



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: Aileen Redden; Jarrod Mills; Evelina Accheni; Reiner Senftleben;

ANNIVERSARIES: Carmelo Coppolino; Rocco & Francesca Daniele; Stjepan Majstorovic; Vjekoslav Pogacic; Zlatko Lehpaner

BAPTISMS: Orlando Alizzi; Noa Buttignon-Hayward; Lorenzo De La Pena

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Raymond Carroll; Peta Richards; Joan Hepworth; Von Carmody



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 cares for all the children, the vulnerable.

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

And, as a Parish, we acknowledge the living culture of the Wathaurong People, the traditional custodians of the land we stand on, and pay tribute to the unique role they play in this region.

THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

(Year C – 19 June, 2022)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

He fed them with the finest wheat
and satisfied them with honey from
the rock.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

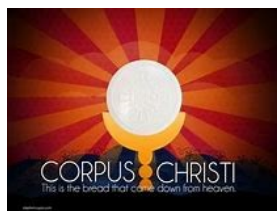
You are a priest for ever,
in the line of Melchizedek.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live forever.

Alleluia!



TODAY'S READINGS

1st: Gen 14:18-20

2nd: 1 Cor 11:23-26

Gospel: Jn 6:51-52

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

1st: 1 Kings 19:16, 19-21

2nd: Gal 5:1, 13-18

Gospel: Lk 9:51-62

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

Holy Spirit, Manifold Hts:

11am Sunday

Ss Peter & Paul's, Geelong West:

5.00pm Saturday

Croatian... 5.00 Sunday (temporary change of time)

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

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WEEKDAY MASSES:

Holy Family:

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

8.45am (Rosary before Mass on Tues & Thurs)

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:

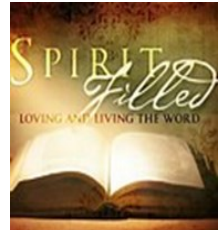
Tues...	<i>Meditation Group</i>	<i>5.30pm</i>	<i>Holy Family Community Centre</i>
	<i>Legion of Mary</i>	<i>10.00am</i>	<i>Holy Family Community Centre</i>
Fri.:	<i>Divine Mercy</i>	<i>3.00pm</i>	<i>Holy Spirit Church</i>

STATUE OF OUR LADY:

If you are interested in having the statue in your home, please phone Cristita on 0435 780 716.

ROSTER FOR NEXT SUNDAY

(4th Sunday of the Month)



Ss PETER & PAUL'S 5.00PM

Commentators
Lectors G Tolan
Special Ministers A Henderson; G Tolan
Welcomers A Bordonaro, P McGlinchey,
N Tuddenham
Projectionist B Middleton
Co-Ordinator M Gifford, 5229 1656

HOLY SPIRIT—11AM

A Henderson
J Fraatz
L Fossey, L Vannata
L Fossey

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

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.



Liturgy at St Michael's:

- ♦ **SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST:** Congratulations to the students from Holy Spirit School who will make their First Eucharist this weekend.
- ♦ **FEAST OF STS PETER & PAUL:** Parishioners are invited to attend a Mass to celebrate the Feast Day of Sts Peter & Paul, **Wednesday June 29, 7pm at Ss Peter & Paul's Church.**
- ♦ **LEGION OF MARY:** Celebrating the 1000th Meeting of the Holy Family Praesidium of Legion of Mary. Join us in our celebration of the 1000th Praesidium Meeting on **Tuesday June 28, 2022, 10am at the Parish Community Centre.** The essential aim of the Legion of Mary is the sanctification of its members through prayer; the sacraments; devotion to Mary; the Trinity and of the whole world through the apostolate of the Legion. All are most welcome!



St Michael's News:

- ♦ **CRAFT AND CONVERSATION:** We meet from 2-4pm at the Parish Community Centre. June 30; Jul 14 & 28; Aug 11 & 25; Sep 8 & 22; Oct 6 & 20; Nov 3 & 17; Dec 1 & 15. **Please contact Debbie on 0409 416 945.**
- ♦ **CUPPA & CHAT AFTER THE 9.30am MASS SUNDAY:** Parishioners are welcome to catch up for the regular get together in the Parish Community Centre after Mass.

Community News:

- ♦ **MERCY CONNECT MELBOURNE / Mercy Works Ltd.** Currently recruiting volunteers to academically support Refugee and Asylum Seekers in Primary and Secondary schools across the Melbourne Archdiocese and also adult Centre. Experience, working in an educational setting is preferred but not limited to. The training day is in July. For further information, please contact Sr. Mary Lewis RSM somml@bigpond.com (preferred contact). Website: www.mercyworks.org.au. PH: 9326 1895.
- ♦ **IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP**—Starting in Melbourne & finishing in Sydney, experience the early life of Mary and the MacKillop Family. An Australian Pilgrimage lead by a Sister of Saint Joseph & the inaugural Director of the Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre, Melbourne 18 October—29 October 2022, Bookings & Enquiries. For an application, please contact the Australian Pilgrimage Co-Ordinator: by email: national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or Phone 02 8912 4818. or visit the website www.marymackillopplace.org.au

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

This feast, originally Corpus Christi, arose in thirteenth century Belgium in response to debates about the real presence and as a result of an upsurge in Eucharistic piety. Its extension to the entire Western Church was first decreed by Urban IV in 1264. the feast celebrates the mystery of the nourishing and enduring presence of the body and blood of Christ in the Eucharist.



Reflection by Richard Leonard:

In the mid 1980s in churches in Paris I saw for the first time reconciliation rooms that had ceiling to floor glass. The priest sat at a candle-lit table and the penitent knelt behind the priest or sat with him at the table. Restoring the public dimension to the Sacrament increased its power and witness.

Last year in our community we renovated our chapel. One of several things we did was put glass doors on the tabernacle, install a diffused light inside and reserve the chalice.

The overall effect was startling. For the first time in my life I could see at all times the elements toward which I direct my devotion.

The reaction of others was interesting too. One person protested that 'you can see the Blessed Sacrament and the chalice looks ready to drink', another felt that 'the wafers we reserved should not be broken, but be one complete host' and still a third objected that it 'looks like real food'.

These were curious reactions given what we celebrate today, the feast of Corpus Christi. The devotion we as Catholics have to Christ's presence in the Eucharist is precisely caught up in the meal he left us. Therefore it is right that the food we share and venerate should be on display, should look inviting and be broken, for this is what Jesus did at his final supper and what he offers us as gifts – himself, broken and poured out in love.

Each time I pray in front of our new tabernacle I have been struck by the power of these elements as the definitive symbol of Jesus' presence in our world. Not only in grand cathedrals or libraries of words does God visit us. Not only in prophets' speeches or laws set in stone. But in simple gifts of broken bread and poured wine. And at these times I recall that the action of being broken and poured out is the core of what we believe: our God poured himself out in love for us in Christ; Jesus was broken unto death for us so that we might be made whole; the Spirit gives us strength and courage to face the daily breakings and pourings that make up our lives and every time anyone, anywhere shares bread or passes a cup with those in need, our God is really present.

Praying there also reminds me that following the Trinity's example, this pattern is repeated in all faithful Christian lives too. The martyrs, the saints and all of those we know who have gone before us, having led lives of selfless devotion, continue to embody the Body and Blood of Christ we venerate.

And so to us. When we come forward, when we say 'Amen' and receive into our hands the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation we too take on to ourselves the invitation to become what we receive: a body broken in love, blood poured out in hope that the world may be saved from itself and find life to the full in Christ.

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Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

This Feast combines the previous feasts of Corpus Christi and the Precious Blood of Christ. It reminds us that the body and blood of Christ were offered as a sacrifice for us, and every time we re-enact this sacrifice, we renew his sacrifice. The Body and Blood of Jesus is the interim meal for the Christian community. We are to feed on it until the Lord returns. We see again the already-but-not-yet character of Christian eschatology, for the Lord has already returned. That means that the Eucharist meal is a re-enactment of Christ's death, an anticipatory celebration of his coming, and a thanksgiving banquet with him present.

The multiplication of the loaves and the fishes prefigures the eschatological banquet of fulfillment. Its miraculous bounty assures us of the abundance of that future banquet.

Its miracle of multiplication prefigures the miracle of Jesus as he changed the bread and wine into his own body and blood. Jesus handed himself over as food and drink on the very night that he was handed over by others. The banquet that he prepared was a celebration of the new covenant; it was an eschatological banquet of thanksgiving. This feast invites us to enter through either the past, the present or the future, for each one will lead us to the mystery that we celebrate: the mystery of the sacrifice of Christ; the mystery of the sacred bread and wine of the future; the mystery of the eschatological banquet of the present.

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