



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: Maria La Manna (Italy); Vincenzo Buteri; Patrick Dempsey, Marija Horte.

ANNIVERSARIES: Joao Henriques; Damiano Fazio; Francesco Alvaro 6 mths; Aurora Coelho; Jose Almeida; Francisco Coelho Alfaite; Tony Millns; Pat McGlinchey (Snr); Francesco Alteri. Neila Garrovillas; Olly & Kath McDonald; Kristian Verdrik (10 year anniversary).

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!

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.

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Year C – 28 August, 2022)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Take my yoke upon you; learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart.

Alleluia!

TODAY'S READINGS

1st: Sir: 3:17-20, 28-29

2nd: Heb: 12:18-19, 22-24

Gospel: Matt: 11: 29

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

1st: Wis 9:13-18

2nd: Phil 89:3-6, 14-14, 17

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33



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.

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT

This year, *Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse*, invites us to engage with a complex and confronting social reality. It explores the roots of violence and abuse, honours the voices of victims, offers a social and theological exploration of the reality of violence, especially against women and children, and invites us to develop relationships in all parts of our lives 'marked by equality and reciprocity rather than domination and violence, respect and freedom, rather than coercion and control.'

If the content of the Statement raises issues or concerns for you, please refer to the **Getting Help** page in the Statement for a list of support channels, or speak to a trusted friend, your GP, your parish priest or parish pastoral worker. Access the Statement <https://bit.ly/SJS22-23>. More information: ACBC Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace, www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au or Tel: (02) 3201 9845. Facebook www.facebook.com/socialjusticeACBC Twitter [@JusticeCatholic](https://twitter.com/JusticeCatholic) Instagram [@JusticeCatholic](https://www.instagram.com/JusticeCatholic)

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:

Tues...

Meditation Group

5.30pm

Parish Community Centre

Legion of Mary

10.00am

Parish Community Centre

Fri.:

Divine Mercy

3.00pm

Holy Spirit Church

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

(1st Sunday of the Month)

Ss PETER & PAUL'S - 5.00PM

Commentators

M Carson

Lectors

P Balkin

Special Ministers

N Neeld,

Welcomers

A Bordonaro, P McGlinchey

N Tuddenham

Projectionist

B Middleton

Co-Ordinator

M Gifford, 5229 1656

HOLY SPIRIT - 11AM

C Nielson

M Kroger

G Wright

L Fossey

L Coles

HOLY FAMILY

8.00AM

Commentators

V Pavlovic

Lectors

P McBride

Special Ministers

K McArthur, L. Allum

Welcomers

R Allum

Projectionist

L Kelly, 0409 291 138

Co-Ordinator

9.30AM

J Siketa

M Bird, M Scaddan

E Karakchi, B Kline, Horoba

M & E Hoffman

C Resciniti

J Mann, 0488 784 802



Message from Fr Minh to the St Michael's Parish Community

Now that Covid disruptions and lockdowns are behind us, we have the chance to look how we as a Parish can return and rebuild our church community.

One suggestion is to combine the two Sunday Masses at Holy Family into one 9am mass.

It would:

- give the whole community of Holy Family the opportunity to share our Sunday celebration as one family*
- provide a further opportunity to mix with fellow parishioners after mass through meeting for morning tea.*
- more people around us also means more support for each of us (when we see many spaces around us, it's hard to feel part of community).*

If it is decided to move into one combined Mass at Holy Family, a good opportunity would be to do so at the start of Advent or at New Year.

But, before we doing anything further, we would like to hear from you first. We want to hear, how could we best, move forward to make a final decision in the best interests of our community.

Fr Minh

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Liturgy at St Michael's

- OPENING AND BLESSING OF THE NEW PARISH HALL:** At Holy Spirit on Sunday September 25, following the 11am Mass. If you wish to share light refreshments afterwards, please **RSVP by Friday September 16**, or email bellpark@cam.org.au or Ph: 5278 1343.

St Michael's News

- HEATER AT Ss PETER & PAUL'S CHURCH:** Unfortunately, the plumber is still waiting on the replacement part to fix the heater. Since Covid there have been major holdups in goods & materials arriving from overseas and as this part can only be sourced from New Zealand the heater cannot be used. Thank you for your patience and understanding.
- THANK YOU TO DAVID LUNN:** For cleaning the concreting areas around Holy Family; Holy Spirit & Ss Peter & Paul's Churches which looks amazing and so clean. A job well done for the many hours David put in.
- AFL GRAND FINAL DAY—SATURDAY 24 SEPTEMBER:** Do you sit at home and watch the Grand Final by yourself or with your partner? The Parish Leadership Team is considering having a "Grand Final Afternoon Tea" in the new Parish Hall at Holy Spirit. Sandwiches; party pies/sausage rolls; tea and coffee are provided. Alcohol is not provided, but feel free to BYO to celebrate the 'Cats Win'. If you would like to attend, please notify the Parish Office by 1st September so that we can confirm the function and for catering.
- CWL:** The next meeting of the Manifold branch will be held on Wed 7 September 1.30pm, Holy Spirit Hall, Bostock Ave, Manifold Heights. All St Michael's ladies are most welcome to attend. If you require transport please phone Tricia 0431 512 354 or Bernadette 0417 5814 598.
- CRAFT AND CONVERSATION:** We meet from 2-4pm at the Parish Community Centre, on September 8 October 6 & 20; November 3 & 17; December 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.
- CWL FASHION PARADE:** —The Manifold branch of the CWL is hosting a Blume's Fashion Parade on Wednesday, 14 September at 1.30pm in the Holy Spirit Hall, Bostock Avenue, Manifold Heights, Cost \$5 entry fee. Come along and bring a friend to update your wardrobe after our long Covid Lockdowns. Any inquiries phone Bernadette 0417 514 598.
- HOLY FAMILY WOMEN'S GROUP LUNCH:** Monday 5 September at 12.30pm at The Great Western, Shannon Ave, Newtown. See you all there!

Community News:

- **PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FOUNDATION (FATHER'S DAY APPEAL):** The Archbishop's Father's Day 2022 Appeal for retired & sick priests is next Sunday Sept 4th. There will be an extra third collection taken up after Communion at all Masses. Envelopes are now available in the churches if you prefer to take one home to complete.
- **CATHOLICARE VOLUNTEER TUTORS** 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. **Location & School:** Northern Bay College, Goldsworthy Road Campus, Corio 3214. **Time: 3.15-4.30pm** Once a week during school Term ongoing for Term 4 2022.

If you are interested please contact **Nestor Estampa** (Refugee Case Worker) CatholicCare. On 5221 7055 or please email Nestor.Estampa@ccam.org.au. **Skills;** Good interpersonal skills, across cultural communication, able to assist refugee students in homework tutoring, social & language development.

- **CONSIDERING BECOMING A CATHOLIC?** In September, St. Bernard's Parish will commence its 2022-2023 **Rite of Christian initiation of Adults journey (RCIA)** to prepare people to become new Catholics. Please register your interest, on St Bernard's website, or email Belmont@cam.org.au
- **NEED TO DISPOSE OF A VEHICLE?** If you need to dispose of a vehicle either from a deceased estate or which is no longer required, please consider gifting it to 'Lifeboat Geelong Foundation', a registered charity with tax deductible status which for nine years as been providing pastoral and practical support to nearly 150 victims / survivors of church related sexual abuse.

Many of these suffer post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and have limited or no employment. A donated vehicle could vastly improve their quality of life. If you would like to explore the possibility of gifting a potentially suitable vehicle to 'Lifeboat', contact Fr Kevin Dillon (0421 777 360 or emailing frkdillon@outlook.com.au) or Adam Kaali (0411 486 605, or adam-kaali@hotmail.com).

- **AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS—SPRING 2022: MEDIA FOR GOOD—**Harnessing the power of communication. In this edition, the young guest editors demonstrate their knowledge of how the media can be used for good, as well as for ill. Young Voices Awards entrants, also raised their voices to highlight injustice and make life better for all. Please take your free copy, now available at all Churches and the Parish Office.

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING:

The recent PLT meeting took place on August 17 and covered the following topics on the Agenda:-

- ◇ Landscaping at Holy Family
- ◇ Parish Maintenance Report
- ◇ Philippines Partnership
- ◇ St Michael's Parish Mission—upcoming events for 2022
- ◇ Annual Financial Reports—Year ending 2021; CCI Investment; Quarterly BAS
- ◇ Update on Lease at 1 Malone Street
- ◇ Opening and blessing of the new Parish Hall at Holy Spirit—Sunday September 25, 2022
- ◇ Child Safeguarding
- ◇ Timetable of Masses in the Parish

If any parishioner would like more information on any of the abovementioned agenda topics, please contact the parish office on 5278 1343.