



The Holy Family

PARISH COMMUNITY

WEEKEND BULLETIN

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

The Lord cares for his people as a good shepherd cares for his flock. As the Good Shepherd, he invites us to this Eucharistic celebration, where he instructs us by his life-giving Word and strengthens us by his Body and Blood. Let us receive him with faith and thanksgiving.

1st Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Response: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

2nd Reading: Ephesians 2:13-18

Alleluia: My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

Gospel: Mark 6:30-34

Prayer: Lord, hear our prayer.



THE COMPASSION OF JESUS URGES US...

- Fr. Gerald Binegas, RCJ

Few scenes are more tender and more touching than today's Gospel. Jesus and the apostles, exhausted from their ministry, try to get away from the people for some rest. But crowds have walked around the Lake of Galilee (seven miles wide, ten miles long) and are waiting as they land. And the Sacred Heart of Jesus has pity on them all.

These people are clearly on search; they are looking for directions, and Jesus has compassion on them.

In today's world, many people still hunger for instructions; good people seek directions. They may be parents sick with grief over the future of a troubled child; a man stripped of his dignity by unemployment; a woman facing pregnancy alone; elderly people feeling life ooze out of their declining bodies; people angry and confused because they think that the church can no longer be depended on. They are people looking for answers and for meaning. They are like sheep without a shepherd.

Jesus looks to us to shepherd these people. In the same way he sends his disciples to continue his mission, so we are being commissioned.

In the footsteps of Jesus, we are called shepherds. As shepherds, we are to walk with our people in the dark valleys. We should be willing to share the dangers through which they pass even at the risk of our own safety. We are called to walk in unity, capable of dismantling the walls that divide people. We are challenged to speak the word that calls people together and reconciles them with God and with one another.





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 to SATURDAY

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

WEDNESDAY

Our Lady's	7:00 pm ³
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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

2 Kings 4:42-44
Ephesians 4:1-6
John 6:1-15



Mass Intentions for the Week

Special Intentions & Thanksgiving

Birthday thanksgiving: Neville Collins

Eternal Repose

RECENTLY DECEASED:

ANNIVERSARIES: Vincent Don Bach Dinh, Carmine Musella, Nick Bell, Jack O'Keefe, Giuse, Anna, Teresa, Theresa Muoi Nguyen, Anna Chu Thi Thinh, Gioan Baotixita Nguyen Thanh Hoan, Maria Ta Thi Hue, Anna Pham Thi Mua, Maria Nguyen Thi Gai, Giuse Pham Viet Can, Maria Pham Thi Che, Gioan Baotixita Pham Van Nha, Maria Vu Thi Thuoc, Gioan Baotixita Vu Tat Dat, Maria Doan Thi Do, Giuse Nguyen Van Do, Giuse Nguyen Van Truong, Maria Nguyen Thi Huong, Maria Pham Thi Hang, Louis & Norma Sibelle, Matilda Petueli, Luca Huynh Dieu, Luz Quinto.

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

Vocation View

"I will appoint shepherds for my people." The call to priestly and religious life is to be a shepherd after the heart of Christ, to give of yourself so that others may live. (Jeremiah 23 and Mark 6)



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



Preparation for children who do not attend a Catholic School and are interested to prepare for their First Holy Communion will commence on the 9th of August at 5:00pm at the Parish Office. Children attending the classes must be accompanied by an adult.

28-29 July 2018

MINISTRIES & SERVICES

			Comntr	Lector/s	Eucharistic Ministers	Choir
SAT	5:00pm	OL	Joward Sawadan	Jerese Sawadan	Benjamin & Yvonne Jose	Mary's Choir
	6:30pm	CTK	Catherine Seymour	Theresa Seymour	Nina Bartolo & Shane Caldwell	St. Cecilia's
SUN	8:00am	SJ	Lang Phan	Nam Tran	Kath Crowley	-
	9:30am	CTK	Alicia Pelaez	Stephanie Nguyen	Connie Mammaoliti, Jim Proctor & Lan-Anh Tuyet	CTK Church Choir
	10:00am	OL	Albert Agbamey	Hung Lam	Christine Mullan & Guiseppina Genovesi	OL Church Choir
	3:00pm	OL				Nu Vuong
	5:00pm	CTK	Kelly Maglalang	Kathe Casas	Helen Delmo	Mother Teresa
	6:30pm	OL	Nenita Castillo	Julieta Uy	Benedict Alvares & Gemma Mendonez	Our Lady's choir



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Reach out. Give life.

2018 ANNIVERSARY MASS

Sunday 29 July, 11am, St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th-70th wedding anniversary this year? The Life, Marriage and Family Office invites you and your families to join us at the 2018 annual Anniversary Mass. All couples registering will receive a commemorative pack and certificate. Register by Friday 13 July on 9287 5587 or lmf@cam.org.au or www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily

CALLED INTO LIFE: A SPIRITUAL EXERCISES RETREAT

Monday 23 July, 5.30pm to Friday 27 July, 9am
Campion Centre of Ignatian Spirituality, 99 Studley Park Road, Kew

Be called into life as you immerse yourself in a First Spiritual Exercises retreat, to be given by Sr Margaret Claver FCJ. This live-in (or live-out) retreat will offer group guided prayer with individual spiritual direction also available, plus the tranquillity of Campion's beautiful surrounds for silent prayer and reflection.

Cost: \$420 live-in or \$280 live-out

Details and bookings: 9854 8110 or

www.campion.asn.au/bookings

WORKSHOP FOR PARISH LEADERS: RESPONDING TO FAMILY VIOLENCE

Wednesday 25 July, 1.30-4pm

Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne (enter from Lansdowne Street)

This important workshop on domestic violence will be facilitated by Sister of Mercy Nicole

Rotaru. Sr Nicole has worked with both McAuley and MacKillop Services on responding to family violence, particularly as it affects children. After this workshop, parish leaders will develop a better understanding of family violence and its impact, be able to identify some of the issues that contribute to the complexity of family violence in our community, and grow in appreciation of the power of empathetic listening helping to bring about change, both in the individual and in the wider community.

Cost: \$25

Bookings and RSVP: by Thursday 19 July to

<https://www.trybooking.com/WDDA>

Details: Lucia Brick on 9287 5566 or

lucia.brick@css.org.au

ED SRI IN MELBOURNE: A BIBLICAL WALK WITH THE BLESSED MOTHER

Saturday 28 July, 6.30pm light supper, 7pm talk begins (Mass at 5.30pm)

St Gerard's parish hall, 71 Gladstone Road, Dandenong North

Renowned Catholic presenter Dr Edward Sri is in Melbourne for one evening only. Don't miss out. This presentation is for anyone who wants to know Mary better—the real, human Mary of the Bible and the profound interior journey of faith she made throughout her life. We will walk with Mary step-by-step from Nazareth to the Cross and consider how she faced moments of joy and thanksgiving, moments of uncertainty and discernment as well as moments of trial and darkness. And yet at every critical point she responded with greater trust and surrender in ways that offer many practical insights for our own paths of Christian discipleship today.

Cost: Free (Donations gratefully accepted)

Registration: essential on

www.parousiamedia.com/events

Details: John Smyth on 0406 747 123 or

johnsmyth@parousiamedia.com

"...come away by yourselves to a lonely place and rest awhile."

- MARK 6:31

Do you spend time, every day, alone and in silence listening to how God is calling you? If not, you are missing out on a wonderful opportunity to develop a more personal relationship with Him. Unless we talk and more importantly, listen to God every day, how else will we know how He is calling us? Consider making a retreat this year, spend some "alone" time with God.

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St. John's Church

Presbytery \$98.30

Church \$145.45

Our Lady's Church

Presbytery \$927.60

Church \$1,383.40

Christ the King Church

Presbytery \$911.50

Church \$885.20

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

St. John's Catholic School

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CHURCHES

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Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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St. John the Evangelist Church

34 Essex Street, Footscray VIC 3012

*Fr. René Ramirez, RCJ
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Assistant Priest*

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Send O Lord, Holy Apostles into Your Church!



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

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Plenary Council 2020: Frequently Asked Questions

What is a Plenary Council?

A Plenary Council is the highest formal gathering of all local churches in a country. A Plenary Council, or synod, can discuss and legislate on a wide range of issues, including matters of faith, morals and discipline. The last time a plenary council was held in Australia was in 1937 and prior to that in 1885, 1895 and 1905. [Read more >](#)

Why are we having a Plenary Council in Australia?

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has identified that, 'The circumstances of the Church in Australia in our time, including the patterns of change that are evident within the community of the Church, the issues confronting the Church in modern multicultural and secular Australia, the increase in entrusting responsibility for and leadership of the Church's mission to laity, and even the changing face of the Episcopate, prompt the Church to review, analyse, and discern the signs of the times, to listen anew to the Spirit, and to chart its course into the future.' Accordingly, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference (ACBC) has decided to celebrate a Plenary Council for the Church in Australia in 2020. [Read more >](#)

What is a Synodal Church?

Pope Francis in *Evangelii Gaudium* (The Joy of the Gospel) identifies a synodal church as a church 'which listens, which realises that listening 'is more than simply hearing.' (EG, 171) 'It is a mutual listening in which everyone has something to learn. The faithful people, the college of bishops, the Bishop of Rome: all listening to each other, and all listening to the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Truth.'

When will the Plenary Council take place?

Preparation for the Plenary Council will take place over a period of three years. The Plenary Council will be celebrated in 2020 across two sessions, in October 2020 and May 2021.

The national timeline is as follows:

2018: "Year of Listening" (local listening and dialogue sessions and data compilation)

June 2018 - Ash Wednesday 2019: Listening and Dialogue Phase

2019: "Year of Discerning" (summary reports from 2019 written up as agenda for 2020)

2020: "Year of Proposing" (two Plenary Council sessions Oct 2020 and May 2021, at which proposals will be voted on)

Who can be part of the Plenary Council process?

All Catholics are invited to be part of the process that leads to the two Plenary Council sessions.