



# Pastoral Cluster

Incorporating the Parishes of Holy Family Bell Park, Ss Peter & Paul's Geelong West & Holy Spirit Manifold Hts.

**Fr Mick was born to eternal life on Tuesday June 28, 2016.**



**To say farewell and to honour Fr Mick there will be two services -**

**Prayer Vigil (not a Mass) - Monday evening July 4, 7pm at Holy Family Church  
and**

**Pontifical Mass on Tuesday July 5, 1pm at Holy Family Church**

**The Burial will be at Eastern Cemetery**



**After the Funeral Mass on Tuesday there will be refreshments provided by the Croatian  
Community Centre in Cox Rd Norlane.**

**On your behalf I thank the Croatian Community for their generous offer for the use of their  
Hall and providing the hot food and drinks.**

**To assist with other catering, if you are able to make either slices or sandwiches please sign  
the clipboard at the back of the Church.**

**Sandwiches and slices can be either delivered to the Cox Rd Croatian Community Centre  
directly from 9am - 12noon on Tuesday or left at the Pastoral Cluster Office.**

**We envisage parking is going to be an issue so if possible please consider car pooling.**

**Please note - there will be no 9.15am Tuesday morning Mass at Holy Family.**

This weekend we remember that Ss Peter & Paul's Church was completed 150 years ago  
on July 1st 1866.

For 150 years this Church has been the centre and source of the spiritual life of the Catholic people of  
this area. On this occasion it is timely to remember the people who built, maintained and embellished  
the Church during these 150 years.

It also provides a challenge to us to continue to honour our inheritance.

## CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF MELBOURNE - 29 June 2016

Dear Friends,

A respectful silence fell over the Clergy Conference as the assembly received the news of the death of **Father Bernard Michael 'Mick' Fitzpatrick PE**, who died yesterday, 28 June 2016 at St John of God Hospital, Geelong, surrounded by the prayers of the Church entrusting him to the God he served with such fidelity and devotion. Fr Mick was aged 83 years and served as a priest of the Archdiocese of Melbourne for 57 years.

Ordained a priest at St Mary's Church, Castlemaine on 27 July 1958, Fr Mick served as Chaplain to the Orphanages in Geelong and Assistant Priest of Geelong and Camberwell parishes before being appointed Director of Vocations. He held various Archdiocesan appointments and was the inaugural Director of the Ministry to Priests programme. He was appointed Parish Priest of Belmont. He spent time at Macleod parish before being Parish Priest of West Geelong and then Administrator at Geelong Parish. He served at Bell Park Parish (Geelong Cluster) and was appointed *Pastor Emeritus* in 2015.

Fr Mick was hewn from the rocks of Maldon and was formed in the Catholic faith of the Fitzpatrick family. He was a thoroughly Christian man whose love of Jesus was evident in his preaching, pastoral care and accompaniment of others in search of Jesus the Good Shepherd.

Among the presbyterate Fr Mick will be remembered for his accompaniment of men discerning their vocation and his support of his brother priests who found in him a fellow pilgrim of wise counsel and a generous friend. While Fr Mick never formally 'retired', he will always be remembered across the parishes of the Archdiocese and, in particular, the Geelong Cluster. We acknowledge the pastoral friendship between Fr Mick and Fr Gerard Keith and all who have prayed for him in these recent weeks. May he rest in peace and rise in Glory.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Monsignor Greg Bennett EV, Vicar General

### AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

<b>RECENT DEATHS:</b>	Fr Mick Fitzpatrick and Michael Lacy
<b>ANNIVERSARIES:</b>	Nikola Mikin, Alfredo Ciuffetelli, Joseph Radojevic, Jean Allison, Stanislaw Gwizdek, Antonio Fiorillo, Ernesto & Assunta DeLorenzo, Frank & Helen DeLorenzo, Giuseppina Villarosa, John Dempsey, John & Betty Keppel, Mary & Harry Callander
<b>BAPTISMS:</b>	Chelsea Reynolds
<b>PRAY FOR THE SICK:</b>	Anita Capicchiano, Robert Hayes, Helen Lacy, Michael Lacy, Theo DaCosta, Geraldine Fay, Ken Fusea

### - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time -

(Year C - July 3, 2016)

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Your merciful love, O God,  
we have received in the midst of your temple.  
Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the end of  
the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

May the peace of Christ rule in  
your hearts, and the fullness of  
his message live within you.

**Alleluia!**

#### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:**

##### **15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1st Reading: Deut 30:10-14  
2nd Reading: Col 1:15-20  
Gospel: Lk 10:25-37



#### **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.