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WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

SATURDAY 6.00PM.

SUNDAY 8.00AM AND 11.00AM

Our Vision

We are a Catholic Community who profess, celebrate and witness that Jesus lives, and to whom the Father sends His Spirit. We express that belief by living out and spreading the message of the Gospel.

25th and 26th of August 2018

21th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B

Gospel

Ours is an age of limitless options. The mantra of our time is to keep options open. We don't like getting boxed in, we resist making choices that exclude future possibilities. We become very agile at keeping competing options in play. We're anxious about what we might miss out on, we fight to stay free. If this is the motive of our culture, then it seems to be at odds with the word of God for today. Joshua throws open the gauntlet of choice to the Israelites of old, Jesus puts his disciples on the spot with a piercing question, and Paul offers teaching on Marriage that can get our teeth on edge. The question to wrestle with is, how we can be truly free? No- one was more obedient than Jesus, and no one has ever been so free. Dare we believe that by taking the risk of whole hearted bridge burning commitment to the Lord we shall find the freedom for which we long?

Father's Day Breakfast & Mass

Next Thursday 30th August a Father's Day Breakfast has been organised for 8:00am in the Church Narthex. After breakfast the students from our school will join their Dad's for Mass commencing at 9:10am. Fathers from our community are also welcome to join this Fathers day Mass.

Ladies Luncheon

The next ladies luncheon will be held on Wednesday the 5th of September 2018 at the Mitcham Hotel, 556 Maroondah Hwy, Mitcham VIC 3132 at 12.30pm. **Please note the change of Venue.**

Anyone needing a lift Mitcham Hotel on the day, please come to the Church at 12.00pm. Should you require further details please

STATEMENT FROM ARCHBISHOP COMMENSOLI

His Grace, Archbishop Peter Comensoli has issued a statement following the letter issued by Pope Francis on Tuesday the 21st of August. Copies of the statement will be handed out with your newsletter today. Please be sure to pick a copy up.

Kerala Appeal

Following the recent heavy rains in Kerala, the home state of Fr Jerald and the home state of Bishop Peter's Orphanage which has sustained quite a lot of damage.

If you can help, there are envelopes available in the foyer. Please just deposit the envelopes in the box in the foyer.

Thank you for any assistance you can give.

ELIJAH ~ Servants and Prophets of God ~9am – 5pm, Saturday 22 & Sunday 23 Sept -St Clare's Hall, access from Killara St., Box Hill North Presented by international speaker and course author Carlos Macias de Lara

BYO lunch and bible, morning and afternoon tea will be provided.
cost: \$110 is appreciated; students \$90 or Early bird price before 31 Aug - \$80 or for students \$60.

Book via: online at <https://www.trybooking.com/TEEB> and use Promo Code CSOE for 10% discount email: melbourne@schoolofevangelisation.org.au or phone Rose 0411 650 339

THE CATHOLIC MAN BREAKFAST SERIES

An invitation is extended to all Catholic men to come along and meet Archbishop Peter Comensoli speaking on "Being a man; a man of God!"

The breakfast is held on Thursday 13 September from 7.00am-9am at the CQ Club, 113-123 Queen Street, Melbourne. Bookings are essential. Further details of this major event, sponsored by menALIVE, can be obtained from the publicity flyer on the notice board or contact Frank Burke on 9 891 7547.

**SISTERS OF MERCY: 2017 SEASON OF CREATION SEASON LAUNCH
Sunday 9 September, 2-4pm
Mercy Hub, 607 Nicholson Street, Carlton North**

The Season calls us together to rejoice in the good gift of creation and to reflect on how we care for it. In this time of ecological crisis, how are we being called to ecological conversion? Includes afternoon tea.

Registration: Caroline Vaitkunas caroline.vaitkunas@mercy.org.au, including dietary requirements.

Winter Warmer Concert: "The Mayne Event" Diana Mayne & the Templestowe Entertainers will present a Journey in Popular Music 1890's - 1970's. Sunday, August 26th at 2pm at St. David's Church, 1111 Doncaster Rd. (opposite Tunstall Sq) Delicious afternoon tea included. Tickets: \$25. Concession \$20. Book with Laurie 9842 4115

WORLD ROSARY DAY Sunday 7 October

Countries around the world are joining to hold Rosary Rallies across the world to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Together we are calling upon God, through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of the Rosary. The World Rosary will start with a '54-day Novena' on 15 August (Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary) until the feast of the Holy Rosary on the 7 October. Each nation has been asked to pray for its own intentions on the day. The Australian intentions for the world rosary will be family, rekindling of faith and continued Godly protection.

Details: Call Jane from OzRosary 0476 535 595 or <http://holyleagueofnations.com>

Register:

<https://ozrosary.wixsite.com/ozrosary53/contact-us-and-participate>

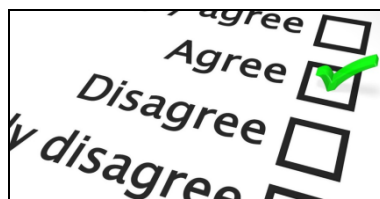
Come Away Retreat

A day of reflection at Holy Cross Retreat Centre, 207 Serpells Road, could be just what you need to lift your spirits after the cold winter. You will be very welcome to come along to Holy Cross on August 29 th .The theme of the day is 'The most beautiful song the world has ever known?' There will be time for prayer, times of quiet reflection, input and our day concludes with a celebration of the Eucharist.

Join us for a cuppa at 9.30am for 10am start and we finish at 2.30pm approx. BYO lunch – beverages available- and a donation of \$20-25 is welcomed.

No need to book unless you are a group. For further information ring Holy Cross on 98466014

Easter Survey Results



It has been a difficult task collating and interpreting all the data for the recent survey so apologies for the delay, however the results can now be reported. It is worth reminding everyone that the prime reason Fr Jerald commissioned the survey was to see whether the liturgies met your spiritual requirements and how he and the Liturgy team can perhaps improve what we do and how we do it.

Considering the above, the response to the survey was rather disappointing in that of the 281 surveys handed out, only 27% were returned; however here is a quick summary.

The low attendance at the Reconciliation, Holy Thursday and Stations of the Cross Services was primarily due to the unsuitability of date and/or time. Most of those who attended were very satisfied with the services, rating them 8 and above. The Palm Sunday Mass was well attended (83% of respondents) and received, with ratings of 6 and above mostly. The attendances for Holy Week (Holy Thursday – Easter Sunday) ranged from 41% to 53% with 'away' being one of the main reasons for non-attendance. There appears to be some preference for Easter Sunday Mass with attendance of 53%, compared to the Vigil Mass at 40%. Most of those who attended the Holy Week Liturgies were satisfied with ratings of mostly 7 and above.

The Liturgy Team would like to thank all those parishioners who took the time to complete the Survey.

Parish Groups

<p>VISITATION GROUP The next Visitation Group meeting is scheduled for Friday, 7th Sep at 10.15am in the Parish Centre. New members are always welcome.</p>	<p>ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY The next meeting will be on Tuesday 4th September at 9.30am. New members always welcome.</p>
<p>SUPPORT GROUP- for widows, widowers and separated The next Yarra Deanery Parish Support Group Gathering will take place in the Narthex of our Church at 7.30pm on Tuesday 21st August 2018. For enquiries, please contact Peter - 0413 015 061 or 9840 6248 or padess53@gmail.com</p>	<p>MEN'S COFFEE CLUB Men of the parish who are shift workers or have retired, on holidays or simply have time on their hands, are invited to meet for a Men's Coffee Club Gathering. camaraderie! Meetings are held every Tuesday at 11.00am in the Drop In Centre. Tel: Kevin on 9848 7858.</p>
<p>1 in a 100 Appeal The next collection is due on Sunday the 26th Aug for the Sisters of Our Lady of Sion Jerusalem and the Palestinians.</p>	<p>DROP-IN CENTRE Open every Monday morning from 11.00am - 2.30pm except during school holidays.</p>
<p>KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS Meet every second Tuesday of the month in the Drop in Centre from 7.30 – 9.30pm. New members always welcome.</p>	<p>PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS Monday and Thursday: 9.00-5.00pm Tuesday and Wednesday: 9.00-3.00pm Friday: 9.00-4.00pm</p>
<p>Ladies Afternoon Tea: Every 3rd Wednesday of the Month at the Drop In Centre at 2.00pm. Call Bernadette for more information on 0414 879 270</p>	<p>Ladies Monthly Luncheon Ladies Monthly luncheon will be held on the first Wednesday of the month. Please contact Muriel O'Gorman on 9840 7484 for more details or to book.</p>

SUPPORTING MINISTRIES

Parish Priest: Fr Jerald Mariadas
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Rosary: Monday to Saturday after Mass/Communion Service

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays after morning Mass until 10.30am
Reconciliation: Saturdays 9.30am and 5.30pm or by appointment.

Baptisms: On 2nd and 3rd Sundays of every month at 12.30pm by appointment

Weddings: By appointment

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

The next Divine Mercy Devotion will be held in our Church on Friday 7th Sept from 7.30-8.30pm. There will be Exposition, Divine Mercy Chaplet and Reconciliation.

**MASS TIMES for partner Parishes of
 Our Lady of The Pines, Donvale
 & Ss Peter & Paul, East Doncaster**

NB. "CS" indicates Communion Service only

	OLOP	SSPP
Monday	-	9.00am CS St Monica
Tuesday	-	9am Mass St Augustines
Wednesday	9.00am Mass- The Passion of St John the Baptist Rosary after morning mass	9.00 CS The Passion of St John the Baptist
Thursday	9.00am CS	9.10 Mass Fathers Day Mass
Friday	9.00 Mass	9.00 am CS
Saturday	6pm VIGIL (on the first Saturday of the Month only)	9am Mass- 6.00pm Vigil
SUNDAY	9:30am	8am, 11am

Children's Liturgy Mass

Our next Children's liturgy mass will be held on the 16th Sept and 21st Oct

Our Prayers are asked for those **who died recently:** especially and for those whose **anniversaries** occur at this time:



Peter Duffy, Ben Villani, Raffaella Villani, Lolene Cotter, Ruby Clifford, Steven Klimidis Joseph Collins, Angela Virgano, Guiseppe Manzzapesa, Irene Dowling, Richard Pratley, Mercurio Cafari, Charles Sargaent, Charles Cross, Lucia Fatone, Gino and Maria Borsato, Antonio Chiodo,

For those who are sick: Madeline Gilmore, Dan McMahan, Ava Pelikan, Teresita Leung, June Webster, Ann Tobin, Joel Pemberton, Angela Selva, Anthoula Miras, Danny Zanon, Margaret Jansen, Teresa Talia, Gaetano and Inez Paolini, Mong Kee Lim, Mary Ritus, Lois Norton Old, Caroline Tang, Salaka Hewamaduma, Priyanthi Perera, Josh Davis, Maree Spinks, Joyce Foo and Peter Wilkinson Pauline Smit, Pamela Bruce, Joy Oxley, Anthony Calcagno and Imogen Giffening.

**1st and 2nd of September 2018 –
 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-8 James 1:17-18,21-22,27 Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23	Projector Operators	
6.00pm Readers Commentator Marie de Kretzer Josie Lim	Nick Soo	
8.00am Readers Commentator Paul O'Connor Diane Neubecker	Frank Smit	
11.00am Readers Commentator Carmel Nigro Suzanne Marshall	James Ting	
Altar Servers 6.00pm 8.00am 11.00am	Maja and Xavier Volunteers Please Clayton and Dominic	
Money Counters	Group 9: Pauline and Brian Donovan Jim Harrison	
	Communion Minister Roster	
6.00pm -Judith Clark, Loraine Lednar Lucia Dorissa	8.00am Michael Liddy Marie Simpson Sheryl Kamath	11.00am Verna Carter Carmel Nigro Frank Burke Suzanne Marshall Nicole Morabito