



The Word WEEKLY BULLETIN



Parishes of Holy Spirit, St Anne & St Gerard.

Divine Mercy Sunday, 6-7 April 2024

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Wednesdays and Fridays 9:15am in Chapel

Saturdays 6pm in Church

Sundays 9am in Church and 5pm in Chapel

1st Saturday of the month 9:15am in Chapel

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THURS 9am—3pm

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Masses:

Tuesdays 9am at St Gerard's Warrandyte

Sundays 10:30am—1st Sunday of the month at St. Anne's

Every other Sunday 10:30am at St Gerard's

ST ANNE'S SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

Michael Edmonds—9876 1533

IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST—RECENTLY DECEASED: John Konynenburg

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Alberto Klancic, Joe Kenwright, Val Morphett, Angelina Italiano, Nelson Peers, Antonia Battaglia and Michael Prowse

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SICK: Stella & family, Sean Hill, Valerie Mason, Adrian Ness, Carol Vallance, Chris Neate, Edna Danelutti, Helen, Justine, Christian Heskett, Kerry McIntyre, Lyn Read, Heather Doy, Evelyn Reinecke, Melanie Saba, Arthur McConnell, Penny Mifsud, Patricia Higgins, Kellie Nagle, Barry Robbins, Jim Nippard, Barbara Delia, Daniel Leo, Ron Chamberlin, Warren Derbyshire

Readings this week: Acts 4:32-35; 1 John 5:1-6; John 20:19-31

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Holy Spirit Parish Vision

At Holy Spirit Parish, we are an inviting community inspired by the Holy Spirit; welcoming everyone to worship, grow, belong and serve together as Disciples of Christ.



Holy Spirit is a child safe parish. At Holy Spirit we hold the care, safety and well being of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parish.

EVENTS THIS COMING WEEK - 8th-14th April 2024

MONDAY	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS TILL 15TH APRIL 7.00 pm St Vincent de Paul Meeting, Mary Bresnan Room
TUESDAY	7.00 pm St Vincent de Paul Compliance Meeting, Mary Bresnan Room 8.00 pm Charismatic Prayer Group, Holy Spirit Chapel
WEDNESDAY	9.15 am Mass, Holy Spirit Chapel 6.00 pm Rosary via Zoom
THURSDAY	
FRIDAY	9.15 am Mass, Holy Spirit Chapel
SATURDAY	6.00 pm Vigil Mass, Holy Spirit Church
SUNDAY	3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER 9.00 am Mass, Holy Spirit Church 5.00 pm Mass, Holy Spirit Chapel

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 13th-14th April 2024

Mass Coordinators:

6.00 pm: Dominic North-Coombes

9.00 am: Silvio Volombello

Lectors:

6.00 pm: Vin Dwyer

9.00 am: Paul Dwyer

Welcomers:

6.00 pm: Dale Sebire

9.00 am: Nola Ryan

Ministers of Communion: **6.00 pm:** Terry and Maureen Taffe

9.00 am: Chris and Vicki Morris

Tea and Coffee: **9.00 am:** Anna Fantin and Emma D'Aristotle

BAPTISM INFORMATION MEETINGS are held every second Tuesday of the month (except January) in the Parish House. Please call the Office on 7036 9395 to register your attendance/interest.
Next meeting: Tuesday 9th April at 7.30 pm, Mary Bresnan Room.

Holy Spirit Web Site - www.holyspiritparish.org.au:

Stay in touch with our parish website.

- "News, Events": ref menu
- "How we stay connected", online resources such as Masses, Prayers, Newsletters, Next Zoom: ref home page

Parish Database Update Please remember to advise the parish staff of any changes to phone and email details so we can update our database via email to Ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au or phone 7036 9395.

Tuesday Meditation Tuesdays @ 9:15am in the Holy Spirit Chapel (not during School holidays).
Please contact Len on 0401 519 727 if you have queries.

Charismatic Prayer Group Tuesdays @ 8pm in the Holy Spirit Chapel for prayer, praise and worship and fellowship. If interested, contact Jacek on 0490 884 914 or Ann on 0437 127 326.



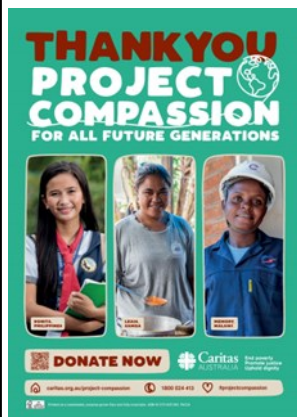
HOLY SPIRIT PARISH ZOOM ROSARY

Wednesday evenings at 6:00pm—Meeting ID: 631 950 8706 Passcode: 2p7ssZ

Hosted by Ambrose & Philomena Cornelio

Prayer requests may be emailed to Ambrose: acornelio@connecteast.com.au for inclusion weekly.

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Caritas Australia would like to **THANK YOU** for supporting Project Compassion 2024. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week or visit caritas.org.au/project-compassion and donate online.

Your generosity will empower the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and lift themselves out of poverty.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, **for all future generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

Maree Buttler will be offering a comprehensive session on using the Defibrillator located in the church after the 6.00pm & 9.00 am Masses on the weekend of **20th & 21st April**. Thanks Maree for providing this necessary instruction.

Ladies Morning Tea Change of Date

As we will be missing out on our cuppa this month because of Easter and also the following month 26th April because of the Anointing Mass we have decided to come together on Friday 19th April in the Parish House at 10am after the 9.15am mass.

We welcome all ladies from the Holy Spirit Parish Community to join us for a cuppa and chat. If you know of any new parishioners or a friend who would enjoy a morning out, please don't hesitate to bring them along to a group of very friendly fun loving ladies.

Any queries please contact the Parish House on 70369395 or Maureen Taffe on 0422508637

Wishing you all a very safe and Happy Easter

Farewell

After 23 years of commitment and dedicated service, Jenny Philp will be retiring as the Parish Secretary at the end of March 2024. As a sign of appreciation, we shall have a farewell ceremony organised for her on April 14.

As we thank Jenny for her service and bid her a blessed retirement, we also welcome Sharon Jacob as our new Parish Secretary commencing April 4, 2024. She brings with her valuable skills to serve our parish community well. God bless them abundantly!

All parishioners are invited to a **Mass of Anointing** followed by light lunch & entertainment on **Friday 26th April** at 11am in the Church. This will be a pupil free day, so there will be ample parking onsite for anyone attending the Mass. Please note that 9:15am Mass will not be celebrated in the chapel on that day. For catering purposes, we will need to know numbers. Please contact the Parish Office: ringwood-north@cam.org.au or 70369395 by Wednesday 24th April. A sign up sheet is on the table at the rear of the church.

LORD, My God, I called to you for help and you healed me. Psalm 30:2



THANK YOU!

To all of the beautiful people who make up the Holy Spirit Community—thank you for allowing me to serve you over the past 23 years as parish Secretary. I have loved every moment of my time with this community. Whilst I am leaving the office, I will not be moving away from the parish. I'll see you around!@

Jenny

Meditation and Mindfulness

Join Rowland Ashby, author of *A Faith to Live By: Conversations about faith with twenty-five of the world's leading spiritual teachers* (Anglican Media/Mosaic Press 2012) and former Director of Anglican Media Melbourne and editor of *The Melbourne Anglican* as he leads this special meditation series at Heart of Life in Croydon this Autumn. This practice can be profoundly healing and life-giving. Starting on 8 April and running for 8 weeks, you can tap into a deep spring of love, joy, peace and compassion at the centre of our being. Jesus called it Living Water, with which we will never thirst. Cultivate a transforming, healing awareness of the Divine presence, and learn how to mediate.

Book in using this link: <https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/events/meditation-mindfulness-in-the-christian-tradition/>

Meaning-making Awareness & Reflection

This reflective event on 20 April, offers a sacred space to reflect upon your life using a tree as a metaphor. Between 10 am – 2 pm, join our facilitator Nicole, a counsellor trained in Narrative Therapy to walk with you through this contemplative space.

Book in using this link: <https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/events/meaning-making-awareness-reflection/>

Or email info@heartoflife.melbourne

Learn more about Heart of Life: www.heartoflife.melbourne



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- theirs...and yours

Have you been considering whether an overseas professional placement with Palms is for you? Wanting to share your skills with communities in the Pacific, Asia or Africa to help develop self-reliance and sustainable solutions to poverty?

Come to Palms' [Discovery information session](#) at Sacred Heart Oakleigh on 22 April. Meet our director Soraya and former Palms participants to find out more about [Assignments Aboard](#).

Venue: Sacred Heart PRIMARY School
Address: 2 Mora Ave, Oakleigh
Date: Monday 22nd April 2024
Time: 5:30pm to 6:30pm

02 9560 5333
palms@palms.org.au



Applications are invited from suitably qualified and experienced people for the positions of:

Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne

Executive Support Coordinator-Proclaim, East Melbourne

Aboriginal Catholic Ministry of Victoria (ACMV) Manager, Thornbury

Catholic Development Fund

Marketing Coordinator, Catholic Development Fund

Parish Positions

Parish School Sacramental Coordinator, St. Clement of Rome, Bulleen

Parish Business Manager, St Gregory's the Great (Doncaster) and St Kevin's (Templestowe)

Parish Secretary, St John Vianney's Parish, Springvale North

Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at:

[Job vacancies | Melbourne Catholic](#)

Should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact Human Resources at hadmin@cam.org.au

REFLECTION: Divine Mercy Sunday

"The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own..." - Acts 4:32

All that we are and all that we have is a gift from God! Think of your family, your friends, your life, your talents and your money – these are all gifts from God! We aren't really owners of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has blessed us with. We are called to be grateful and generous with all of our gifts for the benefit of others.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Celebrant:

The Lord has risen! Heaven and earth rejoice at the reconciliation of God with all creation. Filled with Easter joy, let us with confidence bring to God our prayers for the needs of the whole world.

Reader:

We pray for the whole Catholic community; we are an Easter people and we ask God's blessing on the Church. We especially pray for our RCIA candidate, Ryan, received into full communion with the Church at the Easter Vigil, and for our Confirmation Candidates due to be confirmed in May.

LORD HEAR US.

We pray for a deep and lively faith in the presence of the risen Christ among us. May we live no longer in the darkness of doubt and fear, but alive and enlightened by the light of Christ's love.

LORD HEAR US.

We pray for all people still struggling in the darkness of suffering pain, grief and loss; that they may experience the comfort and peace of the Risen Lord's presence with them through the compassion and care of the Christian community.

LORD HEAR US.

For all peoples and nations experiencing injustice, poverty and oppression; that the eyes and hearts of the world will be opened to their plight so that they will find freedom, justice and peace.

LORD HEAR US.

For all who are in need; for the poor, the homeless, the housebound and those who are ill; may they encounter the presence of the Risen Lord in their lives and find hope and healing.

LORD HEAR US.

We pray for those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries of death occur about this time: Alberto Klancic, Joe Kenwright, Val Morphett, Angelina Italiano, Nelson Peers, Antonia Battaglia and Michael Prowse.

May they rest in the loving arms and peace of Christ.

LORD HEAR US.

Celebrant:

Creator God of heaven and earth, we bless you and thank you for this joyous Easter season. Help us to be faithful witnesses to the risen Christ. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD – DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Acts 4.32-35

The whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

32 The whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul,
and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions,
but everything they owned was held in common.

33 With great power the apostles gave their testimony
to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus,
and great grace was upon them all.

34 There was not a needy person among them,
for as many as owned lands or houses
sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold.

35 They laid it at the apostles' feet,
and it was distributed to each as any had need.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 118.2-4, 16-18, 22-24 (R.1)

R. Give thanks, for the Lord is good, God's love is everlasting.

2 Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

3 Let the house of Aaron say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

4 Let those who fear the Lord say, "His steadfast love endures forever." **R.**

16 "The right hand of the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly."

17 I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

18 The Lord has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death. **R.**

22 The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This is the Lord's doing; it is marvellous in our eyes.

24 This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. **R.**

SECOND READING

1 John 5.1-6

Whatever is born of God conquers the world.

A reading from the first letter of John.

1 Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God,
and everyone who loves the parent loves the child.

2 By this we know that we love the children of God,
when we love God and obey his commandments.

3 For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments.
And his commandments are not burdensome,

4 for whatever is born of God conquers the world.

And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith.

5 Who is it that conquers the world
but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

6 This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ,
not with the water only but with the water and the blood.

And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMAT I O N

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA

You believed in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

ALLELUIA

G O S P E L

John 20.19-31

A week later Jesus came and stood among them.

A reading from the holy gospel according to John.

19 It was evening on the day Jesus rose from the dead, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jewish authorities.

Jesus came and stood among them and said,
"Peace be with you."

20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side.
Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

21 Jesus said to them again,
"Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

22 When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them,
"Receive the Holy Spirit.

23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them;
if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

24 But Thomas, who was called the Twin, one of the twelve,
was not with them when Jesus came.

25 So the other disciples told him,
"We have seen the Lord."
But he said to them,
"Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands,
and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side,
I will not believe."

26 A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them.
Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said,
"Peace be with you."

27 Then he said to Thomas,
"Put your finger here and see my hands.
Reach out your hand and put it in my side.
Do not doubt but believe."

28 Thomas answered him,
"My Lord and my God!"

29 Jesus said to him,
"Have you believed because you have seen me?
Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples,
which are not written in this book.

31 But these are written so that you may come to believe
that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God,
and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The gospel of the Lord.