

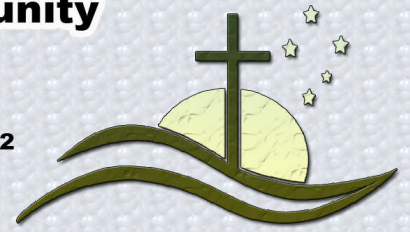


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The year of the Priest



5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr C

6th-7th February, 2010: No 3

The Year of the Priest

The year of the priest was declared by Pope Benedict on June 19th 2009 and continues until June 2010. This coincides with the 150th anniversary of the death of St Jean Marie Vianney (the Cure of Ars) who is promoted as a patron of priests and an inspiration for the pastoral ministry of priests. The year is a means of highlighting the gift of priesthood to the Church.

This weekend Father Tim and Fr James along with 10 other members of the Parish community will be present at the ordination to the priesthood of Br John Auram in Port Moresby. As a parish community we support John in prayer.

The priesthood is a gift from Christ to the Church to continue his ministry of supporting, teaching and leading his people on their journey to God. All the baptized share in the Priesthood of Christ but those who respond to the call to ordained Priesthood serve the Church in a particular way. They are empowered through the Sacrament of Orders 'to the task of representing Christ before the assembly of the faithful, but also of acting in the name of the whole Church when presenting to God the payer of the Church, and above all when offering the Eucharistic sacrifice.' Through the Sacraments, breaking open the Word and their pastoral care they foster the growth of the faith community. The priest serves the community but also needs the support of the community to fulfil the ministry of priesthood. It is together as priest and people that

the Church community proclaims the presence of Christ and reveals God's love and compassion.

Our Parish has been blessed through the service of the priests who have worked here from the early days and continues to be blessed now by the presence of the Passionist Community. In turn the Parish community bless them through active participation in the life of the parish and by supporting them in prayer and friendship.

Later this year we will have an opportunity as a parish to celebrate our priests past and present but we can do this now by praying regularly for our whole community, that we will all be faithful to our baptismal calling. The details of this celebration are on page two.

A Prayer for Priests

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus.

Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. Amen.

We also pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

This Week

SUNDAY 7th

Baptism Sunday
9am, 11am, 6pm Mass

MONDAY 8th

8.30am Rosary
9am Mass

TUESDAY 9th

8.30am Rosary
9am Mass
9.30am Adoration

WEDNESDAY 10th

7pm Mass
7.30pm Meditation

THURSDAY 11th

Combined School Masses
11am

FRIDAY 12th

8.30am Rosary
9am Mass
9.30am D. Mercy Chaplet

SATURDAY 13th

Reconciliation 10.30am
6pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY 9am, 11am,
6pm Mass

Thoughts on Giving: Stewardship Corner

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?' 'Here I am,' I said, 'send me!'"
Isaiah 6:8

Every day—in little ways and in big ways—God asks, "Whom shall I send?" Whether it is someone to take on a new ministry or just someone to open a door for and overburdened stranger, God constantly looks to see if we are willing to respond with the eagerness that Isaiah showed when he answered. "Here I am, send me!"

This weekend we welcome and thank Father Mark Nugent from Templestowe. He and Fr Peter will be covering our Masses this weekend.

Parish Calendar, News & Events

February

- 1st R.C.I.A.
St Vincent de Paul Conference
- 5th Men's Club
- 6th Deacon John's Ordination in PNG
- 7th 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time C**
Baptism Sunday
- 10th Parish Grief, Loss and Spirituality Series
CanCare (Cancer Support Group)
- 11th Combined Schools Opening Mass - 11am
- 15th Start of Lenten program
- 16th Registration Night for ASRE and Sacraments

Baptisms this weekend: Welcome to our Catholic Community: Steve Manganedes, Sierra Burcheri, Mason Cassar, Analise Vicente who are being baptized this weekend. Congratulations!

Donations for gift for John Auram CP: thank you very much for your generosity, we raised \$1136.50

Emergency Appeal for the people of Haiti:

Thank you for your generosity, in total, we raised \$2403. You can also support the Caritas Australia Haiti Emergency Appeal by calling 1800 024 413 or online at www.caritas.org.au

Parish Celebration for the Year of the Priest:

The Parish Pastoral Council is arranging a celebration to celebrate the gift of priesthood to the community of St Paul Apostle Parish. This will take place in the evening of April 28th. and will take the form of a Concelebrated Mass followed by a social gathering.

Priests who have served the Parish have been invited to attend. More details later but please note the date on your calendar.

Vinnies' Bread Run.

A Volunteer is needed for the delivery of bread at 9.30pm on Thursday nights. Please contact the Parish office and the Vinnie's will be in contact.



Safe Community:

St Paul Apostle Parish Pastoral Council is committed to ensuring a safe environment for all who attend activities run by the Parish. There are certain requirements to which the Parish must comply so that certain safeguards are in place to ensure a safe environment for those whom we serve.

All those over 18 who are involved in parish based activities with young people under the age of 18 will need to have a Working with Children check. If you think this applies to you then please contact Sister Bridget at the Parish office.

All those who take Communion to the Sick in their own home or in a Care Facility need to have a Police Check so if you take Communion to a person at home or in Viewhills and do not have a check please see Sister Bridget at the Parish Office.

It is a simple matter of completing a form and supplying certain documents to validate the information put on the forms.

Those working with children and vulnerable adults are also required to sign a code of conduct and we will be approaching people about this in the near future.

St Vincent de Paul—Dandenong Homework and Tutoring Program:

Volunteer tutors needed—anyone over the age of 16 who is willing to commit their time. Held at St Mary's, Primary School, Dandenong. Next Tutor training day Saturday 6th February. Contact Michelle Pereira 0488 363 359 or dandenong.tutor@svdpvic.org.au Details on notice wall.

Rosters for Parish Ministries: Copies of updated rosters for 2010-11 are available this weekend—be marked with your name. Please take your copy home. Ministers of Eucharist and the Word(Lectors), Floral Group, Cuppa after Mass, Church Preparation Teams., There are also rosters for Communion to the Sick in marked envelopes. Rosters were posted or emailed a few weeks ago, if you have not got a copy yet please pick one up (not named).

All copies on table in Gathering Space.

All Readers (Lectors): In order to help you pre-

pare we will email you a copy of the Sunday Readings — we will need to have all email addresses of the Readers/Commentators (Lectors). Please email your address to office@stpaulaposlte.com.au If you do not have an email or this is not suitable for you, contact the Parish Centre for a copy of the readings.

Wednesday February 10th: Parish Grief, Loss and Spirituality Series: Bereavement and Loss:

Have you thought about joining us as we explore the topic of 'change and transition in our lives'?

The course which is being run for five Wednesdays, from 10am to 12 noon beginning 10th February. It will help people gain understanding and knowledge about the issues related to loss and grief and will explore the part played by our faith and spirituality in helping us cope. It will also be especially helpful for all engaged in ministry within our parish; Special Ministers to the Elderly and Sick, Visitation Teams, Funeral Ministry Groups, St. Vincent de Paul, School Staff, carers (caring for a family member), or professional Carers working in Aged Care, etc. It will also be an enriching experience for anyone wishing to participate for their own personal growth. The sessions are free!! Sign-up sheets at both entrances to the Church— please **sign-up today** if you wish to attend.

Starts Mon 15th February: Lenten Group Reflection: at 9.45am and again at 7.30pm for

approximately one hour. The session will take the form of prayer, silent time and shared reflection on the Gospel Readings for each Sunday of Lent. Please sign up as you leave Church today - sheets on the table at both exits. We would welcome hearing from people who would like to participate even if the day and time doesn't suit them. Please indicate a better day and time.

Tues 16th Feb:Registration for Sacraments and After School Religious Education(ASRE):

All children from Gr3 -6 who intend receiving a Sacrament this year are expected to register on the night at 7pm in the Church.

All State School children attending the ASRE are expected to attend as well to register for the ASRE program and the Sacrament program. Cost \$30 for Sacrament Program and ASRE. Contact Bev or Sr Joan at the Parish Centre.

Tues 16th Feb 7.30pm: St John's Regional College

Invites you to attend our Year 7, 2011 Information Evening in the Lecture Theatre. Further information Reception 9791-3366

Tues 16th Feb: St Paul Apostle Netball Club Registration:

7-8pm in the Annexe. From U11 to U17 Teams. Teams play on Saturday from 10am. Enq: Sarah 0411 555 460; Nilla 0403 218 630. More information in Gathering Space.

Wed 17th Feb: Ash

Wednesday: Masses at 9am and 7.30pm.



Wed 17th Feb: CanCare, Cancer Support Group

gather at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. For people who have been touched by cancer in some way— survivor, parent, spouse friend, relative.

21st February: CanCare Fundraising Breakfast for Relay for Life

—after 9am and 11am Mass. Join us for breakfast— Bacon and eggs, coffee and tea. Details soon.

Relay for Life:CanCare (Endeavour Hills Cancer

Support Group: 12th March to Saturday 13th March. If you would like to join our Team in our fundraising effort to support Cancer Research, you are invited to visit the website:relayforlife.org.au and search for Team **CanCare:** Captain's Name: Stephanie Polan to register. \$15pp includes registration and a long sleeve polo shirt.

Sunday Readings

THIS WEEK (5th Sunday—Yr C)

Isaiah 6:1-8

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Luke 5:1-11

NEXT WEEK (6th Sunday— Yr C)

Jeremiah 17:5-8

1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20

Luke 6:17,20-26



This weekend we pray for:

Those who are sick:

Roslyn Bortignon, Neda Maroki, Sean Quessy, Pablito Teves, Paul Hoareau, Shoiseha Younan, Pat D'Cunha, Don Nelson, Leslie Thuraisingham, Jeanette Dalzotto, Alyzée Dromart, Joseph Alevedo, John Kilmartin, Maria Sepulveda, Markis Theodore, and Edgardo Sotiar

Those who have died

Gordon Gebbie, Adam Mitchener, Richard Petrus Wirian, Sebastiano Racosta, John Almeida, Teresa Almeida, Christopher Wijesekera, Marie Junkeer, Henny Budiman, Leslie Michael (Snr), Grace Dhakul, Sylvester Baretto, Lionel Heaton, Virginia Bernardes, Guiseppa Laria, Italo Amoruso, Sue Bonhomme, Mervyn Lopez, Exaltacion Artienda, Val Guinan

**St Paul Apostle
Catholic Community**

Priests:
Fr Tim O'Toole CP (PP)
Fr James Fernandez CP

Pastoral Associates
Sr Joan Smith CP
Sr Bridget Murphy CP

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

Passionist Community
Fr Peter Addicoat CP
Fr Brian Gleeson CP
Fr Tim O'Toole CP
Fr James Fernandez CP

Sisters of Cross and Passion
Sr Anne Cunningham CP
Sr Joan Smith CP
Sr Bridget Murphy CP

St Paul Apostle North Primary School
9700 6068
Principal
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: (1st Week of Month)

| | 6pm | 9am | 11am | 6pm |
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| Welcome | V & C De Silva Eucharistic Min. | J Bilton M Nadarajah Eucharistic Min. | A Gargana Eucharistic Min. | Eucharistic Min. |
| Sacristan | M Rolfe | L Lapierre D De Rozairo | Y Sherwin | K Jayasinha |
| Gifts | V & C De Silva | J Bilton | O'Connor Family | Volunteers |
| Readers & Commtrs | R Gonsalves M Pegram V Ferreira | V Vaifale J Chadwick | R or M O'Connor M Anthony M Martyn | S Fernando D Candido |
| Communion Ministers | G Akom J Stewart. D Turner D & N Trindade M Fernandes A Petryk | P Marion L & R Alveyn S & D McGuire E & M Morales | V & A Clark T Bugge C De Silva S Jayamaha L Newman C Albuquerque | L Rolfe S D'Roza C Wickramasinghe P Mendonca |
| Servers | Sophie Dang Krystal Fernandes Judy D'Souza Karen Maillard Noel De Zilva Jeremy Ferrao | Mark Harper Stefan Jayasuriya Kurt Dimitrakis Dylan De Silva Virendra Jayetileke | Kayla Mehes Aidan Del Socorro Erin Gubatanga Meaghan O'Connor | Elise Schumacher & Volunteers |

Rosters for Next Weekend: 13th-14th February, 2010 (2nd Week of Month)

| | 6pm | 9am | 11am | 6pm |
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| Welcome | Eucharistic Min | S De Rozairo Eucharistic Min | Eucharistic Min | B Bonett Eucharistic Min |
| Sacristan | Volunteer | A Nadarajah | L Forkgen | N Sangalang |
| Gifts | B Barnfield | S & D De Rozairo | Volunteer | Volunteer |
| Readers & Commtrs. | D Rodgers P Louden J Sementhy | M Vaifale, D Vaifale | Y Sherwin G Johnson | P Leitan A Tanner |
| Communion | M-C & M Maillard C Quinless C Fernandes D Rice, G Lock G Tyszka | V Vaifale J Chadwick D Alwis S & D De Rozairo D Farrell | A Perera S Tranquille A Costa, K Rowden L Forkgen M O'Connor F Phillips M O'Connor | R & P Torres B Bonett G Canales |
| Servers | K Fernandes J D'Souza K Maillard N De Zilva J Ferrao, S Dang | S Jayasuriya K Dimitrakis D De Silva V Jayetileke M Harper | A Del Socorro E Gubatanga M O'Connor K Mehes | E Schumacher & Volunteers |
| Communion to the Sick | A: S Tranquille | B: G Calixto R Martyn | C: J & M Duyker (fortnightly) | |
| | Church Prep. - 5 Albuquerque Family Herbert Family A Costa A La Rive F Ferrao | Flowers L Phan | Counting O Trindade R Nadarajah A Clark | Rosary Rasiah Family |

Parish Finances

| Parish (1st) | Pledged Weekly | Rec'd |
|---------------------------------|----------------|------------------------------|
| T/G Envelopes: (326 pledges) | \$3323.70 | \$2395.70 (155 received) |
| Credit Card & Direct Debit | | \$1859.38 (121 pledges) |
| Cash | | \$ 652.25 |
| Total | | \$4907.33 |
| Priests (2nd) | | \$1116.50 |
| Haiti Appeal | | \$2403.00 |

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.