



The Holy Family

PARISH COMMUNITY

WEEKEND BULLETIN

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

Today, the whole Church celebrates World Mission Sunday with the theme: "Together with young people, let us bring the Gospel to all." Pope Francis invites all Christians especially young people to be not afraid of Christ and his Church because "it is where we find the treasure that fills our life with joy." In the Gospel, Jesus also reminds us that it is not power or authority, nor wealth or seats of honour that will bring us closer to him but by being a servant to each other. Only in true and honest service to one another will we obtain Christ's favour. Do we think more of power and being honoured rather than rendering honest service?

1st Reading: Isaiah 53:10-11

Response: Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

2nd Reading: Hebrews 4:14-16

Alleluia: The Son of Man came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for all.

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

Prayer: Loving Father, listen to our prayer.

The Throne of Grace

"Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left" (Mark 10:37)

People can endure almost anything if they know there will be an end to their suffering and that there will be some recompense. In today's gospel James and John have just heard Jesus speak for the third time about being handed over, mocked, scourged, and condemned to death. Unlike Peter, whose response when Jesus first spoke about this was to reject such a scenario, the Zebedee brothers focus their attention on what reward they will gain if they endure such abuse. They envision Jesus enthroned in glory after his ordeal and themselves seated in the places of honour at his right and left. The other disciples are indignant with the two brothers, probably not because James and John have missed Jesus' message but because they beat the others in requesting the honourable spots!

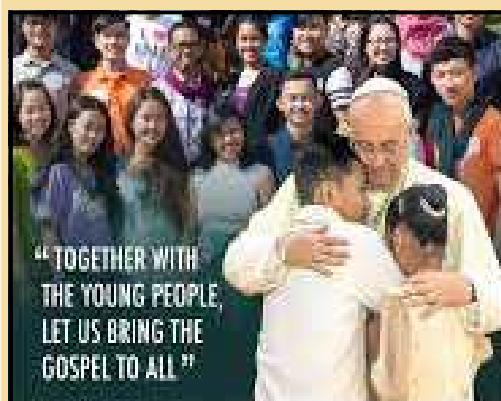
In response Jesus uses two powerful symbols. He asks if James and John can drink the cup that he will drink and whether they can be baptized with the baptism he will undergo. In the Scriptures, "cup" is frequently used as a metaphor for suffering. That meaning is clear in the Gethsemane scene where Jesus begs God to let the cup pass him by if possible. Likewise, baptism here signifies being plunged into suffering and going through the throes of death, to emerge into new life.

The self-confidence James and John exude is astounding. They quickly assert that they can drink this cup and undergo this baptism. But do they really know what they are saying? Their eagerness leads us to reflect on our own ability to answer Jesus' questions. Perhaps there have been times when we eagerly said "I do" or "We can," without fully knowing to what we were committing ourselves. Or we may know full well the demands of dedicating ourselves to Jesus' way of costly love, but the thought of a reward seems to make it worth the price.

Jesus takes the disciples another step deeper. The reward for which they hope beyond this life is not within Jesus' control to give, and it must not be their motivation. Jesus speaks disapprovingly about any who seek displays of greatness and authority over others — apparently even in the next life. The hope of reversal, of the servant becoming enthroned, is not what motivates Jesus, nor should it motivate his disciples.

The only "throne" that he shares with his disciples is the "throne of grace" (Heb 4:16). Here, one receives not places of honour alongside him but mercy, grace, and timely help (Heb 4:16). The wellspring for this mercy is that Jesus has himself endured all that we endure, and is thus able to suffer with all those who suffer. The attempt to explain the suffering of Jesus or of any good person by assuring future reward falters. A different explanation is found in the first reading, where the servant's suffering is spoken of as a vicarious offering for sin, which sets aright the relationship of many sinners with God. In the gospel Jesus speaks similarly about his life given as a "ransom for many." "Ransom" refers literally to the buying back of the freedom of a slave. It too is a metaphor that expresses in a limited way the freeing effects of Jesus' costly love. But this metaphor can lead us to slip again into a tit-for-tat mentality, in which a reward can be purchased or earned.

Today's responsorial psalm captures the core of what Jesus attempts to teach his disciples: the only adequate response to suffering is to turn toward the Merciful One, in whom we place all our trust. This is not an explanation for how a merciful God can allow innocent persons to suffer, but it is the response of faith. As we immerse ourselves in God's mercy, we are baptized in a love that is stronger than suffering and death.



**WORLD MISSION
SUNDAY**

OCTOBER 21, 2018

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Special Intentions & Thanksgiving

Dallimore Family

Eternal Repose

RECENTLY DECEASED: Carla Giacomelli, Giuseppe Manoria, Antonia Romeo.

ANNIVERSARIES:

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

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

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

TUESDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

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

SATURDAY (Vigil Mass)

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.

Next Week's Readings

Jeremiah 31:7-9
Hebrews 5:1-6
Mark 10:46-52

Vocation View

Greatness in the Kingdom is found not in ruling and lordship, but in service. Daily, we must put the needs of the other before our own.
(Mark 10:35-45)



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.

27-28 October 2018

MINISTRIES & SERVICES

			Comntr	Lector/s	Eucharistic Ministers	Choir
SAT	5:00pm	OL	Leanne Ma	Lyette Almeida	Yvonne Jose & Benjamin	Mary's Choir
	6:30pm	CTK	John Ho	Quang son Ho	Hoa Ton & Shane Caldwell	St. Cecilia's
SUN	8:00am	SJ	Charles Budiman	Sr Joan	Robert Brennan	-
	9:30am	CTK	Merri Balauca	Gavin Brennan	Rosaline Raymundo, Jim Proctor & Lan-Anh Tuyet	CTK Church Choir
	10:00am	OL	Albert Agbamey	Austin Leong	Lorraine D'Silva & Fred Lipana	OL Church Choir
	3:00pm	OL				Nu Vuong
	5:00pm	CTK	Lorraine Rodrigues	Kelly Maglalang	Kathe Casas	Mother Teresa
	6:30pm	OL	Frank Unger	Benedict Alvares	William Napiza & Teresa Napiza	Himiq Filipino



'You are Mission'

Pope Francis has called every man and woman to be a part of mission. In his World Mission Day message he speaks especially to the youth to take an active role in mission, however also reminds us that 'mission revitalises faith' and that all Christians are called to mission as we are children of God.

Catholic Mission supports life-giving work in 160 countries around the world. Today you will learn one of the many stories from

people and projects that have benefitted from the prayers and dedicated support of people like you.

By supporting the Catholic Mission World Mission Appeal today, or by partnering with us through your monthly gift, you can be a part of mission and support those in need all around the world. Please give generously and keep missionaries and communities in your prayers.



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

"For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."

-MARK 10:45

If you held a mirror up to your life, would it reflect God's love and mercy? If you are struggling with this, try changing your attitude from "I want more" to "thank you God for everything you have given me, I have enough to share". This change in perspective will bring you joy through service to others.

CREATING CHILD SAFE PARISHES WORKSHOP

The Professional Standards Unit is offering a series of workshops commencing in November 2018 in relation to safeguarding children, youth and vulnerable persons.

Upcoming workshops resulted from recent consultations with parishes, agencies and entities and feedback from their recent survey to parishes. This workshop is the first offering in the Safeguarding Training Series.

The workshop is suitable for any person who has a role in safeguarding children and vulnerable persons within CAM parishes, agencies and entities, including parish priests, parish secretaries, child safety officers, child safety committee members, parish council members, employees and volunteers.

Workshop Details:

Tuesday, 13 November 2018, 10:30am – 12:30pm (light lunch provided)

OR

Wednesday, 14 November 2018, 7:00pm – 9:00pm (light supper provided)

Location: Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne

Attendance at the workshop is free – but registration is required. Please register your attendance via the TryBooking link – <https://www.trybooking.com/YJGN>.

Please contact the Professional Standards Unit on (03) 9926 5621 or via email professional.standards@cam.org.au for any additional information.

stewardship

St. John's Church

Presbytery	\$131.55
Church	\$192.15

Our Lady's Church

Presbytery	\$1,455.80
Church	\$1,876.85

Christ the King Church

Presbytery	\$810.15
Church	\$1,159.30

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.

SCHOOLS

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Send O Lord, Holy Apostles into Your Church!

Dearest Parishioners,

A group of dedicated and devoted parishioners have initiated a project to construct a Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes. This is a welcome initiative especially because our Church in Maidstone is dedicated to our Lady and has been established as a shrine to Mary. I would like to invite the devotees of our Mother Mary to take this opportunity to take part in this project so that together we may be able to realize this beautiful ornate for the garden at the side of the Church. We have already acquired the image of Our Lady of Lourdes and we are hopeful that together we can realize a beautiful Grotto to put her.

There have been good hearted architects and engineers whom we have initially consulted for the conceptualization of this project and they too have agreed to volunteer part of their work for this initiative.

Should you wish to take part in this project, please contact the Parish Office on 9317 9298 or Thanh Vu at 0404 121 929.

Kính thưa quý Ông Bà và Anh Chị Em trong Giáo xứ,

Một nhóm giáo dân, luôn nhiệt tâm và cố gắng, đang khởi xướng một dự án về xây dựng tượng đài Đức Mẹ Lộ Đức bên cạnh nhà thờ Our Lady. Đây là một sáng kiến nên được tiếp nhận một cách đặc biệt bởi vì nhà thờ Our Lady ở Maidstone là dành riêng cho Đức Mẹ - được thành lập như là một nơi để tôn kính Mẹ Maria. Vì thế, tôi muốn mời gọi tất cả các giáo hữu, những người sùng kính Mẹ Maria, nhân cơ hội này hãy tham gia vào dự án để chúng ta có được một tượng đài thật đẹp để Đức Mẹ hiện diện.

Có những kiến trúc sư và kỹ sư rất hào tâm đã tư vấn và cho chúng tôi những ý tưởng ngay từ lúc đầu của dự án và họ cũng đồng ý giúp chúng ta một phần việc công việc của họ cho sáng kiến này.

Nếu quý vị muốn tham gia vào dự án này, xin vui lòng liên hệ Văn phòng Giáo xứ hoặc Thanh Vũ qua số 0404 121 929.



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Cleaning Roster Our Lady's (Maidstone)

28 October-3 November
Thi Cuc Vu

4-10 November
K. Nguyen

11-17 November
Legion of Mary



This week's events

MONDAY 10.00 am	22nd October Italian Prayer Group O/L
WEDNESDAY 7.00 pm	24th October Novena/Mass O/L
FRIDAY 6.30 pm	26th October Exposition & Adoration CTK
SUNDAY 3.00 pm	28th October Vietnamese Mass O/L



THANKSGIVING Offering

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



Plenary Council 2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...



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