



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

Recently I considered buying a Bose 'sound wave' speaker system. For a small box it gave the best sound reproduction I have ever heard. In comparison to the hi-fi I presently have, its bass notes are strong and true, which gives the music a sense of presence, a foundation upon which the treble rises and falls as the music dictates. This machine allows an exceptional clarity to the sound, so that the composer's work can be properly heard.

In the Acts of the Apostles today we are told that the crowd who heard the earliest disciples of Jesus understood them in his or her own language. Now that's clarity! It wasn't so much the gift of tongues the earliest disciples received as much as their hearers received the gift of ears, of listening.

When it comes to listening in the Church

today, some people mistake mono for stereo, uniformity for unity. At the first Pentecost, the earliest Christians had no such difficulty; they knew that speaking the same language was not as important as was careful listening to one another.

The early Church was a very complex and diverse community. Like today they had their struggles with one another. Within a few years of the first Pentecost, there were fights between Peter and Paul over Jewish and Gentile converts. There were people who died for the faith and others who betrayed them to the authorities. Some Christians thought they were for Paul or Apollos rather than for Jesus, and still others thought the end of the world was nigh. Through it all, however, the bass notes played: the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The Second Vatican Council helped us

recover the most ancient tradition in our faith, that in various, unexpected and inculturated ways the Word of God has been present in all peoples, in every culture. We now hold that whenever the Gospel has been proclaimed in a new land, it compliments the best in that culture as well as correcting aspects of any culture which oppress, demean and diminish the women and men within it.

In this process, what is born between Christ and an individual culture is an inculturated faith, which takes as seriously as the early Church did the context in which our faith is proclaimed and lived.

Pentecost faith holds that while we build our faith on that of all the believers who have gone before us, we have the responsibility to listen to our contemporary culture and put it into conversation with the Gospel. *Cont'd P4*

- Pentecost Sunday -

(Year B - May 24, 2015.)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, 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:**Trinity Sunday**

1st Reading:	Deut 4:32-34,39-40
2nd Reading:	Rom 8:14-17
Gospel:	Mt 28:16-20

**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

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

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 1st & 3rd Friday

Multicultural Centre:

1.30pm - 1st Fri

Vincentine Village:

3.00pm Monday

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:

May 25-June 1: Murray, 37 Darriwill St

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: Vincenzo Calogero, Giuseppe Luppino and Michael Ryan

ANNIVERSARIES: Iolanda Marruso, Vincenzo Benevento, Dennis Beachell, Carmela Caccamo, Peter Bordonaro, Luke Walsh and 1 Year anniv of Connie Tolan

BAPTISMS: Evie Brislan, Willow Forsyth and Lennox Javni

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Anita Capicchiano, Cheryl Lambert, Thomas & Harry Mallon, Theo DaCosta, Denis Brown, Vernon Bowers, Myrtle Morkel, Suzanne Doots, Gerradine Barry, Tamara Harkness, Sara Hoe

Please note: After approx five weeks names will be deleted from the sick list . Please phone the office on 5278 1343 if you wish names reinserted.

Roster for Next Sunday, May 31, 2015

(5th 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 McKenzie, Sr J McGonigal

G Wright, C Laffy

P Eastman (even months) S Eland (odd)

11.00AM

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:

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

Projectionist

5.00PM

C O'Brien

Sr J McGonigal

N Neeld, P McGlinchey

B Pleasance

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	4th Mondays 7.30pm in the Community Centre
Holy Family Choir Practice...	Every Wednesday night at Holy Family Church 7pm
Manifold CWL...	Holy Spirit Hall, 1st Wednesdays in the month
Italian Mass...	First Thursday of the month in St Patrick's Chapel
Catholic Diners' Club...	Second Tues of each month, 6pm at Berkeley Lodge. Dinner/Guest Speaker - ph Terry on 5221 7339

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Cluster News:

- ◆ **CONGRATULATIONS TO BETTY MURPHY AND FR MICK:** Betty Murphy was awarded a Life Membership Certificate in recognition of her outstanding support and ongoing commitment as a volunteer to Barwon Health. Fr Mick was awarded a Special Certificate in recognition of his fifteen years of providing similar service.
- ◆ **OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS:** An initiative of the Legion of Mary is that they will be leading the Rosary before the 5pm Mass at Ss Peter & Paul's on **May 23rd** as part of the celebration of the Feast Day of Our Lady Help of Christians.
- ◆ **HOLY FAMILY WOMEN'S GROUP RAFFLE WINNERS:** 1st - Noella Duggan; 2nd - Krystyna Gizycki; 3rd - Faye Brooks. Congratulations to you all and thankyou to everyone for your support and contribution.
- ◆ **PASTORAL CLUSTER LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING:** Tuesday May 26 in the Pastoral Cluster Office, 7.00pm.
- ◆ **4 GIUGNO SARA CELEBRATA UNA MESSA DI GUARIGIONE AL GRUPPO DI PREGHIERA ITALIANO ST PATRICK'S IL SACERDOTE PARLA BENE L'ITALIANO ALLE ORE 10AM. FARA LE CONFESSIONI E PREGHIERE. SIETE TUTTI BENVENUTI. PER INFORMAZIONE TL 5221 6849.**

IMPROVEMENTS TO OUR CHURCHES:

- ◆ **At Holy Spirit Church** this week the concreting to the entrance has been undertaken. The purpose of this renovation is not only to improve the ascetics of the entrance to the Church but also to provide additional foundational support to the front of the Church.
- ◆ **At Ss Peter & Paul's** work will begin on the upgrade of the Narthex on **Wednesday 27th May**. The new Narthex will incorporate the existing stain glass but will provide a larger and more functional space. The work is anticipated to take approx four weeks. **The weekend Masses will continue as normal.**



FR MICK'S MATES:

Entertainment books are available for sale at the Cluster Office for \$55. These books can save you up to 50% or receive 2 for 1 offers from many of the best restaurants, arts, attractions, hotels, travel, shopping and much, much more. All proceeds to Fr Mick's Mates. Please purchase from the Parish Office. Please contact Trish on 5278 1343 -

**FR MICK'S MATES COMMITTEE MEETING:
Monday May 25th, 4pm at the Cluster Office**

MOTHERS FOR MOTHERS HIGH TEA:

Our Mothers for Mothers High Tea was a great success on all accounts. The support for the event was extraordinary with a sell-out crowd of 437 in attendance. Standing at the podium at the start of the function, it was great to see the room full of people and colour. I have said on a number of occasions that I believe we are very fortunate in the Pastoral Cluster that we are able, and have the people available, to support a function such as this which is of great value - not only socially but also for an important gospel outreach in the service of the poor. Such a successful event only occurs because of the generous gift of time and talents by so many.

THE TOTAL AMOUNT RAISED = \$17,640

Wish List:

During the month of May, a month normally dedicated to Our Lady, there will still be an opportunity to support our Mothers for Mothers Project by making a donation through the Wish List. Brochures are available at all the Churches.

EUCCHARISTIC PROGRAM FOR CATECHETICAL CHILDREN:

- Session 1...** Sunday May 24 9.30am at Holy Family Church - Welcome and Commitment Mass
Session 2... Wed May 27 7.00pm at Holy Family Community Centre - Family based presentation on the Eucharist
Session 3... Sunday May 31 9.30am at Holy Family Church - Lesson for children during first part of the Mass
Session 4... Sunday June 7 9.30am at Holy Family Church - Lesson for children during the first part of the Mass
First Eucharist... Sunday June 14 or June 21 9.30am at Holy Family Church.

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES:

- ◆ Thankyou all for your continuing regular support.
- ◆ There is a set of envelopes for **weekly and monthly** contributors in the foyer today.
- ◆ They are in order, alphabetical by **STREET**.
- ◆ Please take a pink sheet if you would like to contribute regularly, using envelopes, credit card or bank transfer.
- ◆ Contact Helen with any queries: Helen.brislane@cam.org.au, or leave a message at the Parish Office.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER - Pentecost Sunday

"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone". 1Cor 12:4-6

By giving each of us different gifts, God made sure that the Church would have the right combination of time, talent and treasure that was needed to do his work. However, if one of us does not utilize our gifts, God's plan goes unfulfilled. Some important work is left undone.

Community News:

May 25... **100 YEARS OF HOLLYWOOD:** Presented by John Slade 1.30pm at Belmont Seniors Hall, 52 Thomson St. A fascinating background history of the stars of yesterday. Entry \$3, a/noon tea will be served.

June 3... **ACRATH SPEAKS ABOUT TRAFFICKING:** Hear about the work and the problem of human trafficking in Australia and our region. 7-8.30pm in the Plaza Theatre, St Mary of the Angels Parish. For information ph Sr Carole McDonald carolem@mercy.org.au ph 0407 051 095.

" **MANIFOLD BRANCH OF CWL:** Monthly meeting at Holy Spirit Hall 12.30pm. Please note change of time. At 1.30 we will be attending a Willow Fashion Boutique at Western Hts Uniting Church for those interested. Cost \$5 incl entry and D'shire Tea. Proceeds to Nepal Earthquake Disaster Appeal. Information/transport ph Tricia Joyce 5221 1986 or Jeanette Sheahan 5278 2063.

- ◆ **ST JOHN OF GOD GEELONG HOSPITAL:** You are invited to a **Time of Prayer** - the Rosary will be prayed for the intentions of the sick and also the special work of Caregivers at SJOG Geelong. You are invited to participate in this time of prayer each Tuesday in May from 1-1.20pm in the Chapel, Level 1, 80 Myers St Geelong. Further information ph 5226 8888
- ◆ **VICTORIAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES EMERGENCY MINISTRY (VCCEM):** In the Geelong region the VCCEM is looking for people who would be interested in being a support person when others are affected by disasters such as fire, flood and other significant emergencies. They are looking for people who are good listeners with a background in helping and people who generally have a pastoral care heart. The next information session will be at St Mary of the Angels Theatre on **Thursday 28th May from 1-2pm.**
- ◆ **THE GIFT OF YEARS GROUP:** Are you over 75 years of age? Would you be interested in joining a discussion group about the burdens and blessings of being older? Offered by CatholicCare every Friday for 5 weeks, 10am to 12noon. For further information and to register your interest call 5221 7055

SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT IN THE PASTORAL CLUSTER MASSES:

Sun May 24... **First Eucharist** for St Patrick's School children at Ss Peter & Paul's 11am *

Mon May 25... **Whole School Mass** - Holy Spirit Feast Day at Holy Spirit Church, 2.30pm

Tues May 26... **Class Mass** - Gr Prep children at Holy Family 9.15am

Sat May 30... **First Eucharist** for Holy Spirit School children at Holy Spirit 6pm

Sun May 31... **First Eucharist** for Holy Spirit School children at Holy Spirit 11am

" **First Eucharist** for St Patrick's School children at Ss Peter & Paul's 11am (an additional Mass) *

Fri June 5... **Class Mass** - Gr1/2 at St Patrick's Chapel 9.45am

" **Class Mass** - Gr5/6&Preps at Holy Spirit Church 11am

Fri June 12... **Class Mass** - Gr1/2 at Holy Spirit Church 11am

* *In addition to the celebration of the First Eucharist the children preparing for Confirmation will make their Commitment On Tuesday June 9 there will be a special Mass a Bella Chara (Multicultural Aged Centre) at 1.30pm.*

/From P1...

That's why courage is one of the Holy Spirit's pre-eminent gifts. We are not allowed to retreat from the world but are sent out to enter into conversation with it, and hear in this dialogue the symphony

God is composing here and now between the treble of our daily life over the continuing bass line of Christ's life, death and resurrection.

Let's pray that this Pentecost Eucharist

hones our ears as well as prepares our tongues to clearly receive and proclaim the Gospel of Christ in the market places of our own day and age.