



# 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

While ago, I heard on the news of the trial in Saudi Arabia of a woman who had been raped. The man was convicted and sentenced, but so was she! She was to suffer over 100 lashes of the whip for allowing herself to be in a situation in the company of a male not a near relative. Her conduct threatened the strict demarcation deemed necessary in that society.

The same strict rules applied in Jesus' time, with the added dimension that at times a woman could be "unclean". Her touch could contaminate a male and render him "unclean". The boundary had to be maintained. Jesus was the great boundary-breaker when it came to women.

Why is the Pharisee shocked at the scene of a woman anointing and kissing Jesus' feet as he lay at table? One element was the

Pharisee's embarrassment because he had omitted the courtesy of having Jesus' feet washed before reclining at table. She remedied the insult.

But the main sense of shock was that Jesus allowed her to touch him. A taboo was being shattered. He was in grave peril from this deliberate contact. But instead of repudiating her, Jesus observes that it is simply the overflow of love of a forgiven woman, and he won't reject her gesture. The old rules which segregated and quarantined women for fear of what they might do to men are superseded by the presence of Jesus. This is a sign of the reign of God.

Has the Church got the message—the Gospel message? Does it live it out to the fullest extent possible?

St Luke reinforces this message in the next passage which portrays Jesus

"preaching and bringing the good news of the reign of God." And he did so with a band of travelling companions. They symbolized what the reign of God looks like as it shapes a human community. And who were they? Many women, three of them named, travelling with Jesus and twelve men, not their relatives. This would have been scandalous. This was boundary-breaking behavior. This was utterly counter cultural.

We have to recover the evident truth that Jesus enjoyed the company of women. Very confident in his own identity, he was completely relaxed, talking with them, allowing them to touch him. In other words, he would quite naturally engage in the most outrageous behaviour, subverting the codes which had demeaned, quarantined and even demonized women over the centuries. /Cont'd P4

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

(Year C - June 16, 2013.)

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you;  
be my help.

Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, forgive the wrong I have done.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

God first loved us

and sent his Son to take away our sins.

Alleluia!

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

#### 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Zech 12:10-11,13:1

2nd Reading: Gal 3:26-29

Gospel: Lk 9:18-24



### 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 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:** Pietro Pino (in Italy), Vicki Kibbis, Maria Festa

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Marinko Skazlic (1yr), Shirley McDonald, Martin Donnellan, Osorio Almeida, Giovanni Puglia, Colin Henderson, Alki DaCosta, Clifton Diniz, Dimmy DaCosta, Pasqua & Maria Pino

**BAPTISMS:** Mila Jackson, Olivia Lunardelli, Aaliyah & Jayda Matarazzo, Alek Topic (HF), Jack Brown, Addison Nawrocki, Michael Posterino, Jack VanProoyen (HS)

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Cheryl Lambert, Craig Cole, Patrick Duffy (Ireland), John Bohan, Craig Leite, Juliette Isla Kotarac (7months), Anthony Continho

**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 23, 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

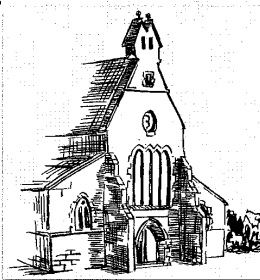
## RECURRING ACTIVITIES IN THE CLUSTER:

- **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 -** 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

*To assist with catering for the Luncheon after the Mass of Anointing, there will be a sign-up board.*

#### 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

**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 on his return.

**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:

- ◆ **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.
- ◆ **1. ST VINCENT DE PAUL:** The annual SVPD Winter Appeal held recently in the Holy Spirit Parish, was a great success. The collection raised \$910 plus many contributions by the children of the Holy Spirit School. This great effort will assist the needy of our Parish area during the winter months - heartfelt thanks to all!! (Barry Hill)
- ◆ **2. ST VINCENT DE PAUL:** Thankyou to the generous parishioners of Bell Park. \$660 was collected in last weekend's Winter Appeal and will be used by SVPD Bell Park to help needy families in our area to keep warm this winter by providing blankets, warm clothing and assistance with winter heating bills. Your support makes a real difference to the lives of those in need. (John Klova)
- ◆ **AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS - Faith and Living for Contemporary Catholics:** The Winter edition of Australian Catholics will be available next week for free. The focus of this edition is Christianity in Public Life. Articles include - Living up to the 'Catholic Label' - Kristina Keneally (former Premier of NSW) on Faith and Public Life; Taking to the Streets; Bringing the Church to the People; Raising Believers and Raising Non-Believers; A Conversation between two Mothers, etc.

## Community News:

- June 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 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.
  - ◆ **MARYVILLE AGED CARE:** Residential aged care in a family atmosphere - 54 Western Beach Rd. For an appointment please ph Trish or Cheryl on 5221 5299. Email: [info@maryvillenursinghome.com](mailto:info@maryvillenursinghome.com)
  - ◆ **BEING CATHOLIC:** BeingCatholic is a popular Australian website that provides a great range of articles, video and interviews to support Catholics on the journey of life and faith. Visit [www.beingcatholic.com.au](http://www.beingcatholic.com.au) to read the latest article, *"How to become a Saint in one easy step"*.

### 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)

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There is another element. We know that Peter and others recruited on the shores of the Sea of Galilee had left their fishing cooperative to follow Him. Jesus was obviously not engaged in the carpentry trade. How were they to survive on the mission? How were they to get the necessities of life?

His band of followers included rather well-to-do women with funds and contacts

which enabled the mission to continue. They were grateful to Jesus who had healed them of various maladies and their generosity in response was legendary. Without their financial aid, Jesus could not have conducted his mission in the way he wanted to.

The gospel record is clear and the church needs to take it to heart. Jesus accepted women to an outrageous degree,

overturning all the norms of society. Jesus depended on women to carry out his mission as an itinerant preacher of no fixed address. Jesus not merely preached the reign of God. He imaged it in his band of travelling companions, both female and male.

He was, He is, truly the Saviour of all human beings without distinction of gender. He is the Saviour for all humanity. He is the Saviour of the world.