



# 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

A conservative Protestant Church in a sleepy fishing village had to find a new minister. Over the protests of Jimmy, the senior Elder, a woman was hired as the new Pastor.

After the Reverend Gayle had been there a few weeks, Tom, a member of the congregation, offered to take her out fishing. Jimmy reluctantly agreed to allow them to use his boat for the day's outing, but insisted that he lead the expedition.

The trio got into the boat and motored out on the lake. When they got ready to fish, they realised that all their tackle had

been left on the dock. Tom concluded that they would just have to go back and get it. Reverend Gayle said that wouldn't be necessary, and she got out of the boat and started walking across the water toward the dock.

Jimmy, who refused to be impressed by Gayle's miraculous abilities observed, 'See I told you we never should have hired that woman. She can't even swim.'

The hit animation film *Shrek* was praised by critics for many things but most especially for the clever way it quoted from several other much-loved animation films. When writers do this it's called 'intertextuality', where one text uses another text to tell the story. Some of the

references in *Shrek* were obvious; others took a little longer to reveal themselves. Some were used in a new way that turned the original story upside down. Whether any of us got all or none of the references didn't affect the enjoyment we derived from the film, it only added to what was already a great tale.

The story of Jesus walking on the water is in a similar vein to *Shrek*. In eleven verses Matthew quotes several other stories in the Old Testament, uses them in his own way and re-interprets all of them in reference to Jesus. It might be lost on some of us who just enjoy the power of the story, but none of this intertextuality would have been lost on Matthew's first hearers. /Cont'd P4



**We welcome children and families from our three Primary Schools to the celebration of First Eucharist.**

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

(Year A - August 10, 2014.)

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones forever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

**Alleluia, alleluia!**  
I hope in the Lord,  
I trust in his word.  
**Alleluia!**

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

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

1st Reading: Is 56:1,6-7  
2nd Reading: Rom 11:13-15,29-32  
Gospel: Mt 15:21-28



### 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  
Croatian... 11am Sunday  
Slovenian.. 12.15pm every 2nd Sunday of the month  
Filipino... 5.00pm every 3rd Saturday of the month

### Holy Spirit, Manifold Hts:

6.00pm Saturday  
11am 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays

### Ss Peter & Paul's, Geelong West:

5.00pm Saturday  
11am 2nd & 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

## BAPTISMS:

1st & 3rd Sundays 12noon at Holy Spirit, 2nd & 4th Sundays 12noon at Ss P&P,  
3rd Sunday 2pm at Holy Family

## 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:

**Aug 11** - Sheahan family, 76 Sladen St; **Aug 18/24** - Trinder family, 20 Downie Pl.

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

## AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

**RECENT DEATHS:** Fr Mick Sheehy, Joan Gazenbeek

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Miroslav Macarol (1st anniv), Kevin McFarlane, Francesca Romano, Joseph Gillett Jnr, Sr Irminda Widdison, Rev Fr W Durkin (former PP Bell Park), Frederick Fusea, Salvatore & Antonietta Valentino, Antonio & Maria DeAngelis, Cath & Frank McCormack, Zvonko Jovic

**1 MONTH SINCE DEATH:** Giuseppina Villarosa

**BAPTISMS:** Edison Ludowyk and Lucy Vodopic

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** June Bongiorno, Anna Alvaro, Francisca, Jesus & Kristopher Esperanza, Kath Leary, Terry Hart, Rita Duggan McDonald, Celia Erfort, Theo DaCosta, Tanya Cervek, Monica Duggan, Julita Aquino, Manuel Almeida, Anita Capicchiano, Cheryl Lambert, Barbara Mason

## Roster for Next Sunday, August 17, 2014

(3rd Sunday of the Month)

### HOLY FAMILY

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

Projectionist

### 8.00AM

K Saunders

B Rainbow

A Vanjek, P Ruggeri, R Culo

L Allum, P Ruggeri, R Culo

R Allum

### 9.30AM

A Scaddan

H Verdnik, T McMahon

C&J Taylor, M Fiorillo, I Raj, T Herath

E Dalton

C Resciniti

### HOLY SPIRIT:

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

Projectionist

### 6.00PM

J McCarthy

J McKenzie, Sr J McGonigal

G Wright, E Cotter, D Kosmetschke

P Eastman (even months) S Eland (odd)

### 11.00AM

G Langridge

G Brown, M Kroger

L Fossey, L Stalio, L Sells

I Cleary, L Coles, S Norris, T Stefek

D Brown (even months), A Boras (odd)

### Ss PETER & PAUL'S:

### 5.00PM

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

Projectionist

K Maddalena

K Maddalena

T McNair

## RECURRING ACTIVITIES IN THE CLUSTER:

- **Pastoral Cluster Luncheon -** First Sunday of each month at the Holy Spirit Hall from 12noon. BYO food and drink to share.
  - **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
  - **Legion of Mary -** Every Friday 9.30am in the Holy Family Community Centre
  - **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 Family Choir Practice -** Every Wednesday night at Holy Family Church, 7pm
  - **Manifold CWL -** Holy Spirit Hall, First Wednesday in the month
  - **Italian Mass -** First Thursday of the month in St Patrick's Chapel
  - **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](http://www.pastoralclustergeelong.org)

## Cluster News:

**FAREWELL AND WELCOME:** Firstly we say farewell to Mons James Murray who has been the resident in the unit behind the Pastoral Cluster Office. The Monsignor has now moved to Rice Village. We wish him every good health and blessing in his new abode. I'm sure in his customary outgoing and generous way he will contribute to the life at Rice Village. Secondly, we welcome Olivier, Patrick, Ishema and Serge, refugees from North Kivu - the north east of Democratic Congo, who will now reside in the unit for the next 3-5 weeks until a more permanent arrangement is made. Please make them very welcome.

### **ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY - Education Assistance Program, Geelong Region**

A new initiative established by St Vincent de Paul in Geelong is its Education Assistance Program to support needy families to cover the cost of Catholic Secondary Education. SVDP recognizes that one of the most effective ways for people to break out of the poverty cycle is through good education. A brochure and information on how to support this program will be in the bulletin in coming weeks.

**HELP NEEDED FOR RCIA PROGRAM:** Over the last couple of weeks Fr Mick has been seeking volunteers to assist with accompanying those who express an interest in becoming a Catholic. If you are interested, the catechetical sessions will be held at 7.30pm-9pm on Wednesdays throughout the school terms, commencing on Wednesday 13th August. The sessions will normally be at the Cluster Centre, Bell Park. Fr Mick would love to hear from anyone willing to help in this important work.

### **LEGION OF MARY:**



The Legion of Mary is a Lay Catholic Apostolic Movement beginning in 1921 in Ireland, with many millions of members throughout the world who, with special devotion to Mary, are at the service of the Church as she leads us to Jesus. We aim to assist the Priest and Parish in a deeper love of God especially through the Rosary and the works deemed necessary to foster our Christian calling. If you are interested in joining our group you are most welcome. We meet at 9.30am on each Friday at the Holy Family Community Centre. Ph John 0409 042 393 or Cristita 5277 0979

## MOVIE FESTIVAL for **Fr Mick's Mates**



**When...** September 10, 2014  
**Time...** 4pm & 7.30pm  
**Where...** St Mary's Plaza Theatre & Hibernian Hall  
**Cost...** \$20 - Includes Finger Food, Tea and Coffee served after 4pm Movie.

For tickets ph David Lunn 0408 378 982  
or Noreen Haberman 5229 9352

## SCHOOL MASSES FOR AUGUST

<b>Aug 14...</b>	9.15am - Holy Family School (Gr 5/6)
<b>Aug 15...</b>	9.15am - Holy Family School (Whole School)
"	9.45am - St Patrick's School (Whole School)
"	11am - Holy Spirit School (Whole School)
<b>Aug 21...</b>	9.15am - Holy Family School (Gr 1/2)
<b>Aug 22...</b>	11am - Holy Spirit School (Gr 1/2)
<b>Aug 28...</b>	9.15am - Holy Spirit School (Preps)
<b>Aug 29...</b>	9.45am - St Patrick's School (Preps)

## UPCOMING CLUSTER EVENTS

Dates for your Diary -

<b>Oct 26...</b>	<b>KRISTMAS FOR KUYA</b> - Philippines Partnership
<b>Nov 4...</b>	<b>MELBOURNE CUP DAY LUNCHEON</b>

## NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK: (3rd - 10th August)

The theme for this year is from Pope Francis' Letter for World Day of Prayer for Vocations. *"Every vocation is an exodus from self ... it leads us on a journey of Adoration of the Lord ... and service to him in our brothers and sisters"*. A reminder to all of us that all vocations require sacrifice and service. Whether married, consecrated life, priesthood or apostolic celibacy - we are all called to serve God and our neighbour. Please pray that many young people may hear the Lord's call to serve, particularly in priesthood and religious life.

## Community News:

- Aug 13...** **KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS:** Annual Branch Meeting and Combined District Meeting at Clairvaux Meeting Rooms Belmont. Very important to attend. Please bring a plate for supper.
- Aug 14/15/16...** **"ALL SHOOK UP":** St Joseph's College in association with Clonard and Sacred Heart Colleges, will present this musical at The Playhouse GPAC at 7.30pm. The season will conclude with a performance Sat Aug 16 at 5pm. Tickets can be ordered from [www.sjc.vic.edu.au](http://www.sjc.vic.edu.au) or the College Office - adults \$15, Yr12 and below \$5.
- Aug 15-17...** **MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND:** Why not invest in your most precious asset - your marriage! Melbourne weekends 15/17 August and 21/23 November. Starts 7pm on Friday and ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided. For information/bookings ph Marianne & Marcel 9733 0997 or email [vicbookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:vicbookings@wwme.org.au) [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au)
- Aug 16...** **CHORAL WORKSHOP** will be held at St Luke's Uniting Church Highton from 10am to 3.30pm. With Rick Prakhoff, Manfred Pohlenz, Hugh Davidson - morning and a/noon tea provided, BYO lunch. Cost \$20 - senior students no charge. Ph Jane 0447 238 432 by 1st August to register.
- Aug 21...** **ARCHBISHOP'S CATHOLIC MAN BREAKFAST SERIES:** Featuring Greg Craven, Vice Chancellor of Aust Catholic University - *"Children, Cows and Catholicism"* at the CQ Club, 113-123 Queen St Melb 7am-9am. \$45/head, ph 0439 172 465.
- Aug 24...** **GEELONG COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA:** Celebrating Geelong's young talent - 3pm at McAuley Hall, Costa Centre for the Performing Arts, Sacred Heart College, Aphrasia St Newtown. Talented young local soloists perform instrumental and vocal solos with the orchestra. Tickets at the door or in advance - ph 5231 5595.
- Aug 31...** **MUSIC AT THE BASILICA: Psalmfest** will be held at St Luke's at 3pm with proceeds to Anam Cara House. Dr Malcolm John Conductor, Brendon Lukin organ and Marianne Black and Allister Cox cantors. Ph Jeannette 5223 3554 to join the occasional choir and arrange for music to be prepared for you.
- Sept 10...** **ANNUAL DEANERY DINNER:** At Dromoland House, Pakington St - \$45/person for a 2-course meal and a night of lively Cabaret music with Bert LaBonte and the Dave Gardner Quartet. Please contact Catherine Moon 5222 1977.

**SACRED HEART COLLEGE ENROLMENT OPPORTUNITIES 2015:** Limited places are available in Years 9 and 11. Closing date for applications is Friday 22 August. Ph the Registrar, Judy Smith, for further information on 5222 0490.

## Royal Commission in Geelong

People in Geelong are invited to learn more about the work of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse at a Community Information Forum to be held on **Wednesday August 12 from 2-4pm at the Geelong West Town Hall**, 153 Pakington St Geelong West.

Chair of the Commission, Justice Peter McClellan, will address the forum which is open to all. People affected by child sexual abuse while in the care of an institution (eg school, parish, orphanage etc) are encouraged to attend. No one attending is required to tell their 'personal story', but all can obtain more information as to how the Commission is working and how private sessions with a Commissioner can be held. The forum will also provide an opportunity for the Commission to hear from local community groups and support services who are working with survivors of child sexual abuse in the region.

/From P1...

Poor old Job found God in the midst of a storm, and winds and waves are a usual Old Testament shorthand for the perils of life. The image of the boat was an early symbol for the Church and Matthew has all Jesus' disciples in it.

Jesus hovering over the waters has echoes of the action of the Spirit in the first account of creation in Genesis. Even Jesus restoring calm to the sea follows on from what the Prophet Jonah had done before. For the keen student there is much more besides.

Matthew's account is magnificent on its own terms, but with these details we can see he is also interested in a theological message. Jesus, the Son of God and Lord of creation, remains faithful to the disciples, no matter how treacherous the seas or how great their fear. He has come to them so that they may be saved and recreated as the Church who recognises that he is the fulfilment of creation, the one whom Israel has been longing to see and embrace.

And what does all this mean for us?

We are inheritors of Matthew's faith. We're here because we believe that Jesus is the Son of God who has saved us from ourselves and from destruction. But it also means that in every storm that threatens our lifeboat Jesus comes to call us to faith, to catch us when we think we're drowning, to accompany us back to safety and to bring calm to the troubled seas of our life.

Aren't we lucky Jesus never learnt to swim?