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

Our belief in the Resurrection comes from the witness of the apostles. The risen Jesus appears to them, who had run away from him during his Passion, and calls them back to be "fishers of men." In particular, Jesus rehabilitates their leader Simon Peter. Jesus asks of him a threefold confession of love to make up for his threefold denial at the Passion. Simon Peter, who trusts no longer in his capabilities but in the Lord who knows the human heart, is then entrusted with the care of the Lord's flock.

1st Reading: Acts 5:27-32,40-41

Response: I will praise you, Lord, for

you have rescued me.

2nd Reading: Apocalypse 5:11-14

Alleluia: Christ is risen, the Lord of

all creation; He has shown

pity on all people.

Gospel: John 21:1-19

Prayer: Lord, keep us in your love.



Happy Feast Day!

- Fr. Rene Ramirez, RCJ

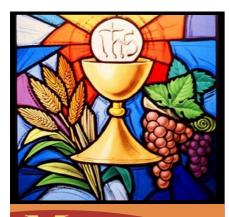
My dearest parishioners, this weekend marks our 1st Anniversary as an Amalgamated Parish of West Footscray, Maidstone and Braybrook. We have gone through a lot of process in order to reach where we are today. Last night, during the Dance Party, it was nice to see people congregating from the various suburbs of our parish bringing in food and drinks. It was more like a picnic. To see sisters, people young and old enjoying themselves, eating and dancing through the beat of the music makes me hopeful that we can still do a lot as a faith community not only growing in our love for God, but also being able to connect and re-strengthen our concern and love for one another.

Sharing the responsibility also among people from the three suburbs in leading the Triduum fills my heart with delight as I see people congregating together in order to mark this wonderful celebration of our being integrated as one parochial community. I could only hope that our 10:30 AM Mass will be packed with people as we thank our gracious God and acknowledge the blessings he has given us through the years. We have gathered children to lead us into a simple dance during the liturgy to express this intention not only through our prayers but also though dance. We have invited also our Altar Servers from the three Churches to all join our celebration.

We are hoping that you will join us also during the procession after the Mass and our shared meal in the large Hall. We have grouped food stations into Vietnamese, Filipino and Mediterranean and Fusion Cuisines so that you'll have a chance to sample the dishes of the various cultural groups in our parish. We hope that this will just be the beginning of expanding and improving this idea of food sharing for our future Feast Day Gatherings.

KABOOM Kids Sports will help us with the animation of our young parishioners from noon time till 2:00 PM. I wish that you will encourage the kids to maximize this opportunity to add to the festive atmosphere that we want to create.

Overall, we wish to mark this day as a true day of honouring the Holy Family, our Parish patrons by initiating and implementing practical activities for us to grow into the awareness and appreciation of our giftedness to one another as a member of our parish community, praying that we may truly reflect the love and care God has for each one of us, beginning in our own human family to the wider family of God's faithful. God bless us all!



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 pm¹

 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
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

Acts 13:14,43-52 Apocalypse 7:9,14-17 John 10:27-30



Mass Intentions for the Week

Special Intentions & Thanksgiving

Dallimore Family and Lawley Family. Praying for Ancestors.

Eternal Repose

RECENTLY DECEASED: Anna Hoang Thi Lan.

ANNIVERSARIES: Rolando Tamayo, Phero, Maria, Manuel Da Silva & Evandro Manuel, Mario Aiezza, Richard Brown, Mary, John the Baptist, Trinidad Duclis Diestro, Leslie Gordon Synott, Norma McGrath, Jack Connellan, Colm Doyle, Eddy Clark, Giuse Nguyen Van Phan, Anna Pham Thi Chat, Maria Pham Thi Lua.

Comfort & Healing

Cesare Bettoni, Nip Frogosa, Jack Considine, Rutillo Llovito, Sabrina Janz, Roselyn David, Carozon Robles, Remedios Laplana, Jose Mastruzzo, Glad Trevillian, Tony Rabusin, Nell Monagle, Fortunata Scalzo, Jamie Dumapias, Cesar Banzon, Sydonia Maslanyk, Margaret Horley, Leonie Drayton, Pauline Drayton, Allan Arias, Pat Roddis, Billy Frankland, Roger Joseph Ochoa, Josephine Grima, Barry Hyett, Loretta Mills, Cassandra O'Keefe, Carmen Micallef, George Tawaf, Denver D'Cruz, Grace Pulvera Skellern & Col. Roger Camacho.

Vocation View

Let people know that Jesus has the solution. Cast your net on the other side of life. Listen to God's Son. And tell the world what you hear!



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

Sacramental Preparation for First Holy Communion

Preparation of children who do not attend a Catholic School and are interested to prepare for their First Holy Communion will commence on the 30th of May 2019 at 5.00pm at the Parish Office. Children attending the classes must be accompanied by

Lorraine D'Silva &

Guiseppina Genovesi

Helen Delmo

William Napiza & Teri

Napiza

Holy Communion

OL Church Choir

Nu Vuong

Mother Teresa

EXXEMOZ

11-12 May 2019

10:00am

3:00pm

5:00pm

6:30pm

OL

OL

CTK

Paul Handley

Kelly Maglalang

Julieta Uv

Comntr Lector/s **Eucharistic Ministers** Choir SAT 5:00pm OL Joward Sawadan Jerese Sawadan Benjamin & Yvonne Jose Mary's Choir 6:30pm CTK John Ho Quang Son Ho Coral La'Toille, Alicai Alcantara, CTK Church Choir **SUN** 8:00am Antonietta Pezzano Anna Nguyen Kath Crowley CTK 9:30am Anna Maria Balauca William Chu Samia Tawaf & Lucy Inocencio CTK Church Choir

Claire Lawson

Nenita Castillo

Keith Ocampo

an adult.

A pilgrimage does not end when we arrive at our destination

by Maureen McCann Waldron

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family, remembering how Jesus grew up in the normal busyness of family life, how he was shaped as a person by both Mary and Joseph.

Pope Francis wrote in his exhortation on family that the family is "where we learn to live with others despite our differences and to belong to one another." That very belonging to each other is what today's readings are about.



In the first reading, Sirach entreats parents and children to love and honor each other. When one generation can no longer care for the other, he calls us to "take care of your father when he is old … even if his mind fails, be considerate of him." He adds the care we give for the elderly "will not be forgotten, firmly planted against the debt" of our own failings.

Our lives are complicated and families don't always consist of two parents. But Paul's letter to the Colossians offers all of us the tools we need to care for each other: heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another. I can guess that Paul was intimately connected with family as he notes other important family skills, like "bearing with one another" which seems like an apt phrase on the harder days. When we share a home, we not only have to forgive each other, but to be aware that we need forgiveness from each other, prompted by the example of God's deeply loving forgiveness for us all.

The Gospel is Luke's story of a 12-year-old Jesus who did not rejoin the large family caravan after a pilgrimage to the Temple in Jerusalem. A frightened Mary and Joseph found him there three days later, talking to the teachers.

At the end of that episode, Luke tells us that Jesus returned to Nazareth and was obedient to his parents. Pope Francis said that this story "contains a beautiful teaching about our families. A pilgrimage does not end when we arrive at our destination, but when we return home and resume our everyday lives."

Our faith lives and our family lives converge in the most ordinary places. Sacred times happen around the kitchen table, putting our children to bed for the night, or perhaps if they are grown, in phone calls to catch up with each other's lives. Jesus is present and joyful in the family traditions and rituals we have developed, in our prayers together before dinner, and even in special new customs we may have created for our adult children and their families during the holidays.

The laundry room, the kitchen table, a casual stroll together around the neighborhood are all places to recognize God present and active and drawing us ever closer to God's own heart.

Loving Jesus, please help me to recognize how very present you are in the simplest times. Whether I am alone or with my family, even in the most mundane situations, you are calling me to a deeper relationship with you and reminding me of your endless love for me in those moments.

"Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, 'Do you love me?' and he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.'"

- John 21:17

All of us are challenged to show our love for Jesus and others. Discern how God is calling you to use your time in prayer, your talent in charitable works and your treasure to assist those who in need. Remember that giving is an act of worship and helps advance the mission of our parish and greater Church.

stewardship

St. John's Church

Presbytery \$107.65 Church \$212.85

Our Lady's Church

Presbytery \$1,499.25 Church \$1,849.20

Christ the King Church

Presbytery \$693.95 Church \$991.30

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.

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Fr. Gerald Biñegas, RCJ Assistant Priest

Sr. Helen Robinson, RSJ Hospital Pastoral Associate

Huong Nguyen & Tram Nguyen Secretaries

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Send O Lord, Holy Apostles into Your Church!

Welcome Fr. Joseph Thinh Nguyen, RCJ

Our Parish would like to welcome Fr. Joseph Thinh Nguyen, RCJ. He is one of the seven newly ordained priests in the Congregation of the Rogationists of the Heart of Jesus along with three other Vietnamese priests: Fr. Peter Hoang Van Dong, Fr. Joseph Nguyen Xuan Huong and Fr. Joseph Phan Hoang Nguyen.

Fr. Joseph Thinh is 35 years old, and hails from Bao Loc City, Lam Dong Province. He entered the Congregation of the Rogationists on 09 September 2007, in Saigon, Vietnam. He made his Perpetual Profession on 1 June 2016 in Saigon, Vietnam. He was ordained a priest on 20 October 2018. Fr. Joseph Thinh will be with us until the 5th of August to assist Fr. Rene and Fr. Gerald in ministering to our parishioners.

Let us thank the Lord with Fr. Joseph Thinh for the special gift of his priesthood and pray for his perseverance and growth in his priestly ministry.



This week's events

MONDAY 6th May

10.00 am Italian Prayer Group O/L

WEDNESDAY 8th May

7.00 pm Novena/Mass O/L

FRIDAY 10th May

6.30 pm Exposition and Adoration

CTK

SUNDAY 12th May

3.00 pm Vietnamese Mass O/L

CHRIST THE KING
PRIMARY SCHOOL, BRAYBROOK
PREP ENROLMENTS for 2020
NOW OPEN

Applications for places in Prep 2020 are now open. Application forms can be obtained from the school office or website.

On application you must supply:

Birth Certificate

(child must be 5 on or before 30th April 2020)

Immunisation History Statement (available from DHS website) Baptism Certificate (if Catholic)

ADDITIONS OF SETTING

APPLICATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 17TH MAY 2019

Church Cleaning Roster Christ the King

Dear Parishioners,

we are <u>urgently in need of volunteers for</u> <u>the Cleaning Roster</u> - We need 4 groups of 6 people who can take turns once a month for the cleaning of our Church. The job may take about 40 minutes to complete.

Most of the time in many years we have only one group. We invite all to share about this to make our God's house clean and beautiful.

Please let us know your name by contact to office time from 9am to 12 pm (03) 9317 9258 or Sr. Michaela (Sr. Thu) Sr. Thu 9312 2660 / Mobile 0420 472 492

Nhóm hút bụi nhà thờ Christ The King

Kính thưa các tín hữu Nhà thờ Chúa Kitô Vua Braybrook, nhà thờ chúng ta cần những tình nguyện viên, dành ra 40 phút mỗi tháng, giúp hút bụi nhà Chúa (cần 4 nhóm - mỗi nhóm 6 người - trách nhiệm 1 tuần).

Đã từ nhiều năm chúng ta chỉ có một nhóm từ 2 tới 3 người hút bụi hàng tuần, kéo dài khỏang 1 giờ đồng hồ. <u>Chúng ta hãy cùng chia sẻ với nhau những công việc làm đẹp nhà Chúa</u>.

Xin quí vị cho biết tên và điện thọai tại văn phòng nhà xứ từ 9am đến 12 pm từ thứ 3 đến thứ bảy . Tel. 9317 9258 Hoặc Sr. Thu 9312 2660 / Mobile 0420 472 492



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Lives change when we all give 100%

Thank you very much!
Our Project
Compassion total
collection for this year
reached \$5,600.00.
God bless you all!

Cleaning Roster Our Lady's (Maidstone)

5-11 May Thi Cuc Vu

12-18 May K. Nguyen

19-25 May 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



