



St Michael's Parish

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

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Reflection by Richard Leonard SJ

In the mid 1980s in churches in Paris I saw for the first time reconciliation rooms that had ceiling to floor glass. The priest sat at a candle-lit table and the penitent knelt behind the priest or sat with him at the table. Restoring the public dimension to the Sacrament increased its power and witness.

Last year in our community we renovated our chapel. One of several things we did was put glass doors on the tabernacle, install a diffused light inside and reserve the chalice.

The overall effect was startling. For the first time in my life I could see at all times the elements toward which I direct my devotion.

The reaction of others was interesting too. One person

protested that 'you can see the Blessed Sacrament and the chalice looks ready to drink', another felt that 'the wafers we reserved should not be broken, but be one complete host' and still a third objected that it 'looks like real food'.

These were curious reactions given what we celebrate today, the feast of Corpus Christi. The devotion we as Catholics have to Christ's presence in the Eucharist is precisely caught up in the meal he left us. Therefore it is right that the food we share and venerate should be on display, should look inviting and be broken, for this is what Jesus did at his final supper and what he offers us as gifts – himself, broken and poured out in love.

Each time I pray in front of our new tabernacle I have been struck by the

power of these elements as the definitive symbol of Jesus' presence in our world. Not only in grand cathedrals or libraries of words does God visit us. Not only in prophets' speeches or laws set in stone. But in simple gifts of broken bread and poured wine.

And at these times I recall that the action of being broken and poured out is the core of what we believe: our God poured himself out in love for us in Christ; Jesus was broken unto death for us so that we might be made whole; the Spirit gives us strength and courage to face the daily breakings and pourings that make up our lives and every time anyone, anywhere shares bread or passes a cup with those in need, our God is really present.

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- The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ -

(Year C - June 23, 2019)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

He fed them with the finest wheat
and satisfied them with honey from the
rock.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

You are a priest forever,
in the line of Melchizedek.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says
the Lord; whoever eats this bread will
live forever. **Alleluia!**

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: 1Kg 19:16,19-21
2nd Reading: Gal 5:1,13-18
Gospel: Lk 9:51-62



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.

ST MICHAEL'S PARISH 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:

11am Sunday

Ss Peter & Paul's, Geelong West:

5.00pm Saturday

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Holy Family:

9.15am Tues (followed by Novena to St Anthony), 9.15am Thurs

Holy Spirit:

9.00am Wed, 11am Fri and 9am 1st Sat. **Reconciliation after Saturday Mass**

McKellar Centre:

10.15am - 1st Tuesday (3rd & 5th Communion Service)

Multicultural Centre:

1.30pm - 1st Friday;

Elstoft House (formerly Vincentian Village): 3.00pm 1st & 3rd Tuesday, (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 12.30pm 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 17 - July 1: 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:

Laurence Cox

ANNIVERSARIES:

Matthew Barr, Alki DaCosta, Romeo Zandria,
Margaret McFarlane, Stefano Mileto, Francesca
& Rocco Daniele, Rajko Jovic, Carmelo
Cuppolino and 20 year anniversary of Breda
Gajic

BAPTISMS:

Alessandra Charleson, Francesca Knight and
Penny Wright

PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Allan Ansell, Alexander, Sandra Klinge, Cheryl Lambert, Erin
Kinch, Veronica Werzak, Cassie McColl, Margaret Barry



Roster for Next Sunday

(5th Sunday of the Month)

Ss PETER & PAUL'S - 5.00PM

Commentators A Henderson
Lectors G Tolan
Special Ministers A Henderson, G Tolan
Welcomers J Cowell
Projectionist B Middleton
Co-Ordinator M Gifford, 5229 1656

HOLY SPIRIT - 11AM

M Burn
J Fraatz
L Fossey
D Dougherty
A Zarb

HOLY FAMILY

8.00AM
Commentators F O'Neill
Lectors L Kelly
Special Ministers L Sells, E Kelly
Welcomers E Kelly, L. Allum
Projectionist R Allum
Co-Ordinator L. Kelly, 0409 291 138

9.30AM

M Lukesic
M Baird, P Gizycki
D Lunn, C Simpson, V Resciniti
A Sare, A/I Dugandzic
C Resciniti
J Mann, 0488 784 802

RECURRING ACTIVITIES IN ST MICHAEL'S:

Rosary...	The Rosary is recited at 8.45am Tues and Thurs in Holy Family Church prior to the 9.15am Masses
St Michael's 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 casserole & drink to share.
Holy Family Women's Group...	First Monday evening of each month at the Community Centre 6.30pm
St Vincent de Paul...	Holy Family meet 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at the Community Centre 7pm. Holy Spirit meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays 5.00pm 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 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

St Michael's News:

"COME AND LISTEN TO THE GOOD NEWS"

Christ is calling for you to Listen!

A series of Catechesis will be given at St Michael's Community Centre,
147 Separation St Bell Park **Monday and Thursday evenings from 7-8pm**
commencing **Monday July 1.**

*Each evening gives an opportunity to pray, to encounter and experience the Church
in a deep and enriching way.*

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- ◆ **ATTENTION LECTORS AND SPECIAL MINISTERS:** There are currently a few vacancies to fill at our weekend Masses for Lectors and Special Ministers. If you are interested, please contact Bernadette at the Parish Office on 5278 1343.
 - ◆ **PHILIPPINES PARTNERSHIP 2019 FUNDRAISING:** A meeting has been organised on **Tuesday June 25, 7pm at the Parish Community Centre.** The group is planning ideas for fundraising and we would love to see you there. ***"Many hands make light work!"***
 - ◆ **HOLY FAMILY WOMEN'S GROUP: Mid Year Dinner** at Cucina, 1 High St Belmont, **Monday July 1st 6.30pm.** See you all there!
 - ◆ **SISTERS OF THE HOLY ANGELS LUNCHEON: Wednesday July 3rd,** 12noon in **St Michael's Parish Community Centre,** 147 Separation St Bell Park. Cost \$10 - all welcome!
 - ◆ **CWL:** The next meeting of the Manifold Branch of the CWL will be on **Wednesday July 3rd,** 1.30pm at Lifestyle Village, 26-36 Barton St Bell Park. The meeting will be followed by a **Dutch Auction.** Members are asked to bring a wrapped item for the auction and a small plate for afternoon tea. All St Michael's ladies are most welcome to attend. Please phone Tricia 0431 512 354 or Bernadette 0417 514 598 for transport.
 - ◆ **ST VINCENT DE PAUL SPECIAL COLLECTION:** Thankyou to parishioners from Holy Spirit who donated \$445 to St Vincent de Paul. Your donations are greatly appreciated.
 - ◆ **ST MICHAEL'S CONVERSATION/CRAFT GROUP:** We meet at St Michael's Parish Community Centre, 2-4pm on the following afternoons - 28 June, 12 July, 26 July. Extra dates will be added in a few weeks. Bring along your craft project, sit, chat and make new friends. Contact Debbie 0409 416 946
 - ◆ **HOLY SPIRIT HALL UPDATE:** The demolition of the existing hall and building of a new Childcare Centre and Parish Hall next to Holy Spirit Church is close to commencement. Hopefully in the next few weeks detailed plans will be available for viewing by parishioners after Mass. There are still some items available for sale so if you are interested in purchasing any of the listed items, please contact the parish office on 5278 1343 or contact Michael Scaddan, David Lunn, Meg Kroger or Lane Kelly.

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- ◆ **CUP OF TEA AND COFFEE AFTER THE 9.30AM HOLY FAMILY MASS:** An invitation is extended to all parishioners to join us after the 9.30am Mass each Sunday at Holy Family Church for a Cuppa. All are most welcome!
- ◆ **HELP!** Two overseas university students looking for accommodation. Anyone know of any rental accommodation? References provided. Contact Fr Prakash or the Parish Office on 5278 1343 if you can help.
- ◆ **PART TIME EMPLOYMENT REQUIRED** for three overseas university students. If anyone in the parish community can assist or may have contacts, please contact the Parish Office on 5278 1343.

Community News:

July 7... THE MESSIAH: The Geelong Chorale - *For the joy of Singing the Classics 2019, Sing with Us!* Conductor Anne Pilgrim, Accompanist Sonoka Miyake, 2-5pm at St Luke's Uniting Church, cnr Barrabool & Scenic Rds Highton. \$15 - music and a/noon tea included. **Bookings essential** with Anne Pilgrim on 0412 524 316, pandapilgrim@gmail.com

Sept 21... ALIGHT FAMILY FIESTA - St Bede's College, Mentone. At a time when living Christian family life can feel like swimming against the tide, Alight is an event that will strengthen everyone, especially parents, to be renewed in their mission. Fr Leo Patalinghug, a Priest and chef, will serve up a creative presentation of faith and food that will have the whole family wanting more. Rides, food and live music will help to make this a joyful celebration for the whole family! To register or for more info, look for the Alight flyers or visit cam.org.au/alight19

SAMARITAN HOUSE GEELONG 2019 WINTER APPEAL:

Homelessness can happen to anyone. Winter is the toughest time of all for those affected by homelessness in the Geelong community. Samaritan House Geelong provides crisis accommodation and support for homeless men. Please consider making a donation to our 2019 Winter Appeal so we can continue to provide a place of warmth, sanctuary and hope. To make a gift online go to samaritanhousegeelong.com.au/donate

Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

The feeding of the five thousand in today's Gospel is one of those anticipatory sharings in the heavenly banquet of the age to come.

We say this feeding is miraculous, and it was. A major part of the miracle is in the transformation of the Twelve. Our Lord did not personally feed the five thousand. He required his followers to get involved in alleviating hunger: 'You give them something to eat,' rather than leaving the crowd to fend for themselves, or resort to market economics. When they shared the food he had blessed, the miracle of the hospitality of God was multiplied throughout the crowd – extravagantly.

And so Our Lord gave his followers and the crowd a real taste of the future generosity of God in the heavenly banquet. But, it would not have happened had the inner groups of disciples not shared Jesus' vision and got involved in what seemed to be an impossible task.

The Last Supper was the greatest anticipatory meal which Our Lord shared with his disciples. And, at Mass, we are eating and drinking the glorified humanity of our Risen Lord Jesus Christ: the life of the future.

We could pause for a moment to identify the myriad of hungers in this world and resolve to fulfil Our Lord's Command: 'You give them something to eat'! so that Divine Generosity might transform human history.

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Praying there also reminds me that following the Trinity's example, this pattern is repeated in all faithful Christian lives too. The martyrs, the saints and all of those we know who have gone before us, having led lives of

selfless devotion, continue to embody the Body and Blood of Christ we venerate.

And so to us. When we come forward, when we say 'Amen' and receive into our hands the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation we too

take on to ourselves the invitation to become what we receive: a body broken in love, blood poured out in hope that the world may be saved from itself and find life to the full in Christ.