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SCHOOL PRINCIPALS:	Holy Family Holy Spirit	Peter Brunt Rachel Holdsworth	Separation St, Bell Park Minerva Rd Manifold Hts	Phone 5278 4634 Phone 5229 8298
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Reflection by Richard Leonard SJ

ears ago I was asked to take a parish-based catechetics class for children from a government primary school. I started by trying to work out how much the children knew about the basics. I asked, 'When we make the sign of the cross, what do we say?' 'Father, Son and Holy Spirit' came the firm reply. So far so good! I tried upping the bar. 'What do we call the Father, Son and Holy Spirit?' There was complete silence. I tried another track. 'What do you think of when you make the Sign of the Cross?' There was an awkward silence and then a bright little boy cheerily said, 'The old man, the young fella and the bird!'

No one can blame those children for the poverty of their images of the Trinity. Many older Catholics have similar images from paintings and holy pictures. The mystery of the Trinity means that in whatever way we portray God as Father, Son and Spirit it will always be inadequate and incomplete. No one has ever seen God or the Holy Spirit. No one has a portrait of Jesus. All the images and words we use for the Trinity are more a reflection of our faith than the final word about God. God is always more than any name we use or any concept we have. The special insight into God we celebrate today is that relationships are at the very centre of who God is.

It took the early Christians four hundred years to fully grasp what Jesus was on about when he spoke of his relationship to the Father and Spirit. They struggled to understand how and why God would have three faces and yet exist as One Being – love as One, act as One. They settled the 'how' of the Trinity's nature by teaching us that the persons of the Trinity are co-equal, co-substantial and co-eternal. They settled the 'why' of the Trinity by reflecting that their experience of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit was an encounter of love. They knew the core of God was not an idea or a principle, but was a loving relationship. Furthermore, the early Christians knew that they were invited into this relationship.

What was true for them is true for us. Think about this for a minute: we believe that the God who creates, redeems and sustains the world seeks us out and invites us into a loving relationship. This is what gives us our greatest dignity and urges us on to share this message with everyone we meet. What a privilege! What an invitation! What a God!

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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 Most Holy Trinity -(Year A/1 - June 11, 2017)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Glory and praise forever!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was,

and who is to come. Alleluia!

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Corpus Christi

1st Reading: 2nd Reading: Gospel: Deut 8:2-3,14-16 1Cor 10:16-17 Jn 6:51-58



The St Michael's Parish at Prayer

WEEKEND MASSES: Holy Family, Bell Park:

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

English... 8am and 9.30am Sunday Croatian... 11am Sunday Slovenian.. 12.15pm every 2nd Sunday of the month

WEEKDAY MASSES: Holy Family: 9.15am Tues, 9.15am Thurs Holy Spirit: 9.00am Wed, 11am Fri and 9am 1st Sat. Reconciliation after Saturday Mass 10.15am - 1st Tuesdav Grace McKellar Centre: Multicultural Centre: 1.30pm - 1st Friday; Vincentian Village: 3.00pm 1st & 3rd Monday, (2nd & 4th Communion Service) St John of God Hospital: 11.30am every Thursday in SJOG Chapel

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
Tues	Meditation Group
Wed	Prayer of the Church
Wed	Holy Family Women's Prayer Group
Thurs	Italian Prayer Group
Fri	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Fri	Divine Mercy
Sat	Rosary

5.30pm Before 9am Mass 10.00am 10.00am After 11am Mass 3.00pm After 9am Mass

10.00am

Holy Family Community Centre Holy Family Community Centre Holy Spirit Church Holy Family Community Centre St Patrick's Chapel Holy Spirit Church Holy Spirit Church Holy Spirit Church

OUR LADY'S STATUE:

June 11: Spitale family, 4 Marathon Ave. 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:

Josef Moor and John Watts (Jnr)

ANNIVERSARIES:

Fr Hugh McDonald, Alina Synoradzki, Pietro, Maria & Pasqua Pino, Joseph & Maria Posadowski, Maria Mileto, Ivan Jovic, Rachel Peso, Brett Coakes, Paula Riehl, Ila & Harry O'Brien. Gaetano Marcucci and one month since death of Sabato Merola and Maria Marcucci

BAPTISMS: PRAY FOR THE SICK: Zoe Barclay, Ivy Freedman and Camilla Panetta

Anita Capicchiano, June Smith, Cheryl Lambert, Ana Siketa, Johann Angerbaure, Hilary Thornton, Margaret Howard

Roster for Next Sunday, June 18, 2017

(3rd Sunday of the Month)

HOLY FAMILY

Commentators Lectors **Special Ministers** Welcomers Projectionist

HOLY SPIRIT:

Commentators Lectors **Special Ministers** Welcomers Projectionist

K Saunders **B** Rainbow A Vanjek, P Ruggeri, R Culo L Allum, P Ruggeri, R Culo R Allum

6.00PM

5.00PM

8.00AM

M Carson J McKenzie G Wright, I Cleary, L Coles, S Norris, T Stefek P Eastman (even months) S Eland (odd)

Ss PETER & PAUL'S:

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L Middleton K Maddalena, A Beachell K Maddalena T McNair D Whelan

9.30AM

A Scaddan H Verdnik, T McMahon C&J Taylor, M Fiorillo, I Raj, T Herath E Dalton C Resciniti

11.00AM

G Brown, M Kroger L Stalio, L Sells

D Brown (even months)

Recurring Activities in St Michael's:

St Michael's Luncheon... Holy Family Luncheon.. Holy Family Women's Group... St Vincent de Paul...

Legion of Mary... **Baptism Preps** Holy Family Choir Practice... Manifold CWL... Italian Mass... Catholic Diners' Club...

First Sunday of each month at the Holy Spirit Hall from 12noon. BYO food and drink to share. Third Sunday of each month at the Community Centre from 12noon. BYO casserole & drink to share. First Monday evening of each month at the Community Centre 6.30pm (Winter), 7.00pm (D'light savings) 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 Every Friday 9.30am in the Holy Family Community Centre 4th Mondays 7.30pm in the Community Centre Every Wednesday night at Holy Family Church 7pm Holy Spirit Hall, 1st Wednesdays in the month First Thursday of the month in St Patrick's Chapel 2nd Tues of each month, 6.15pm at Capri Receptions. Dinner/Guest Speaker - ph 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

Liturgy in the Cluster:



FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF FR MICK'S DEATH You are invited to attend this special celebration Ss Peter & Paul's Church, 11am on Sunday 25th June. Included in this Mass will be the Anointing of the Sick.



June 13	Class Mass - Holy Family Church 9.15am for Gr 3/4
June 23	Class Mass - Holy Spirit Church 11am, Gr 3/4
June 27	Class Mass - Holy Family Church 9.15am, Gr 5/6

10TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LAST MASS CELEBRATED AT ST ANTHONY'S CHURCH/SCHOOL. HAMLYN HTS

Sunday 18th June 2017 - An invitation is extended to all former students, parents, staff and parishioners of St Anthony's to this reunion. Following on from the normal 11am Mass in Holy Spirit, where the Anniversary will be commemorated, you are invited into the Hall for a BYO lunch, hot or cold food to share, tea/coffee provided. BYO refreshments and plenty of memories. Bring along any school photos etc. Hall will be open from 10am to drop food if you wish. Further information please contact Marianne Collins (Sheahan) on 0429 014 971 or Jeanette Sheahan on 5278 2063.

OFFICE NEWS:

- Office Closure Monday June 12th due to public holiday
- Parish Leadership Meeting Tuesday June 13th, 7pm at the Parish Office
- Parish Finance Meeting Tuesday 20th June, 7pm at the Parish Office



CONCERT FOR A CAUSE -A group of international "Singing Priests" from the Diocese of Malaybalay in Southern Philippines, will be doing a *Concert for a Cause* in Holy Family Church on June 25 (Sunday) at 3pm. They are raising funds for the construction of the House for Elderly Clergy in their Diocese and also for their program on the Protection of the Environment. Let's support them! General admission is \$35. For tickets please contact the Parish Office on 5278 1343 or Fr Rolyn Vics on 0423 944 796

Cluster News:

ST VINCENT DE PAUL:

HOLY SPIRIT CONFERENCE, MANIFOLD HEIGHTS will hold their 2017 Winter Appeal at the Masses on June 17/18. The funds raised are used to directly assist those experiencing hardship and disadvantage in our community.

WHEN LIFE IS ENDING:

Discussing Dying, Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia - Dr Caroline Ong RSM provides a thought provoking commentary on the vexed issue of assisted suicide and euthanasia which is before the Victorian Parliament. I commend it for your reading to assist you in the formation of your views on this matter.

ST MICHAEL'S PARISH LEGION OF MARY are celebrating the **Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus** at the 11am Mass on Friday 23rd June at Holy Spirit Church, followed by Rosary, Prayers, Benediction and Adoration. The following day, Saturday 24th June, is the **Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary** and Mass will be celebrated at Holy Family Church 10.30am also with Rosary and Legion Prayers. Following this there will be a BYO Luncheon at the Parish Community Centre. All welcome! For any enquiries please contact John McCarthy on 0409 042 393.

Community News:

June 14... KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS: Monthly meeting next Wednesday, 7.30pm in Clairvaux Meeting Rooms, Belmont. Members please attend and bring a plate.

ANNUAL DEANERY DINNER:

This dinner will take place on Thursday 15th June at Capri Receptions, 55 Separation St North Geelong at 7.00pm. (Please note new time) This will also include a Farewell to the Deanery Co-Ordinator, Fr Kevin Dillon AM. Includes two course meal - drinks at bar prices, cost \$45/per person. Everybody is welcome to attend this event. For enquiries and payments, please ph Catherine Moon on 0409 007 913. St Michael's Parish is organising two tables of twelve. If you are interested please contact Jeanette Sheahan on 5278 2063.

FAREWELL FR KEVIN:

A 'Farewell Afternoon Tea' for Fr Kevin Dillon will take place on **Sunday 23rd July from 2-5pm** at St Joseph's College Gymnasium (enter off Queens Rd) with formalities at 3pm. Contact Sr Anne on 0417 556 637 or Michael Dowling on 048 145 231.

CAPTAIN'S NIGHT to support the pastoral care work of "Lifeboat Geelong" for victims of church-related abuse. **Tuesday July 11, 5.30-7.30pm at the Royal Geelong Yacht Club,** Eastern Beach Rd. Special Guests: Geelong's oldest and youngest Premiership Captains (Fred Wooller 1963 and Cameron Ling 2011) in conversation with Media Personality and entertainer, 'Coodabeen Champion' lan Cover. Tickets \$60 with delicious finger food and drinks at bar prices. For bookings contact Lifeboat Geelong at <u>cath@lifeboatgeelong.com.au</u> or ph 0439 199 400. Brochures and booking forms, including more details on "Lifeboat Geelong's" important work, are available in the Church Narthex.

2017 ANNUAL ANNIVERSARY MASS:

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th or 60-70th Wedding Anniversary this year? The Life, Marriage & Family Office invite you and your families to join us at the Annual Anniversary Mass which will be celebrated at **St Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday 30th July** at 11am by Archbishop Denis Hart. Couples who register will receive commemorative certificates and packs. To register: <u>cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily</u> or contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 / <u>imf@cam.org.au</u>. Registrations close **Friday July 14th**.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER - Trinity Sunday

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son." (Jn 3:16)

Is your love conditional? Is there a price others have to pay to receive your love? Are you generous with your time, money and possessions?

If you give someone something, do you expect something in return? Do you give your time freely or do you "fit it in" when it's convenient for you?

Pray for a grateful and generous heart.

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It also follows that if relationships are at the core of God then, for those of us who accept the invitation into the Trinity's embrace, relationships are meant to be our core business too. We are not to be isolated believers or private disciples. The degree to which we understand today's feast will be shown in the care we take in our many and varied relationships, be they social, intimate, professional, civic or international.

Every time we do anything to form new and good relationships, mend

those which are broken, help other relationships to be deeper and richer or just enjoy the ones we have, we discover one thing: Trinity Sunday is a moveable feast.