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## AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

**RECENT DEATHS:** Mark Pitfield; Sr Rosemary Kelly (RSM); Villie Jean Helder

ANNIVERSARIES: Anne Moore; Margaret McFarlane; Matthew Barr; Carmelo Coppolino;

Giuseppa & Giuseppe Lo Piccolo; Salvatore & Damiano Modica;

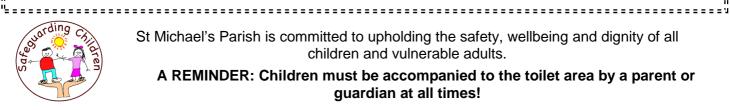
Caterina Palino; Vjekoslav Pogacic; Zlatko Lehpamer.

1st Anniversary of Jude Mathimugan & 10 Year Anniversary of Alina Synoradzki

**BAPTISMS:** John & Patrick Toulmin; Teddie Veale; Florence & Oliver Walker

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Fr Philip Godsell, Cheryl Lambert, Paul Secen.

## MASKS ARE NOW MANDATORY AT ALL MASSES AND CHURCH SERVICES!!



St Michael's Parish is committed to upholding 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 quardian at all times!

## Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B/1- June 20, 2021)

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them forever



### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting..

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great Prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

#### **TODAY'S READINGS NEXT WEEK'S READINGS** 11th Sun in Ordinary Time 13th Sun in Ordinary Time

1st Job 38:1. 8-11 1st: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24 2 Cor 5:14-17 2nd: 2 Cor 8:7. 9. 13-15 2nd: **Gospel:** Mk 4: 35-41 **Gospel:** Mk 5: 21-43

### 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 COVID INFORMATION!

- For weekend Masses at Ss Peter & Paul's and Holy Spirit Church, the maximum number of attendees allowed is 80 due to the one person per 4sq metre rule. We recommend that you pre- register your attendance at these churches for next weekend masses, either by email bellpark@cam.org.au or telephone on 5278 1343.
- + Face masks are now compulsory at all Masses & Church Services.
- The one person per 4 square metre rule now applies, and we ask that you keep every 2nd pew vacant.
- Please sanitise your hands on entry and maintain the 1.5 metre distance at all times.
- QR Check-In at all Masses & Church Services is now <u>compulsory</u>.
  Please arrange for the Services Victoria App to be installed on your phone and please, please bring it to Mass.

(4th Sunday of the Month)

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

Commentators A Henderson M Burn Lectors G Tolan J Fraatz

Special Ministers A Henderson, G Tolan L Fossey, L Vannata Welcomers J Cowell D Dougherty, L Fossey

Projectionist B Middleton A Zarb

Co-Ordinator M Gifford, 5229 1656

HOLY FAMILY<br/>Commentators8.00AM<br/>F O'Neill9.30AM<br/>M Lukesic<br/>P GizyckiLectorsL KellyP Gizycki

Special Ministers L Sells, E Kelly D Lunn, C Simpson, V Resciniti

Projectionist R Allum C Resciniti

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

## St Michael's Parish at Prayer

**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... 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)

**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:—CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Mon...Rosary Prayer Group11.00amHoly Family Community CentreTues...Meditation Group5.30pmHoly 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:

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST:

Congratulations to the grade 4 & 5 children from our Primary Schools who will receive the Sacrament of First Eucharist, We wish them all the best as they prepare for their special day.



# Community News:

- ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY VOLUNTEER CO-ORDINATOR NEEDED: St Vincent de Paul Society has run a hospital visitation programme for many years—a friendly face to call on the sick and say 'hello'. If you are interested in the role of co-ordinator, or would like to assist as a hospital visitor, please contact John McCarthy 0409 042 393.
- ♦ MUSIC AT THE BASILICA: St Mary of the Angels, 136 Yarra Street, Geelong.

<u>Sunday, 8 August 2021, 3pm</u>—BACH'S GENIUS-THE MOTETS-Australian Chamber Choir/ Director: Douglas Lawrence; Cello-Rosanne Hunt. Tickets \$50 Full; Seniors \$45; Concession \$40, children and school students free. Tickets available from the website. www.auschoir.org or at the door.

<u>Sunday, 29 August 2021 3pm</u>—MELBOURNE CHAMBER CHOIR-Director; Alan Cook. Tickets \$35 Adult and Senior, \$30 Concession, children & school students free. Tickets available from www.trybooking.com/BPQYK or at the door.

<u>Friday, 17 September 2021 7.30pm</u>—SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST BY Theodore Dubois. Conductor- Joseph Hie, Teresa Duddy-Soprano, David Campbell-Tenor, Manfred Pohlenz-Baritone, Windfire Choir and Orchestra. Tickets \$50 Full, \$45 Seniors, \$40 Concession, children & school students free, Tickets available from www.trybooking.com/BPQZE or at the door.

<u>Friday, 1 October to Sunday 10 October 2021—12TH ANNUAL WINDFIRE MUSIC FESTIVAL.</u> Check our website for details: https://musicatthebasilica.org.au/music-festival/ Tickets will be available soon.

- ♦ SAMARITAN HOUSE GEELONG: Homelessness can happen to anyone, Winter is the toughest time of all for those affected by homelessness in the Geelong Community. Samaritan House provides crises and transitional accommodation and support for homeless men. Independent Living Units are being install onsite from April 2021. Please consider making a donation to our 2021 Winter Appeal so we can continue to provide a place of warmth, sanctuary and hope. Donations of \$350 will provide an evening meal for a week. \$1000 will provide electricity & gas for the year for the units. \$2500 will support a homeless man to go through the six-week Accom Living Skills Program
- ◆ CRAFT AND CONVERSATION GROUP—Holy Family Community Centre: Thursday afternoons 2-4pm, Public /School Holidays excluded. BYO craft project or just come along.
  - 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.
- menALIVE—a National Catholic Men's Ministry which operates in every Diocese in Australia is offering to facilitate the linking of men who would rather participate in this event in the presence of other men but are not sure how to go about this. They are encouraged to form their own hub, which they can nominate at the time they register at the following link; www.catholicmensgathering.com.au

The following men from menALIVE Victoria are ready to help facilitate men to gather in person locally or on line.

Doug Black doug.black@menalive.org.au 0408 571 100;

Glen D'Dunha glen.dcunha@menalive.org.au 0422 892 541;

#### **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.



## **REFLECTION** by Fr Michael Tate

## The Voice which Accompanies to the Other Side

According to St Paul 'the whole of creation... is yearning to share in the glory promised to the children of God.' (Romans 8)

In the meantime it is as though from the beginning every element of the universe is 'listening out' for the word which will bring it into harmony with that deepest yearning, listening so as to exist in a way which is never destructive of God's plan for humanity and all other creatures.

And that is what happens in this gospel episode. What is the situation of creation? One has a howling wind, shrieking against every timber of the boat, storm-tossed waves threatening to engulf and sink the boat.

What word is heard by these elements of the universe? A word which they hear even as they are at their most destructive.

'Quiet, be still.' [repeat]

And there was a dead calm. Why?

Because this was a word spoken by the Lord of all creation, the Sovereign of the universe.

And what was the result? The disciples were able to make their way across the Sea of Galilee 'to the other side' in the company of Jesus. What does that mean?

They were able to go from the western Jewish side to the eastern Pagan side. That is from the side which they knew, from the side with which they were familiar, from the side where they were 'at home' to the side which they did not know, which was unfamiliar territory for them, where, far from being at home, they would feel dis-located, dis-placed.

That is why this gospel story is good news for us, for you and for me. There will be times, there have been times when, in the journey of life, suddenly chaos erupts. A tempest storms into our life. The wind is howling. We want to block our ears to the situation threatening us whether from the outside or from some part of our own personality. We feel we are being swamped. Some part of us is facing death.

With the disciples we may cry out to Jesus 'Don't you care?' And the Lord of the Universe will ensure we are not submerged by chaotic, dark forces.

But, he will not turn us back to the situation as before. We must continue to 'the other side'. It will be unfamiliar territory. We will feel displaced, somewhat disoriented.

But we will also find that Our Lord has accompanied us in that journey through the chaos. He is our companion as we find our bearings in the new situation we have reached 'on the other side'.

There will possibly be many such transits in the journey of life until the final transit to truly new territory through the wrenching chaos and dis-integration of death.

We should pray that in the midst of dying we will hear Our Lord rebuking the Prince of Darkness and Death: 'Quiet, be still.' And Our Lord will accompany us, be our companion to the other side, to the Promised Land of Heaven.

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