



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
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AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

RECENT DEATHS: Annunziata Guarracino; Sr Mary Dennett RSM; Manita Stokes.

ANNIVERSARIES: Francis Murphy; Jakov Juraga; Francesco Marafioti; Haberman Family Members; Angela, Francesca & Rocco Daniele; Albert Piccirilli; Annie & Harry Wallace; Agnes & Patrick O'Shea.

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Raymond Carroll; Peta Richards; Joan Hepworth; Von Carmody; Helen Dean; Cam Resciniti.



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!

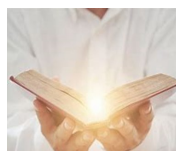
We acknowledge the living culture of the Wathaurong People, the traditional custodians of the land we stand on, and pay tribute to the unique role they play in this region.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(Year C—30 October 2022)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Forsake me not, O Lord, my God;
 be not far from me!
 Make haste and come to my help,
 O Lord, my strong salvation!



RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

God loved the world so much he gave us his only Son,
 that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Alleluia!

TODAY'S READINGS

1st: Wisdom 11:22 - 12:2

2nd: 2 Thess 1:11 - 2:2

Gospel: Luke: 19:1 - 10

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

1st: 2 Macc 7:1-2, 9-14

2nd: 2 Thess 2:16—3:5

Gospel: Rev 1:5, 6

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

CHANGE OF WEEKEND MASS TIMES AT HOLY FAMILY CHURCH:

The new 9.00am Mass time will begin on Sunday Nov 27 which is the First Sunday of Advent.

WEEKEND MASSES:

Holy Family, Bell Park: **Holy Spirit, Manifold Hts:** **Ss Peter & Paul's, Geelong West:**

English... 8am and 9.30am Sunday 11am Sunday 5.00pm Saturday

Croatian... 5.00pm Sunday

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	
Projectionist	B Middleton
Co-Ordinator	M Gifford, 5229 1656

HOLY FAMILY

8.00AM

Commentators	
Lectors	V Pavlovic
Special Ministers	P McBride
Welcomers	K McArthur, L. Allum
Projectionist	R Allum
Co-Ordinator	L Kelly, 0409 291 138

HOLY SPIRIT - 11AM

C Nielson
M Kroger
G Wright
L Fossey
L Coles

9.30AM

J Siketa
M Bird, M Scaddan
E Karakchi, B Kline, Horoba
M & E Hoffman
C Resciniti
J Mann, 0488 784 802



ALL SAINTS' DAY PRAYER

Dear God, today we rejoice in the holy men and women of every time and place.

May their prayers bring us your forgiveness and love.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen



Liturgy at St Michael's

- **ALL SAINTS DAY & ALL SOULS DAY:** Just a reminder, Tuesday Nov 1, we celebrate 'All Saints Day' and Wednesday Nov 2 we remember the souls of those departed. There will be the normal 9.15am daily Mass on these days.
- **LITURGY MEETING:** The next Parish Liturgy Meeting is on Thursday Nov 3, 7pm at the Parish Community Centre.
- **ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE MASSES:** On the weekend of November 5 & 6 at all Masses, the focus will be "*Remembering and Praying for our Deceased Loved Ones*". As part of the Bereavement Mass there are notelets entitled "*In Loving Memory of*". At this year's Masses and in keeping with Covid safe social distancing practices, your leaflets will be collected by members of the bereavement team and placed at the foot of the Cross on your behalf.

These leaflets are now available, if you would like to take one and fill out in preparation for the Masses.
- **LEGION OF MARY:** Mass for the deceased Legionaries, Holy Family 9.15am Tues 8 Nov. All welcome.
- **PARISH ADVENT RETREAT DAY:** Parish Advent Retreat Day at Holy Spirit Hall on Saturday December 3 from 10am—1pm. The guest presenter is Sr Mary Wickham (RSM).
- **PARISH ADVENT CHRISTMAS CAROLS:** Please also pencil in your diaries, our Parish Christmas Carols Event on **Sunday December 11 from 2.30pm - 4pm** at Holy Family Church. More information to be provided soon.

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- **PARISH VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION DAY & WORKSHOP:** Saturday November 19, 11am –1pm. Rosemary Teed, Safeguarding Officer Western Region, at the Archdiocese will be in attendance and present a 45 minute Child Safeguarding Training Workshop. This event is also a social catch up and catered lunch to thank our dedicated volunteers in the parish. Please RSVP your attendance to the parish office bellpark@cam.org.au; ph 5278 1343 by Friday November 4.
- **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED:** Tuesday Nov 1, due to the Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday.
- **HOLY FAMILY WOMENS GROUP: Lunch at Pekish—**Geelong Bowls Club, Ballarat Road, North Geelong on Monday 7 November at 12.30pm. See you all there!
- **CWL:** The November meeting of the Manifold branch of the CWL will be held at 1.30pm on Wednesday November 2 at Holy Spirit Hall, Bostock Ave, Manifold Heights. Our membership fees are payable at this meeting. Fees are:- Membership \$35; Membership plus Horizon subscription \$45 and diaries \$10. For transport please call Tricia 0431 512 354 or Bernadette 0417 514 598.
- **SRI LANKAN COMMUNITY STALL:** Sisters of the Holy Angels and Sri Lankan Community are organising a stall at Holy Family Church on Sunday November 13 from 8am—10.30am. Fresh produce; delicious food and craft items (handy Christmas gift ideas) are available to purchase. Funds raised will help support the most vulnerable people in Sri Lanka. Sri Lanka is currently facing a dire economic crisis and the people are struggling to survive. Your generous support will be greatly valued. Thank you and God Bless You!
- **PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING:** Wednesday, Nov 16, 7pm at the Parish Community Centre.
- **CRAFT AND CONVERSATION:** The last session for 2022 will be on November 3 from 2-4pm at the Parish Community Centre. **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:

- **ST VINCENT De PAUL'S** Flood Appeal for those who have been effected by these devastating floods particularly in the north of the State. Contributions can be made by:
1—Calling 13 18 12;
2—visit <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/vinnies-vic-flood-appeal-2022>.
3—making a monetary donation through any Vinnies Shops at point of purchase or
4—via your local IGA where the purchase of a token supports the recovery of Victorians devastated by these recent floods.

Community News Cont.

- **GEELONG CATHOLIC DINERS CLUB:** You are warmly invited to join us to a social get-together for food and friends at our next dinner on Tuesday Nov 8, 6pm at The Bistro, Belmont Hotel. Purchase of meals and drinks at your own cost. Please RSVP by phone or text to Joan 0429 215 111 or Michael 0431 959 584 by Friday November 4.
- **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:** A meeting will be held on Friday 11 November at Wesley Uniting Church, 100 Yarra Street, Geelong at **10am** to prepare for WDP Service on Friday 3 March 2023. As this is a world wide Ecumenical Service, it would be greatly appreciated that at least one representative or more from each Church in Geelong attend this Meeting. Please ring Sue O'Donoghue, 0429 784 331 for more information.
- **FRIENDS OF FAITH AND LIGHT GEELONG:** A supportive, growing Faith and Friendship community for those with disability, family, carers and friends all over Geelong. Come and join our gathering on Saturday, Nov 5 from **1.30 to 4pm**. Prayer, sharing, Music, Fiesta Afternoon Tea. New members very welcome. Please **RSVP** by **Friday 4 Nov to Tricia O'Keeffe**, coordinator 0414 672 267. **Venue: St Mary's Hibernian Hall, 1250 Yarra Street, Geelong.** Faith and Light: An International Movement for over 50 yrs. [www:faithandlight.org](http://www.faithandlight.org)
- **SANTA CASA RETREAT CENTRE:** Workshop of "Nurturing body, mind and spirit". Thursday Nov 3; 10am-2.30pm at the Santa Casa Retreat Centre, Queenscliff; cost \$25. The presenter is Nicole Rotaru RSM. Please register by Oct 31 to Sr Lizzie Finnerty 0418 194 261; Email: santacasa@ismapng.org.au.

Saint Columban's Mission Society

Dear Parishioners of St Michael's Parish, I am Fr. George Hogarty, a Columban Missionary who has worked in South Korea in Asia and Chile & Peru in South America. At all Masses next weekend of Nov 5 & 6, I will be preaching to you about the work of the Missionary Society of Saint Columban, or the Columbans as we are generally known, at all Masses.

Two Irish Diocesan Priests, Fr. Edward Galvin and Fr. John Blowick founded the Columbans in 1916. However, the Columban missionary movement was originally known as the Maynooth Mission to China, betraying its diocesan roots. Thanks to Blowick and Galvin's inspiration and effort, Rome gave canonical approval to the founding of the Missionary Society of St. Columban, under the patronage of St. Columban, the sixth century Irish missionary monk on June 29, 1918 for the Evangelisation of China.

Since then, Priests, Sisters and Lay Missionaries inspired by the missionary spirit of St. Columban have been crossing boundaries of language and culture to bring Christ to the poor and marginalised, and to protect creation.

I want to invite you to consider becoming readers of our Columban Far East magazine that shares stories of the joys and challenges of the different Christian communities in the 16 countries in which Columbans work. By subscribing to our Far East Magazine, you will be able to inform yourselves of the work of the Columban Fathers, Sisters and Lay Missionaries and the peoples we live with and possibly become partners in helping the growth of the Churches in Asia, the Pacific and Latin-America where Columbans minister.

I look forward to seeing you next weekend. Until then, God bless Fr. George G. Hogarty SSC.

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

The change of seasons is always an opportune time to marvel at the magnificence of the natural world of which we are a part. Its colours, its textures, its smells all reflect the limitless imagination of the creator. Perhaps the most marvellous feature of the world is the interconnectedness of all the elements of which it consists. Somehow the spirit of the creator is manifested through each and every aspect of this universe. And we are part of it all. The universe may be as a grain in the balance or a drop of morning dew, but each grain and each drop contains within it the possibilities of the future.

Offering hospitality is a profound social act. When we offer hospitality, we invite another into our world, into our lives. We shift our attention from our own cares and concerns to the needs and comfort of the other. By the act of hospitality we transform strangers into friends and intimates, just as Jesus did with Zacchaeus. The hospitality that Jesus offers dissolves all constraints. Relationships disregard the biased measures of propriety, forging bonds of reconciliation and issuing everyone an invitation to intimacy. The hospitality that Jesus offers recreates the world from one of insider versus outsider to one of universal inclusivity. Sinners become friends, the lost are found, and all are restored to the rightful place as children not merely of Abraham but of God. The creativity of the creator is matched by the compassion of the re-creator.