



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:

Balbina Moreno; John McCormack; Agnes Mack; Janine Jewell.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Clifton Diniz; Francesca Lemmo; Eileen Doherty; Raffaele Traficante; Ken Reid

1st Year Anniversary:

Riccardo Zanardo

BAPTISMS:

Scarlett Boyar; Zara Ciuffetelli; Cove & Fern Garner; Milena Verdichizzi

PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Fr Philip Godsell, Cheryl Lambert, Jenny Maloney, Paul Secen.



St Michael's Parish is committed to upholding the safety and dignity of each child and young person and ensuring that they are able to grow and develop in a caring and supportive environment in our Church.

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

-The Most Holy Trinity- (Year B/1- May 30, 2021)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

Blest be God the Father; and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.



RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

TODAY'S READINGS

The Most Holy Trinity

1st Deut 4:32-34, 39-40
2nd: Rom 8:14-17
Gospel: Mt 28:16-20

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

1st: Job 38:1, 8-11
2nd: 2 Cor 5:14-17
Gospel: Mk 4:35-41

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 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.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- ◆ QR Check-In at all Masses & Church Services is now **compulsory**. Please arrange for the Services Victoria App to be installed on your phone and please, please bring it to Mass.
- ◆ We request that you **arrive early** so that everyone is properly checked in; seated; and ready to go prior to the start of Mass.
- ◆ **Please check in correctly**, as failure to do so may risk a fine of \$1593 for an individual and \$9900+ for organisations.
- ◆ For parishioners who do not have access to a mobile, please complete a **COVID Safe Information Slip** by entering your name and Phone No. Return this slip and a volunteer will scan you in. Whilst masks are no longer mandatory, please remember to sanitise your hands on entering; continue to adhere to the 1.5m distancing rules, especially when seated in the church, entering & exiting and proceeding to the altar to receive communion.

ROSTER FOR NEXT SUNDAY

(1st Sunday of the Month)

Ss PETER & PAUL'S - 5.00PM

Commentators C O'Brien
Lectors G Podbury
Special Ministers N Neeld, P McGlinchey
Welcomers
Projectionist
Co-Ordinator M Gifford, 5229 1656

HOLY SPIRIT - 11AM

C Nielson
M Kroger
G Wright,
L Fossey
L Coles

HOLY FAMILY

8.00AM

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

9.30AM

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

ST MICHAEL'S PARISH AT PRAYER

WEEKEND MASSES:

Holy Family, Bell Park:

English... 8am and 9.30am Sunday

Croatian... 11am Sunday

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

Holy Spirit, Manifold Hts:

11am Sunday

Ss Peter & Paul's, Geelong West:

5.00pm Saturday

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Holy Family:

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

Mon... Rosary Prayer Group 11.00am Holy Family Community Centre

Tues... Meditation Group 5.30pm Holy Family Community Centre

Fri... Divine Mercy 3.00pm Holy Spirit Church

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

Our Lady's Statue - Month of June - Ramois Family

Liturgy at St Michael's:

- ◆ **RECRUITMENT OF LECTORS, COMMENTATORS, PROJECTIONISTS, SPECIAL MINISTERS & COLLECTORS:** The parish is currently looking to recruit more volunteers to assist at our weekend Masses. Some of these roles may be on a regular basis or to cover when needed. We would love to hear from you and training & guidance will be provided. Please contact the parish office on 5278 1343 if you are interested or would like more information.

St Michael's News:

- ◆ **AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS:** Winter Edition 2021—The focus of this edition is Work and Human Dignity and the Year of St Joseph. Pick up your free copy today!

Community News:

- ◆ **GEELONG CATHOLIC DINERS' CLUB:** Come join us for a two-course evening meal, an interesting guest speaker and the opportunity to meet new friends. This month our guest speaker will be Darby Munro, Sustainability/Waste Education Officer for greater Geelong. We are open to members of all faiths. Appetisers begin at 6.15pm on **Tuesday, 8 June**, followed by a delicious meal and dessert for only \$33 per person at 6.45pm. We meet at **Capri Receptions** located at **258 Pakington Street, Geelong West**. For more and reservations, please phone or text **Michael Belleville 0431 959 584** by **Friday 4 June**, the deadline for catering purposes. As always, please don't hesitate to pone Mary Flatt on 0425 785 277 or email maryflatt01@gmail.com regarding any issues.
- ◆ **CWL:** A memorial Mass for deceased members and for members who have lost loved ones in the past year will be held on **Wednesday 9 June, 1.30pm at Holy Family Church**. Family members and parishioners are welcome to attend. A brief meeting of the CWL will be held in the Parish Centre after the Mass (**no meeting on 2 June**).
- ◆ **CRAFT AND CONVERSATION GROUP—Holy Family Community Centre:** Thursday afternoons 2-4pm, Public /School Holidays excluded. BYO craft project or just come along and chat.

3 June 17 June 15 July 29 July 12 Aug 26 Aug 9 Sept 23 Sept
23 Sept 7 Oct 21 Oct 4 Nov 18 Nov 2 Dec

Scan in using the App for more information please contact Debbie 0409 416 945.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST:



Congratulations to the grade 4&5 children from Holy Family, Holy Spirit and St Patrick's Schools who will receive the Sacrament of first Eucharist, this weekend. We wish them all the best as they prepare for their special day.

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

The feast of the Holy Trinity brings us face to face with the foundation of our faith. The readings for today provide answers to the question: Who is God? They can really only suggest something about the mystery of God, and they can do this only indirectly. They call to mind some of the wonders that God has accomplished for us and in us. It is through reflection on these gracious divine acts that we can get glimpses of God.

The psalm declares that the harmony and interdependence that we see in creation point to a majestic creator responsible for it all. The account of the history of God's people reveals a God who desires to establish an intimate relationship with them, enters their history as protector and guide, and forgives disloyalty. Finally, Jesus teaches that God sent him into the world to save it, has made us adopted children through the Holy Spirit, and will ultimately clothe us in divine glory. It is from his teaching that we hear that the Son was sent by the Father, the Spirit, which was also his Spirit, proceeded from the Father and from him.

From our own experience, we know that God creates, because we are immersed in creation. We know that God saves, because we have been freed from the bondage of our own demons. Our experience tells us that God is with us, and that God is for us. Everything that we know about God declares that God is passionately in love with us, boundlessly so!

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.



HOMILY by Richard Leonard

One of the things we often hear in times of domestic, local or international crisis is that 'everyone pulled together'. We are rightly proud, and a few times amazed, at how people can set aside their differences and strive for the common good. Sometimes this experience of working together has the long-lasting benefit of breaking down boundaries. Other times, sadly, old enmities, prejudices and suspicions return when the crisis is over.

Trinity Sunday celebrates that whether we are in crisis or not, in season and out of season, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit do nothing but 'pull together' to love and save us. What we glimpse as the best attribute of our family, town or nation defines who our Christian God is, and what they see, how they judge and the way they act toward the world.

A famous icon of the Trinity depicts the three persons at a table where there are four place settings. The final place, in the lower half of the painting, invites the viewer to take the seat and join them. It's profound theology and masterful art, but we can quickly misunderstand it.

We are not just personally invited to join in the very life of God, and pull together with them in their loving and saving of the world. The seat at the table is reserved for all of humanity.

In practical terms it is impossible to profess belief in the Trinity, on the one hand, and then work at things which pull the human family apart, on the other. It is scandalous to hold to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and be known as racist, bigoted and sexist, to not care about refugees or those who die each day of starvation. We cannot keep signing ourselves in the name of a Triune God and then work hard at getting richer and more secure while the rest of humanity grow poorer and lack the necessities for human dignity. Ghandi once said, 'I love the New Testament and the Christian ideas about God and I would take the waters of Christian baptism tomorrow if I saw Christians practise what they the preach.'

Trinity Sunday is not about theological mathematics, working out how three goes into one. It's about gaining the strength at this Eucharist to pull together to see that all of God's children have the opportunity to hear the good news of how much God loves us as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and so can take their privileged place at God's table. Most people will learn about the saving love of God primarily through the way they observe us seeing, judging and acting.

It's not by accident that in our Catholic tradition the usual moment we invoke the Trinity is when we make the sign of the cross. It reminds us that 'we cannot have our cake and eat it too'. Every time we profess the Trinity we recommit ourselves to die to self so that God's saving love may be realised for everyone, everywhere.

So let's not only profess our belief in the three persons that make up our one God, but live the life that goes with it, 'In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.'

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Richard Leonard SJ is the Director of the Australian Catholic Office for Film and Broadcasting, is a member of the Australian Catholic Media Council and a film critic for all the major Australian Catholic newspapers. He completed a PhD in cinema studies at the University of Melbourne. He lectures in cinema and theology at the Jesuit College of Spirituality and has been a visiting lecturer in Australian cinema at the University of Melbourne, a visiting scholar within the School of Theatre, Film and Television at UCLA and is visiting professor at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. He is an Honorary Fellow of the Australian Catholic University, has lectured widely and is the author of numerous books.

