



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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AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

RECENT DEATHS: Francesca Abascia; Jose dos Ramos (Portugal)

ANNIVERSARIES: Josef Moor; Almor Mairos; Jose Medeiros; Madalena Ferras; Luis Mairos;
Frank Alfaiate; Narciso Baldasso; Sebastiano & Lucia Di Mauro;
Angelo Monteleone; Becky Lunn; Augusta Pinto; Jose & Manuel Ferreira; Antonio
Gabriel; Rosaria Traficante

BAPTISMS: Ayla Ghin; Quiteria Henriques; Alexander Vukic; Jack & Angus Welsh

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Mary Hagebols; 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!

- Third Sunday of Lent - (Year C – 20 March 2022)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me, for I am alone and poor.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord is kind and merciful.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again. Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ.

TODAY'S READINGS **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

1st: Ex 3:1-8, 13-15 **1st:** Josh 5:9-12
2nd: 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12 **2nd:** 2 Cor 5:17-21
Gospel: Luke 13:1-9 **Gospel:** Luke 15:1-3, 11-32:

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.

CARITAS AUSTRALIA, PROJECT COMPASSION—Janice 44, is a proud Wagilak woman, a traditional dancer, living in a remote community in the Northern Territory. As elders grow older and pass away, she knows she must share her knowledge with the younger generation. However, the community faces multiple challenges, including a lack of jobs, limited educational opportunities, and socio-economic which can lead to young people becoming disconnected from culture.



With your help, Caritas Australia supports Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation, which operates a centre for traditional and contemporary Aboriginal arts and culture, providing employment and generating income for local communities.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 and help provide employment and training for First Australians, allowing them to remain on country and keep their culture alive.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your Parish, by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

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

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
Legion of Mary*

5.30pm

Holy Family Community Centre

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 McKenzie

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

P Gizycki

D Lunn; C Simpson; V Resciniti

C Resciniti

J Mann 0488 784 802

ST MICHAEL'S PARISH RETREAT DAY

Saturday, March 26- 10am to 4pm at Holy Family Church

To register, please contact the Parish Office on 5278 1343 by Wednesday, March 23. Due to Covid safe regulations, lunch will be provided in the Parish Community Centre for the **fully vaccinated**.

(This is a free event)

Facilitators on the day -

Sr Mary Wickham (RSM) & Fr Chris Monaghan (CP)



St Michael's News:

- ♦ **ST MICHAEL'S LENTEN PROGRAM 2022** - Thursday evenings during Lent, 7pm at the Parish Community Centre. Please contact Mary Fiorillo on 0408 527 396 for more information.
- ♦ **STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Every Friday at 2.30pm during Lent followed by Divine Mercy
- ♦ **STATUE OF OUR LADY:** If you are interested in having the statue in your home, please phone Cristita on 0435 780 716.
- ♦ **CRAFT AND CONVERSATION:** We would love to see you join our craft group, and share whatever craft you are enjoying. We meet 2-4pm at St Michael's Community Centre on the following dates: 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 its 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

Community News

- **FLOOD APPEAL—SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL**—The floods in Queensland and New South Wales are having a devastating effect on the people living in these regions of Australia. For those wishing to support the long-term recovery work to be undertaken by St Vincent de Paul Society in Queensland and New South Wales, financial donations can be made either directly to either state through: www.vinnies.org.au—**Flood appeal—St Vincent de Paul Society—Good Works (vinnies.org.au)** or by calling New South Wales — (02) 9568 0262 or Queensland—(07) 3010 1000.
- **CARITAS AUSTRALIA—UKRAINE EMERGENCY APPEAL**—The people of Ukraine are living through a crisis that will impact the country for years to come. Caritas Australia has launched an appeal to support Caritas Ukraine and other partners in the region. The appeal will support the provision of clean water, hygiene and food kits to vulnerable families, as well as safe collection centres for families on the move, emergency accommodation and support for distressed children and families.
- **MISSION SPIRITUALITY FORUM** —You are warmly invited to join Luke Tobin, Catholic Mission's Mission Formation Educator for an informal online gathering of people interested in Mission Spirituality. **When: Thurs 28 April, 3.30-5.00pm. Where:** To register please go to <https://forms.gle/NSMhcW5qRzDcf7Xy7> For more info contact: Mr Kevin Meese: Melbourne.director@catholicmission.org.au
- **DO YOU FEEL LIKE BEING CALLED TO SERVE?** The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. **COME & SEE!** An information session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on **Sat 2 April, 10.00 -11.45am** at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), East Melbourne. A new Vocations website is under development, however the links below (copy, then paste) are working.
Watch: Melbourne's Deacons <https://youtu.be/q2RhNDbtTSO>
Watch: Pope Francis' 2020 Prayer Intention for Deacons <https://youtu.be/NuG99HD1LaY>
Read More: (brochure) <https://www.cam1.org.au/permanent-diaconate>
Contact: Office of the Permanent Diaconate Ph: 03 9412 3357 **Email:** diaconate@cam.org.au

We are an Easter people

You are warmly invited to share in our Holy Week celebrations 2022

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - SECOND RITE

Tuesday April 12... 7.00pm Holy Family

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Holy Thursday April 14... 7.00pm Holy Spirit, followed by Adoration

WAY OF THE CROSS

Good Friday April 15... 10.00am Holy Family (School oval)

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION:

Good Friday April 15... 3.00pm Holy Family (includes Communion)

EASTER VIGIL

Saturday April 16... (TBC)
7.00pm Holy Family (Croatian)
7.30pm Ss Peter & Paul's
Holy Family

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES

Sunday April 17...
8.00am Holy Family
8.30am Ss Peter & Paul's (Lithuanian)
9.30am Holy Family
11.00am Holy Spirit
11.30am Holy Family (Croatian)

BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD

Saturday April 16... 3.00pm Holy Family



Holy Family
Separation Street
Bell Park

Ss Peter & Paul
Malone Street
Geelong West

Holy Spirit
Bostock Avenue
Manifold Heights

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

One major theme emerges from today's readings: incomprehensibility of God. We see it in the mysterious divine name, which distinguishes the God of Israel from all others and yet leaves us in the dark as to its meaning. We see it as God communicates with us through inanimate objects and the people in our lives. Finally, we see that God both pardons iniquities and decides to root out unfruitful branches, and we are confused by such inconsistency.

In the midst of this ambiguity we have one sure source of stability – Christ. It is Christ who reveals the nature and meaning of the divine name; it is Christ who intercedes for us before God. Christ, the one who set his face toward Jerusalem, there to suffer and die, is the great messenger through whom God is revealed. He is the one who reveals majesty through the simplicity of a bush; he is the one who judges with the patience of a gardener. However, the limits of the experience and mercy of God in our lives are defined by our own openness. Despite the blessings that we receive in the wildernesses of our lives, it could happen that God is not pleased with us. We must not take God's goodness for granted.

These readings close on a note of caution. Take care! We might be able to rest secure in the knowledge of the love and mercy of God, but these readings tell us that we should not dare to rest passively or complacently.

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