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### AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

**RECENT DEATHS:** Shirley Kunza; Leigh Thompson

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Cesar & Eugenia Buhisan; Johnny Kellert; Samdra Ballis;

Vjekoslav Iskra; Judite DeRosa; Lou Rescinitti;

Almor, Jose & Luis Mairos

**BAPTISMS:** Zavier Irwin; Liam Forbes; Francesca McDonald;

Freya & Cooper Sager.

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Fr Philip Godsell, Cheryl Lambert, Raymond Ambrose, Jenny Maloney,

John McDonald

St Michael's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

A REMINDER: Children must be accompanied to the toilet area by a parent or guardian.

## - Fourth Sunday of Lent

(Year B- March 14, 2021)

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast..

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Let my tongue be silenced, if i ever forget you!

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus
Christ! God loved the world so
much, he gave us his only Son, that
all who believe in him might have eternal life. Glory
and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:**

5th Sunday of Lent

1st Reading: Jer 31:31-34; 2nd Reading: Heb 5: 7-9 Gospel: John 12:20-33



#### **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.

# St Michael's Parish at Prayer



5.00pm Saturday

WEEKEND MASSES:

Holy Family, Bell Park: **Holy Spirit, Manifold Hts:** Ss Peter & Paul's, Geelong West: 11am Sunday

English... 8am and 9.30am Sunday

Croatian... 11am Sunday

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

WEEKDAY MASSES:

**Holy Family:** 9.15am Tues (Followed by Novena to St Anthony), 9.15am Thurs

(8.45am Rosary before Mass on Tues & Thurs)

9.15am Wed, 9.15am Fri. (Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament) **Holy Spirit:** 

Reconciliation after Friday Mass each week.

BAPTISMS: Please contact the parish for new bookings

COMMUNAL PRAYER:

Mon... Rosary Prayer Group 11.00am Holy Family Community Centre Holy Family Community Centre Tues... Meditation Group 5.30pm

Fri... Holy Spirit Church Divine Mercy 3.00pm

PRIVATE PRAYER:

Prayer Room is open Mon-Fri 9.30am-2.30pm

Face masks are no longer mandatory at Mass However, they are required if distancing measures of 1.5m cannot be maintained between people. We must also be respectful of those who 'want' to wear them.

#### REGISTRATION FOR WEEKEND MASSES:

- Saturday 5pm at Ss Peter & Paul's
- Sunday 8am at Holy Family
- Sunday 9.30am at Holy Family
- Sunday 11am at Holy Spirit

To book your initial place, please contact the Parish Office either by telephone on 5278 1343 or email bellpark@cam.org.au to register your contact details. You can also pre-register for midweek Masses on the day.

Please note, if you have previously registered, your name will remain on the list for that particular Mass.

# **Roster for Next Sunday**

(3rd Sunday of the Month)

Ss PETER & PAUL'S - 5.00PM **HOLY SPIRIT - 11AM** 

Commentators M Kroger Lectors K Maddalena J McKenzie Special Ministers K Maddalena L Stalio, Projectionist F Kearney

Co-Ordinator M Gifford, 5229 1656

**HOLY FAMILY** 8.00AM 9.30AM Commentators A Scaddan

Lectors P. Carvalho H Verdnik, T McMahon **Special Ministers** Sr Concepta, P Ruggeri, R Culo M Fiorillo, M. Perera Projectionist R Allum C Resciniti

Co-Ordinator L. Kelly, 0409 291 138 J Mann, 0488 784 802

### Lent at St Michael's:

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

During Lent there will be Stations of the Cross at Holy Spirit Church every Friday at 2.30pm, up until March 26. All welcome!

**PROJECT COMPASSION:** Arsad, an Indonesian farmer, Arsad, an Indonesian farmer, had no toilet at home and was often sick due to the practice of open defecation. through Caritas Australia's support, Arsad and his community improved hygiene and sanitation, and funded their own toilets.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 and help improve health and wellbeing of communities in Indonesia so they can work towards eradicating poverty, providing a better future for all.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413



## St Michael's News:

We pray for the children from the Parish Primary Schools who will make the Sacrament of 1st Reconciliation and 1st Eucharist this week.

**SCAM WARNING:** Should you receive an email from any Priest asking for money, please ignore it no matter how authentic it may appear to be.

PARISH LEADERSHIP TEAM COMMITTEE: The first PLT meeting for 2021 took place on March The committee comprises of Fr Minh Tran; Michael Scaddan (Chairperson); Lane Kelly; David Lunn; Bernadette Bilogrevic; Debbie Horoba; Meg Kroger; Noel Tuddenham; Kathy Perinac; and welcome to Matthew Stokes from the Parish Finance Committee to our team. We take this opportunity to farewell and thank Raelene Craven for her commitment and dedication to the Leadership team over the past six years.

**BUILDING SUB COMMITTEE:** A new sub committee has been established to oversee projects in the Parish, namely Holy Spirit Hall development, proposed disabled ramp at Ss Peter and Paul's Church, and proposed Car Park changes at Holy Family Church. Committee members are Fr Minh Tran; Bernadette Bilogrevic; Liz Coles; David Lunn; Lane Kelly; and Michael Scaddan. For more information please contact the Parish Office on Ph: 5278 1343.

### Community News:

- COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISHES RAFFLE 2021: If anyone is still wanting a book of Raffle tickets, Sr Anne has a supply: same price, same prizes but a different cause. The profit from the sale of these books goes to Lifeboat Geelong—who support victims of Church related sex abuse. Please ring or call the Parish Office on Ph: 5278 1343 between 10am & 5pm Tuesday or Fridays.
- 2. ST IGNATIUS COLLEGE: Invites you to: 'Visit Our College'.

Guided tours and information sessions will be held in March, April and May. See our website for further details and how to book online: <a href="www.ignatius.vic.edu.au">www.ignatius.vic.edu.au</a> **Enrolment applications close Friday 7th May**.

#### **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.



### Easter Liturgies at St Michael's:

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - SECOND RITE

Wednesday March 31... 7.00pm Holy Family

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Holy Thursday April 1... 7.30pm Holy Spirit, followed by Adoration

WAY OF THE CROSS

Good Friday April 2... 10.00am Holy Family (School oval)

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Good Friday April 2... 3.00pm Holy Family (includes communion)

3.00pm Holy Spirit (includes communion)

**EASTER VIGIL** 

Saturday April 3... 5.00pm Holy Family (Croatian)

7.30pm Holy Family

7.30pm Ss Peter and Paul's

**EASTER SUNDAY MASSES** 

Sunday April 4... 8.00am Holy Family

9.30am Holy Family Ss Peter & Paul's

11.00am SS Teter & Taur

11.30am Holy Family (Croatian)

BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD

Saturday April 3... 3.00pm Holy Family

Please register your attendances at ALL Holy Week Masses and Services, by email to the Parish Office; bellpark@cam.org.au or phone 5278 1343

### Reflection by Fr Michael Tate-God's Works of Art

How does God picture us? St Paul reveals one of God's favourite ways of regarding us. 'We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus, to live the good life as from the beginning He had intended us to live it.'

Just as an artist respects the medium he or she is working in, whether it be oils or crayon, so too God respects us as human beings with free will. Which is why His works of art don't always look the way He intended!

Now, if one has a work of art in the house, a picture or print that means a lot to you, or perhaps the first sketch by a child, do you put in the darkest corner of the room? Or do you allow just enough light to fall on it so as to reveal how terrific it is, why it gives you pleasure? Of course, the latter.

Now, if you and I are God's work of art, God wants exactly the same. He wants us to be revealed in the light. what sort of light? Christ our Light.

Of course, it might be necessary for the Light to dispel some darkness, some shadow dimension of our lives. In this regard Christ is a healing Light, but this is so that he might illuminate us in a way which more clearly reveals the love which the Divine Artist has for His creation.

We might take a moment to pray for the courage to expose ourselves to Christ's healing light this Lent to be more beautifully illuminated at Easter.

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