



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

A man was in his dinghy on a lake when a large yacht rammed him and his dinghy sank. As the man began to drown, the crew of the yacht threw him a life jacket, but the man yelled back, 'I don't need help, for God will soon save me.'

Straight away another boat pulled up beside the man to haul him aboard, but he refused to go saying, 'I don't need help, for God will soon save me.'

Just then, the Air & Sea helicopter flew overhead and dropped a ladder, but the man pushed it away yelling out, 'I don't need help, for God will soon save me.' And with that the man drowns. He meets God and angrily enquires, 'Where were you when I needed you most? I kept believing you would save me and

I've ended up here.'

'Don't blame me for your tragic death' replied God, 'I sent you a lifejacket, a boat and a helicopter.'

Traditionally, this Gospel has been used to talk about vocations to the priestly and religious life. While it can apply to these specific roles of service in the Church, to exclusively read the labourers in the harvest as priests and religious undermines the power of Jesus' message. His commission of the seventy disciples must be read over and against his commissions to the twelve. The seventy are called to be evangelisers, to go and prepare the way for Jesus to visit the surrounding villages and towns. This commission is for the whole community. It is the priesthood of all believers. The twelve are later commissioned to serve as leaders of the community.

Through baptism we have all been commissioned to go out to live and proclaim the Good News of Christ, to keep journeying on to all our sisters and brothers and prepare the way for Christ to come into their lives. The number of labourers for this harvest has never been greater. We have never had more Christians in the world than we have right now. If all of us who have been baptised in Christ were living out the Gospel and bringing it to bear in our personal, family, social and national life, then the world would be transformed. As Gandhi once said, 'I would take the waters of Christian baptism tomorrow if I saw Christians living out what they profess to believe.' We seem to have lost our courage, our nerve for the task at hand. We have been consumed by sheepishness and daunted by the wolves. /Cont'd P4...

- 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time -*(Year C - July 7, 2019)***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 ends 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.

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:

July 2-16: Romios family, 85 Sunderland 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:

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ANNIVERSARIES:

Carmelo Montalto, Brian Lynch, Mick Vannata,
Jean Allison, Matilda Fernandes and one year
anniversary of Paul Gearon

BAPTISMS:

Billie Baulch, Ted Baulch, Georgia & Eadie Gore
and Gigi Hansen

PRAY FOR THE SICK:

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



After approx 5 weeks names will be taken off sick list. Please contact Office if you wish names to be reinserted.

Roster for Next Sunday

(2nd Sunday of the Month)

Ss PETER & PAUL'S - 5.00PM

Commentators M Carson
Lectors P Power
Special Ministers P McGlinchey
Welcomers D Dougherty
Projectionist B Middleton
Co-Ordinator M Gifford, 5229 1656

HOLY SPIRIT - 11AM

E Strzelecki
M Martin
V Trinder

R Martin

HOLY FAMILY

8.00AM
Commentators K Saunders
Lectors F O'Neill
Special Ministers R Allum, J Genova, C Marcantonio
Welcomers C Marcantonio, L Allum
Projectionist R Allum
Co-Ordinator L Kelly, 0409 291 138

9.30AM

C Simpson
D Lunn, A Negro
H Verdnik, E Di Domenico, E Glynn
V Resciniti, E Glynn
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.*

- ◆ **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! 
- ◆ **PLENARY COUNCIL 2020:** National Theme for Discernment - *How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is Humble, Healing and Merciful?* This National theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a deep and faith-filled trust in God and a need for lament and healing within the Church, acknowledging the sexual abuse crisis as a turning point for the Church in Australia. Find out more at plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

In Jewish tradition 'Satan' is the name given to the evil spirit who accuses and prosecutes human beings before God, demanding the strongest penalties, unmitigated by Mercy. Jesus had a vision in which he saw 'Satan fall like lightning from Heaven'. Who takes Satan's place?

The answer is the 'Paraclete', a Greek word for an Advocate. This is one of the roles of the Holy Spirit who pleads on our behalf for Mercy which, as Shakespeare put it, then falls on us 'as the gentle rain from Heaven'.

As disciples, we have to imitate the Paraclete, not Satan. We have to temper our drive to see 'the punishment fit the crime'. How often do we relish seeing a person squirm with no offer of a way out, no hint of mercy or forgiveness so that he or she can draw breath, undo some of the damage done, and get back on track to a better life?

We might pause for a moment to thank God that our names are not being listed by Satan in an indictment but rather, through the Holy Spirit, are being entered in the Book of the Saved so that we might 'Rejoice, for your names are written in Heaven'.

Community News:

- July 14...** **REMEMBERING ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL, NORTH GEELONG:** All former pupils of St John's North Geelong and their family members are warmly invited to attend the launch of "*Remembering St John's North Geelong 1923-1966*" at Celie's Bistro, Sacred Heart College Newtown, at 2.30pm. The book of 206 pages contains contributions from more than 40 former pupils.
- July 28...** **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 at St Patrick's Cathedral, 11am. Couples who register will receive commemorative certificates - to register: cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily or contact 9287 5587. Registrations close Friday 12 July.
- July 28...** **MUSIC AT THE BASILICA 'SEASONS' SERIES: *Brazilian Adventures*** - Windfire Chamber Choir with rarely performed choral gems, music of Villa Lobos. 3pm St Mary's Basilica, tickets \$50/45/40 at the door or trybooking.com/BABCY
- Aug 11...** **MUSIC AT THE BASILICA 'SEASONS' SERIES: *Terra Australis*** - Australian Chamber Choir links great choral works with voyages in search of Terra Australis, the fabled Great Southern Land. 3pm St Mary's Basilica, tickets \$50/45/40 at the door or www.auschoir.org
- Sept 15...** **MUSIC AT THE BASILICA 'SEASONS' SERIES: *Lauridsen the Mystic*** - Turod Choristers present contemporary settings of breath-taking music imbued with Greek modes and Gregorian plainchant. Tickets \$35/30 at the door or ww.trybooking.com/BABDA

VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY RELIEF INTAKE WORKERS REQUIRED:

In Geelong and Norlane locations, commencing July 2019. CatholicCare's new Emergency Relief Program is looking for three volunteers to commit to a morning or afternoon a week at either of our Geelong or Norlane branches. Geelong - Tuesday 12-4pm or Friday 9am-1pm and Norlane - Wednesday 12-4pm, commencing as early as possible. Contact Details from Matt Walton 9926 5699 or email Matthew.Walton@ccam.org.au You will need good interpersonal skills, interview and assessment skills, customer service, data entry and confidential recording, supported referrals.

GEELONG FAITH AND LIGHT FUNDRAISER:

Summer in the Forest - Wednesday 31 July, 6pm at Pivotonian Cinema, cnr Moorabool & Verner Sts South Geelong. This is a special screening of a beautiful new documentary on the work of Jean Vanier and the worldwide L'Arche communities, showing the value of friendship with those with a disability. Funds raised will assist the formation of the new Geelong Faith & Light Friendship and Prayer community for those who have disability and their families and friends, which is being hosted by St Mary's Parish. Next gathering will be on **Saturday July 13** at St Mary's Hibernian Hall from 1.30-4pm. Film tickets are \$25 and bookings are via <https://fan-force.com/screenings/summer-in-the-forest-pivotinian-cinema>. **Please book ASAP to ensure the screening can go ahead.** Further information or to book offline or enquire about Faith and Light, please call Tricia O'Keefe on 0414 672 267.

MUSIC AT THE BASILICA - A COUNTRY RAMBLE:

Saturday 9 November - Leave from outside the Basilica at 9am, return 4.30pm. Only \$50 tickets available so early bookings essential. Travel by luxury coach through lovely country to three charming country and coastal churches in Torquay, Inverleigh and Winchelsea for three varied and beautiful concerts. Morning tea at Bellbrae Chocolaterie and lunch at Winchelsea Tavern included in the ticket price of \$95 full, \$85 concession with \$20 refundable deposit on booking. Balance by October 25. More details on www.musicatthebasilica.org.au



KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS:

Are looking for active, mature Catholic men to become part of our organisation. Enquiries to Ray Henry 0418 350 679.

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Jesus reminds us that to live out this commission we need to depend on each other for support, hospitality and kindness. He challenges us to travel light and stick together.

So let us pray in this Eucharist for ourselves, labourers who are

putting in a hard day's work in the harvest. Let us pray for the gift of faith and gratitude for the privilege of the commission. Let us also pray that all baptised people will live out their faith in such a manner that it prepares the way for the Christ to come in every village and town. And

let us ask for eyes to see the extraordinary flowering of vocations throughout the Church and celebrate how grace comes in many shapes and sizes, even as a life jacket, a boat and a helicopter.