



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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www.stmichaelsbellpark.org.au
www.facebook.com/michaelparish.st

AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

RECENT DEATHS: Frank Atchison; Maria Lecchino; Maria Marafioti

ANNIVERSARIES: Elsie Gillett; Wassela Al-Sakaal; Majed Karakchi; Vitorina De Jesus (Portugal); Vitorina Gomes; Manuel Silvestre & Maria De Jesus; Franisco Alfaiate;

BAPTISMS: Tashini Peramuna Gamage Dona; Dana-Marie, Darcy & Evie Slorach; Hugo Hardiman; Xander Wiasak; Ayvie Pearce; Cecilia Ciuffetelli

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Fr Philip Godsell; Raymond Carroll.; Fr Josip Vranjes, Helen Dean



St Michael's Parish is committed to upholding the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

Through our behaviour we show we are followers of Jesus who care for all - the children, the vulnerable.....

A REMINDER: Children must be accompanied to the toilet area by a parent or guardian at all times!

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C – 13 February 2022)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Happy are they who hope in the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia!

TODAY'S READINGS NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

1st Jer 17: 5-8

1st: 1 Sam 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

2nd: 1 Cor: 15: 12, 16-20

2nd: 1 Cor 15: 45-49

Gospel: Luke 6: 23

Gospel: John 13: 34

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.

COVID SAFE INFORMATION!

- Mask wearing for attendees 8 years & over is **compulsory** and for parishioners who are exempt, please provide a copy of your valid exemption to the Welcomers. It is important to ensure that your mask is covering your nose, mouth & chin at all times.
- Please remember to always sanitise your hands before entering the church
- QR Check-in at all religious gatherings
- Always maintain a safe distance from others when seated in the Church and when entering, exiting and proceeding to receive Communion.
- If you are feeling unwell, stay at home and rest.



St Michael's Parish at Prayer

WEEKEND MASSES:

Holy Family, Bell Park:

English... 8am and 9.30am Sunday

Holy Spirit, Manifold Hts:

11am Sunday

Ss Peter & Paul's, Geelong West:

5.00pm Saturday

Croatian... 11.30am Sunday (temporary change of time)

Slovenian... 12.15pm every 2nd Sunday of the month

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Holy Family:

9.15am Mon & Tues (Followed by Novena to St Anthony),

8.45am (Rosary before Mass on Mon & Tues)

Holy Spirit:

9.15am Wed, 9.15am Fri. (Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament)

Reconciliation after Friday Mass each week.

BAPTISMS:

Please contact the parish for new bookings

COMMUNAL PRAYER:

Tues...

Meditation Group

5.30pm

Holy Family Community Centre

Legion of Mary

10.00am

Holy Family Community Centre

Fri.:

Divine Mercy

3.00pm

Holy Spirit Church

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK

(3rd Sunday of the Month)

Ss PETER & PAUL'S—5.00PM

Commentators

Lectors

Special Ministers

Welcomers

Projectionist

Co-Ordinator

K Maddalena

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A Bordonaro, P McGlinchey,

N Tuddenham

John Cook

M Gifford, 5229 1658

HOLY SPIRIT—11AM

M Kroger

J McKenzie

L Stalio

L Fossey, B Bilogrevic

F Kearney

HOLY FAMILY

8.00AM

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Co-Ordinator

P McBride

P Carvalho

Sr Concepta; P Ruggeri; R Culo

R Allum

L Kelly, 0409 291 138

9.30AM

A Scaddan

H Verdnik; T McMahon

M Fiorillo; M Perera

C Resciniti

J Mann 0488 784 802



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Summer Calendar

19 February - Ss Peter & Paul's Gather and Graze
20 February - Holy Family x 2 Services, Gather and Graze
27 February - Holy Spirit Gather and Graze

Gather and Graze are outdoor events and will be held after Mass on the dates listed above. This is your "Official Welcome" and time to reconnect as we return to a "normal" lifestyle. Gather and Graze is an opportunity to come together in a social situation, and now that the kids are back at school, a time to reflect, connect and celebrate the ministry of friendship with refreshments provided. It is also a time for Fr. Minh to say **'Thank you'** for your continued support and attendance at St Michael's Parish.

For Gather and Graze to be a success, we need your input and help. A team of 4-6 people are needed to ensure things run smoothly. Please contact Debbie on 0409 416 945, the date/time you can help with Gather and Graze.

6 March - Inaugural St Michaels's Parish Picnic – Venue/details to be advised.

If there is an activity or group you would like to see occur, this is your chance to shine; step-up and coordinate that activity. The committee are keen to help support you to co-ordinate a group or, one off event. Take a step and help St. Michael's grow in strength and friendship. Please contact Debbie on 0409 416 945 or email hdebbie1234@outlook.com for details.

Congratulations to the Grade 5 Students from St Patrick's School who will receive the Sacrament of 1st Eucharist over the next few weeks.



St Michael's News:

- ♦ **Chaplaincy Appeal 2022:** This weekend is the annual Chaplaincy Appeal. Donations from our parish community will help the Chaplaincy programs to support the most vulnerable people in our community.
Your support and generosity will ensure that Catholic Chaplains can continue to be the messenger of God's mercy, love and compassion. Parishioners are encouraged to offer prayers and financial support to help provide continued spiritual and emotional comfort to individuals and families in Victoria facing loneliness, illness, pain, grief and death.
You can donate using the envelopes available or online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.
- ♦ **St Michaels' Craft and Conversation:** Are you interested in any kind of craft work? Then you are invited to join our craft and conversation group. We have knitters; crocheters; embroiderers; Some people come along for the social conversation and cuppa. We would love to see you join our craft group, and share whatever craft you are enjoying. We meet 2-4pm at St Michaels Community Centre on the following dates: 24 Feb, 10 Mar, 24 Mar, 7 Apr, 21 Apr, 5 May, 19 May, 2 June, 16 June, 30 June, 14 Jul, 28 Jul, 11 Aug, 25 Aug, 8 Sep, 22 Sep, 6 Oct, 20 Oct, 3 Nov, 17 Nov, 1 Dec, 15 Dec. **For further details, contact Debbie on 0409 416 945.**
- ♦ **Don't Judge a book by it's cover!** – The St Michael's book group. **First Monday of the Month 2-3 pm** Parish Community Centre. Bring along whatever you are currently reading be it a novel, magazine, poetry, graphic novel, special interest journals etc. Come along, make new friends and chat about your reading interests. **For further details, contact Michael on 0428 336 080.**

SAFETY AND WELLBEING:

The safety and wellbeing of our parishioners, staff and the wider community is important to us all. Please report any accidents, incidents or near misses to the Parish Office on 5278 1343. Also, if you notice any potential hazards or risks, please bring these to our attention so that we can address them as soon as possible.



Community News

- **MUSIC AT THE BASILICA 2022—WINDFIRE 12TH FESTIVAL OF MUSIC**—starting **Friday 11-20 March**. Visit musicatthebasilica.org.au for details. Program from the Elizabethan Period. Information www.auschoir.org \$50 Full, \$45 Seniors, \$40 Concession www.auschoir.org or at the door. Children and school students free.
- **CATHOLICCARE—Catholic Prison Ministry invites you...** As we celebrate the work of chaplains during February and prepare for the opening of a new prison in the Barwon region, later in 2022, the Catholic Prison Ministry team is looking for people to join if you... can relate well to people; can model respectful relating with another person, are able to listen without judging; have a good sense of humour; love and live your faith in God; would be willing to join with the residents and chaplains in prayer, at their Mass or Prayer time in the Chapel, then we would love to hear from you about joining our team. Please contact: Sister Mary O'Shannassy Email: cpmvic@ccam.org.au Ph: 9287 5577 to express your interest. Training will be provided to all before going into any prison.
- **CATHOLICCARE 'Volunteer Tutors'** are needed to assist newly arrived refugee students at Northern Bay College on Monday afternoons during school term. The Refugee Homework Support Group provides Secondary College students with support to integrate into their school environment, develop their English language and study skills, while improving their interpersonal skills and social connectedness. Students are from Refugee, Non English speaking backgrounds and tutors will assist the students to engage in bilingual language learning, homework & learning activities. This provides a rewarding volunteer experience within the refugee settlement and education environments. For further details please contact Nestor Estampa on 0439 358 342 or email Nestor.Estampa@ccam.org.au
- **Pastoral Healthcare Network Pamper Day—Sunday 26 February 1-3pm**, at Geelong Natural Therapies, 36 Shannon Ave Geelong West. **Bookings Essential** (at least 3 days before the event— catering): Call Rod on 0410 471 005. **Cost:** Free. But a donation is always appreciated.:-)

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Paul teaches us that, united to Christ through faith and in baptism, we are united in his death and resurrection. With Christ we die to sin; with him we rise to a new life. We cannot wait to see proof of our transformation before we change our actions. The proof is in the lives we live in faith. To deny that we have died and been raised is to deny the resurrection of Christ. Paul insists that they cannot be separated. The challenge is to live in and out of this faith.

Both Jeremiah and Jesus introduce us to such a way of living. It is a way of paradox, a way that moves us beyond the self-centred standards of the world. The poor, the hungry, those who weep, and those who are persecuted are really the ones who are blessed. The victims of our social and economic systems, those who have been ravaged by war or have been made vulnerable by life itself are the ones who, if they place their trust in God, will be blessed in the end. They may appear to be the outcasts of this world, but, if they are filled with faith, they will inherit heaven. The wealth of this world and its pleasures are not the blessings that we might think they are. They can blind us to the real values of life and prevent us from dying to the world and living resurrected lives in Christ.

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