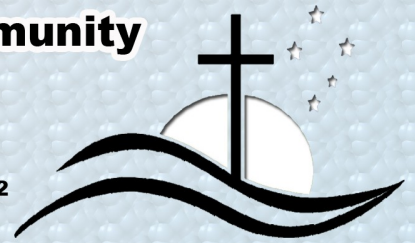




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This Week

SUNDAY 3rd

9am, 11am, 6pm Mass
Baptisms 11am & 12.30

MONDAY 4th

8.30am Rosary
9.00am
Service of the Word
& Communion

TUESDAY 5th

8.30am Rosary
9.00am
Service of the Word &
Communion
9.30am Adoration

WEDNESDAY 6th

7pm Service of the Word &
Communion
30pm Meditation

THURSDAY 7th

No Service

FRIDAY 8th July

8.30am Rosary
9am
Service of the Word &
Communion
9.30am Adoration

SATURDAY 9th

Reconciliation 10.30am
6pm Mass

SUNDAY 10th

9am Mass,
11am Mass 6pm Mass

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Before I said my first Mass an old priest gave me two great pieces of advice. 'You know when the congregation is filled with optimists. After a long series of announcements at the end of Mass and then you say, "and finally..." people take out their car keys!' The 2nd was, 'Never underestimate the burdens people bring with them into the church.' Often we have little idea of the difficulties and pain our parishioners are carrying.' I can only imagine the anxiety and burden some of you are carrying. Whatever it is, Jesus invites you to let go of it, if only for a while, and be at peace. Now all this 'come and rest a while' talk can be very pious and not sound all that in touch with reality. Today's Gospel, however, was written in Jerusalem about 45 years after Jesus' death. We know that this community experienced intense suffering and heavy burdens.

They had been expelled from the Synagogue and were being martyred for their faith in Jesus Christ.

No wonder they held so strongly to the words, 'Come to me all you who are weary and heavy burdened and I will give you rest.' And they found consolation in Jesus' example, 'take my yoke upon you and learn from me for I am gentle and humble in heart.'

Since the first century, however, Christianity has been guilty of trying to spiritually wallpaper over

some tough realities rather than preaching that God is our companion in facing up to whatever our reality is and dealing with it. Our faith is not about praying away our problems or fears and wishing it were otherwise. Our faith means we have experienced the love of God in Jesus Christ so that we never carry our burdens alone. God is our companion and guide and this parish Community, as with every Christian community, is called to be the sort of place where we carry each other's burdens and rest with each other awhile. Jesus didn't come to us as a divine magician, waving a wand over our problems to wipe away all our tears. Rather, he accompanies us so he can show us that the gift of peace and a release from our life's burdens is often found in making right choices.



Sometimes the answer is not simply 'Jesus'. As we all know, for some of our difficulties, there is no spiritual quick fix. There is no cheap grace. The answer is not simply Jesus. In confronting issues, however, it is necessary for spiritual and mental health to take time out, to be as gentle with ourselves as possible, to know that the burden of life is shared so that we can make the decisions that will ease the situation. I don't underestimate the burdens some of you have walked into this church with today. Whatever burden you may have brought with you, may you know a moment's rest, the companionship of fellow travellers and the gift of Christ's peace. Edited from R Leonard

Parish Calendar, News & Events

DIARY DATES

July 3rd-9th: Passionist Community Chapter
July 9th: Farewell for Liz Spear 6pm Mass
July 13th: Cancare Support Group 7.30pm
July 16th: Parish Dinner Dance
July 21st: Workshop Day for Confirmation
July 22nd: Confirmation Mass 7.30pm
July 23rd: Confirmation Mass 6.00pm
July 24th: St Paul Apostle Parish Feast 11am

Thank you to Liz Spear: Liz finished in her role as Parish Bursar/Secretary on Friday. We will have an opportunity on July 9th to show our appreciation of Liz's contribution to the Parish and we know that Liz will still be part of our Parish community. It is difficult to know how to thank Liz for her immense service to the Parish Community. Her dedication to duty and commitment to the parish has been second to none and she will be very much missed by the team but we know she will still share her many gifts with the Parish in her new life. So Liz we'll be ringing you!!

Passionist Chapter-July 3rd-9th: This is a gathering of the Passionist men in the Holy Spirit Province which covers Australia and PNG. It is the gathering at which decisions are made for the next four years and at which the Leadership of the Province is decided. This means that for this coming week the priests of our Parish are away at Holy Cross in Templestowe and will not be available. As a Parish we offer the Passionist Community the support of our prayers for their deliberations and decisions.

Parish Office Hours:

For the next two weeks the Parish Office will be open on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday mornings **10am-1pm only. There will be a number on the answer-phone for emergencies** and if a priest is needed **urgently** we will do our best to get a priest from the Deanery.

Baptisms: Welcome and congratulations to Jordan Gatt, Phoenix and Ella Marateo, Olivia Arena and Austin James Young who will be baptised this weekend. We offer them and their parents the support of our prayers as they take this step in faith.

Confirmation: The Confirmation Workshop Day will be on July 21st 9am to 3pm. Bishop Peter Elliot will be coming for Confirmation on **Friday July 22nd at 7.30pm** and on **Saturday July 23rd at the 6pm Mass.** People who normally attend the Saturday 6pm Mass may wish to attend a different Mass that weekend because of the additional numbers who will be present.

PARISH DINNER DANCE JULY 16TH LAST WEEK FOR TICKETS

**This is great Parish night out
Please consider coming along for a fun night**

Contact:

Oswyn 0434429579;
Kath 0418 328847;
Bernie 0418 590228
Andrea 0433 300458 or
Zoe Cresswell 0411 759784

Share the Journey: Retreat for Young Adults July 29th 7.30pm –31st 12 noon.

If you aged 20+ and up to 35 this might be just what you are waiting for! An opportunity to slow down and to be with other young adults with time to share, reflect and enjoy fun time. This weekend will be led by young adults who are open to the riches of the Passionist Charism and they will be supported by members of the Passionist Community of men and women. It will be at the Passionist Retreat Centre at Templestowe. Cost: \$100 (concession for Students & Unwaged) covers accommodation for 2 nights and meals.

After School Religious Education: Classes will resume on July 19th at 4pm.

First Holy Communion: Family nights will be on August 2nd, 16th and 30th at 7pm.

Vinnies Winter Appeal: There will be an appeal for Vinnies on the weekend of 9th/10th. There will be an opportunity that weekend to give cash for the ongoing work of Vinnies in our community and there will be baskets available for non-perishable in date foodstuffs. Vinnies are also hopeful of new members to help continue this very important outreach. If you are not involved in the Parish already maybe you could consider Vinnies as a way of offering your services to the wider community. Vinnies meet once a month on the First Monday evening for a couple of hours. Visits are done between meetings but you would be doing visits with another person.

Slice Drive fundraiser for World Youth Day Madrid

Killester College are supporting a SLICE DRIVE to assist Meaghan O'Connor in her fundraising efforts for Madrid in August. Please return your order forms this weekend. Payment can also be made this weekend at any Mass. Delivery will be 2 weeks after the orders are placed. **THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

Orders can also be placed by email to rhondaconnor@bigpond.com or on 0408054527.

LIFE



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Life without Barriers is seeking compassionate people willing to share their home with children and adults, who may have a disability, that require their support and care.

Carers can be single, living with a partner or have their own children.

They offer excellent training, support and financial reimbursement to assist carers in enhancing a child or adults quality of life.

For more information please contact us on: hostfamilyvic@lwb.org.au or 03 5990 3200

Website: www.lwb.org.au or lmf@cam.org.au.

Alternatively register online at: www.lmf.cam.org.au

Registrations by Friday 16th July.

Marriage Celebrations: Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th-70th wedding anniversary this year?

The Life, Marriage & Family Office invite you and your families to join us at the Annual Anniversary Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral on **Sunday 24th July at 11.00am** by Archbishop Denis Hart. Couples who register will receive commemorative certificates and packs. To register contact: 9287 5579

Tuesday July 5th 6pm: St Ambrose Centre for Religious Liberty: Public Forum on the Case against Euthanasia. Speaker: Prof Margaret Somerville and Rabbi John Levi. Venue: Christ Lecture Theatre, Australian Catholic University, 115 Victoria Parade, Fitzroy Details: 0418571303

Come Away Day July 21st 10am-3pm: This is a day when people can take some time to reflect on their own lives in the beautiful surroundings of Holy Cross at 207 Serpells Road, Templestowe. It is only 40 minutes from here at most! The day includes Mass. BYO lunch and an offering of \$15-20 is requested.

Other News & Events

Melbourne Single Catholics 35-55, is a free to join social group which offers: lunches, dinners, walks, sporting and cultural events as well as lectures on topics of interest to Catholics such as bioethics and apologetics.

David Schutz, who works for the Archdiocese of Melbourne, is giving a talk on the role of the Pope in the Catholic Church

Saturday July 16th

7:00 PM [St. Anthony's](#), 182 Power St, Hawthorn

Changes to the Mass- Celebrating the Eucharist

Saturday July 16th, St Anthony's Noble Park. The session will be led by Fr Tony McSweeney SSS and aims to deepen our love and understanding of the Mass after which Paul Taylor will introduce some of the new and revised musical settings.

For further information contact St Anthony's on 95468276

Sunday Readings

THIS WEEK:

14th Sunday Year A

Zech 9: 9-10
Rom 8: 9, 11-13;
Matt 11: 25-30

NEXT WEEK:

15th Sunday Year A

Is 55:10-11
Rom 8:18-23
Mt 13:1-23



This weekend we pray for:

Those who are sick

Carla Jeronimo, Suzanne Michel, Teresa Leong, Lisa-Maree O'Hara, Edward Hale, Jorge Canales, Anne Payet, Shirley Frank, Ivan Velupillai, Joan Druett, Jenny Conyers Mckenzie, Joyce Peters, Eklas Odisho, Ator Odisho, Lillian Alyson Jillian Mendoza, Brian Brennan, Cory Brennan, Doreen Harris, Beth Flores, Manuel Guinto, Bert Geileskey, Joseph H. Padamadan, Angela Lai, Khoshaba Zaia, Steve Blackburn, Mary Dirckze, Alyzée Dromart, Maria, Markis Theodore, Edgardo Sotiar

For those who have died

Therese Walles, Joao Ramalhotilman, Rene Boissezon, Jana Bares, Altino De Araujo, Mervyn Setunga, Teresa Yaakoob, Marie McKertish, Ashleigh Robinson, France Meunier, Mateus Bernardino, Nineta Berittella, Ted Rodrigues, Nelie Leitan, Paul Rodrigues, Rita Fanchon, Orlando Papa, Beartrice Wickramasinghe, Louis Guillot, Ivor de Jonk, Sam Wright, Alwin Kirk, Georg Morin, Vincenzo Maratea, Albino Pahor, Santhiapillai Sinnapu, Paul Sinnappu,

May they rest in peace

**St Paul Apostle
Catholic Community**

Priests:

Fr Tim O'Toole CP (PP)
Fr James Fernandez CP
Fr John Auram CP

Pastoral Associates

Sr Joan Smith CP
Sr Brigid Murphy CP

Parish Staff

Mrs Liz Spear
(Administration & Finance)

**Passionist
Community**

Fr Peter Addicoat CP
Fr Brian Gleeson CP
Fr Tim O'Toole CP
Fr James Fernandez CP
Fr John Auram CP

**Sisters of Cross and
Passion**

Sr Anne Cunningham CP
Sr Brigid Murphy CP
Sr Joan Smith CP

**St Paul Apostle
North Primary
School - 9700 6068**

Prinicpal
Mrs Christine White

**St Paul Apostle
South Primary
School - 9700 3663**

Principal
Mrs Helen Greenhill

**St John's Regional
College - 9791 3366**

Principal
Mr Andrew Walsh



Rosters for this Weekend: July 2nd-3rd (1st Sunday of Month)

	6pm	9am	11am	6pm
Welcome	V & C De Zilva	J Bilton M Nadarajah	A Gargano, D Kearney	J Disanayake
Sacristan	M Rolfe	L Lapierre, D De Rozairo	Y Sherwin	K Jayasinha
Gifts	V & C De Zilva	J Bilton, M Magee	O' Connor Family	M Meerwald
Readers & Commtrs.	R Gonsalves, M Pegram, V Ferreira	V Vaifale, J Chadwick, C Carayannis	R or M O'Connor M Anthony, M Martyn	S Fernando
Communion	G Akom, J Stewart, D Turner, D Trindade, A Petryk, J Satya Graha,	P Marion, L & R Alveyn, S & D McGuire, E & M Morales,	V & A Clark, T Bugge, L Newman, C De Silva, S Jayamaha, C Albuquerque, A Gar-	L Rolfe, S D'Roza, C Wickramasinghe, P Mendonca
Servers	K Fernandes, L Mendonca, K Stewart, D & A Gonsalves	M Harper, S Jayasuriya, D De Silva	K Mehes, J Madeira, A Del Socorro	J Weerasinghe

Rosters for Next Weekend July 9th-10th (2nd Sunday of Month)

	6pm	9am	11am	6pm
Welcome	B Carvalho, S Sharp, C Vaz	S De Rozairo, J Aldag	C Boissezon, G Jornet	B Bonett
Sacristan	J Carvalho	A Nadarajah	L Forkgen	N Sangalang
Gifts	B Barnfield A Gonsalves	S & D De Rozairo	Volunteers	Volunteers
Readers & Commtrs.	D Rodgers P Louden	M Vaifale D Vaifale	Y Sherwin G Johnson M Quirin	P Leitan A Tanner
Communion	M & MC Mail-lard, C Quinless C Fernandes, D Rice, G Lock, G Tyszka	V Vaifale, J Chadwick, S & D De Rozairo D Farrell, D Alwis A Perera	S Tranquille, K Rowden, L Forkgen, F Phillips, A Costa, M O'Connor	R & P Torres G Canales, B Bonett, J Hallet
Servers	K Maillard, R Vaz, A D'Souza	K Dimitrakis, V Jayetileke, M Harper	A Del Socorro, M O'Connor, K Fernandes	M McMahon
Communion to the Sick after 9am Mass	Roster A: N Raveche	Viewhills: July 10th : P Shaw Dennis J Chadwick		
Cuppa:	Church Prep Team 2 K Jayasinha & Team	Flowers L Phan	Counting O Trindade, R Nadarajah A Clark	Rosary Almedia Family

Parish Finances

Parish (1st)	Pledged Weekly	Rec'd
T/G Envelopes	\$3,110.38	\$ 2,087.30
(303 pledges (143 received)		
Credit Card &	\$2,333.04	\$2,333.04
Direct Debit (177 pledges)		
Cash		\$ 351.95
Parish Total		\$ 4,772.29
Priests (2nd Collection)		\$ 1,135.55

Thank You

Sacraments:

Baptisms are held on the 1st Sunday of the month. Preparation is on the 3rd Sunday of the month.

Marriages require 6 months notice to one of the priests, participation in a FOCCUS marriage preparation program, or a Centacare Course.

Anointing of the Sick is held during Mass on the 1st Friday of the Month at 9am. Before going to hospital for major surgery, why not ask one of the priests to pray with you and anoint you.

Children's Sacraments require full participation in the preparation phase.