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

The institution of marriage has always been under attack. Entering a marriage when either or both partners are ill-prepared does not help the resulting union. The pressures of modern living further weaken it. Many no longer consider marriage as a lifetime commitment. Questioned about divorce, Jesus points to the beginning of creation and declares that what God has joined together, no human being must separate. May the Eucharist unite married couples more intimately with Christ that they may witness to God's faithful love for his people.

1st Reading: Genesis 2:18-24

Response: May the Lord bless us all

the days of our lives.

2nd Reading: Hebrews 2:9-11

Alleluia: If we love one another,

God will live in us in perfect

love.

Gospel: Mark 10:2-16

Prayer: Listen to our prayer, loving

Father.



One Flesh...

Today's readings remind us that men and women are called to leave their parents, marry, and become one flesh. This image of a married couple as one flesh has captured the imagination and the spiritual convictions of believers from the dawn of creation.

When a man and a woman come together in a love of total mutual self-giving, it reflects the inter-Personal love within the Most Holy Trinity: when Adam sees Eve for the first time, he recognizes a part of himself, someone without whom he would be incomplete, someone who was missing in his life.

For those called to marriage, God has blessed two people with someone out there with whom they can be complete, be whole. The Lord respects their freedom to enter into the marriage covenant with each other, and, for believers, promises to help them with the spiritual graces of the sacrament of matrimony.

In the difficult moments, it is important to remember not just the emotions of first love, but the fact that God has joined man and woman, and God will help them remain united; they just have to keep striving to seek each other's good.

In today's Gospel Our Lord teaches us about marriage in response to some sticky questions posed by the Pharisees about divorce to trip him up.

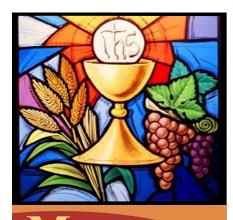
Marriage was a complex issue back then, and it has not grown any easier in today's society. This is one of the few Gospel passages where Our Lord sees the need to correct an interpretation that Mosaic law made; usually, Our Lord exhorts a more profound observance of the Law, not a correction to it.

He teaches in today's Gospel that marriage is something established between a man and a woman, but it is also a bond forged by God. As a bond forged by God, the married man and woman also receive spiritual help in remaining faithful to each other.

The Pharisees in Jesus' time were debating whether divorce was allowed for either a serious reason or less serious reasons, as two Rabbinical schools at the time were contending, trying to interpret Mosaic law's concession of divorce in some cases.

Jesus responded that neither school was correct: divorce was not part of God's plan "from the beginning."

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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 pm²

 Filipino Mass
 3:00 pm²

 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 pm³ **THURSDAY**Christ the King 9:15 am

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

Wisdom 7:7-11 Hebrews 4:12-13 Mark 10:17-30



Mass Intentions for the Week

Special Intentions & Thanksgiving

Dallimore Family

Eternal Repose

<u>RECENTLY DECEASED</u>: Benedict Nguyen Thanh Khiet.

ANNIVERSARIES: Giuse Nguyen Quang Trung, Alexander Martin, Carlo Antonio Musella, Nicola Galle, Giuseppe Tropiano, Maria Ta Thi Hue, Ông bà Lien-Hue, Ông Phêrô Minh Hoang, Giuse Bau.

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, Trevor Gonsalvez, Billy Frankland, Edgar Dacaldacal, Adelaide Frankson, Roger Joseph Ochoa, Josephine Grima, Barry Hyett.

Vocation View

Vocations to the priesthood and religious life spring from holy families, who strive to truly be united in Christ. Each vocation lived out in holiness strengthens and enriches the other vocations in the Church.

(Mark 10:2-16)



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.

Helen Delmo

William Napiza & Teresa

Napiza

Mother Teresa

Exxemoz

13-14 October 2018

5:00pm

6:30pm

CTK

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MINISTRIES & SERVICES

Kelly Maglalang

Frank Unger

				Comntr	Lector/s	Eucharistic Ministers	Choir
	SAT	5:00pm	OL	Joward Sawadan	Jerese Sawadan	Benjamin & Yvonne	Mary's Choir
		6:30pm	СТК	Quang Son Ho	John Ho	Hoa Ton & An Le	St. Cecilia's
	SUN	8:00am	SJ	Anna Nguyen	Antoniette Pezzano	Kath Crowley	-
		9:30am	СТК	Anna Maria Balauca	William Chu	George Tawaf, Samia Tawaf & Lucy Inocencio	CTK Church Choir
		10:00am	OL	Hung Lam	Peter Anastasi	Lorraine D'Silva & Christine Mullan	OL Church Choir
		3:00pm	OL				Nu Vuong

Brendon Sarabia

Keith Ocampo

2nd Gathering for the Plenary Council 2020

Around 60 of our parishioners attended the meeting and participated in the process regarding the first phase of discussions for the Plenary Council 2020 last 4 October 2018 at our Small Hall. We hope that this will just be the beginning of involveming more parishioners in making our voices heard and counted for the future of the Catholic Church in Australia.







Welcome Fr Bruno Rampazzo, RCJ



We would like to welcome Rev. Fr Bruno Rampazzo, RCJ to our parish community. Fr. Bruno is the Superior General of the Congregation of the Rogationists of the Heart of Jesus to which Fr. Rene and Fr. Gerald belong. He is on a short visit to Melbourne on his way to the Philippines for the celebration of the Provincial Chapter of the Province covering Asia and the Pacific. Fr. Rene and Fr. Gerald will join him in going to the Philippines on the 14th of October for the said Provincial Chapter. The Provincial Chapter is an assembly of priests and perpetually professed members gathered for the purpose of electing their new leaders for a four-year term.

Prior to being elected as the Superior General, Fr. Bruno was a missionary priest to the Philippines for more than 25 years. He has also been the provincial leader of the region for two terms.

"So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name."

- GENESIS 2:19

The creation story reminds us of two important points. First, since the start, God has put the entire world into our care. Second, stewardship has been around since the beginning of mankind, it isn't something recently invented by the Church. Just as past generations built our Church, it is now our responsibility to continue to nurture and develop these gifts for future generations.

stewardship

St. John's Church

Presbytery \$142.50 Church \$241.75

Our Lady's Church

Presbytery \$831.75 Church \$982.40

Christ the King Church

Presbytery \$745.10 Church \$1,155.80

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.

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Caroline Chisholm Catholic College 65 Churchill Ave. Braybrook VIC 3019 Tel: 9296 5311 : Fax: 9296 5381 registrar@cccc.vic.edu.au

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Fr. Gerald Biñegas, RCJ Assistant Priest

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Send O Lord, Holy Apostles into Your Church!



SCHEDULE OF NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA

October 5-13, 2018

Sponsored by the 'Himig Pilipino Choir'
OUR LADY'S CHURCH—MAIDSTONE

Date	Day	Time	Activity
5/10/2018	Friday	7.00pm	Rosary
6/10/2018	Saturday	6.00pm	Rosary
7/10/2018	Sunday	5.30pm 6.30pm	Rosary Mass
8/10/2018	Monday	7.00pm	Rosary
9/10/2018	Tuesday	7.00pm	Rosary
10/10/2018	Wednesday	6.00pm 7.00pm	Rosary Novena/Mass
11/10/2018	Thursday	7.00pm	Rosary
12/10/2018	Friday	7.00pm	Rosary
13/10/2018	Saturday	3.00pm 5.00pm 6.00pm	Rosary Mass Social Gathering

Parishioners are invited to offer flowers during the Novena. All are welcome to the social gathering at the Parish Hall, please bring a plate to share. For queries, please contact Tony Sobredo on 0466 506 701



What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?

Buổi hội thảo về Đại hội đồng Giám mục năm 2020 bằng Tiếng Việt.

"Chúa đang muốn chúng ta làm gì ở tai Úc?"

Vào 7 giờ tối thứ Năm (ngày 11 tháng 10) chúng ta sẽ được nghe Cha Vũ Phước Hiến, (thành viên trong ban tuyên giáo Đại Hội đồng Giám mục 2020 trong giáo phận Melbourne) đến thuyết trình tại Giáo xứ Thánh Gia (bên trong Hội trường Nhỏ nằm trên đường Lyon Street ở Maidstone Vic. 3012). Ngài sẽ nói về cách mà chúng ta có thể tích cực lắng nghe và tham gia đối thoại để tiếng nói của chúng ta được lắng nghe trong đại Hội đồng Giám mục toàn quốc vào năm 2020.

Chúng ta là GIÁO HỘI - Bạn và tôi, mỗi người trong Giáo xứ đều được mời gọi để tham gia vào sự kiện đặc biệt này. Đây là cơ hội tuyệt vời để chúng ta tiếp nhận thông tin - bằng cách nào mà chúng ta có thể tích cực tham gia trong công việc chuẩn bị và đón mừng Đại hồi đồng Giám mục toàn quốc.

Món ăn nhẹ như bánh trái, trà, cà phê sẽ được cung cấp miễn phí trong buổi hội thảo. Hãy tham gia và kêu gọi mọi người cùng tham gia.

Xin phúc đáp qua số θ T 9317 9258 hoặc 9317 9298 cho mục đích phục vụ ẩm thực.



OCTOBER

8th Mon Italian Mass

Fatima Novena

9th TUE Fatima Novena

PPC Meeting

10th WED Fatima Novena

Perpetual Help Novena

11th THU Doutta Galla Communion

Service

Fatima Novena

12th Fri Fatima Novena

13th SAT Fatima Novena

Since Fr. Rene and Fr. Gerald have to attend the Provincial Chapter of their Congregation, there will only be one morning Mass in the Parish. It will be at 8:00am in Braybrook, Christ the King Church.

There will be no morning Masses at Our Lady's Church from 15 October to 20th October 2018.

Thank you!

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