



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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RECENT DEATHS: Terry Shanahan, Maria Failla

ANNIVERSARIES: Marcella Conti, Aldo Scarpetti, Issa Sciotto & 10 year anniversary of John Haines.

SICK: Veronica Werzek, Angela Reed, Josica Markov, Giuseppa Forestieri, Julita Aquino

OUR LADY'S STATUE: Montalto Family, 2 Graylea Avenue

PRAYER FROM POPE FRANCIS:

I am vaccinated by the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ. No virus can touch me.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.



St Michael's News:

- CARITAS PROJECT COMPASSION:** Thankyou for your generosity and support. Project Compassion boxes can be dropped in at the parish office at your earliest convenience. Alternatively, deposits can be made directly to CBA, BSB -062 438, Acc Number -10004640, Acc Name - PC-METSYD, Ref: Your surname & postcode. Email: alicio@caritas.org.au with details of the donation, your name and address for receipting purposes.
- THANKYOU, THANKYOU:** As a Parish Community at St Michael's, during this unusual & sometimes, testing time in life, we are so very grateful to Fr Minh, his brother Can and our wonderful readers, Janine & Meg for giving of their time to allow us to share in the Holy Week and Easter Masses/Services, via livestreaming. Thankyou, it means a lot to us all!
- PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Until further notice, the parish office will opened daily from 9am-1pm.
- LIVESTREAMING OF MASS:** This Sunday at 10am.
- COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISHES RAFFLE:** Due to the Corona Virus, the Victorian Government has agreed to postpone the raffle draw to **Sept 26**. This will allow parishes more time to collect raffle books and complete paperwork.

2nd Sunday of Easter
Divine Mercy
(Year A - April 19, 2020)
Acts 2:42-47,
1 Peter 1:3-9
John 20:19-31

ALLELUIA! HAPPY EASTER!

Extraordinary times usually make for extraordinary responses, Holy week and Easter's liturgy this year will be called Home Easter Celebration.

For me, this is a disappointing time, because I, as your priest, celebrate Easter at St Michael's Parish for the first time without you. We all know the reason!

But, we can have different ways to unite and celebrate Easter together as we, in these times may join in live stream Masses from our Parish or other websites. This enables us to choose our own time and still join with the universal church to celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord. Our Saviour, Jesus Christ, has conquered death. This is a mystery to be lived every day in our Christian faith.

After the resurrection, Jesus lives among us, in countless places and in countless cultures. We, as the community, gather every Sunday to celebrate the Eucharist and proclaim the word of God and then live it in both words and deeds. Through the Eucharistic celebration, Jesus gathers us, as he did with his disciples, reconciles sinners, heals the sick and call us to service. In these ways, we give witness to the mystery of Jesus living among us. We become the children of light for the world.

Dear friends, Easter Sunday brings so many promises of God to us: life is stronger than death, love can overcome hate, while eternity and glory with God in Heaven are our destiny. I pray that Jesus may live in all our hearts, that we may always embrace Him with love and gratitude. We also pray to our Resurrected Christ to help us overcome this Virus, and bring peace to human hearts that are suffering.

Dear St. Michael Parishioners, on behalf of those who minister in the Parish, Parish staff and Parish leadership team. I wish you blessings in this Easter season and every day. I pray that our Risen Lord will be revealed to you in Word and Sacrament, in the love of family and friends and to live in hope and peace as Christ taught us.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Happy Easter to you all,

Fr. Minh Tran