

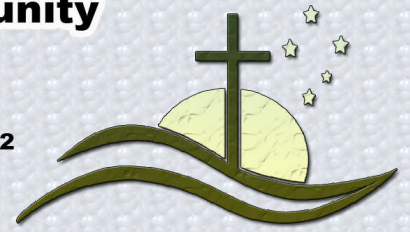


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The year of the Priest



4th Sunday of Lent—Yr C

13th-14th March, 2010: No 8

Let's get ready!

International Women's Day
100 year Centenary
1911 - 2011

What's the vision?

This Week

SUNDAY 14th

9am, 11am, 6pm Mass

MONDAY 15th

8.30am Rosary
9am Mass

TUESDAY 16th

8.30am Rosary
9am Mass
9.30am Adoration

WEDNESDAY 17th

7.00pm Mass
8.30pm Meditation

THURSDAY 18th

9am Mass—North School

FRIDAY 19th

8.30am Rosary
9am Mass (with students-Sth Schl))
After Mass - D. Mercy Chaplet
Stations of the Cross
7.30pm

SATURDAY 20th

Reconciliation 10.30am
6pm Vigil Mass

SUNDAY 21st

9am, 11am, 6pm Mass
(Lent 5C)

...Monday March 8th was International Women's Day across the world. This is a day set aside, since 1911, to highlight and celebrate the political, economic and social achievements of women around the world. This year we have even more reason to rejoice. The news that Mary MacKillop is to be the first canonized saint for Australia is good news for women and for all Australians. She, like many pioneers of social change, challenged both Church and State to recognize the plight of the needy and disadvantaged. Her motto 'never see a need without doing something about it' continues to inspire people yearning for a more just society.

Elizabeth Prout, who founded the Sisters of the Cross and Passion in the mid- nineteenth century, was also a social pioneer who was moved by the plight of the poor in the northern towns and cities of England. These two women would have been good friends if there had been an opportunity to meet. They were committed to a vision of a world where people were cared for and where the Gospel values were made real through compassionate action.

Recently three women known to our Parish community were added to the 10th Victorian honour roll for their respective contributions to the life and development of people here in Victoria. Anne Astin was honored for her contribution for women in bio-chemistry and advocate for rural women. Sr Ann Halpin, now deceased,

was honoured for her role in empowering isolated women and her inclusiveness in the way that she welcomed and cherished people from every race and walk of life and responded to their needs from her heart in founding Wellsprings for Women.

Doreen Akkerman was honoured for her internationally acclaimed service supporting cancer sufferers and their carers.

Whilst the work of some women is widely recognized there are many women in our community who work quietly and often unnoticed nurturing life within families and in their places of work and living the values of the Gospel in reaching out to others. Let's make our celebration of women more than a one day event and let us give thanks for the women in our own lives who have inspired us.

Let us pray for all those women who are denied respect and dignity in our society and around the world. We pray that we, the church, ensure that women are encouraged to flourish within the Catholic community in Australia and that all women are appreciated for the contribution they make in sharing the values of the Gospel in our communities. There are copies of a letter to women from the Australian Bishop's Conference for you to pick up at both entrances to Church.

Parish Calendar, News & Events

March

14th 4th Sunday of Lent C

Children's Liturgy of the Word—11am

15th Lenten Reflection

16th First Communion Family Night 1

17th St Patrick's Day

19th Stations of the Cross 7.30pm

21st 5th Sunday of Lent C

Presentation of First Communion Candidates

Baptism Preparation

Cyrene Centre Promotion

22nd Lenten Reflection

28th Palm (Passion) Sunday

Altar Servers Meeting & Welcoming the new ones.

Appeal Last Weekend for the people of

Chile: We raised \$447.65. Thank you. If you would like to contribute to the appeal, refer to www.caritas.org.au and follow the links; Call 1800 024 413 or locally (03) 9926 5786; Mail to Caritas Australia, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne, 3002.

This Sunday: Children's Liturgy of the

Word: at 11am Mass. All primary school children are invited to attend. Supervised by trained adults. Children leave Mass before the Liturgy of the Word and return by the Offertory. Contact: Sr Joan.

An invitation for the Youth of our Parish



to conduct the WAY OF THE CROSS on Good Friday (Morning Service). We are looking for volunteers who can share their time, talent and energy for this prayerful event. Volunteers please sign the sheet in the Gathering Space. Thanks.

Help needed: to have conversation in English with a Chilean person—Endeavour Hills. You would have to visit his home once or twice a week. Contact Fr Tim.

Appeal for St Vincent de Paul: Vinnies are struggling to keep up with the requests for non-perishable food. Their cupboard is bare! It would be appreciated if you are able to donate non-perishable food (within due date) to help with the shortage. A container will be available in the Gathering Space for your donations. Thank you!

SPAS Playgroup 0-5yrs: Pre-School children and their parent's/guardian's are invited to attend. We meet each Tuesday, 9.30-11am during school terms, in the Annexe. Free during Term 1. Contact South School 9700 3663.

Tues 16th March: First Communion Family Night 1: for all young people receiving First Communion this year. Parent/s to accompany child. Sign in at 6.45pm in the Church.. No Registrations for First Communion will be accepted after 16th. Please bring a pen or pencil.

Next weekend 20th-21st March: Cyrene

Centre: Speakers from the Cyrene Centre will speak at all Masses and there will be an opportunity to donate towards the work they do for families.

Tues 23rd March: Pilgrimage honouring

Blessed Mary MacKillop: Join us for a journey of a lifetime. Pilgrimage leaves Tuesday 23rd March from Williamstown on board the tall ship *One and All*. Concludes Saturday 27th March. Further Information: <http://musicgleelg.com.au> or phone Graeme Firth 0417 166 206. For bookings: Visit the *One and All* website: <http://www.satallships.com.au> See flyer at both entrances to Church

Sun 28th March: Altar Servers Meeting:

All Altar Servers are invited to meet at 3pm in the Church. Contact Fr. James.

Wed: 28th April: Parish Celebration for the

Year of the Priest: a opportunity to celebrate the gift of priesthood to the community of St Paul Apostle Parish. Details will follow.

Sun 4th April: End of Daylight Savings:

'Change your Clock, Change your Battery': Hallam Fire Brigade can give assistance in changing your fire alarm battery if needed. To make a booking, ring the duty officer—8795 7513. Notices at both entrances to church.

10th-11th April: CanCare: R & R Weekend

(Rest and Reflection). At Lysterfield, - Focus of weekend is Relationships. Details at both entrance to the Church. Contact Bev 9700 3781 for details/bookings.

Dandenong Deanery

Faith Festival Program:

This Sunday 14th March: St Mary's, Dandenong—Multicultural Mass and celebration—3.30-7pm
Leaflets at both entrances to Church

Wed 17th March: St. Patrick's

Fun Night: 7pm, at St. Anthony's Big Hall. Why?: Cos everyone wants to be Irish on St. Patrick's day! Cost: FREE. BYO food & Drinks although there will be some genuine Irish Cuisine for sale!!

Sing-along / Dance, if you want to / Trivia
Come and enjoy the Craic

Wellsprings for Women

Wellsprings for Women is offering some new and exciting courses for 2010. All classes are \$5 per week or less.

- Professional Development: Communication Skills (not

just for those in the workforce)

- A variety of activities to build confidence, assertiveness, listening and communication skills.
- Creative Arts – Wonderful Women. An opportunity for Creative & expressive fun

with a supportive group of women. Laughter welcomed.

- Move It—Gentle physical activity for women of all ages.
- Community Kitchen—Make new friends, spend less on food and try healthy new recipes.

Phone 9701 3740 for more details.

Other News & Events

Centacare Catholic Family Services: Marriage Enrichment—investing in marriage

Centacare has a range of Marriage Enrichment Programs. The programs gives couples time-out from the busyness of their lives to focus on their most valuable resource—their marriage. Contact: 9287 5555; centacare@centacaremelbourne.org.au, (*centacare all one word*)

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 attend. The next **3 weekends will be held on 16-18 April, 25-27 June and 20-22 August.** For further information and bookings contact Peter & Erika Smith (03) 9899 0824 or Email vicbookings@wwme.org.au. Checkout the website for more information on www.wwme.org.au

Thurs 25th March: ACU: Invites you to attend a time of prayer and public forum commemorating the 15th anniversary of Evangelium Vitae—the Gospel of Life by Pope John Paul 11. See notice Wall for details or contact jo.grainger@acu.edu.au

Fri 16th April -Sun 18th April: Dads and lads camp:

This is a wonderful opportunity for fathers and sons to spend some quality time together, with each other and with other blokes. Open to fathers, grandfathers, step-fathers, uncles, big brothers- everyone is welcome. Doing bloke stuff and experiencing all the amazing adventures, fun, mateship, great food and wonderful opportunities that young people have experienced for years at Don Bosco Camp.

For more information go to www.donboscocamp.org or ring **5987 2692.**

Sunday Readings

THIS WEEK (Lent 4C)

Joshua 5:9-12;
Corinthians 5:17-21
Luke 15:1-3,11-32

NEXT WEEK (Lent 5C)

Isaiah 43:16-21
Philippians 3:8-14
John 8:1-11



This weekend we pray for:

Those who are sick:

Rose Allen, Carmel Rothman, Mary Dirckze, Francis De Silva, Andrew Bisignano, Neda Maroki, Sean Quessy, Pablito Teves, Paul Hoareau, Shoiseeha Younan, Pat D'Cunha, Don Nelson, Jeanette Dalzotto, Alyzée Dromart, Joseph Alevedo, John Kilmartin, Maria Sepulveda, Markis Theodore, and Edgardo Sotiar

Those who have died

Oswin Leitan, Winifred Kerins, Sheila Watson, Bernard D'Souza, Steven Leveque, Bishop Boulous Rahoo, Gavin Lisk, Elsie Caldeira, Joseph Hanh Vinh Tran, Pierre Castelino, Joe Bonnici, Amelia Quilala, Pat Guinan, Juan Colombo, Therese Jordan, Maria Radgicchio, Emilio Di Paolo, Oi Sing Lay, Matias Jover Snr., Bernadette Dizon, Mary Micallef, Andrew Fowler, Lorenzo Roussetty, Nonie Wilson

**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: (2nd Week of Month)

	6pm	9am	11am	6pm
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, M Quirin G Johnson	P Leitan A Tanner
Communion Ministers	M-C & M Maillard C Quinless C Fernandes D Rice, G Lock G Tyszka	V Vaifale, D Alwis J Chadwick S & D De Rozairo D Farrell, A Perera	S Tranquille A Costa, K Rowden L Forkgen M O'Connor F Phillips	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

Rosters for Next Weekend: 20th-21st March, 2010 (3rd Week of Month)

	6pm	9am	11am	6pm
Welcome	L Phan Eucharist Min	D and S McGuire Eucharist Min	Eucharist Min	Eucharist Min
Sacristan	P Miller	S and D McGuire	Volunteer	K Jayasinha
Gifts	J Sementhy	D and H Jayasuriya	O'Connor Family	Volunteers
Readers & Commtrs.	A Rosario, K Rolfe R Young	N Dimitrakis E Choo	A Astin, C De Silva	M Keating K de Alwis P Mendonca
Communion	P Negri M & I Whiteman M Boissezon C Emmanuel L Phan, A Drego G Mutthumani	E & W San Giorgio A Nadarajah M La Blache D Vaifale, D O'Hara P Smith	Z Carlow, W Barr G Johnson D Kearney R O'Connor M Dawson E Fourlze	M Meerwald D Candido E Rebeiro V Hassett P Carvalho K de Alwis
Servers	J D'Souza K Maillard N De Zilva J Ferrao, S Dang K Fernandes	K Dimitrakis D De Silva V Jayetileke M Harper S Jayasuriya	E Gubatanga M O'Connor K Mehesn A Del Socorro	E Schumacher Volunteers
Communion to the Sick	A: S Tranquille	B: G Calixto R Martyn	C: J & M Duyker (fortnightly)	
	Church Prep. -4 Carvalho Family Y Tamplin G Velupillay I & V Ferreira J & J Lucas	Flowers No Flowers during Lent	Counting K Jayasinha N Rudan	Rosary O'Donovan- Family

Parish Finances

Parish (1st)	Pledged Weekly	Rec'd
T/G Envelopes: (326 pledges)	\$3323.70	\$2249.50 (149 received)
Credit Card & Direct Debit		\$1859.38 (121 pledges)
Cash		\$ 527.00
Total		\$4635.88
Priests (2nd)		\$ 994.30

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.