



# The Word WEEKLY BULLETIN



Parishes of Holy Spirit, St Anne & St Gerard.

**6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 11-12 February 2023**

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## Pastoral Care Appeal

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### PARISH SECRETARY

Kerry McGowan Thursday & Friday

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### IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST—RECENTLY DECEASED: John Mason (Brian's brother)

Fran O'Dwyer's funeral will be held this coming Wednesday 15th February at 11 am in the Church

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Attilio Panetta, Les Carach, Alberto Cavallin, Frank Danelutti, Patricia Kett, Rosa Acquarola, Kyle Vassil, Lucia De Petro and Steven Rigo

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SICK: Angela Damora, Warren Darbyshire, Stella & family, Pauline Curlis, Sean Hill, Valerie Mason, Adrian Ness, Dennis Price, Carol Vallance, Chris Neate, Edna Danelutti, Lyn Read, Tyler, Helen, Justine, Peter Higgins, Dan Higgins, Christian Heskett

**Readings this week: Sirach 15:15-20; 1Cor2:6-10; Matt 5:17-37**

The Word, Spirit Magazine and "Spirit Extra" are available online at [www.holyspiritparish.org.au](http://www.holyspiritparish.org.au)

## 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—13th-19th February 2023**

<b>MONDAY</b>	7.00 pm St Vincent de Paul Meeting, Mary Bresnan Room
<b>TUESDAY</b>	9.15-10.00 am Meditation, Holy Spirit Chapel 8.00 pm Charismatic Prayer Group, Holy Spirit Chapel
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	9.15 am Mass, Holy Spirit Chapel 7.00 pm Rosary via Zoom 7:00pm Liturgy Team Meeting, Mary Bresnan Room
<b>THURSDAY</b>	7:30pm Choir Holy Spirit Church
<b>FRIDAY</b>	9.15 am Mass, Holy Spirit Chapel 7.00-9.00 pm ALPHA Gathering, Mary Bresnan Room
<b>SATURDAY</b>	6.00pm Vigil Mass, Holy Spirit Church
<b>SUNDAY</b>	7th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9.00 am Mass, Holy Spirit Church 5.00 pm Mass, Holy Spirit Chapel 4.00-5.00 pm High Spirits, Mary Bresnan Room

### **HOLY SPIRIT ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 18th-19th February 2023**

**Web: [www.cam.org.au/ringwoodnorth/Parish-Groups/Parish-Rosters](http://www.cam.org.au/ringwoodnorth/Parish-Groups/Parish-Rosters)**

#### **Mass Coordinators:**

**6.00 pm:** Jacek Holewa

**9.00 am:** Bill Lanigan

**5.00 pm:** Volunteer

#### **Lectors:**

**6.00 pm:** Maureen Chamberlin

**9.00 am:** Marian McClelland

**5.00 pm:** Volunteer

#### **Welcomers:**

**6.00 pm:** Jean Smith

**9.00 am:** Tina Toomey

#### **Tea and Coffee:**

**9.00 am:** Beth Del Cin and family



The December issue of the Spirit Magazine is now available. Pick up a copy from the Church or view it on line via the Holy Spirit website. [www.holyspiritparish.org.au/spiritmagazine](http://www.holyspiritparish.org.au/spiritmagazine)

#### **Holy Spirit Web Site - [www.holyspiritparish.org.au](http://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](mailto:Ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au) or phone 7036 9395  
Thank you.

#### **DAILY MASS BOOKS 2023**

Daily Mass Book 2023 are now available to purchase from the Parish House. (\$30 each)  
Please see Ruth or Jenny to get a copy.



#### **HOLY SPIRIT PARISH ZOOM ROSARY**

**Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm—Meeting ID: 631 950 8706 Passcode: 2p7ssZ**

**Hosted by Ambrose & Philomena Cornelio**

**Prayer requests may be emailed to Ambrose: [acornelio@connecteast.com.au](mailto:acornelio@connecteast.com.au) for inclusion weekly.**

**Collection Notice** For information on the Parish's policies regarding information collection and privacy please refer to: [www.holyspiritparish.org.au/Collection-Notice](http://www.holyspiritparish.org.au/Collection-Notice)

**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.

"Thank you to everyone who prayed for baby Thomas Lee. He survived a 5 hour surgery on the second day of his life and is now thriving at home with his parents. He is living proof that miracles do happen. "

**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.

**On the Journey this week:** On the Journey this week: In the Gospel reflection Fr Slawek Plonka says it's more than just keeping the commandments; it's moral decisions about avoiding sins of omission. Mother Hilda has a story about Pope John XXIII and the joy of comfort during difficulties. Plus, Deacon Josh Clayton encourages us to celebrate our baptism anniversary, Trish McCarthy calls for discerning diets, Fr Mike Delaney wonders how we can care more for people in "the bush," and more great music! Visit [www.jcr.org.au](http://www.jcr.org.au) or [www.itunes.jcr.org.au](http://www.itunes.jcr.org.au) where you can listen anytime.

### **Pastoral Care Appeal 2023**

This weekend is the Pastoral Care Appeal in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. Each year a special collection is conducted in all parishes, so that the vital work of the Catholic Chaplains can continue. The Chaplains support thousands of Victorians every year in hospitals, prisons and youth justice centres. Your gift can help people find comfort and hope as they go through some of their darkest times of their life. Please give generously. You can donate using the envelopes available or online at [www.catholiccarevic.org.au](http://www.catholiccarevic.org.au) or call (03) 9287 5513



## **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2023 TAIWAN**

**10am Friday March 3rd Holy Spirit Chapel**

The World Day of Prayer is an international ecumenical Christian laywomen's initiative. It is run under the motto "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action," and is celebrated annually in over 170 countries on the first Friday in March. The movement aims to bring together women of various races, cultures and traditions in a yearly common Day of Prayer, as well as in closer fellowship, understanding and action throughout the year. The theme in 2023 is God's promise in the letter to the Ephesians, which is an invitation to active listening, which is the ground of our prayers. Following the example of the letter (Ephesians 1:15-19), where the author praises the church for their faith in Jesus and love toward all the saints, the worship service contextualizes the witness of the saints with the stories from Taiwan.

All parishioners are invited to a Mass of Anointing followed by light lunch on Friday 31st March at 11am in the Church. 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 fill in the sign up sheet on the word table or contact the Parish Office: [ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au](mailto:ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au) or 70369395 by Wednesday 22nd March.

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



### **LADIES MORNING COFFEE**

Welcoming all ladies in the Holy Spirit Community to join us for a coffee morning in the Parish House on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February at 10am after the 9:15am mass.

As this is our first meeting for the year I'm sure there will be a lot of chitter chatter to catch up on after coming back from our holidays.

Please don't hesitate to bring along a friend or invite any new parishioner you may know of. We are a friendly group of women full of laughter & fun and would love to have your company.

Any queries please contact Maureen Taffe on 0422508637 or [maureentaffe@hotmail.com](mailto:maureentaffe@hotmail.com)

## **ANNIVERSARY MASS FOR KEVIN MOGG**

As we approach the 1st anniversary of Fr. Kevin's passing to Our Lord, we would like to offer an open invitation to all to attend a Memorial Mass on Monday 27th February at 11.30 am in the Holy Spirit Chapel. One of Father Kevin's close priest friends, Fr. Kevin Bourke, will celebrate Mass for us and we will go out afterwards to the Ringwood Club to share a meal together. As Fr. Kevin Mogg was all about gathering around the table and breaking break together, we thought this would be an appropriate way to remember him. If you are free, please come along.

There is a sheet on the table in the foyer of the church for you to register your attendance.

If you would like more information or have any questions, please contact Tina Toomey on 0418 552 013. Many thanks.

## **HOLY SPIRIT LENTEN DISCUSSION GROUPS**

We have purchased the beautiful Wollongong Lenten discussion booklet titled "Triumph" where each group will look at Gospels from Year A along with reflections and group discussions. We are fortunate to have three group times to offer:

### **Wednesday evenings via Zoom with Maryann Street, 7.45-9.00pm**

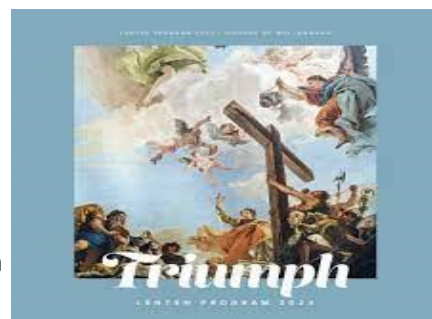
Wednesday 22nd February, 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th of March

### **Thursday evenings with Judy Barber in her home, 7.45-9.15pm**

Thursday 23rd February, 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th of March

### **Sunday late afternoon with Yvette Collins in the Parish House, 6.30-7.45pm**

Sunday 26th February, 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th of March and 2nd April



Each group will run for 6 weeks.

For those who would like to join in these Lenten discussions groups, there are sign-up sheets in the foyer of the church or call the Parish Office on 7036 9395 to register your interest.

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

### **Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne**

- Human Resource Partner
- Retail Shop Assistant – St Patricks Cathedral Shop
- Wellbeing Manager

### **Parish Positions**

- Parish Bookkeeper – St Andrew's Parish, Werribee
- Pastoral Worker – St Andrew's Parish, Werribee
- Parish Secretary – St Dominic's Parish, Melton
- Parish Administrative Coordinator - St Patrick's and St Kevin's Parishes, Murrumbena
- Parish Secretary – St Dominic's Parish, Melton

### **Other Positions**

- Secretary/Finance Administrator – Brunswick Moreland Catholic Community
- Pastoral Care and Hospitality Lead – Brunswick Moreland Catholic Community
- Stewardship Coordinator – Brunswick Moreland Catholic Community
- Evangelisation Coordinator – Brunswick Moreland Catholic Community
- Cook – Oblate Community

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

<https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

Should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact Human Resources at [hadmin@cam.org.au](mailto:hadmin@cam.org.au)

## **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:**

### ***Celebrant:***

***The Lord has chosen us and blessed us and so we seek him confidently with our prayers.***

Reader:

For our Church leaders; that as servant-leaders they may inspire our faith in God's abundant plans for us.

In faith we pray.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

For our parish community; that our sense of belonging may be strengthened, that all members of our parish family may feel valued and reach their potential to live life to the full.

In faith we pray.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

For the work of CatholicCare Victoria's pastoral ministry, chaplains and volunteers; for being the messengers of God's mercy, love and compassion.

In faith we pray.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

For those who are ill; that they may be strengthened in their struggle and pain and may receive the healing power of God.

In faith we pray.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

We especially pray for the thousands of victims of the most devastating of earthquakes in Turkey and Syria. May the survivors and emergency personnel have the courage, strength, faith and hope to undertake the enormous task of rescue and restoration over the many long months ahead of them.

In faith we pray.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died recently John Mason, and those whose anniversaries of death occur about this time: Attilio Panetta, Les Crach, Alberto Cavallin, Frank Danelutti, Patricia Kett, Rosa Acquarola, Kyle Vassil, Lucia De Petro and Steven Rigo.

May they rest in the loving arms and peace of Christ. In faith we pray.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

### ***Celebrant:***

***Loving God, you calm our fears and doubts and are eager to bless us. Hear these petitions which we humbly place under your tender gaze, through Christ our Saviour and Lord. Amen.***

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## **REFLECTION: 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

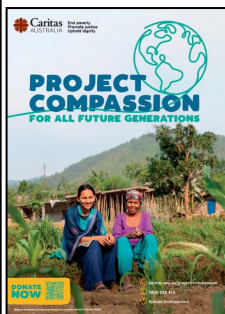
*"For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." MATT 5:20*

The Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear – it's the love that you have in your heart, for God and others, that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules to the letter and not out of love, does not necessarily put you on the path to heaven. Attending Sunday Mass and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of being a modern day Pharisee.

## ASH WEDNESDAY 2022

Ash Wednesday is on Wednesday 21st February 2023. Masses for parishioners will be celebrated at 9:15am in the Holy Spirit Church with the school students and 7pm.

We have an abundance of ashes, so there is no need to bring your palms or olive branches from last year.



Please take home a Project Compassion box or a set of donation envelopes to support Caritas Australia this Lenten season and help support vulnerable people around the world, now and **For All Future Generations**. With your support, Caritas Australia has been able to support vulnerable communities around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all.

Caritas Australia is the Catholic agency for international aid and development, working to alleviate poverty and bring hope and justice to marginalised communities throughout the world.

Mission in Flight (ministry) want to start or keep a ministry going in your church, youth group or bible study or any ministry. Learn from those who have kept their groups going for more than 15 years. Suitable for also beginners & advance.

Weekend 25-26 February

The event starts at 10am on Saturday and concludes at 4pm on Sunday.

St Joseph's Parish Chelsea

For more info [www.trybooking.com/CFPZX](http://www.trybooking.com/CFPZX) 0413398528



Please join Catholic Theological College to celebrate 50 years of theological education at the

### Sung Celebration of Evening Prayer

Guest Speaker Dr Graeme Blackman AO  
*Chancellor of University of Divinity*

Date: Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 3.30pm  
Location: St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne

Our Lady of Sion College  
1065 Whitehorse Road, Box Hill

Our first Talk and Tour for 2023 is nearly upon us and we are also promoting our upcoming Open Day, the biggest tour event on our school calendar. Details for both events are as follows:

- **Talk and Tour:** Monday 27 February, 9:30am – 11:00am
- **2023 College Open Day:** Tuesday 21 March, 2.30 pm – 6.30 pm

Bookings are now open on our website. [sion.catholic.edu.au](http://sion.catholic.edu.au)



## FIRST READING

Sirach 15.15-20

*The Lord has not commanded anyone to be wicked.*

A reading from the book of Sirach.

15 If you choose, you can keep the commandments,  
and to act faithfully is a matter of your own choice.

16 The Lord has placed before you fire and water;  
stretch out your hand for whichever you choose.

17 Before each person are life and death,  
and whichever we choose will be given.

18 For great is the wisdom of the Lord;  
he is mighty in power and sees everything;

19 his eyes are on those who fear him,  
and he knows every human action.

20 He has not commanded anyone to be wicked,  
and he has not given anyone permission to sin.  
The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 119.1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 (R.1)

**R.** Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

1 Happy are those whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the Lord.

2 Happy are those who keep his decrees, who seek him with their whole heart. **R.**

4 You have commanded your precepts to be kept diligently.

5 O that my ways may be steadfast in keeping your statutes! **R.**

17 Deal bountifully with your servant, so that I may live and observe your word.

18 Open my eyes, so that I may behold wondrous things out of your law. **R.**

33 Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to the end.

34 Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart. **R.**

## SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 2.6-10

*We speak God's wisdom, which God decreed  
before the ages for our glory.*

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

My brothers and sisters,

6 among the mature we do speak wisdom,  
though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish.

7 But we speak God's wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory.

8 None of the rulers of this age understood this;  
for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

9 As it is written,  
"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived  
what God has prepared for those who love him."

10 These things God has revealed to us through the Spirit;  
for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God.

The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMAT I O N

### Alleluia, Alleluia

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

### GOSPEL

**Matthew 5.17, 20-24, 27-28, 33-34, 37++**  
*You have heard what was said to those of ancient times;  
but I say to you...*

A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew.

On the mountain, Jesus gathered his disciples around him  
and he taught them, saying:

**17** “Do not think that I have come  
to abolish the law or the prophets;  
I have come not to abolish but to fulfil.

**20** For I tell you, unless your righteousness  
exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees,  
you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

**21** “You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times,  
‘You shall not murder’;  
and ‘whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.’

**22** But I say to you  
that if you are angry with a brother or sister,  
you will be liable to judgment;  
and if you insult a brother or sister,  
you will be liable to the council;  
and if you say, ‘You fool,’  
you will be liable to the hell of fire.

**23** “So when you are offering your gift at the altar,  
if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you,

**24** leave your gift there before the altar and go;  
first be reconciled to your brother or sister,  
and then come and offer your gift.

**27** “You have heard that it was said,  
‘You shall not commit adultery.’

**28** But I say to you  
that everyone who looks at a woman with lust  
has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

**33** “Again, you have heard  
that it was said to those of ancient times,  
‘You shall not swear falsely,  
but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.’

**34** But I say to you:  
Do not swear at all,  
either by heaven, for it is the throne of God,

**37** Let your word be ‘Yes,’ if ‘Yes’ or ‘No,’ if ‘No’;  
anything more than this comes from the evil one.”

The gospel of the Lord.