



St Paul Apostle Catholic Community

# One Family

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*The Year of the Priest*



**17th Sunday in Ordinary Time B - 25th-26th July, '09 - No 29**

## This Week

### SUNDAY 26th

9am, 11am, 6pm Mass  
Presentation of  
First Eucharist Candidates  
Deanery Youth Mass 6pm

### MONDAY 27th

8.30am Rosary  
9am Mass

### TUESDAY 28th

8.30am Rosary  
9am Mass  
9.30am Adoration

### WEDNESDAY 29th

7pm Mass  
7.30pm Meditation

### THURSDAY 30th

9am Mass at North School

### FRIDAY 31st

8.30am Rosary  
9am Mass (with Sth Schl)  
9.30am Divine  
Mercy Chaplet

### SATURDAY 1st August

6pm Mass (Vigil)

### SUNDAY 2nd

9am, 11am, 6pm Mass  
Sunday 17B -  
Baptism Sunday

## REFLECTION on the Readings

.....by Dianne Bergant CSA

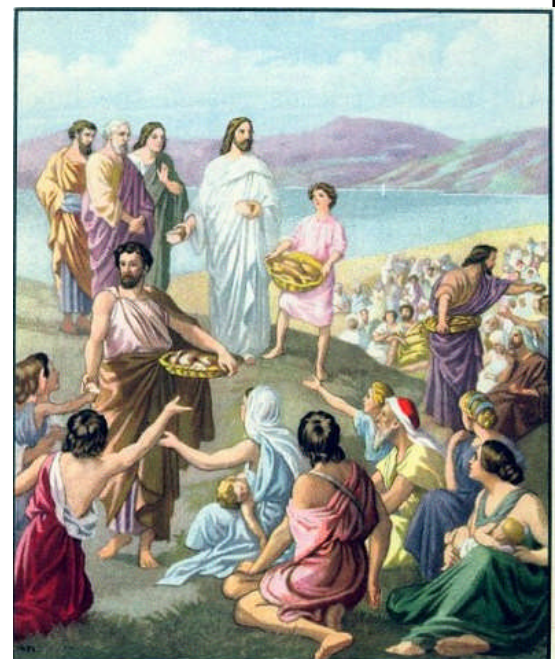
Today we are reminded of God's providence. We live in a world that feeds us and shelters us and supplies us with everything that we need to grow and to thrive, and all of this comes to us from the hand of God. It is usually when we are in desperate straits that we become painfully conscious of our dependence on God, but this dependence is always there. God does not merely intervene when we are helpless; God's providence operates in our lives at all times.

Living in a society that promotes individualism, we sometimes undervalue the communal dimension of life. God certainly cares passionately for each of us (not even a sparrow falls without God knowing it), but God's concern is for the whole people. We are first and foremost members of a people. We would never have seen the light of day, we would not endure or develop, without others. As unique as we may be, we are a unique expression of a communal reality. God created a race; God formed a people; Jesus died for the world. By the grace of God, we belong to the community.

As members of the people of God, we are called to a way of life that is noble, not selfish. We are to live with each other in humility and gentleness, with patience. We are

to bear with one another in love. Through baptism we all live by the same Spirit of Jesus; we are all united through the bond of God's love. The bread that we receive from the hand of God is the bread of full life, life in all its dimensions, life in Christ.

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# Parish Calendar, News & Events

## July

### 26th 17th Sunday B

Presentation of First Eucharist Candidates  
Altar Servers Meeting  
Deanery Youth Mass 6pm

28th ASRE continues each Tuesday  
Confirmation Family Night 2

## August

### 2nd 18th Sunday B

Baptism Sunday  
Family Mass—11am  
Centacare Appeal  
Presentation of Confirmation Candidates

3rd Vinnies Meeting  
YCS meet in Treehouse

5th Pastoral Council

7th Men's Club  
Women's Group

8th Feast of Blessed Mary  
McKillop

### 9th 19th Sunday B

11th First Eucharist Workshop 9-3  
No ASRE  
Seniors Morning Tea

**Welcome Fr Hennessy:** Fr Hennessy is the homilist this weekend. Welcome and thank you!!

**Presentation of First Eucharist Candidates:** This weekend we welcome the Candidates for First Eucharist and their families. We ask that you continue to pray for these young people as they come to the end of the preparation for First Eucharist.

### **Welcome of Baptism**

**Families:** We welcome our Families who will be presenting their children in preparation for Baptism next weekend.

**Apologies!!: St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal:** Correction to figures Last weekend we raised **\$869.90** not \$205.30 for this annual appeal. **Thank you** to those who contributed. Baskets available at both entrances to the church for your donations of non-perishable food items—this way we can top up our Parish St Vincent de Paul group

supplies. Another way of helping others. Thank you for your continued generosity.

**Cuppa after all Masses this weekend:** You are invited to stay around for a cuppa.

**Mens Club Trivia Night:** Thank you the Men's Club and to Dick Barnfield for putting on a super evening. A lot of fun had by all, especially the winners!!

**Renewal Parish Ministries:** Please check Rosters back of news-sheet for 1-2 August—**NB** new ministers included. Copies of new rosters will be available next weekend.

**Thanksgiving—Credit Card givers:** Our credit card on-line payment system requires the expiry date of credit cards. If you receive a new card with new expiry date it would be wonderful if you would let us know—9700 3781 or office@stpaulapostle.com.au. Thank you to those who do contact us with this information.

### **Next Weekend: Centacare Catholic Family Services Annual Church Appeal:**

The Annual Appeal will take place next weekend. Centacare has been supporting and caring for families of the Melbourne Archdiocese for over 70 years and relies on the support of our Catholic community. Please give generously so Centacare can continue to support families to deal with the complex issues they face today.

**Sacrament Stoles:** Thank you to Janelle and the ladies from their Family Group who have spent many a Wednesday evening sewing.

**CanCare:** We are very excited to announce that we received a grant of \$1100 from the Casey Council to help fund some of the activities and towards the practical running costs of our group.

**Threat to Religious Freedom:** Copies of a Pastoral letter from the Victorian Bishops on the threat to religious freedoms are available in the Church today. All parishioners are urged to read this letter and to make it known to others who

share our concerns. Letter has also been posted on the diocesan website:

<http://www.cam.org.au/equalopportunity>

**This Sunday -26th July: Altar Servers Meeting:** All servers old and new are invited to attend at 3pm. Contact Fr James for all enquiries.

**This Sunday: Deanery Youth Mass and Dinner/ Forum:** It's St Paul's turn to host this Deanery evening. Starts with **Mass at 6pm**; followed by **free dinner & Forum**. All young people aged 16-35 years are invited to attend. The theme for this month is **'Gen Y in loving relationships'**. All Parish youth please come along and support this event.

**30th July: Casey Multi-Faith Network Inc. - Annual Gathering 09:** at City of Casey Council Chambers Room 2 at 7pm. "Working together to promote peace, harmony and understanding"- a Celebration of the year's achievements and events. See posters around the Church. RSVP: Pam 9707 2077 or email [jackytaylor@bigpond.com](mailto:jackytaylor@bigpond.com)

**30th July—1st August: "Footloose"** - St John's Regional College presents their musical for 2009. Evenings 7.30pm and Saturday matinee 5pm at the Drum Theatre, 226 Lonsdale Street, Dandenong. Enquiries and booking 9791 3366 (BH). See Poster in Gathering Space.

**8th August: Invitation-Celebration of the Centenary of the Death of Mary McKillop:** at St Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne.

9.30am A celebration of the Story and Spirit of Mary McKillop  
10am: Mass celebrated by Archbishop Hart followed by BYO picnic in Fitzroy Gardens. RSVP by 29th July. Email: [victoria@sosj.org.au](mailto:victoria@sosj.org.au)  
Phone: 9861 9500; Fax 9861 9590  
Parking around Cathedral not much - 2 public car parks \*Metro Parking - Freemasons Hospital, 320 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne  
(Behind Dallas Brooks Centre) -

## Parish Calendar, News & Events...Cont.

Melways 2G – D1. 250 spaces - \$7.00 flat rate for Saturday  
 \*Wilson Parking - Park Hyatt Hotel, St Andrews Place, East Melbourne (closer to Cathedral) - Melways 2G – A2. 950 spaces - \$5 per hour, \$15 maximum per day. See notice in Gathering Space and Notice Wall.

**11th August: First Eucharist Workshop:** 9am-3pm in the Church. All children preparing for First Eucharist need to attend to finalise their preparation. Masses will be celebrated on Saturday 15th 6pm, Sunday 16th 9am, 11am and 6pm; Saturday 22nd 6pm, Sunday 23rd 9am, 11am and 6pm.

**11th August: Seniors Morning Tea** at 10.30am in the Annexe. Bring a friend and a small plate to share. Look forward to catching up, hopefully the weather will be a little warmer, if not we'll put the heater on!!

**12th August: CanCare—Meditation Evening with John Hamilton:** Starts 8pm, in the Parish Centre. Meditation helping healing— Contact Jen 0418 105 401. More detail next week.

**12th September: Shopping Tour:** Diarise this date now!! Don't miss out on a wonderful opportunity to shop cheaply—get more for your money!! Details at both entrances to Church. This is a fundraising venture for Passionists Family Groups. Contact Denise - 9700 6980 for bookings.

**Marriage Encounter Weekend:** We all do things to enhance our lives. Fitness programs and diets to improve our health, in-service programs to improve our job skills. An opportunity for married couples to give a wonderful gift to your children by enriching your marriage through a Marriage Encounter weekend. It is based around Catholic values, but you don't need to be Catholic to at-

tend. Weekends in 2009: **Anglesea 14-16 Aug, and Lysterfield 18-20 Sept.** Website: [www.wvme.org.au](http://www.wvme.org.au)

Bookings: Erika & Peter Smith 03 9899-0824 or Email: vicbookings@wvme.org.au

**17th August: 'Is there really a God? Searching for mystery in a culture of doubt'** is a free public event at The Oratory Newman College, 887 Swanston St Parkville at 6pm. Well known Melbourne journalist Martin Flanagan from *The Age* newspaper together with visiting US theologian and pastor Fr James Bacik will discuss the big questions of faith and spirituality in today's culture and society. Come along for an evening of lively and thought-provoking conversation! For further info visit [www.evangelisation.org](http://www.evangelisation.org)

## Dandenong Deanery

### **Cyrene Centre: Board of Management Nominations**

The Cyrene Centre is an initiative of the Dandenong Deanery to support and assist families touched by addiction to alcohol and other drugs.

Nominations are called from within deanery communities for two vacancies on the Board of Management.

Board members serve for a 2 year period with at least 8 monthly meetings each year. The Board oversees the financial and strategic operations of the centre.

Nomination forms are available in Gathering Space, and completed forms must be returned to the centre by 6<sup>th</sup> August. For more information contact the centre on 9574 6355.

**27th August: Annual General Meeting: Cyrene Centre:** 7.30pm, at St Anthony's Small Hall, 90 Buckley Street, Noble Park. All welcome

### This weekend we pray for:

#### *Those who are sick:*

Heinz Weninger, Pablito Teves, Sr. Ann Halpin, Shoiseeh Younan, Vicky Angeles, Don Nelson, Leslie Thuraisingham, Jeanette Dalzotto, Alyzée Dromart, Joseph Alevado, Robert Kilmartin, Maria Sepulveda, Dorothy de Souza, Markis Theodore, Edgardo Sotiar and Tyler Karunaratne

#### *Those who have recently died*

#### *and those whose anniversaries occur this week.*

Feleicia Pereira, Ellie Kerin, Alfredo Gonzaga, Regin Mariette, Ted Krol, Veta Wickremasinghe, Ajantha Bolonne, Roch Mein, Clare Scannel, Owen Ferreira, Joseph Pepic Jurman, Hedley Hobbs, Vernon Perera, Dorothy James, Annabel Brennan, Angolina Cardona, Mary Jones, Martin De Keyzer, Ignazio Stravato, Erminio Nesich, Barbara Evans

### **Sunday Readings**

#### **THIS WEEK (17th Sunday B)**

2 Kings 4: 42-44

Ephesians 4: 1-6

John 6: 1-5

#### **NEXT WEEK (18th Sunday B)**

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

John 6:24-35

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**Priests:**

Fr Tim O'Toole CP  
 Parish Priest  
 Fr James Fernandez CP

**Pastoral Associate**

Sr Joan Smith CP

**Parish Staff**

Mrs Bev Cresswell (Pastoral & Sacrament Support)  
 Mrs Liz Spear (Administration & Finance)

**Passionists in Community**

Fr Peter Addicoat CP  
 Fr Brian Gleeson CP  
 Br John Auram CP  
 Sr Anne Cunningham CP

**St Paul Apostle North School: 9700 6068**

Principal:  
 Mrs Christine White

**St Paul Apostle South School: 9700 3663**

Principal:  
 Mrs Helen Greenhill

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

Principal: Mr Andrew Walsh



**Rosters for this Weekend: - (4th Week)**

	6pm	9am	11am	6pm
<b>Sacristan</b>	M Maillard	K McArdle	L Forkgen	S Jayamaha
<b>Readers &amp; Commentator</b>	A Rosario, L Flood G Lorenz	A McArdle M Anthony	H Greenhill L Newman	R Albuquerque
<b>Communion Ministers</b>	S Stone S Fernandes G Akom, H Lorenz S, B & J Herbert	M Anthony B & E David J Aldag, F Price F Hall  Janet Bilton (Welcome)	F Lucette J Khoshaba J Solari Y Sherwin C De Souza J Foenander S Jayamaha E Fourlze H Greenhill	B & M Keating K Jayasinha R Mathias J Catania G Calixto N Sangalang
<b>Servers</b>	K Fernandes J D' Souza	M Harper K Dimitrakis S Jayasuriya	D Thevanesan N De Zilva B Goncalves	E. Schumacher C Bird
<b>Cuppa after mass</b>	F & R Martyn	S & D McGuire K McArdle	A Ruiz S Pietrosanto M Ferdinands	B Bonett

**Rosters for Next Weekend: 1st-2nd August, 2009 (1st Week) -NB—New ministers**

	6pm	9am	11am	6pm
<b>Sacristan</b>	M Rolfe	D De Rozairo	Y Sherwin	K Jayasinha
<b>Readers &amp; Commentator</b>	R Gonsalves M Pegram	V Vaifale J Chadwick L Lapierre	R or M O'Connor M Anthony M Martyn	R Albuquerque Somaka Fernando
<b>Communion Ministers And Welcome</b>	G AkomJ Stewart D Turner, L Phan D, & N Trindade P Mendonca M Fernandes  V & C De Zilva (welcome)	P Marion L & R Alveyn S & D McGuire E & M Morales  J Bilton (welcome) M. Nadarajah (welcome)	V & A Clark T Bugge, F Price L & S Newman G Jornet C De Silva  A Gargana (welcome)	S D'Roza C Wick-ramasinghe
<b>Procession of Gifts</b>	Val & Chris De Zilva	Janet Bilton	O'Connor Family	Volunteers
<b>Servers</b>	K Fernandes J D'Souza K Maillard	M Harper S Jayasuriya K Dimitrakis D Dylan	K Mehes N De Zilva A Del Socorro	C Olds E Schumacher
<b>Communion to the Sick</b>	<b>A:</b> R Martyn	<b>B:</b> P Mallac C Kennedy	<b>C:</b> W & J Duyker (fortnightly)	
	<b>Church Prep. Team 4</b> Carvalho Family Y Tamplin G Vellupillay I & V Ferreira J & J Lucas, P Low E Kee	<b>Flowers</b> L Phan	<b>Counting</b> K Jayasinha B Daly, N Rudan	<b>Rosary</b>

**Parish Finances**

Parish (1st)	Pledged Weekly	Rec'd
T/G Envelopes: (326 pledges)	\$3323.70	\$2308.80 ( 141 received )
Credit Card & Direct Debit		\$1859.38 (121 pledges)
Cash		\$ 401.25
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$4569.43</b>
Priests (2nd)		\$ 950.35

**Thank you**

**Parish Sacrament Information**

**Baptisms are held** on the 1st Sunday of the month. Preparation is on the 3rd Sunday of the month. Information from the Parish Centre.

**Marriages require** 6 months notice to one of the priests, participation in a FOCCUS marriage preparation program, or a Centacare Course. Information Forms at the Parish Centre.

**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. Registration forms and Information from the Parish Centre.