



The Holy Family

PARISH COMMUNITY

WEEKEND BULLETIN

Integrating the Catholic Communities of West Footscray, Maidstone & Braybrook in the Archdiocese of Melbourne

Most people who come to Jesus walk away happy. But not so to the man found in today's Gospel. Jesus offers to set him free from his undue attachment to riches by asking him to sell his possessions and give them to the poor. But the rich man had come to a point when his possessions started to possess him.

1st Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

Response: Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

2nd Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

Alleluia: Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30

Prayer: Hear the prayer of your Church, O Lord.

AN INVITATION WITHOUT COMPROMISE

- Fr. Gerald Binegas, RCJ

One of the many surprising things about the New Testament is its honesty. In AN INVITATION WITHOUT COMPROMISE

In the Old Testament, wealth is seen as a sign of divine favor so that when one turns poor, it means that he has displeased God by committing a grave sin. Job is reminded of this when, visited by friends after losing his children and property, he is told: "So you might learn that God will make you answer for your guilt."

In the Gospel, the young man who has "many possessions" thinks he is blest and so enthusiastically approaches Jesus, asking him what he must do to gain eternal life. He hopes perhaps to hear an affirmation that he has been blessed by God and that he need not do extraordinary things because he has already followed the Ten Commandments from childhood. God

What he hears from Jesus is a "shocker": he is invited to sell his possessions, give to the poor, and follow Jesus. He is asked to make a radical choice, one that does not know of accommodation and compromise. And the young man fails to measure up to the greatest challenge of his life. His wealth, instead of being a blessing, becomes a stumbling block to his gaining eternal life.

Jesus has been clear about discipleship from the beginning, it is a dying to self, a carrying of the cross after Jesus. Eternal life is not gained the easy way. The young man does not steal because he has enough. Compared to the less fortunate, he has all the reasons to follow the commandments because he "owes" it to God for blessing him. But the case of give and take is beside the issue. It is rather the choice between the kingdom of God and money. "No servant can serve two masters... You cannot serve God and mammon." Once money becomes the most important thing, the person is already worshipping it as his "god."

In the story of the young man, Jesus defines discipleship not as masochistic scorn for material goods but as a life of "maximum love." The "culture" of the kingdom, revealed by this discipleship, has much to say to a world bedeviled by materialism. Riches signify so many things: proud self-sufficiency, the supremacy of the law of profit over that of morality, the utter inequality in the use of the earth's goods, the search for pleasure and vanity.





Mass Intentions for the Week

Special Intentions & Thanksgiving

Dallimore Family

Eternal Repose

RECENTLY DECEASED: Bernard Gjoni.

ANNIVERSARIES: Peter Do Van Tri

Comfort & Healing

Cesare Bettoni, Nip Frogosa, Jack Considine, Rutillo Llovito, Sabrina Janz, Roselyn David, Carozon Robles, Remedios Laplana, Patricia Shires, Jose Mastruzzo, Glad Trevillian, Tony Rabusin, Nell Monagle, Fortunata Scalzo, Leone Morganti, Jamie Dumapias, Cesar Banzon, Sydonia Maslanyk, Margaret Horley, Marie Henwood, Leonie Drayton, Pauline Drayton, Allan Arias, Lawrie Green, Billy Frankland, Edgar Dacaldacal, Roger Joseph Ochoa, Josephine Grima, Barry Hyett, Loretta Mills, Cassandra O'Keefe.

Mass Schedule

SUNDAY

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| St. John's | 8:00 am |
| Christ the King | 9:30 am |
| Our Lady's | 10:00 am |
| Vietnamese Mass | 3:00 pm ¹ |
| Filipino Mass | 3:00 pm ² |
| Christ the King | 5:00 pm |
| Our Lady's | 6:30 pm |

MONDAY

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| Christ the King | 8:00 am |
| Our Lady's | 8:00 am |

TUESDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY

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| Christ the King | 8:00 am |
| Our Lady's | 9:00 am |

WEDNESDAY

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| Christ the King | 8:00 am |
| Our Lady's | 9:00 am |
| | 7:00 pm ³ |

THURSDAY

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| Christ the King | 9:15 am |
| Our Lady's | 8:00 am |

SATURDAY (Vigil Mass)

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| Our Lady's | 5:00 pm |
| Christ the King | 6:30 pm |

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday after the morning Masses and 30 mins. before the evening Masses.

BAPTISMS

3rd Sunday of the month

MARRIAGE

3 months-notice required.

¹ Sunday Masses in Vietnamese are held at Our Lady's Church every 2nd and 4th Sundays and at Christ the King Church every 1st and 3rd Sundays.

² Mass in Filipino is held at Our Lady's Church every 1st Saturday and third Sunday of the month at 3:00 pm.

³ The Wednesday evening Mass incorporates the Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

Vocation View

Hebrews

4:12

"The word of God is living and effective." To know the Scriptures, is to know Christ. Maintain a pattern of reading the Scriptures daily to help hear the call you have been given by God. (Hebrews 4:12)



EDGE is way more than effective catechesis. It's Catholic Middle School Youth Ministry that helps young people with life's most challenging years.

Edge Nights takes place Friday evenings. Kids between 10-13 years old are invited and encouraged to attend. **Interested in helping out?**

Contact: Christine at olckedge@gmail.com

Our Lady's Large Hall 7.00-9.00pm



RCIA

Our parish is commencing a program for Adults who wish to become Catholics. It goes for 14 Thursdays at 7pm in the Parish Pavilion. Please contact the Parish Office for more details.

20-21 October 2018

MINISTRIES & SERVICES

| | | | Comntr | Lector/s | Eucharistic Ministers | Choir |
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| SAT | 5:00pm | OL | Jerese Sawadan | Joward Sawadan | Agnes Attard & William Napiza | Our Lady's Choir |
| | 6:30pm | CTK | Peggy Dias | Rose Thomas | Alicia Alcantara & Coral Le'Toille | St. Cecilia's |
| SUN | 8:00am | SJ | Lang Phan | Anna Nguyen | Robert Brennan | - |
| | 9:30am | CTK | Christopher Chu | Christine Chu | Lan-Anh Tuyet, Jim Proctor & Rosaline Raymundo | CTK Church Choir |
| | 10:00am | OL | Albert Agbamey | Hung Lam | Thanh Le & Hong Le | OL Church Choir |
| | 3:00pm | CTK | | | | Trinh Vuong |
| | 5:00pm | CTK | Kelly Maglalang | Kimberly Lam | Kathe Casas | Mother Teresa |
| | 6:30pm | OL | Julietta Uy | Nenita Castillo | Benedict Alvares | Coro di Dio |

Next Week's Readings

Isaiah 53:10-11
Hebrews 4:14-16
Mark 10:35-45



St Vincent de Paul Society
VICTORIA
good works

The Holy Family Parish St Vincent de Paul Conference says Thank-you!

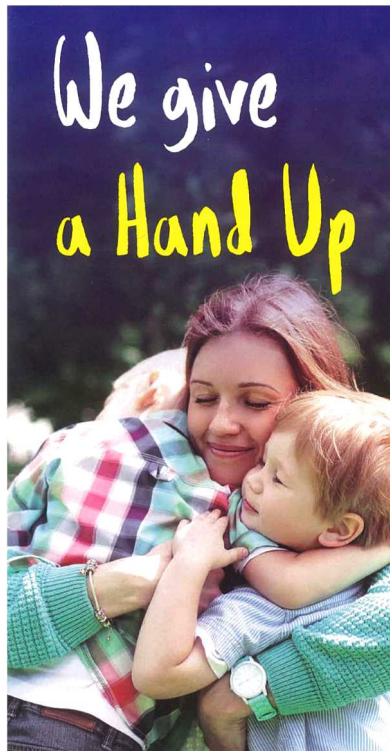
The 11 members of our Parish St Vincent de Paul Conference respond to requests for help from individuals and families who live within our Parish boundaries and are experiencing difficulties - we visit them in their home. We are responding to the Gospel call to Love your neighbour.

In the 2017/2018 year we assisted 184 households in 344 visits, providing assistance valued at over \$67,400. Assistance is mainly food and furniture. We hope that we also provide support, encouragement and simple advice.

Thank-you particularly to the Italian Prayer Group, Christ the King School, Caroline Chisholm Catholic College and St Bernadette's School in North Sunshine for assisting us financially and with food and toys.

Much of our help is funded by our Vinnies stores, so if you have donated items to, or purchased from a Vinnies store, you have helped our work. Thank-you!

We could always use some more help with our visits – we have been operating in the Parish for over 90 years! If you are interested and would like to know more, please send an email to svdp.maidstone@gmail.com



THANKSGIVING
Offering

**New Thanksgiving
Envelopes are ready in
our Churches, please
retrieve your new set.**

SCHOOLS

St. John's Catholic School
34 Essex St., Footscray West VIC 3011
Tel: 9687 3150 : Fax: 9687 9166
principal@sjfootscray.catholic.edu.au

Christ the King Primary School
28 Riley Court, Braybrook VIC 3019
Tel: 9311 7387 : Fax: 9312 6755
principal@ctkbraybrook.catholic.edu.au

Caroline Chisholm Catholic College
65 Churchill Ave. Braybrook VIC 3019
Tel: 9296 5311 : Fax: 9296 5381
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CONTACT INFORMATION

CHURCHES

Christ the King Church
67 Churchill Avenue, Braybrook VIC 3019

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church
46 Ballarat Road, Maidstone VIC 3012

St. John the Evangelist Church
34 Essex Street, Footscray VIC 3012

"It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."

- MARK 10:25

Jesus uses tough language that we may not want to hear. But, we are all called to be generous with all our gifts. Not just the ones we pick and choose, but all our gifts: our time in prayer to God, our talent in participating in parish ministries and our treasure supporting our local parish and other charities.

stewardship

St. John's Church

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| Presbytery | \$121.90 |
| Church | \$213.60 |

Our Lady's Church

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| Presbytery | \$1,001.10 |
| Church | \$1,331.90 |

Christ the King Church

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| Presbytery | \$768.00 |
| Church | \$999.10 |

The first collection (Presbytery) supports the Parish Priest, his Assistant, the sick and retired Priests and the Archbishop

The second collection (Thanksgiving Envelopes) supports the Parish and the expenses of the Archdiocese.

*Fr. René Ramirez, RCJ
Parish Priest*

*Fr. Gerald Biñegas, RCJ
Assistant Priest*

*Sr. Helen Robinson, RSJ
Hospital Pastoral Associate*

*Huong Nguyen & Tram Nguyen
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Send O Lord, Holy Apostles into Your Church!

Some Photos of the Meeting about the Plenary Council 2020 in Vietnamese last 11th October 2018.



This week's events

OCTOBER

- 15th MON** 8:00 Mass at CTK
No Mass at Our Lady's
- 16th TUE** 8:00 Mass at CTK
No Mass at Our Lady's
- 17th WED** 8:00 Mass at CTK
No Mass at Our Lady's
Perpetual Help Novena
no 7:00PM Mass
- 18th THU** 8:00 Mass at CTK
No Mass at Our Lady's
- 19th FRI** 8:00 Mass at CTK
No Mass at Our Lady's
- 20th SAT** 8:00 Mass at CTK
No Mass at Our Lady's
- 21st SUN** Filipino Mass

YOU



'You are Mission'

Next weekend our parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission World Mission Appeal. This year we are invited to consider how we can answer Pope Francis' call to be a part of mission, and how we can support mission globally. Please come prepared next weekend to give generously.

Free call: 1800 257 296 catholic-mission.org.au/youaremission

catholic mission
Reach out. Give life.



Plenary Council 2020

Cleaning Roster Our Lady's (Maidstone)

7-13 October
Thi Cuc Vu

14-20 October
K. Nguyen

21-27 October
Legion of Mary



To find out more ways on how you can help improve our Parochial Community please contact Huong or Tram at ((03)9317-9258 • (03)9317-9298 from Tuesdays to Saturdays, between 9:00am to 12:00 noon with email: maidstone@cam.org.au or visit our website at www.hfp.org.au