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WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

SATURDAY 6.00PM.

SUNDAY 8.00AM AND 11.15AM

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.

6th and 7th of April 2019

5th Sunday of Lent - Year C

The 2019 Combined Catholic Parishes Car Raffle is now up and running, with THREE brand new Kia cars as major prizes and a number of Coles Myer Gift Cards for \$1,000 and \$500.

In total there are 14 prizes to be won this year.

The Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle will be on sale from this weekend onwards. This will be on sale until the 14th of April as the draw will be held on the 4th of May. **Tickets are \$20.00 for a book of 20 tickets or \$2.00 per ticket.** SSPP receives \$16.00 in fundraising from every book sold, with only \$4.00 from each book going towards the cost of the Prizes. This is a great fundraising opportunity for the parish and hope that you will be able to support this raffle. This is a fantastic way of fundraising for the community, whilst giving you an excellent opportunity of sharing in some great prizes.

THANKS AGAIN FROM VINNIES

We always thank everyone who contributes to our annual Christmas and Winter Appeals for their generosity, and do so again, because it supports and sustains the year-round operations of our Doncaster East Conference. But there is also a silver lining for us when we collect and bank the contents of the two Poor Boxes at the rear of the Church, which are set into the bricks on either side of the main doorway. These extra contributions are much appreciated, and collectively enable us to go a step further with our responses to those in need in our area of town. A special thank you to everyone who puts spare coins and sometimes large notes into those boxes. Can I encourage everyone in the fortunate situation of having spare cash to see them as your opportunity to help us again. Harry Martin for the Doncaster East Conference.

YOUTH GROUP FUND-RAISING FOR PROJECT COMPASSION

Parish youth group, Young Amazing People, is setting up a stall selling baked goods, craft & pre-loved items after 11.15am mass on Sun 7th April, to raise funds for Project Compassion. Please lend them your support.

Lenten Mass Times

Our Lenten Reconciliation Service is being held on Tuesday the 9th of April 2019 at 7.30pm at Our Lady of the Pines Church, 77 Carbine Street, Donvale. Lent is the time of year when God obligates us to prepare our hearts and to purify our souls so that we are ready to receive Our Lord in His glorious coming at Easter. In this sacrament we can release the past to God's mercy, the present to His love, and the future to His providence. We look forward to seeing you at Our Lady of the Pines on the 9th of April at 7.30pm.

Request for Prayers for Sr Trudy

Sr Trudy would normally be back in Jerusalem now at 'Ecce Homo' following her home leave and recent visit to SsPP. However, Sister has stayed behind in Melbourne because of a problem with heart health that requires the operation set for 8th April. As a strong believer in the power of prayer Sr Trudy would be grateful for your prayers for a successful surgery, and a complete and speedy recovery. Thanks in anticipation of your response, and a promise to keep you updated. Harry Martin

**LENT PODCAST SERIES: THE LENTEN PILGRIM |
WEEK 5: THE WOMAN CAUGHT IN ADULTERY**

<https://soundcloud.com/user-842576877/lent-week-5-the-woman-caught-in-adultery/s-lyCwy>

In this fifth instalment of *The Lenten Pilgrim* podcast series, Cathy Jenkins reflects on the gospel for fifth Sunday of Lent in Year C (John 8:1-11). She says, 'He (Jesus) is in the midst of the conversation when the Scribes and the Pharisees bring a woman to him. We learn that this woman has been caught in the act of adultery. How afraid and humiliated this woman must have felt. We've all had experiences of being humiliated. ... Many of us carry stories of shame and humiliation in our hearts. ... we read that Jesus bends down to write in the ground. The drama of the text now moves to Jesus. Henri Nouwen writes, "There are many examples of Jesus not giving a direct answer to questions put to him by his disciples and others. He does this not because he has no patience with them, but because their questions are the wrong questions." ... This is where Jesus demonstrates a wonderful insight into the human condition. Jesus knows that we all sin at some point in our lives. Jesus knows that we all long for forgiveness and Jesus knows from his own experience the pain of embarrassment, humiliation and shame, and he knows the importance of restoring human dignity and worth.'

Details: For other resources to use during the Season of Lent, please visit the Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation Melbourne website www.cam.org.au/evangelisation.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY MASS

The Divine Mercy feast day mass will be held on Sunday 28th Apr at 2.30pm in the church. If you plan to attend the celebration and are able to assist in various duties such as reading, data operating and hospitality, please put your name and contact number in the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

WORKING BEE ON SAT 13 APR 10AM

Volunteers are needed on Sat 13th Apr at 10am to help clean and spruce up the church in preparation for Holy Week. If you can assist, please contact the Harry Martin at 0421 770

School news

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

It's on again! We are calling on your support to help us to collect as many stickers as we can so we can receive some great classroom and sporting equipment.

Stickers can be left in the collection boxes located in the front office at the entrance to the Middle and Senior classrooms or **they can be passed to the Parish Office and they will pass this on.** The more we collect the more equipment we can receive.



**Fifth Sunday of Lent
7th April 2019**



Salma featured in Project Compassion 2013. At the time she was pregnant with her first child, sick and terribly frightened. In distress, she sought the help of a midwife trained by Caritas' Safe Motherhood Program. Six years on, she's now a healthy mother of two strong, happy children. Salma is committed to giving her children the education they need to provide them with the future she hoped for.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help reduce infant mortality rates in countries like Bangladesh and provide hope to pregnant women in remote communities for happy and healthy families.

Lives change when we all give 100%. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

The Nappy Collective

Our church is a collection point for The Nappy Collective this May, and we need your nappies!

The Nappy Collective gathers thousands of donated nappies, sorts them and distributes them to families in need through more than 200 organisations across Australia.

We'll have a box set up in the Narthex from Friday the 10th of May to Sunday the 26th of May. We'd love it if you could bring in any unused, disposable nappies you no longer need.

Maybe your child has moved up a nappy size, or has figured out toilet training (congratulations!), or you've got a handful of random nappies in the back of the cupboard that you don't know what to do with. Ask your friends with kids, too. Every nappy counts! Your nappy may go to help a mum fleeing family violence, an asylum seeker or refugee, or a family struggling with homelessness, mental illness, drug abuse or extreme financial hardship: people who may have to choose between buying nappies or buying food.

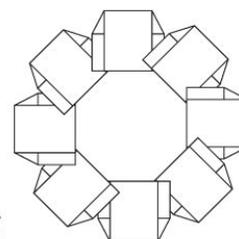
Find out more at www.thenappycollective.com. Or contact Jean Rive on 0408 131 111.

Please note, The Nappy Collective can only take disposable nappies. If you have other items you'd like to donate – such as baby clothes, toys, cloth nappies or bottles – please consider donating them to an organisation like St Kilda Mums, or your local op shop.

LADIES LUNCHEON GROUP DATE FUNCTION

3 APRIL: Stix & Stones
Restaurant, 410 Main Road,
Lower Plenty (9439 4888).
Lunch Menu 1 course with
choice of wine, beer or soft
drink is \$25 and 2 course \$35
with a drink.
Anyone interested please
book with Muriel on 0417
0550617.

Come and Join us!



THE
NAPPY
COLLECTIVE

Parish Groups

<p>VISITATION GROUP The next Visitation Group meeting is scheduled for Friday 3rd May 2019 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 7th May 2019 at 9.30am..</p>
<p>SUPPORT GROUP- for widows, widowers and separated We will advise of the new date for this meeting in due course. 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 28th April 2019 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 <u>except during school holidays.</u></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 .</p>

SUPPORTING MINISTRIES

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 Principal: Mrs Patricia Vandekolk
Pastoral Worker Cheryl Tay: Cheryl.Tay@cam.org.au
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
 and any weekday after Mass

Baptisms: On 2nd and 3rd Sundays of every month
 at 12.45pm by appointment

Weddings: By appointment

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

The next Divine Mercy Devotion will be held in our
 Church on Friday 3rd May 2019 from 7.30-8.30pm.
 There will be Exposition, Divine Mercy Chaplet and
 Reconciliation.

**13th and 14th of April 2019
 Palm Sunday**

Isaiah 50:4-7		Projector Operators
Phillipians 2:6-11		
Luke 22:14-23:56		
6.00pm Readers Commentator	Paul O'Hanlon Joan Easdown	Nick Soo
8.00am Readers Commentator	Diana Ting Frank Smit	Julie Sykes
11.15am Reader Commentator	Frank Burke Angela Gunanayagam	Julika Gunanayagam
Altar Servers	6.00pm	Ashley
	11.15am	Jaden and Joreen
Money Counters	Group 6: Greg Sleeth	Norma and Kevin Smith

Children's Liturgy	On the 1st and 3 rd Sundays, at the 11.15am mass, except during school holidays.
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Our Prayers are asked for those **who died recently:**
 and for those whose **anniversaries** occur at this time: Carolina
 Bevilacqua Colin James Cran, Yutaka Torimaru, Graham Bowen,
 Lucia De Ingeniis, Emilia De Ingeniis , Italia Agresta, Jesus Ureta
 Marcos, Jim Laccione, Daniel Cran Leo White, Edna Nolan
 ,Mazel Hawes, William White, Len Alcock, Zofia Kimnes, Vincenzo
 Spadafora, Gino and Mario Borsato, Antonio Chiodo, **For those
 who are sick:** Madeline Gilmore, Dan McMahon, Teresita Leung,
 June Webster, Ann Tobin, Joel Pemberton, Angela Selva,
 Anthoula Miras, Danny and Alice 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 , Peter
 Wilkinson ,Pamela Bruce , Anthony Calcagno, Imogen Giffening
 , Chin Lan Chan , Audrey O'Connor , Monica Hiew, Tai Thomas ,
 Maraka Stilo, Philip Tay ,Petrina Tay , Pat Carty, Marie Simpson
 Khek Hong Tan, Choi Yeng Chew , Marie and Graham Simpson
 , Joseph K Y Lee Catherine Poon , Anthony Formosa Ann
 Weerappah and Sister Trudy Nabuurs .

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

<i>NB. "CS" indicates Communion Service only</i>	OLOP	SSPP
Monday	-	9am CS
Tuesday	-	9am Mass
Wednesday	9.00am CS – Rosary after morning mass	9.00am CS
Thursday	9am CS	9.00 Mass
Friday	9am Mass	9.am CS 7.30pm – Stations of the Cross
Saturday	5pm VIGIL Palm Sunday	9am Mass- 6pm VIGIL Palm Sunday
SUNDAY	9:30am Palm Sunday	8am, 11.15am Palm Sunday

Communion Minsters

6.00pm	8.00am	11.15am
Lucia Dorissa, Loraine Lednar, Nevisa D'Souza	Muriel O'Gorman, Barbara Gration, Wendy Davis	Rita Gunanayagam, Verna Carter, Nicole Morabito

Did You Know

•The institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper is reported in the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke but not in John. In John (6:1-15), the setting is the multiplication miracle of the loaves. Instead, in John's Gospel, Jesus washed the feet of his disciples at the Last Supper (13:1-11) in an act of service.