



# 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](http://www.stmichaelsbellpark.org.au)  
[www.facebook.com/michaelparish.st](https://www.facebook.com/michaelparish.st)

## AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

**RECENT DEATHS:** Margaret Williams; Pietro Torre; Sr Hermenilda McManus RSM;  
 Sr Anne Forbes RSM

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Rocco Riccone; Domenico Mileto; Rosina & Salvatore Maiolo (Italy);  
 Fred Tuddenham (Snr); Michael Sharry; Robert Neeld; June Biviano.

**BAPTISMS:** Thomas Kiteski; Isabella Mazza; Alana Recinto; Lucas Vanderlei; Freddie Corneby;  
 Louis Alsop; Amelia & Kacey Killen; Samuel Nolan; Charlie & Edie Rea;

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Fr Philip Godsell; Raymond Carroll.; Fr Josip Vranjes,  
 Theresa Vickers.



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!**

## Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Year C – 20 February 2022)

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. My heart will rejoice in your salvation. I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me.



### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord is kind and merciful.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

### TODAY'S READINGS NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

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

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2nd: 1 Cor 15: 45-49

2nd: 1 Cor 15:54-58

Gospel: John 13: 34

Gospel: Luke 6:39-45

### 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.
- **PLEASE NOTE:** Communion will only be given in the hand.
- 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

(4th Sunday of the Month)

### Ss PETER & PAUL'S—5.00PM

Commentators

A Henderson

Lectors

G Tolan

Special Ministers

A Henderson; G Tolan

Welcomers

A Bordonaro, P McGlinchey,

N Tuddenham

Projectionist

B Middleton

Co-Ordinator

M Gifford, 5229 1658

### HOLY SPIRIT—11AM

M Burn

J Fraatz

L Fossey, L Vannata

L Fossey, B Bilogrevic

A Zarb

### HOLY FAMILY

#### 8.00AM

Commentators

F O'Neill

Lectors

L Kelly

Special Ministers

L Sells; E Kelly

Projectionist

R Allum

Co-Ordinator

L Kelly, 0409 291 138

#### 9.30AM

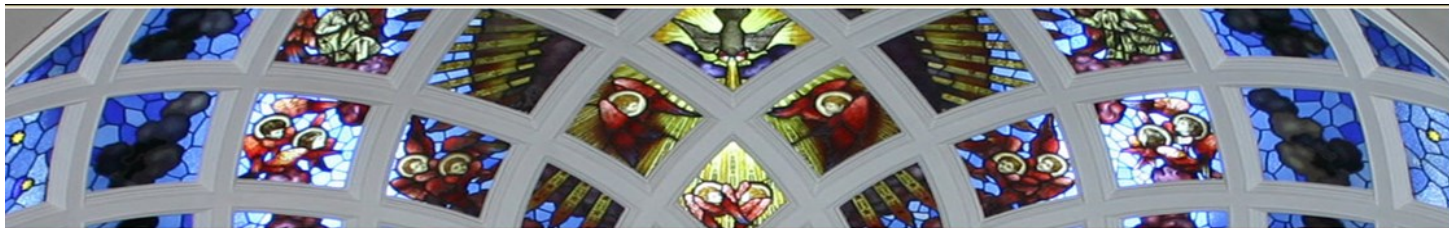
M Lukesic

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J Mann 0488 784 802



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## Summer Calendar

**19 February - St. 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 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's 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.

**SUNDAY 6 MARCH - INAUGURAL ST MICHAEL'S PARISH  
PICNIC – NOON-4.00PM**  
**Rippleside Park, Bell Parade Rippleside Vic 3215**  
**BYO Everything**  
**Games, Prizes & Lots of Fun, See you there**

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



## St Michael's News:

- ♦ **LENT AT ST MICHAEL'S, ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES—MARCH 2**  
**9.15AM...Holy Spirit Church**  
**7pm...Ss Peter & Paul's Church**  
**PLEASE NOTE:** there will be no **Ash Wednesday Mass** at Holy Family Church this year.
- ♦ **St Michael's Lenten Program 2022**—An invitation goes out to those who would like to be involved in a small group, conversations on the Readings for Lent. **When: Thursday evenings during Lent, 7pm.** At the Parish Community Centre, beginning on **Thursday 3 March.** To be part of this please contact the **Parish Office** on **5278 1343** or by email **bellpark@cam.org.au.**
- ♦ **Feb 22... 7pm Liturgy Team Meeting:** Parish Community Centre  
**Mar 08... 7pm Parish Leadership Team Meeting:** Parish Community Centre.
- ♦ **St Michael's 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 hazards or risks, please bring these to our attention so that we can address them as soon as possible.

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## Community News

- **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER—Fri 4 Mar 2022, 11am at St Mary of the Angels, Basilica, 136 Yarra Street Geelong (please note change of venue).** This year the theme is 'I know the plans I have for you' prepared by the people of England, Wales & Northern Ireland. Our Guest speaker is Rev. Father James Clarke. Everyone most welcome, for further information please contact **Sue O'Donoghue on 0429 784 331**
- **MUSIC AT THE BASILICA 2022—WINDFIRE 12TH FESTIVAL OF MUSIC—starting Friday 11-20 March.** Visit [musicatthebasilica.org.au](http://musicatthebasilica.org.au) for details. Program from the Elizabethan Period. Information [www.auschoir.org](http://www.auschoir.org) \$50 Full, \$45 Seniors, \$40 Concession [www.auschoir.org](http://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](mailto:cpmvic@ccam.org.au) Ph: 9287 5577 to express your interest. Training will be provided to all before going into any prison.
- **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.:-)
- **CLONARD COLLEGE—Open Day Tuesday 15 March until Friday 18 March.** Multiple information and tour sessions. Bookings are essential via [www.clonard.vic.edu.au](http://www.clonard.vic.edu.au) Enrolments for Year 7 close Friday 6 May 2021.

## REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Perhaps one of the most difficult lessons to learn is forgiveness of those whom we consider our enemies, those who have wronged us. As challenging as this may be, the Gospel calls us to a very high standard: we must be merciful as God is merciful. If such perfection can become a reality in our lives, we will be able to forgive. Paul assures us that we can indeed attain such perfection, not by ourselves, but through the power of the risen Lord whose image we bear.

Paul plays with the theology of creation. In the beginning, we were made like the first Adam, earthly, limited, weak, concerned about the things of this world, and committed to our own well being. Through baptism we have been fashioned after the image of the second Adam, Christ the risen Lord. Being like Christ, we become godlike, empowered with his saving power, transformed with him into new beings. It is now in our power, which is really the power of the resurrection, to be merciful as God is merciful. In the risen Lord we experience a mystical transformation. From now on, all of our actions can flow from this new reality.

Transformed by the power of the resurrection, we are capable of unprecedented good works. We can live without retaliation; we can render good for evil. We can be prodigal in our generosity toward others; we can relinquish any rights of proprietorship that we might enjoy. We can live with others without unfairly judging them. We can be like God, boundless in our forgiveness.