



# The Holy Family

## PARISH COMMUNITY

WEEKEND BULLETIN

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

Pentecost marks a fresh start for all of us. Jesus announces the peace that comes with his victory over death. He gives us the Holy Spirit with the power to forgive and conquer sin. Like the apostles, we are strengthened by the Spirit to face the challenges of the world. The Holy Spirit showers us with gifts. Let us use these for the building up of the Church, the Body of Christ.

1st Reading: Acts 2:1-11

Response: Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13

Alleluia: Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Gospel: John 20:19-23

Prayer: Through the power of the Holy Spirit, listen to us, O Lord.

## Receive the Holy Spirit

Today the Easter season concludes with Pentecost Sunday, commemorating that day in the budding Church when the Father and the Son poured out the Holy Spirit in a special way on the Apostles and they took up the mission of proclaiming the Gospel throughout the whole world. The Holy Spirit throughout the Church's history has showered down gifts upon her to keep her faithful to the teaching she's received from Our Lord, and to keep the fires burning to inspire hearts to turn to Our Lord and be reconciled with God and with man.

In today's Gospel, we're reminded of one of the Spirit's greatest gifts, a gift Our Lord conferred to the Apostles on the eve of his Resurrection: the gift of reconciliation with God.

- Our Lord first bestows the gift of reconciliation with his dearest friends, the friends who abandoned him in his moment of need: "Peace be with you."

- It's no coincidence that he repeats this desire for reconciliation even as he is breathing the Holy Spirit upon them.

- It is the Holy Spirit who makes reconciliation possible. The Spirit raised Jesus from the dead

and gave him new life so that reconciliation would be possible.

- One of the most saddening ways to break off a relationship with someone is to say, "you are dead to me;" In God's eyes, even in those situations, the Spirit can make that person come alive again through the grace of mercy, whether mercy received or mercy given.

- The separation between God and man, recalled by the story of the Tower of Babel, is reversed by the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost: in pride, man distanced himself from God and his fellow man, and communication broke down. Through the gift of tongues, the Holy Spirit reestablishes the lines of communication.

In the Spirit, man reconciles not only with God but with his fellow man.



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## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Special Intentions & Thanksgiving

#### Eternal Repose

RECENTLY DECEASED: Erminija Crnac, Shirley Dollard, Maria Filippone, Calcidon Bajada.

ANNIVERSARIES: Lam Van Thach, Elino Alcantara, Dominico, Maria, Nobel Arandez.

### Comfort & Healing

Cesare Bettoni, Eric Raveza, 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, Maria Ta Thi Hue, Leonie Drayton, Pauline Drayton, Allan Arias, Lawrie Green, Trevor Gonsalvez, Billy Frankland, Dominador Dacaldacal, Adelaide Frankson.

## 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<sup>1</sup>  
Filipino Mass 3:00 pm<sup>2</sup>  
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<sup>3</sup>

### 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

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month

### MARRIAGE

3 months-notice required.

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

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

<sup>3</sup> The Wednesday evening Mass incorporates the Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

## Vocation View

**Peter and the Apostles preach with a power and conviction that can only be attributed to the Spirit dwelling among them. Is God calling you to speak for Him in our day and age?**

(Acts 2:1-11)



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](mailto:olckedge@gmail.com)**  
**Our Lady's Large Hall 7.00-9.00pm**



### Membership Campaign

This weekend, members of our Parish

Pastoral Council Committees are campaigning for membership at St. John's and Our Lady's churches this weekend. Please feel free to approach them and get their brochures for more information. They will be at Christ the King in Braybrook next weekend, the 26th and 27th of May.

**26-27 May 2018**

## MINISTRIES & SERVICES

Comntr				Lector/s	Eucharistic Ministers	Choir
SAT	5:00pm	OL	Lyette Almeida	Dulanga Tissera	Yvonne Jose	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	Natalie Perez	Leonie Pham	Rosaline Raymundo, Jim Proctor & Lan-Anh Tuyet	CTK Church Choir
	10:00am	OL	Albert Agbamey	Hung Lam	Lorraine D'Silva & Kata Vasilj	OL Church Choir
	3:00pm	CTK				Nu Vuong
	5:00pm	CTK	Kathe Casas	Kelly Maglalang	Lorraine Rodrigues	Mother Teresa
	6:30pm	OL	Frank Unger	Benedict Alvares	William Napiza & Terese Napiza	Himi Filipino

### Next Week's Readings

Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40  
Romans 8:14-17  
Matthew 28:16-20



# The Future of the catholic Church in Australia

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

Pentecost Sunday this weekend heralds the launch of the journey toward the Plenary Council 2020, the highest formal gathering of all local churches in a country. Approved by Pope Francis in March, the role of the Plenary Council is to discuss the future of the Catholic Church in Australia.

The last time the Catholic Church in Australia held a Plenary Council was in 1937. Given that it has been more than 80 years since the Church gathered together in Australia, expectations are high.

Needless to say, much has changed in Australia since 1937 and there is much to discuss. Australian society has changed. Not to mention the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse, which has left an indelible mark on the Church. The Church's response will require deep consideration.

The council will operate in three phases: preparation, celebration and implementation, with the first phase commencing at the Feast of Pentecost on 20 May, 2018.

For the first phase, in preparing for the Plenary Council, all of God's people are invited to reflect on the question: 'What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?'

The Church is called to consider what it is we are called to do, and who we are called to be, and how do we need to change? Pope Francis has invited the local Church to consider all those questions, and most importantly, to listen to its local communities.

Pope Francis endorsed the national bishops' nomination of Perth Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB as the council's president. 'This journey is very important for the Catholic Church in Australia,' Archbishop Costelloe said.

In the lead up to the council, Melbourne Archbishop Denis Hart is optimistic that it will benefit the Church. 'I am confident that the journey toward the Plenary Council 2020, where Catholics of all ages are invited to reflect upon and respond to the question of what God is asking of us in Australia at this time will be a time of renewal for the Australian Church, and most particularly here in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. I commend the plenary process to you.'

*"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone."*

– 1 CORINTHIANS 12:4-6

All of us are blessed, regardless of our own individual circumstances; God has given each of us many gifts. How we use those gifts is our gift back to God. For God's plan to work, each must do what we are called to do and guess what – we are not all called to do the same thing!

## stewardship

### St. John's Church

Presbytery	\$145.45
Church	\$183.00

### Our Lady's Church

Presbytery	\$1,168.20
Church	\$1,287.25

### Christ the King Church

Presbytery	\$539.20
Church	\$692.20

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

34 Essex St., Footscray West VIC 3011  
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### 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

Fr. René Ramirez, RCJ  
Parish Priest

Fr. Gerald Biñegas, RCJ  
Assistant Priest

Sr. Helen Robinson, RSJ  
Hospital Pastoral Associate

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Secretaries

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# Send O Lord, Holy Apostles into Your Church!

## Chaplaincy Sunday Appeal

Please support the vital work of Catholic Chaplains in our community

CHAPLAINS – OUR COMPANIONS OF HOPE

*"As it is, these remain: faith, hope and love;  
and the greatest of them is love."  
(1 Corinthians 13:13)*



### Child Safety Training

Calling on all Parish Volunteers, there will be a mandatory Child Safety Training in ENGLISH on Thursday 31st of May from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at the Parish Presbytery Pavilion. This includes also lectors, commentators and special ministers of the Eucharist.

There will also be another future training in Vietnamese.



Kêu gọi tất cả các Giáo Viên Tình Nguyễn Viên, sẽ có một chương trình Huấn Luyện An Toàn Trẻ Em bắt buộc bằng tiếng Anh vào Thứ Năm ngày 31 tháng Năm từ 7:00 đến 9:00 tối tại Nhà Xu Presbytery Parish. Điều này bao gồm cả những người đọc sách Thánh, hương đàn viên và các thừa tác viên đặc biệt của Thánh Thể.

Cũng sẽ có một khóa huấn luyện an toàn trẻ em khác bằng tiếng Việt.

### Healing and Anointing Mass at Dousta Galla Aged Care Footscray

48 Geelong Road

24th of May 2018  
10:00AM

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of the  
sick



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46 Ballarat Road, Maidstone VIC 3012

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### Men's Group

### Holy Family Parish Men's Group

Meets once every fortnight  
at 10am on a Saturday at the  
convent next to St John's  
Primary School in Essex  
Street, West Footscray.

New Members are welcome  
to attend.

For more details please  
contact

Stan (0420209454) or  
Benedict (0402588670).

### Cleaning Roster Our Lady's (Maidstone)

13-19 May  
Thi Cuc Vu

20-26 May  
K. Nguyen

27 May-2 June  
Legion of  
Mary



To find out more ways on how you can help improve our Parochial Community  
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