



The Word WEEKLY BULLETIN



Parishes of Holy Spirit, St Anne & St Gerard.

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 4-5 July 2020

ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY

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HOLY SPIRIT PARISH EMAIL

Jacinta will continue to make contact with parishioners via email on a weekly basis. If you have not received an email but would like to be included in this distribution list, please email to let us know at Ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au. Alternatively, please ring the parish mobile 0434 224 483 to advise us of your email address.

This is a great opportunity to update our data base!

PLEASE NOTE:

With the easing of some COVID19 restrictions, Fr Arsenio can now celebrate Mass on a very limited basis at Holy Spirit.

The Archdiocese and the Victorian Government have set very strict guidelines governing the service. There will only be **15** places available on weekdays and **20** places on weekends and we will need to register attendance for all Masses. We will also try to fair-share to provide as many people access as we can.

These pre-arranged weekday Masses (**15** places) will be held on **Wednesday & Friday mornings at 10am in the Chapel.**

To register interest for weekday Masses, please ring only on the **Parish mobile number 0434 224 483 by 3pm Tuesday.** You will be contacted after 4pm on Tuesday to be advised if you have been successful for weekday Masses.

Weekend Masses will be celebrated in the Church (**20** places) on **Saturday evening at 6pm** and **Sunday morning at 9am.** Bookings will be taken the same way as weekday Masses. You need to register by calling the **Parish Mobile number 0434 224 483 by 3pm Thursday.** You will be contacted after 4pm on Thursday to be advised if you have been successful for weekend Masses.

RECONCILIATION is now available **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.** Please ring **0434224483** to leave contact details and Fr Arsenio will call you to make an appointment.

Due to the COVID19 health & sanitation requirements, toilet facilities are not available on the parish property.

Please note: Other than at designated Mass times, the Church, Chapel and Parish Office will remain closed at all other times until further notice. However please feel free to call or email the parish if you need to.

IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST— RECENTLY DECEASED: Christine Knights

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Elizabeth Unger, Grenwill Newness, Esther Wyatt, Sofie Nemec, David Barro, Tony Dalton, John Collins, Chris Egerton, Patricia Culhane

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SICK: Ben Lobo, John, Angela Damora, Warren Darbyshire, Claire Snaidero, Pam Rowe, Stella & family, Deb Neilsen, Pauline Curlis, Sean Hill

Readings this week: Zech 9:9-10; Romans 8.9, 11-13; Matthew 11.25-30

The Word, Spirit Magazine and "Spirit Extra" are available online at www.holyspiritparish.org.au

HOLY SPIRIT THANKSGIVING OFFERINGS:

Envelopes: \$
 Credit Cards: \$
 Direct Debits: \$
TOTAL LAST WEEK: \$

PRESBYTERY COLLECTION:

Envelopes: \$
 Loose collection: \$
TOTAL: \$

THANK YOU to everyone who supports Holy Spirit Parish financially. PLEASE ADVISE THE PARISH HOUSE IF YOUR CREDIT CARD IS LOST/STOLEN OR YOUR CREDIT CARD NUMBER HAS CHANGED.

The Parish will rely on continuing contributions through the Thanksgiving program to meet our expenses for day to day operations. If you would like to drop your envelope into the office, please ring to arrange a drop off or pick up time.

This may be an opportune time to change over to Direct Debit or Credit Card contributions. Should you wish to make this change, please call the parish office on **0434 224 483**

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.



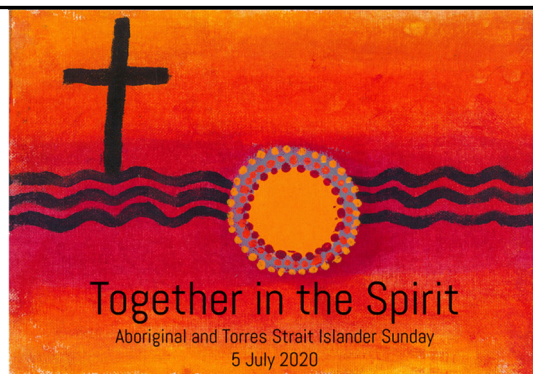
Holy Spirit is a child safe parish. At Holy Spirit we hold the care, safety and well being of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parish.

2020 PARISH AGM will be held on Wednesday 15th July at 7.30 pm. However, due to the current COVID restrictions it will be held via Zoom. Parish Groups, Sporting Clubs and School have been sent an email requesting a report on their activities and how COVID has affected them. Further details will follow closer to the date. Thank you.

The COVID-19 pandemic has forced NATSICC to rethink the ways in how we empower Catholics to celebrate our special day. This year, we are holding the first-ever live-streamed, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday Mass from the St Francis Xavier Cathedral in Adelaide from 10am EST., with Mass commencing at 11:30am.

The livestream will be available from the NATSICC homepage: www.natsicc.org.au

We are inviting everyone around Australia - and the World - to join us on 5 July 2020, as we come 'Together in the Spirit' to celebrate the gifts of spirituality and culture.

**14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

"For my yoke is easy, and my burden light." (Matthew 11:30)

When we think of being good stewards, we may think that God is asking too much of us when He calls us to generously share our time, talent, and treasure. However, we must remember that we are not "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given us. All He is asking is that we give back a small portion, in gratitude, of what He has already given to us.

Collection Notice

For information on the Parish's policies regarding information collection and privacy please refer to: <http://www.holyspiritparish.org.au/Collection-Notice>

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

Stay in touch with our parish website.

- News, Events: ref menu
- "Covid 19 News and Updates" (much of which is drawn from Jacinta's weekly: ref menu
- "How we stay connected", online resources such as Masses, Prayers, Newsletters, Next Zoom: ref home page
- >>>> We have changed our web address on Friday 03/07/2020. Refer the attached page for more info <<<<

Parish Zoom Chat

A number of parishioners gathered for a pre-dinner chat last Wednesday evening. It was lovely to see faces and catch up on news. This opportunity will be ongoing.

The next fortnightly zoom chat is due Wednesday the 15th July

As this is the night of the AGM, please Zoom in at **7.30 pm** to support and participate in the life of the parish in the these unusual times.

ID link & p/word details pending...

Please call Mary on 0410 654 357 for tech support if needed.

ALL WELCOME

VINNIES COVID-19 WINTER APPEAL

Not only have the people who usually rely on our assistance been disproportionately affected, but there will be many more thousands who have lost their jobs and finding themselves suffering from financial strain and struggling to keep a roof over their heads or even food on the table. Due to very strict numbers at weekend Masses, where we traditionally held the Winter Appeal, we are making the transition to digital as there will be no cash collections. Parishioners wanting to donate can do so by :-

Phone by calling 13 18 12 and nominate North Ringwood Conference or

Online at vinnies.org.au and nominate North Ringwood in the "comments" field.

Donations over \$2.00 or more are tax deductible.

Thank you in advance for your support of the Winter Appeal

**Vinnies
changes
lives
everyday.**

Show your support and
give to our annual appeal

EVERGREENS

Dear Evergreens,

We have been advised to put our Evergreen activities, (Meetings and Social Activities), on hold during the Coronavirus pandemic. We will advise you when we are able to resume. In the meantime, take good care of yourselves and please continue to support each other (by phone etc.).

If any further information is required, please ring Jean-(9876 2204) or Shirley- (9870 1396)



RCIA Journey 2020

On the weekend (18/19 July) will see the reception of our 2 Catechumens, Andrew Mitchell and Sam Philp, after many months of journeying through the RCIA program at Holy Spirit.

When we first met up in October last year, we had little idea of the challenges that would confront us as we moved through the program, but credit to our 2 Catechumens, they stuck through it and carried on to now be well and truly ready to become full members of the Catholic Faith.

The last third of the journey was completed online because of the COVID restrictions, which did present some challenges but the RCIA team now feels that they are more than ready to become part of the Catholic community.

Our 2 Catechumens deserve all praise and encouragement for their perseverance and single mindedness in wanting to be part of our community.

We would ask the Holy Spirit community to keep these 2 special men very much in our prayers and to welcome them wholeheartedly into our midst.

The RCIA team

Reflection.

In this day and age, as the problems and worries of the moment overpower us, we all find life difficult and discouraging. As the signs of stress and tension become visible on our faces, we listen to those reassuring and comforting words of Jesus - 'Come to me all you who labour and are overburdened and I will give you rest.' In the middle of trying situations he seems to invite us to come to him with our worries saying all will be well. The giving of our hearts to Christ implies complete trust and childlike dependence. This gospel speaks to us of the tender personal and human qualities of Christ's love for us. God is full of mercy and compassion. He is a great comfort in times of sorrow and distress. Let us accept his invitation to build up our lives with Christ as our model. . Arsenio.



Big News - Our web site has moved.

We are now at www.holyspiritparish.org.au

As the heading says we have moved our web site. We are no longer at www.cam... Instead you can find us at: www.holyspiritparish.org.au.

There have been some useful changes which are best explained by reading these notes in conjunction with the image of our home page, here on the next page of this newsletter.

- a) The web site can now be searched. This is perhaps the best of the improvements. If you're looking for something and can't remember where it's placed start here.
- b) If you are on a small form factor device (smart phone or table) you will see the "hamburger" in the top left corner. Click this to see the menu (3)
- c) The Menu
 1. The menu now sports "Covid 19". This is the full list of announcements we have made since the restrictions took place – mostly these come from Jacinta's weekly update. We also have the most recent two on the home page ("Covid 19 Updates" - refer 6). Previously we had the most recent one on the home page and the rest on another page that was a bit less obvious to find and much harder to maintain. This change is mostly of benefit to me ;)
 2. "News, Events" has been revamped. It used to be a menu list of articles which were difficult to navigate and appreciate what they might contain. Now it is a series of summaries each with an associated image and details should you wish to "click-in". This means a more manageable interface and better user experience.
 3. Contact Us can now fit on our menu. Previously it was only available by the phone icon in the top right corner which is not the first place many people would look.
4. The rotating banners are as they were – a number of standard (e.g. current Mass season which clicks through to mass times) and newly featured items (e.g. click through the Choir image to see and hear our Choir in action) each of which allows the user to click-through to the content.
5. "Holy Spirit Parish Online – How we stay connected" is as it was – a place to click through to see a list of online resources such as weekly streamed masses and Zoom meeting updates, etc. [Do we have a new time yet?]
6. Covid 19 Updates. As explained in 3a, this is the most recent two announcements. There's also "Click here for more updates on Covid 19" missing from the graphic to see the rest.
7. Welcome to Holy Spirit Parish. This too is unchanged and our Welcome message to the world.
8. Reflections. This is as it was, a reflection from our Parish Priest. However, a significant recent change is that a new reflection is added reliably each week. It doesn't matter how sophisticated the web site is if it has no interesting content. Now we have something valuable to share regularly. Thanks Father Arsenio!
9. Tweets by @Pontifex is Pope Francis' Twitter Feed. This is as it was. It automatically updates daily. I have no interest in Twitter myself, but I feel that this feed is worthy of our time.
10. The 8 Icons at the bottom of every page are technically the same. They are a quick way to navigate to main sections of the site. With the change I have taken the opportunity to give "Spirit Extra!" its own button (Helen can lay claim to this new small piece of "screen real estate" next to her "Spirit Magazine") .
11. The Footer is unchanged. It too shows at the bottom of every page and tells people who and where we are and also has links to the legal type documents that is required of us.

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Hear our Parish Choir sing “Abide O Spirit” - inspirational!

Holy Spirit Parish Online - How we stay connected

Click here

Online resources such as Masses, Prayers, Newsletters, Next Zoom (Wed 01/07 5:00 p.m.) <<< last updated Saturday 27 June, 7:00 p.m.

Register for our weekly Parish News email by clicking here: RingwoodNorth@cam.org.au

Covid 19 Updates

27th June 2020: What our children are missing about Holy Spirit Parish

For those of attending mass at Holy Spirit this weekend please take a look at the pin board near the seats. Some of the children have sent along some drawings on "What they are missing about Holy Spirit Parish".

21 June 2020: Twelfth Mass in Ordinary Time, Vigil Mass - 20/06/2020

See our latest mass video. This one was done from our Church. [News, Events > Twelfth Mass in Ordinary Time, Vigil Mass](#)

Welcome to Holy Spirit Parish

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

We aim to make our parish a missionary parish based on the five pillars of Church life - Worship, Evangelization, Discipleship, Community and Ministry. To actualise this dream we are currently working on Divine Renovation based on Alpha.

Since its inception in 1972, Holy Spirit Parish has moved through many stages of development and today continues to strive to be a vibrant community of faith within the Archdiocese. The number of people involved in the sacramental and outreach programmes helps us to bear witness to Christ in our day today life.

We invite you to become part of Holy Spirit parish family by worshipping at Holy Mass, participating in our many activities and service opportunities, and giving your time and talent. Please feel free to come and visit us or contact the parish office if you require further assistance.

[More Reflections...](#)

Reflections

Hospitality

Saturday 27th June 2020

Welcome one another therefore, as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. -Romans 15:7 (RSV)

In an age when people are growing further apart, there is a greater need for friendliness than ever before, and the traditional value of hospitality is once more being rediscovered. Hospitality is regarded as a sacred duty and the equivalent of welcoming the Lord himself. The gospel reminds us that all small ways of giving and caring, even act of kindness, like the giving of a cup of water to a stranger in our doorstep, will win God's favour and result in a great blessing. The world we live in is crying out for small acts of kindness which cost little but are sadly missing, like a smile, a word of appreciation or a phone call.

[Read more](#)

Tweets by @Pontifex

Pope Francis @Pontifex

Evil never gives peace. It causes frenzy first then leaves bitterness. Instead, God's voice never promises: cheap, easily acquired joy. He invites us to go beyond our ego to find that true good: peace.

Parish Calendar

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Next Alpha

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100 FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING

Zechariah 9.9-10

Lo, your king comes to you, humble and riding on a donkey.

A reading from the book of the prophet Zechariah.

- 9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!
Lo, your king comes to you;
triumphant and victorious is he,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
- 10 He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the war horse from Jerusalem;
and the warrior's bow shall be cut off,
and he shall command peace to the nations;
his dominion shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 145.1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13cd-14 (R.1b)

R. I will praise your name for ever,
my king and my God.

or: Alleluia! (Two or three times)

- 1 I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.
2 Every day I will bless you,
and praise your name forever and ever. **R.**
- 6 The Lord is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
9 The Lord is good to all,
and his compassion is over all that he has made. **R.**
- 10 All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord,
and all your faithful shall bless you.
11 They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom,
and tell of your power. **R.**
- 13 The Lord is faithful in all his words,
and gracious in all his deeds.
14 The Lord upholds all who are falling,
and raises up all who are bowed down. **R.**

SECOND READING

Romans 8.9, 11-13

*If by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body,
you will live.*

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

- 9 My sisters and brothers,
you are not in the flesh;
you are in the Spirit,
since the Spirit of God dwells in you.
Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ
does not belong to him.
- 11 If the Spirit of God who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you,
he who raised Christ from the dead
will give life to your mortal bodies also
through his Spirit that dwells in you.
- 12 So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors,
not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh.
- 13 For if you live according to the flesh,
you will die;
but if by the Spirit
you put to death the deeds of the body,
you will live.

The word of the Lord.



People talking to Jesus in the Bough Shed (Queenie McKenzie)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

See Matthew 11.25

This verse may accompany the singing of the Alleluia.
If the Alleluia is not sung, the acclamation is omitted.

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

GOSPEL

Matthew 11.25-30

I am gentle and humble in heart.

✠ A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew.

- 25 At that time Jesus said,
"I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth,
because you have hidden these things
from the wise and the intelligent
and have revealed them to infants;
26 yes, Father, for such was your gracious will."
Then, turning to his disciples, Jesus said:
27 "All things have been handed over to me by my Father;
and no one knows the Son except the Father,
and no one knows the Father except the Son
and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.
28 "Come to me, all you that are weary
and are carrying heavy burdens,
and I will give you rest.
29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me;
for I am gentle and humble in heart,
and you will find rest for your souls.
30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."
The gospel of the Lord.

Prayers of Intercession

Loving Father, as we gather here before you, we ask that you will hear our prayers and draw us closer to you.

We pray for Pope Francis and the leaders of our church. May they show our church to be a place of welcome for all comers.

LORD HEAR US

For the grace of hospitality: that we may welcome all whom God sends to us and receive them in generosity and love.

LORD HEAR US

For the grace of perseverance: that all who suffer for their beliefs and religious practices may find strength and hope to remain faithful.

LORD HEAR US

We pray that we may surrender all that impedes us from following God, especially power, pride, and possessions, and find fulfilment by living as God's children.

LORD HEAR US

For openness of heart: that we may recognize God's presence in others and treat the stranger and newcomer as we would treat Christ.

LORD HEAR US

For our government leaders; that they will recognize the needs of the poor and homeless and work to provide new options for safe housing and health care.

LORD HEAR US

For the gift of peace: that God will guide and sustain all the initiatives to restore peace amongst nations.

LORD HEAR US

We pray for those who have died recently , especially Christine Knights, and for those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time: Elizabeth Unger, Grenwill Newness, Esther Wyatt, Sofie Nemec, David Barro, Tony Dalton, John Collins, Chris Egerton, Patricia Culhane.

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

LORD HEAR US

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION,

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

St. Alphonsus Liguori

