



# 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 Michael Tate

According to St Paul 'the whole of creation ...is yearning to share in the glory promised to the children of God.' (Romans 8)

In the meantime it is as though from the beginning every element of the universe is 'listening out' for the word which will bring it into harmony with that deepest yearning, listening so as to exist in a way which is never destructive of God's plan for humanity and all other creatures.

And that is what happens in this gospel episode. What is the situation of creation? One has a howling wind, shrieking against every timber of the boat, storm-tossed

waves threatening to engulf and sink the boat. What word is heard by these elements of the universe? A word which they hear even as they are at their most destructive. 'Quiet, be still.' [repeat]

And there was a dead calm. Why? Because this was a word spoken by the Lord of all creation, the Sovereign of the universe. And what was the result? The disciples were able to make their way across the Sea of Galilee 'to the other side' in the company of Jesus. What does that mean?

They were able to go from the western Jewish side to the eastern Pagan side.

That is from the side which they knew, from the side with which they were familiar, from the side where they were 'at home' to the side which they did not know, which was unfamiliar territory for them, where, far from being at home, they would feel dislocated, dis-placed.

That is why this gospel story is good news for us, for you and for me. There will be times, there have been times when, in the journey of life, suddenly chaos erupts. A tempest storms into our life. The wind is howling. We want to block our ears to the situation threatening us whether from the outside or from some part of our own personality. /Cont'd P4



*We congratulate the children from our Catechetical program who will receive the Eucharist for the first time this Sunday.*

## - 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time -

(Year B - June 21, 2015.)

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them forever.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

A great prophet has appeared amongst us; God has visited his people. **Alleluia!**

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:****13th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading:	Wis 1:13-15,2:23-24
2nd Reading:	2Cor 8:7,9,13-15
Gospel:	Mk 5:21-43

**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:

**22-29 June:** Trinder family, 20 Downie Place

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:** Mollie Doherty, Vytas Klova

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Alina Synoradzki, Alki DaCosta, Carmelo Coppolino, Vjekoslav (Stan) Pogacic, Zlatko Lehpamer, Giuseppe Grasso, Joseph & Maria Posadowski, Paula Riehl, Marinko Skazlic, Matthew Barr, Daniel Brady, Rajko Jovic, Stefano Mileto, Rocco & Francesca Daniele, Angela Zuclich

**BAPTISMS:** Estella Deak, Patrick Harris, Charlotte Johnson, Maxwell McCormack, Mackenzie Murnane

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Gerradine Barry, Tamara Harkness, Sara Hoe, Ted Conole, Eileen Cotter, Cheryl Lambert

**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, June 28, 2015

(4th Sunday of the Month)

### HOLY FAMILY

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

Projectionist

### 8.00AM

F O'Neill

L Kelly

L Sells, E Kelly, B McFarlane

L&E Kelly

R Allum

### 9.30AM

M Lukesic

M Baird, P Gizycki

D Lunn, P McBride, C Simpson, V Resciniti

A Sare, A/I Dugandzic

C Resciniti

### HOLY SPIRIT:

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

Projectionist

### 6.00PM

M Lacy

M Carson

C McShanag, R Stanley, D Yeatman

M Brown

T McShanag

### Ss PETER & PAUL'S:

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

Projectionist

### 5.00PM

A Henderson

G Tolan

A Henderson, G Tolan,

J Cowell

### 11.00AM

J Fraatz, L Eastman

M Broekman, D Dougherty, J Gailius

M Broekman, D Dougherty, D Lipinski

R Zarb

## 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. <b>BYO casserole &amp; drink to share.</b>
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

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

### FR GERARD'S SABBATICAL:

As part of the Archdiocese commitment to the ongoing formation and education of priests, there is a sabbatical program. The purpose of the program is that it is an extended time of prayer, study and reflection. I have been fortunate enough to have been granted a sabbatical. The sabbatical will begin on **Monday June 22nd** and I return for the weekend of **October 24/25th**.

The major focus of my time away will be to deepen my own understanding and practice of Christian Meditation as well as gaining some experience in the introduction of Christian Meditation in a variety of contexts such as schools, prisons, etc. To that end the sabbatical will entail a Seminar on Meditation in the Monastic Tradition (Rome), a pilgrimage in the footsteps of St Columbine (the spiritual inspiration for the Columban Priests), some time at the World Christian Meditation Headquarters in London, an 8-day Silent Retreat at Bere Island, eight days on the Camino Pilgrimage Walk in Portugal/Spain and working in Townsville with the Catholic Education Office where they have introduced Christian Meditation in all their Catholic Schools.

I am grateful to the Archbishop for giving me this opportunity and for the ongoing Formation of Priests Committee for paying for the Sabbatical. I am also grateful for the Priests who will be supplying for me in my absence. I am sure you will make them feel very welcome. I am particularly appreciative and grateful to Fr Mick and the Pastoral Cluster staff for 'holding the fort' in my absence.

(Fr Gerard)

### INTRODUCTION OF A SECOND COLLECTION AT MASS:

The Second Collection will begin on the weekend of **27/28 June**. The First Collection (which is for the Parish) will be taken up after the Homily and the 2nd Collection (for the Presbytery Account) will be taken up at the Offertory. Many thanks for your support and understanding. We would be grateful if our visitors would also consider contributing to the First Collection for the support of our Parish.

### GREETINGS FROM MANILA: (Letter from Sisters Kate and Claudia, RNDMs)

*Words cannot express our sincere gratitude for your generosity towards our ministry among the marginalized and disadvantaged people of metro Manila. Thankyou very much for your support for the many people we encourage and work alongside here.*

*The members of our livelihood and training program are building their own little businesses to provide for their families. Life for them is very difficult, especially as the wet season has just begun, yet their hope and positive thinking is remarkable. They are so proud of their endeavours and are extremely grateful to you for your support, encouragement and prayers. Your generosity enables them to have a small amount of capital to utilize their entrepreneurial skills for the wellbeing of their families.*

*The members of our program remember all of their friends from the Pastoral Cluster who have visited and keep asking when will you return? You are embedded in their hearts for taking time to visit and showing how much you care.*

*We, Kate and Claudia, thankyou for your tremendous support for us. Your encouragement, interest and generosity energises us to continue to offer a little hope to those most in need. To all involved in the Mothers for Mothers High Tea - Thankyou!*

*Be Assured of our prayers for you and your families. God's Blessings.*

## Cluster News:

- ◆ **WELCOME TO PETER BRUNT, THE NEW PRINCIPAL FOR HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL:** On your behalf I extend congratulations and an early and warm welcome to Peter Brunt who will take up the position as Principal of Holy Family School at the beginning of the 2016 school year. Peter is presently the Principal at St Mary's Primary School in Geelong. Prior to his Principal's role he has been a teacher at both Holy Family and Holy Spirit Schools. The selection panel are confident that Peter will continue the fine educational legacy of Holy Family School.



### ST VINCENT DE PAUL'S WINTER APPEAL:

In our local Catholic Church in general and in the Pastoral Cluster in particular, we are blessed with an organisation such as St Vincent de Paul. As a group they do terrific work in outreach to those who are in the margin of society by providing support services such as crisis accommodation, domestic violence support, access to budget counselling, life skills courses, legal assistance, as well as the provision of food, clothing and blankets. **There is an opportunity to support the endeavours of Vinnies through a second collection at the Masses at Holy Spirit on the weekend of June 20/21.** Last week's collections from Masses at Ss Peter & Paul's and Holy Family raised \$1,590.15. Many thanks for the generous support.

**INVITATION TO SPONSOR A PEW AT Ss PETER & PAUL'S:** The refurbishment and restoration of Ss Peter & Paul's is almost complete and many people have affirmed the beauty of the work done. We have received expressions of interest from some parishioners to sponsor a pew. The rationale is three-fold:

1. To assist with covering the cost of the refurbishment of the pews
2. Provide people with an opportunity to support a Church that has such a strong and positive association for them
3. To have a perpetual remembrance.

On the practical details the sponsorship would be \$750 per pew. A small plaque, similar to the ones at Holy Family, will be installed at the end of the pew and the selection of the seat will be done randomly. Trish Stickland will be overseeing this project in my absence and she can be contacted for further details on 5278 1343.

- ◆ **HOLY FAMILY WOMEN'S GROUP:** Our July 6 meeting will be held at the Sphynx Hotel to celebrate all members' birthdays. Everyone who is attending should notify Peggie 0408 524 018 or Anne 0404 105 205 by Friday July 3. At our August meeting we will have a Dutch Auction, so don't put off that de-cluttering any longer. I'm sure we can find many treasures!

## Community News:

- June 25... ANNUAL DEANERY DINNER:** Berkeley Lodge at 6.30pm. Tickets \$45/person from St Mary's Office 5222 1977 or Deanery Office 0409 007 913. Further information please ph Catherine Moon 0409 007 913.
- June 27... TIME OUT FOR TLC:** Pastoral Healthcare Network invites you to a relaxing afternoon of pampering and pastoral healthcare at Geelong Natural Therapies, 36 Shannon Ave from 1-3pm. Cost \$10, enquiries 5229 7954.
- June 28... KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS:** Casserole Luncheon 12.30pm at Belmont Senior Citizens Dining Room, 52 Thomson St. Bring a Casserole or Sweet to share - \$10 per head, drinks supplied. Ph Joe Lambert 5229 8442 to confirm attendance etc. Proceeds to Overseas Missions - all welcome!
- June 29... MARY DOOGAN,** an English midwife, will tell the story of her seven year court battle to seek protection of her right to conscience objection to being involved in abortions under the 1967 UK Abortion Act. MacKillop Room, 150 Yarra St 7.30-9pm. Entry: Donation towards costs appreciated. Promoted by the Australian Family Association. Contact Ken Davis on 0412 302 484.

### FR MICK'S MATES:

Entertainment books are available for sale after all Masses and at the Cluster Office for \$55.

**Contacts:**

Holy Family -	8.00am - Lane Kelly and 9.30am - David Lunn
Ss Peter & Pauls -	5.00pm - Noreen Haberman/Noreen Neeld
Holy Spirit -	6.00pm - John O'Neill

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.

### CHRISTMAS MARKET SUPPLIES:

Donations of small/tall jars, small bottles and baskets are sought for bottling of our favourite jams and relishes. Please leave at the back of each Church for collection.

/From P1...

We feel we are being swamped. Some part of us is facing death.

With the disciples we may cry out to Jesus 'Don't you care?' And the Lord of the Universe will ensure we are not submerged by chaotic, dark forces. But, he will not turn us back to the situation as before. We must continue to 'the other side'. It will be unfamiliar territory. We will

feel displaced, somewhat disoriented. But we will also find that Our Lord has accompanied us in that journey through the chaos. He is our companion as we find our bearings in the new situation we have reached 'on the other side'.

There will possibly be many such transits in the journey of life until the final transit to truly new territory through the wrenching chaos

and dis-integration of death.

We should pray that in the midst of dying we will hear Our Lord rebuking the Prince of Darkness and Death: 'Quiet, be still.' And Our Lord will accompany us, be our companion to the other side, to the Promised Land of Heaven.