHLY**, the next set of Thanksgiving envelopes are ready to collect today.
- ◆ Letters are in street order, regardless of suburb
- ◆ If you would like to begin contributing regularly, please take a pink sheet.

Community News:

- May 26...** **CULTIVATING THE CONTEMPLATIVE FAMILY:** Join us for a **family** experience of **Christian Meditation**, a way of prayer that is accessible and possible for families with children. Donation of \$10/family, BYO picnic lunch, tea/coffee provided, RSVP 12th May to mirellapace49@gmail.com, mob 0408 470 114, www.christianmeditationaustralia.org
- June 13...** **FREE PUBLIC TALK:** Chris Mackey will talk on **Positive Parenting - Teenagers** 7.30-8.45pm at Geelong West Town Hall in the Supper Room. All welcome!
- June 14-16...** **MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND:** Forget life's tensions and interruptions and rekindle the closeness, intimacy, love and romance that brought you together in the first place. Starts 7pm Fri, ends 5pm Sun. Accommodation and all meals provided. Information/bookings ph 9733 0997 or vicbookings@wwme.org.au

ARCHBISHOP HART TO APPEAR BEFORE INQUIRY:

Archbishop Hart will appear before the Victorian Parliamentary Inquiry into child abuse on **Monday, 20 May**. He will acknowledge and apologise for the terrible blight of child sex abuse by priests and other Church representatives that largely occurred over a 30 year period from 1960 to 1990. Go to www.facingthetruth.org.au for statements, videos, frequently asked questions, fact sheets and a full copy of the Church's submission to the Inquiry, *Facing the Truth*. Please subscribe on the homepage for updates.

A VOCATION VIEW:

"The Counselor, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you." (Jn14:26)

The materialism of our society lures us to concentrate more on what we want than on what God wants for us and from us. It is good to know that when we are confused by our stewardship responsibilities, we can call on the Holy Spirit to show us the way.

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| <p>3. The Holy Spirit frees us up to bring out into the open anything we keep buried in the dark. There is nothing that has ever happened to us that is beyond the Spirit's healing.</p> <p>4. The Holy Spirit breaks down isolation and draws us into community with other people.</p> <p>5. Be careful of things that appear too perfect, they sometimes have a sting in the tail and can be destructive.</p> | <p>6. Be guarded about all things that are urgent. The Holy Spirit brings a sense of perspective to problems.</p> <p>7. The Holy Spirit is always present where compassion and forgiveness are demonstrated.</p> <p>Not bad for a guy who died in 1556.</p> <p>So Pentecost is not the charismatic movement's birthday. It is God's promise to abide with us come what may. And</p> | <p>living in the power and love of the Spirit and claiming her direction is an intensely practical affair.</p> <p>It is with this type of confidence that can sing the ancient chant, 'Come O Holy Spirit fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your spirit and we will be recreated and you will renew the face of the earth.'</p> |
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