



# 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 Fr Michael Tate

Jesus is the body language of God. God is the One who liberates human beings from the apparent finality of death.

So it is only natural, as it were, that Jesus should liberate this man from the death which has his friends processing with his body through the streets of Nain.

But the man and his friends are not the main focus of Jesus. It may be daring to say that Jesus did not bring the man back to life out of concern for the man.

'When the Lord saw her, he felt compassion towards her' – not him! Who is this 'her' whom Jesus really focused on, particularly saw in that little

procession of mourners?

She was a widow in a patriarchal society. The dead son is not a youngster but a man. He is the breadwinner and protector for his mother. Without an able man in her household, she will be reduced to poverty and be very vulnerable.

And so the Gospel tells us that Jesus 'felt compassion towards her'. The Greek actually says that his guts were in turmoil with pity. So, he does what any gutsy person would do in the situation: his uttermost to help her.

We may say that Jesus restored the life of this man in order to restore the life of the mother. The Gospel

emphasises this by telling us the purpose of this saving ministry of Jesus: 'He gave him to his mother.' She would now have enough to eat, and be able to live out her years in a secure household.

It is obvious that Jesus had the most alert eyes, always on the lookout for the person whom society would relegate to a miserable existence without some saving intervention.

How is our society organised? Can you see those who are vulnerable? Does the mere seeing send a shudder of compassion through your body, as it did for Jesus?

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## 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Year C - June 9, 2013.)

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?  
The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread?  
When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

I will praise you, Lord,  
for you have rescued me.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us;  
God has visited his people.

Alleluia!

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

#### 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: 2Sam 12:7-10,13

2nd Reading: Gal 2:16,19-20

Gospel: Lk 7:36-8:3



### 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:

<b>Mon...</b>	Holy Family Women's Prayer Group	10.00am	Holy Family Community Centre
<b>Tues...</b>	Meditation Group	5.30pm	Holy Family Community Centre
<b>Wed...</b>	Prayer of the Church	Before 9am Mass	Holy Spirit Church
<b>Wed...</b>	Holy Family Women's Prayer Group	10.00am	Holy Family Community Centre
<b>Thurs...</b>	Italian Prayer Group	10.00am	St Patrick's Chapel
<b>Fri...</b>	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	After 11am Mass	Holy Spirit Church
<b>Fri...</b>	Divine Mercy	3.00pm	Holy Spirit Church
<b>Sat...</b>	Rosary	After 9am Mass	Holy Spirit Church

## OUR LADY'S STATUE:

**June 10/17:** Logan family, 25 Purrumbete Ave;

**June 24/July 1:** Hoare family, 21 Sycamore St; **July 8/July 15:** Bourke family, 24 Sycamore 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.*

## AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

**RECENT DEATHS:** Fr Stjepan (Stephen) Gnjec, Giovanna Leone, Maria Festa

**ANNIVERSARIES:** John Kennedy, Isla & Harry O'Brien, Maria Mileto, Jim Hudson, Catherine Jones, Anna & Benedetto Belich, Ljerka Lehpamer (1st Anniv), Fr Hugh McDonald, Maria & Joseph Posadowski, Ugo Severino, Jeffrey Jewell, Alina Synoradzki

**BAPTISMS:** Emily Bell, Helaine Jewell (P&P)

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Cheryl Lambert, Craig Cole, Patrick Duffy (Ireland), John Bohan, Craig Leite

**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, June 16, 2013

(3rd Sunday of the Month)

### HOLY FAMILY

Commentators  
Lectors  
Special Ministers  
Welcomers

### 8.00AM

K Saunders  
B Rainbow  
A Vanjek, C Marcantonio, P Walsh  
R&L Allum

### 9.30AM

A Scaddan  
H Verdnik, T McMahon  
C&J Taylor, E Glynn, M Fiorillo, I Raj  
E Dalton

### HOLY SPIRIT:

Commentators  
Lectors  
Special Ministers  
Welcomers  
Projectionist

### 6.00PM

Sr J McGonigal  
J McKenzie  
G Wright, E Cotter, D Kosmetschke  
V Logan  
P Eastman

### 11.00AM

J McCarthy  
G Brown, M Kroger  
L Fossey, L Stalio  
I Cleary, L Coles, V Trinder  
D Brown

### Ss PETER & PAUL'S:

Commentators  
Lectors  
Special Ministers  
Welcomers  
Projectionist

### 5.00PM

D Maddalena  
K Maddalena  
K Maddalena

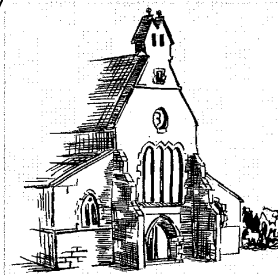
## RECURRING ACTIVITIES IN THE CLUSTER:

- . **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 -** First Thursday of each month, 12pm at Sisters of the Holy Angels, Bell Park, 15 McClelland Rd Bell Park.
- . **Serra Club of Geelong -** Ph Bernard Jordan 5243 6931.

*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](http://www.pastoralclustergeelong.org)

## Liturgy in the Cluster:



### **SS PETER & PAUL'S FEAST DAY**

#### **SATURDAY JUNE 29TH**

You are warmly invited to celebrate Ss Peter & Paul's Feast Day.

This day is particularly significant because it is our Centennial Year as a Parish.

**11.00am...** The Mass of Anointing followed by Lunch in the Small Hall

In the afternoon there will be an organ recital.

**5.00pm...** A special Feast Day Concelebrated Mass with the Ss Peter & Paul's Choir

### **RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS):**

Several people have indicated interest in inquiring into the Catholic faith this year. Any others who would like to join them will be very welcome. The **Inquiry Period** will begin on Wed 7th August at 7.30pm at the Pastoral Cluster Centre, 147 Separation St Bell Park. Meetings thereafter will take place on every Wednesday of the school terms up to Christmas from 7.30-9pm.

There is a saying "It takes a whole village to rear a child". Similarly it takes the whole Christian community to initiate adults into the Catholic Church. "During the period of Inquiry, the faithful should remember that for the Church and its members the supreme purpose of the apostolate is that Christ's message is made known to the world by word and deed and that His grace is communicated. They should therefore show themselves ready to give the candidates evidence of the spirit of the Christian community and to welcome them into their homes, into personal conversation, and into community gatherings". (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults No9 P5).

**A sponsor for each candidate is very important for the RCIA process** to do the above, and hopefully to receive some adult formation in the faith for himself/herself. Anyone who would like to be a sponsor, please contact Fr Mick.

### **EUCARIST 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 weekend of June 8/9.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD** will be offered on **Sunday 16th June** at Holy Family 9.30am Mass and at Holy Spirit 11am Mass. We urge all families to encourage their kinder-Yr6 children to be part of this. Children can reflect on the Word of God at their own level whilst adults do the same without distraction.

## Cluster News:

- ◆ **ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY - WINTER APPEAL:**  
**Holy Family -** At the 8am and 9.30am Mass at Holy Family on June 9th there will be the opportunity to support the great work of our local SVDP Conference. Winter can be a difficult time for the poor of our local area. Your financial support will enable St Vincent de Paul to purchase blankets, food, etc.
- ◆ **FESTA DI SANT' ANTONIO PROGRAMMA:** Domenica 9 Giugno 2013 Nella chiesa di St Patrick in Geelong West - alle ore 9.30am, sara celebrare la festa in onore di Sant' Antonio. Dopo la santa messa ci sara la processione all'aperto nel cortile della scuola. E distribuzione dei Panini. Tutti Siete Benvenuti.

## Cluster News /Cont'd...

- ♦ **FR MICK'S MATES:** There will be the Committee Meeting on **Thursday June 15th 5pm at the Pastoral Cluster Office.**
- ♦ **ANNUAL LEAVE FOR FR MICK:** Fr Mick will be away from June 10th and will return for the Ss Peter & Paul's Feast Day on June 29th. We wish Fr Mick an enjoyable and restful time with his family.

## Community News:

- June 12...** **KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS:** Monthly meeting next Wednesday 7.30pm at Clairvaux Meeting Rooms, Belmont. Members please attend and bring a plate.
- June 4/11/18...** **WESLEY CENTRE FOR LIFE ENRICHMENT:** Fr Frank Moloney will present "*The Resurrection of the Messiah*" with a focus on Luke's Gospel for 2013. What does the Gospel of Luke say to the Lucan community and beyond about Jesus' death and resurrection? Can we be certain about what happened at Jesus' resurrection? What is the significance of this "event" in our lives today? 7.30pm in the Wesley Church Hall, 100 Yarra St. Enquiries/bookings ph 5222 4101 - no cost. Certificates of attendance can be requested.
- 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](mailto:vicbookings@wwme.org.au)
- June 24...** **LAUNCH OF PROPAGATION OF FAITH CAMPAIGN FOR 2013:** Sr Clara from the Salesian Sisters who has worked with the poorest of the poor for 41 years will speak of her work and the Propagation of the Faith. To be held at Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre, 362 Albert St East Melbourne, 11am-1pm. For catering purposes **RSVP by June 20** to Catholic Mission 9639 1344, email [catholicmission@cam.org.au](mailto:catholicmission@cam.org.au)
- June 25...** **BREAKFAST AT THE TRACK:** Please join us for a scrumptious breakfast at the Geelong Racecourse and help continue the work of Samaritan House Geelong in providing crisis accommodation for the homeless. 7am for 7.30am-9am Cost \$45/head or \$400 for a table of 10. RSVP **Thurs 18 June** to [Debbie.welsh@bendigobank.com.au](mailto:Debbie.welsh@bendigobank.com.au) or ph 5227 7218.
- July 2...** **TALKING ABOUT FAITH TO A SCEPTICAL CULTURE:** Come and listen to Bishop Blasé Cupich (Spokane, Washington) and renowned scholar Rev Gerald O'Collins SJ as they discuss the challenges of talking about our faith to a skeptical culture. 5.30pm-7pm at Newman College, 887 Swanston St Parkville. **RSVP by Monday July 1.** Ph Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation: [evangelization@cam.org.au](mailto:evangelization@cam.org.au) or ph 9926 5761.
- July 28...** **2013 ANNUAL ANNIVERSARY MASS FOR MARRIED COUPLES:** The Mass will honour marriages of couples who celebrate 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th wedding anniversaries this year. The Mass will be celebrated at St Patrick's Cathedral 11am by Archbishop Denis Hart. To register visit [www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily](http://www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily) or ph 9287 5579. **Registrations close Friday 12th July.**
- ♦ **SAMARITAN HOUSE GEELONG LTD PRESENTS MOVIE NIGHTS:** On the last Tuesday in the months of July, August, September, October and November 2013 at St Mary's Shirley Mills Theatre, 150 Yarra St - 7.30pm. **Subscription \$50, total proceeds to Samaritan House:** July 30th - *The Trouble with the Curve*, sports drama film revolving around an aging baseball scout (Clint Eastwood) whose daughter joins him on a scouting trip.
  - ♦ **SERRA CLUB OF GEELONG:** The objective of the Serra Club is to foster and promote vocations to the priesthood and religious life and its membership is open to Catholic men and women. They meet at the Holy Angels Convent at 15 McClelland Rd Bell Park on the first Thursday of each month at 12.30pm with Mass followed by lunch and a meeting.

### NEWS FROM KUYA -

"It is my great pleasure to communicate with you today giving you some news about us. You have always showed a constant interest. I hope these few lines will help in strengthening our relationship. Since May 2012, Kuya Center has welcomed 36 street children between 7 and 17 years old into our Center. Some of them have been reconciled with their family and some have been referred to long-term institutions to help them continue their studies.

At this time, 14 boys are living at the center. In the streets our staff meets regularly around 150 children, 97 boys and 52 girls, reaching out to them and providing instruction, education, care and, when possible some food and some medicines. We continue to cater for more than 20 children that are part of our community-based program. Some of those children are former kids that Kuya Center rescued in the past and are finishing their high school studies. Our partnership with Immigration Solutions Australia (ISA Group) has enabled two boys to continue in vocational training, while our partnership with the RNDM Sisters provides livelihood opportunities for many of the mothers of our former street children." (Br Luc, SC)

/From P1...

What intervention do you suggest, for yourself firstly, and then to society organised on a scale and with much greater complexity than was the little

town in Nain?

God does not respond to dehumanising situations by extraterrestrial power. He needs

human beings imitating Jesus Christ in this regard. Only when we respond in life-giving ways will we be able to say: 'God has visited his people.'