



# 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:** Sr Aileen Coghlan (RSM); Joao Henriques; Miguel Sanchez

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Ivan Jovic; Rachael Peso; Carmelo Montalto; Joseph Radojevic; Anica Pavicic; Salvatore Modica; Ivan Cengija; Jose Antonio Ferreira; Augusta De Jesus Pinto; Manuel Silvestre; Vitorina De Jesus; Jean Allison; Tony Fiorillo; Nikola Mikin Ernesto & Assunta De Lorenzo; Frank & Helen De Lorenzo; Brian Lynch; John Cummins; Aurora Santoro; Mirjana Rudic (1st Anniversary).

**BAPTISMS:** Sophia Howarth; Remi Malesic; Aliyah Saraci; Charlie Stow; Ilka Dahl; Annie Fitzgerald; Myles Lovick; Isaac Welsh

**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!**

## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Year C – 3 July, 2022)

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Your merciful love, O God,  
 we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth;  
 your right hand is filled with saving justice.

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!  
 May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you.  
 Alleluia!

### TODAY'S READINGS

1st: Isaiah 66:10-14

2nd: Gal 6:14-18

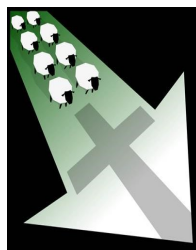
Gospel: Luke 10:1-12,17-20

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

1st: Deut 30:10-14

2nd: Col 1:15-20

Gospel: Luke 10:25-37



## 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

### **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:**

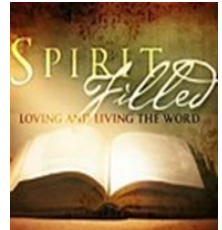
<b>Tues...</b>	<i>Meditation Group</i>	<i>5.30pm</i>	<i>Parish Community Centre</i>
	<i>Legion of Mary</i>	<i>10.00am</i>	<i>Parish Community Centre</i>
<b>Fri.:</b>	<i>Divine Mercy</i>	<i>3.00pm</i>	<i>Holy Spirit Church</i>

### **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**

(2nd Sunday of the Month)



### **Ss PETER & PAUL'S—5.00PM**

Commentators	M Carson
Lectors	A Don
Special Ministers	P McGlinchey
Welcomers	A Bordonaro, P McGlinchey, N Tuddenham
Projectionist	B Middleton
Co-Ordinator	M Gifford, 5229 1656

### **HOLY SPIRIT—11AM**

L Strzelecki
M Martin
V Trinder, L Vannata
L Fossey, B Bilogrevic
R Martin

### **HOLY FAMILY 8.00AM**

Commentators	K Saunders
Lectors	F O'Neill
Special Ministers	R Allum, J Genova, C Marcantonio
Welcomers	C Maqrcantgonio, L Allum
Projectionist	R Allum
Co-Ordinator	L Kelly, 0409 291 138

### **9.30AM**

C Simpson
D Lunn, A Negro
H Verdnik
V Resciniti
V Resciniti
J Mann 0488 784 802



## Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday July 3 2022

Today is the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time and the day that the Australian Bishops and our National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council have invited us to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday. Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics number over 130,000 and are growing strongly.

Today we acknowledge that God has been walking with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, making His Presence known through a continuous living culture over many thousands of years.

We pray in thanksgiving for these ancient peoples who have enriched and sustained our continent over all that time. We praise God for the people who nurtured the land here in our Parish that we call home.

St Michael's Parish acknowledges 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.

### St Michael's News:

- ♦ **CRAFT AND CONVERSATION:** We meet from 2-4pm at the Parish Community Centre. 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.
- ♦ **HOLY FAMILY WOMEN'S GROUP:** Lunch, Monday 4 July 12.30pm at 'Pekish' Geelong Bowls Club, Ballarat Road, All Welcome!
- ♦ **CWL:** The next meeting of the Manifold branch of the CWL will be held on Wednesday 6 July at 1.30pm, in St Michael's Parish Community Centre. 147 Separation Street, Bell Park. All St Michael's ladies are most welcome to attend. If you require transport please phone Tricia 0431 512 354 or Bernadette 0417 514 598.
- ♦ **FREE FRIDGE:** We have a fridge from the old Manifold Parish hall, in good working order to give away. If interested, please contact the Parish Office on 5278 1343.

### Community News:

- ♦ **FR PETER FOLEY IS CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF PRIESTLY ORDINATION:** Sunday, 24 July during the 10.30am Mass at St Bernard's Church Belmont. If you wish to stay to share light refreshments afterwards, please **RSVP by Friday July 8** [belmont@cam.org.au](mailto:belmont@cam.org.au) or ph 5243 2739.
- ♦ **FR DES PANTON is celebrating 60 years of Priestly Ordination:** The community of St Thomas Parish Drysdale extends an invitation to all who know Fr Des, to come and join us for this special Jubilee Mass and Celebration, **Sunday 17 July** with Mass at St Thomas Drysdale Church at 4pm. **RSVP** Brendan Nicholls: [nichollsb@ignatius.vic.edu.au](mailto:nichollsb@ignatius.vic.edu.au) if you wish to attend.
- ♦ **menALIVE - GROWING GOOD MEN WEEKEND:** Taking place at Forest Edge in Neerim East; August 12 - 14. A Father & teenage son (Age 12-15 years) weekend; cost \$200 per person. This is a great opportunity for Dads and their teenage sons to grow their relationship and for Dad's to be able to affirm their sons as they move out of adolescence into adult life and into men of courage, conviction and generosity. For more information, please contact [emma@cycministries.org.au](mailto:emma@cycministries.org.au).
- ♦ **GEELONG CATHOLIC DINERS CLUB:** You are warmly invited to join us for a social get together at our second dinner for 2022. **Tuesday July 12, 6pm at the Bistro, Belmont Hotel**, cnr High St & Mt Pleasant Rd, Belmont. Purchase of meals and drinks at your own cost. To book, please phone or text Michael 0431 959 584 or Joan 0429 215 111 by Friday, July 8.
- ♦ **FRIENDS OF FAITH AND LIGHT GEELONG:** Next meeting on Saturday July 16, 1.30pm—4.00pm. St Mary's Parish Centre, 150 Yarra St Geelong. Faith & Light provides Christian friendship and support for those with a disability, their family and friends. Please RSVP Tricia O'Keefe 0414 672 267 or email [patriciaok65@gmail.com](mailto:patriciaok65@gmail.com).

## Reflection by Richard Leonard:

A man was in his dinghy on a lake when a large yacht rammed him and his dinghy sank. As the man began to drown, the crew of the yacht threw him a life jacket, but the man yelled back, 'I don't need help, for God will soon save me.'

Straight away another boat pulled up beside the man to haul him aboard, but he refused to go saying, 'I don't need help, for God will soon save me.'

Just then, the Air & Sea helicopter flew overhead and dropped a ladder, but the man pushed it away yelling out, 'I don't need help, for God will soon save me.'

And with that the man drowns.

He meets God and angrily enquires, 'Where were you when I needed you most? I kept believing you would save me and I've ended up here.'

'Don't blame me for your tragic death' replied God, 'I sent you a lifejacket, a boat and a helicopter.'

Traditionally, this Gospel has been used to talk about vocations to the priestly and religious life. While it can apply to these specific roles of service in the Church, to exclusively read the labourers in the harvest as priests and religious undermines the power of Jesus' message. His commission of the seventy disciples must be read over and against his commissions to the twelve. The seventy are called to be evangelisers, to go and prepare the way for Jesus to visit the surrounding villages and towns. This commission is for the whole community. It is the priesthood of all believers. The twelve are later commissioned to serve as leaders of the community.

Through baptism we have all been commissioned to go out to live and proclaim the Good News of Christ, to keep journeying on to all our sisters and brothers and prepare the way for Christ to come into their lives. The number of labourers for this harvest has never been greater. We have never had more Christians in the world than we have right now. If all of us who have been baptised in Christ were living out the Gospel and bringing it to bear in our personal, family, social and national life, then the world would be transformed. As Gandhi once said, 'I would take the waters of Christian baptism tomorrow if I saw Christians living out what they profess to believe.' We seem to have lost our courage, our nerve for the task at hand. We have been consumed by sheepishness and daunted by the wolves.

Jesus reminds us that to live out this commission we need to depend on each other for support, hospitality and kindness. He challenges us to travel light and stick together.

So let us pray in this Eucharist for ourselves, labourers who are putting in a hard day's work in the harvest. Let us pray for the gift of faith and gratitude for the privilege of the commission. Let us also pray that all baptised people will live out their faith in such a manner that it prepares the way for the Christ to come in every village and town. And let us ask for eyes to see the extraordinary flowering of vocations throughout the Church and celebrate how grace comes in many shapes and sizes, even as a life jacket, a boat and a helicopter.

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## Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Although the gospel is a report of ministerial commissioning, it contains elements of discipleship in general. Most obvious is the disciples' dependence on Jesus. They are not independent missionaries; they are followers. Furthermore, there is a communal dimension of discipleship. While there is certainly a personal relationship between Jesus and each disciple, discipleship itself is not a singular privilege that one hugs to oneself to the exclusion of others.

Disciples minister to the needs of others, whatever those needs may be and with whatever abilities the disciple may possess. There are various kinds of healing: a friendly smile, a word of gratitude, a soothing touch. We can teach the lessons of life in classrooms, in playrooms, in kitchens, in boardrooms. There are many ways that we can cast out the demons that hold our world by the throat; demons of poverty and oppression, demons of addiction and slavery, demons of disdain and neglect, demons of hatred and violence. If they are not cast out by us, then by whom?

The life of discipleship is not an unmixed blessing. Because disciples are marked by the sign of the cross, they must expect suffering. Because they do not live according to the standards of the world, disciples will be judged as fools. Some of them will be subjected to even greater suffering. Still, the disciple proclaims that true fulfilment is only found in God! In reality, it is the world that is upside down, not the life of discipleship. And it is the cross that sets things right.

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