



# 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

God is the One who has the deep desire and the power to liberate human beings from the wrenching apart of body and soul in the apparent finality of death.

So it is only natural, as it were, that Jesus, who is the body language of God, 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.

What do we read? 'When the Lord saw *her*, he felt compassion towards *her*' – not *him*! Who is this 'her' whom Jesus really focused on, whom he particularly saw in that little procession of mourners?

The 'her' 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.' The miraculous restoring of the son's life was to save the 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.

Can you see those who are vulnerable? Can you perceive how society is organised in such a way as to deny some people the necessities of life: food, shelter, health care, education, companionship? Does the seeing and perceiving send a shudder of compassion through your body, as it did for Jesus?

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## - 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time -

(Year C - June 5, 2016)

### 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 2:16,19-21  
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

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 Friday;

### Vincentian Village:

3.00pm 1st & 3rd Monday, (2nd & 4th Communion Service)

## 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:

**June 7:** Mileto family, 82 Sladen 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:

Antonino (Tony) Barbagallo and Beryl Giles

### ANNIVERSARIES:

Harry & Isla O'Brien, Gerald Drew, Jim Hudson, Christopher & Richard Duggan, Robert Salt, Filippo Caccamo, Stephen Robertson, Catherine Jones, Ljerka Lehpamer and 1 year anniversary of Duilio Magurno

### BAPTISMS:

Oliver Thorley

### PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Anita Capicchiano, Joe Vanjek, Robert Hayes, Elaine, Aaron & Jennifer Lyall, Helen Lacy, Michael Lacy, Theo DaCosta, Geraldine Fay, Ken Fusea

### 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 12, 2016 -**

(2nd Sunday of the Month)

### HOLY FAMILY

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

Projectionist

### 8.00AM

M Howard

F O'Neill

R Allum, J Genova, C Marcantonio

C Marcantonio,

R Allum

### 9.30AM

C Simpson

D Lunn, A Negro

H Verdnik, M Baird, J Sheahan, M Perera,

V Resciniti, E Glynn

C Resciniti

### HOLY SPIRIT:

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

Projectionist

### 6.00PM

D Ryan

J Ryan

R O'Neill, E Ryan, L Vannata

M Brown

J Lynch

### Ss PETER & PAUL'S:

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

Projectionist

### 5.00PM

M Bohan

P Power

P McGlinchey

M Broekman, D Dougherty

B Middleton

### 11.00AM

E Strzelecki

M Martin, A Kissane

E Strzelecki, L Fossey,

L Fossey

## 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...	2nd Tues of each month, 6.15pm at Berkeley Lodge. Dinner/Guest Speaker - ph Michael 0431 959 584

*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:

Saturday June 4...	<b>First Eucharist</b> - Holy Spirit School children, 6pm at Holy Spirit Church
Sunday June 5...	<b>First Eucharist</b> - Parish Group, 9.30am at Holy Family Church <b>First Eucharist</b> - Holy Spirit School children, 11am at Holy Spirit Church
Friday June 10...	<b>Class Mass</b> - St Patrick's School Gr 1/2, 9.15am <b>Class Mass</b> - Holy Spirit School Gr 1/2, 11am

## Cluster News:

- ♦ **A MESSAGE FROM FR MICK FITZPATRICK:** *I am sorry that I have not been about lately, but during my holidays since Anzac Day I have become unwell with abdominal pains. A conclusive diagnosis has not been made yet. However, on this coming Thursday 9th June I am to have a medical procedure, and I ask for your prayers that this procedure will enable a conclusive diagnosis to be made. I don't need visitors, phone calls or food at this stage, but I am most appreciative of your prayers. God bless you all - Fr Mick.*
- ♦ **OFFICE HOURS:** Next week the office will be manned in an intermittent way. Bernadette is on leave and returns June 14th. Trish Stickland has kindly filled in for Bernadette for the last three weeks and we thank her for that support. If the office is unattended please leave a message.
- ♦ **OFFICE CLOSURE:** Please note that the office will be closed on **Monday June 13th** (Queens Birthday)
- ♦ **ROSTERS:** Rosters are available for the various liturgical ministries and can be picked up from the Sacristy. Many thanks to all those who have volunteered to be part of the liturgical ministries. Your efforts give a richness to our participation in the Mass.
- ♦ **NOTE FOR YOUR DIARY:** **Sunday October 9th** is our **Kristmas for Kuya Luncheon** and **Fr Gerard's 25th Anniversary of the Priesthood**. The Luncheon will be held at Capri Receptions. More details later.
- ♦ **HOLY FAMILY WOMEN'S GROUP:** The June meeting will be a **Dutch Auction**. Please bring goods for auction and bidding with all proceeds going to charity. The July meeting will be our combined **Birthday Dinner** at the Sphinx, 6.30pm. If attending please notify Peggie or Debbie as soon as possible.

### The following was received from Relay for Life Cancer Council:

*Thankyou to the organisers for leading your team at the Geelong Relay for Life 2016! Fr Mick's Mates joined 803 Relayes in 45 teams to raise \$133,319.73. Cancer Council Victoria relies on the generosity of Victorians to continue important research and provide support services and prevention programs. Thankyou for the commitment you've shown to fighting back against cancer. Visit [cancervic.org.au](http://cancervic.org.au) to stay up to date with our work in the fight against cancer and to find support services. Fr Mick's Mates contributed \$16,901.90 to Geelong's \$133,319.73 total!*



## 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 18/19 and
- ♦ Ss Peter & Paul's and Holy Family on the weekend of June 25/26

# Community News:

- June 5...** **MASS FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS:** at St Patrick's Cathedral, 11am. Registrations at [www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily](http://www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily) or by contacting 9287 5587 or [Lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:Lmf@cam.org.au) Registration closes **Friday May 27**.
- June 8...** **INVITATION:** Sacred Heart College families and friends are invited to our Family Mass at 7pm at Nazareth Catholic Parish, 6-8 Griffith St Grovedale.
- "** **KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROS:** Monthly meeting 7.30pm at Clairvaux Meeting Rooms Belmont. Members please attend and bring a plate.
- June 15...** **THE EVENT:** The Sacred Heart College Alumni Association presents an evening of fine dining and the chance to hear Prue Kenny, Legal Counsel for World Vision. 6.30 for 7pm start, Celies Dining Room, SHC. Tickets \$50 for 2-course meal and drinks, available from [sacredheartalumni.com.au](http://sacredheartalumni.com.au) or via college reception.
- June 17-19..** **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND:** Invest in your most precious asset, your marriage! There is no group sharing, couples and a priest present the weekend which is based around Catholic values and couples of all faiths are welcome. Starts 7pm on Friday ending 5pm Sunday with accommodation and all meals provided. Information/bookings ph 9733 0997, email [vicbookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:vicbookings@wwme.org.au), or website [wwme.org.au](http://wwme.org.au)
- June 18...** **SINGING BOHOLANO PRIESTS OF BOHOL:** The Jeduthan priests will present a concert at St Mary's Basilica at 7.30pm. This fundraiser will enable the historic churches of Talibon to be rebuilt after the destructive earthquake of 2013. Tickets at \$30 with children u/12 free from St Mary's Parish Office, 150 Yarra St. Ph 5222 1977 or order on Deanery website: [geelongdeanery.cam.org.au](http://geelongdeanery.cam.org.au). A matinee will also be held at St Anthony's Lara on **June 18 at 2pm**. Tickets available by ph St Francis Xavier Corio parish office on 5275 4120. Cost \$30, children u/12 free. Let's make a difference!

**THE ANNUAL DEANERY DINNER** will be held at Berkeley Lodge (formerly Dromoland House), 259 Pakington St Geelong West, on **Thursday June 16** at 6.30 for 7.00pm. Guest speaker/entertainer will be John Percy Canovan, a highly successful professional comedian who has made the **Divine Mercy** the main focus of his life in recent years. Tickets \$45pp. Ph Catherine on 0409 007 913, Jeanette Sheahan 5278 2063, Desma Dougherty 5244 5459, or order via website [geelongdeanery.cam.org.au](http://geelongdeanery.cam.org.au) - press 'Contact Us' button or call into the Deanery Office at 150 Yarra St (St Mary's Parish Office).

**MARYVILLE:** A vacancy exists for a female. If interested ph 5221 5299.

**GEELONG CATHOLIC DINERS CLUB:** Please come and join us for a 2-course evening meal from 6.15pm. There will be stimulating guest speakers and the opportunity to meet new friends, all for only \$30. We will meet on **Tuesday June 14** at Berkeley Lodge on Pakington St. For more information/reservations please phone or text Michael at 0431 959 584 by **Friday June 10**. Our Speaker for June is Paul Tobias, Principal of St Joseph's College, Geelong.

**COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISHES RAFFLE 2016 WINNERS:** 1 - C Pittle (Croydon), 2 - Z Salazon (Corio), 3 - S Driver (Dromana), 4 - P Hunter (Geelong), 5 - W Wilczynski (Croydon), 6 - J Murphy (Highett), 7 - J Dalton (Mt Waverley), 8 - M Kopolos (Bennetswood), 9 - J Phan (Anglican Church), 10 - A Mifsud (Mt Waverley), 11 - M Talary (Mt Evelyn), 12 - L Pearce (Ashburton), 13 - M Leavold-Haase (Laverton) and 14 - St Louis de Montford Parish (Aspendale). Total value \$74,990. Our thanks to everyone who sold tickets, organised paperwork and generously contributed to its success again.

## ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Entertainment Books are now available at the Cluster Office. These books contain vouchers with total value in excess of \$20,000. Price is \$60 per book of which \$12 goes to Fr Mick's Mates.

Discount vouchers are for numerous restaurants, cafes and take-aways in Geelong and Bellarine Peninsula, entertainment venues such as Sovereign Hill, Melbourne Sealife Aquarium, plus Hotel accommodation in Melbourne and interstate.

Vouchers for many retail outlets, Chemist Warehouse, Wine Sellers, car hire and florists. All vouchers valid until **June 1st, 2017**. Note that this year you can have the book loaded as an "app" on your mobile phone, as it is with you always.

*Any questions please call David Lunn on 0408 378 982.*

### STEWARDSHIP CORNER - 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, 'Do not weep'." (Lk 7:13)*

This verse is a great reminder that the Stewardship lifestyle is one of service, putting God first and to 'love one another.' Unfortunately today, many people have 'passion' for activities they enjoy - their job and off-work activities. Many times our 'passion' to excel is at the expense of someone else. Maybe we need to focus on a little less passion for our individual concerns and a lot more compassion for others.

### A VOCATION VIEW 10th Sunday of the Year

Today we are reminded just how much Jesus loves and cares for us - do you replay him for the life he has given you by offering that life to him?

/From P1...

Does the seeing and perceiving send a shudder of compassion through your body, as it did for Jesus?

What intervention do you suggest, for

yourself firstly, and then for our national and indeed global 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 others be able to say: 'God has visited his people.'