



# 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](http://www.stmichaelsbellpark.org.au)

## AS A COMMUNITY WE PRAY FOR:

**RECENT DEATHS:**

Dana Brdar, Fr Ian Mackintosh (OMI), Pasquale Tigani, Hamish Parke

**ANNIVERSARIES:**

Danuta Augustyn, Michael Sharry, Elsie Gillett, Fred Tuddenham Snr, Eileen Cotter, Salvatore Rizzo, Osborne Family Members & 1 Year Anniversary of Ken Fusea

**BAPTISMS:**

Parker Moreland, Roy Onton, Ruby Maccoll, Eve Flight,

**PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

Fr Philip Godsell, Cheryl Lambert, Raymond Ambrose, Jenny Maloney, Alan Fossey, John McDonald

*After approx 5 weeks, names will be taken off sick list.*



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**

## - Second Sunday of Lent -

*(Year B- February 28, 2021)*

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Of you my heart has spoken; Seek his face.  
It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

I will walk in the presence of the Lord,  
in the land of the living

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

**Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. **Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:**

**3rd Sunday of Lent**

1st Reading: Exodus 20:1-17  
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25  
Gospel: John 2:13-25



**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



## 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

## PRIVATE PRAYER:

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

**FACE MASKS MUST NOW BE WORN DURING MASS  
UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. PLEASE USE SANITISER WHEN  
ENTERING THE CHURCH, AND BEFORE RECEIVING COMMUNION**

## **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](mailto: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**

(1st Sunday of the Month)

### **Ss PETER & PAUL'S - 5.00PM**

Commentators C O'Brien  
Lectors L Anderson  
Special Ministers N Neeld, P McGlinchey  
Welcomers  
Projectionist D Whelan  
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

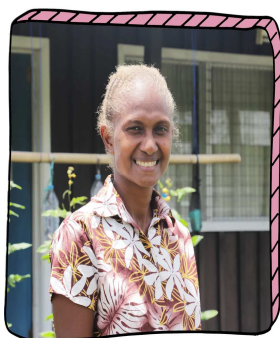
## Lent at St Michael's:

### COMFORT - LENTEN PROGRAM 2021:

*The meetings are held each Thursday evening during Lent, 7pm at the Parish Community Centre.* To be part of this please contact the Parish Office on 5278 1343 or by email [bellpark@cam.org.au](mailto:bellpark@cam.org.au)

### 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:

Margret is a teacher at a vocational school for deaf students in the Solomon Islands that suffered long-term water shortages and damage from Tropical Cyclone Harold. With Caritas Australia's support, Margret's school installed water tanks, repaired cyclone damage and implemented COVID-19 prevention measures, and is now planning to boost food security.

**Please donate to Project Compassion and help people living with disabilities in the Solomon Islands gain access to education and clean water, empowering them with skills to protect our common home.**

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

## Liturgy at St Michael's:

**PASTORAL VISITS IN THE PARISH:** The Sisters of the Holy Angels are now looking after the pastoral care of families and elderly parishioners at St Michael's. If you would like to receive a visit and/or Communion, please contact the Parish Office on 5278 1343 for more information.

**ORGANISTS AND SINGERS NEEDED:** We would love to hear from any organists and singers, to be part of choirs at some of our weekend Masses - Saturday 5pm Mass at Ss Peter & Paul's and the 11am Mass at Holy Spirit on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office on 5278 1343.

**COMMENTATORS AND LECTORS:** There are currently vacancies for Commentators and Lectors at the 8am Mass, Holy Family Church. Please contact the Parish Office.

## St Michael's News:

- ◆ **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.
- ◆ **CHILD SAFEGUARDING CODE OF CONDUCT:** As part of Child Safeguarding Regulations, every volunteer in St Michael's Parish is required annually to sign a Code of Conduct. Bernadette will notify you over the next few weeks.
- ◆ **CWL:** The next meeting of the Manifold branch of the CWL will be held on Wednesday March 3, 1.30pm in the Community Centre. Please check current regulations regarding mask wearing and come prepared. If you require transport please phone Tricia 0431 512 354 or Bernadette 0417 514 598.

## COMMUNITY NEWS:

1. **CLONARD COLLEGE OPEN DAY: Wednesday 3 March until Friday 12 March**  
Multiple Information and Tour Sessions - Bookings are essential via [www.clonard.catholic.edu.au](http://www.clonard.catholic.edu.au)  
Enrolments for Year 7 close on Friday 7 May 2021.
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: [www.ignatius.vic.edu.au](http://www.ignatius.vic.edu.au) **Enrolment applications close Friday 7th May.**

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:** Will be held on Friday March 5 at Wesley Uniting Church, 100 Yarra St, 11am. The Service has been prepared by the people of Vanuatu with the theme **'Build on a Strong Foundation'**. Everyone is welcome and we would be very pleased to see this Service supported by many due to the devastating effect of COVID on the people of Vanuatu. Further information ph Sue O'Donoghue 0429 784 331.

### 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.



Tuesday 16 February, 2021

To the Laity, Religious and Clergy of the Archdiocese of Melbourne

### Vaccine Program

Dear Friends,

It is welcome news that the first batches of the Pfizer vaccine have arrived in Australia. Soon the most vulnerable people in our country – our frontline workers and those at greatest risk – will receive their first dose against the COVID-19 virus. I will be grateful to receive a vaccination when my turn in the staged roll-out comes around.



None of the vaccines are a cure for COVID-19, but indications are that they provide a significant measure of protection from the worst effects of the virus, for the time being. For the common good, it is appropriate that our governments work together to roll out a nation-wide process of vaccination for all residents.

Likewise, for the common good, everyone should respect the decisions of individuals who, for medical, safety or moral reasons, are not ready to receive a vaccination immediately.

At this early stage in measuring the longer-term effectiveness and safety of each of the COVID-19 vaccines, calls for a 'No jab, no service' policy would be unjust. The Catholic Bishops have already endorsed efforts to offer a vaccination as soon as possible to all who can safely receive one.

<https://mediablog.catholic.org.au/a-letter-to-the-faithful-regarding-development-of-a-covid-19-vaccine/#more-8597>

However, the Government has indicated that there is likely to be little, if any, choice as to which vaccine will be available to individuals in the shorter term. This means that you can receive any one of the three vaccines to be made available, without moral complicity in the processes of its development. On balance, it is a good thing to do.

For anyone with health and safety concerns, please speak with your family doctor.

For anyone with ethical questions, please read the statement issued by the Vatican or speak with your Pastor.

[https://www.vatican.va/roman\\_curia/congregations/cfaith/documents/rc\\_con\\_cfaith\\_doc\\_20201221\\_nota-vaccini-anticovid\\_en.html](https://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/cfaith/documents/rc_con_cfaith_doc_20201221_nota-vaccini-anticovid_en.html)

I encourage the Australian government to do all it can to make a vaccine choice available to all residents in Australia as soon as possible, and offer the same care to our poorer neighbouring countries.

Please continue to pray for those impacted by this pandemic, and to work in whatever way you can to support your neighbour in need. The God of mercy and compassion is present to us all, through the tender heads, hearts and hands we offer to one another.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Most Rev Peter A Comensoli (Archbishop of Melbourne)

## COMMUNITY NEW /CONT'D...

**CIRCLE OF MERCY:** A webinar presented by Bernard Dobson on Catherine McAuley; A Woman of Mercy  
Tuesday 9 March 7pm to 8pm via Zoom.

In the light of unjust norms in society, how did Catherine McAuley answer the call of Jesus to proclaim the reign of God and what values expressed by Jesus and Catherine can we call upon as we challenge unjust norms in our society? The online webinar link will be sent to you close to the event time. Please RSVP via TryBooking: [trybooking.com/BOULX](https://trybooking.com/BOULX)



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**GEELONG ST PATRICK'S RACING CLUB** will hold its annual Cup meeting in Colac, due to the renovation of the Geelong track on Saturday 13 March. Buses will depart cnr Smythe and Gheringhap Sts at 10.45am and return after the last race. There is free parking available at the course. Entry only \$10 but no general admittance on the day. All patrons must provide contact details to the Club and must purchase a seat due to Covid safe requirements. Lunch boxes available from \$25 and Gourmet BBQ for \$45. Cafe available for snacks and light meals, shade provided with marquees and umbrellas. This promises to be a good day for racing with the All Star Mile on the Infovision Screen and the bet365 Geelong St Pats Cup. Group numbers are unlimited. Book your ticket now via <https://country.racing.com/geelong-stpats> or email [geelongstpatsraceclub@bigpond.com](mailto:geelongstpatsraceclub@bigpond.com). Or ring Catherine Moon on 0409 007 913.