



The Word WEEKLY BULLETIN



Parishes of Holy Spirit, St Anne & St Gerard.

1st Sunday of Lent, 25-26 February 2023

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TUES 1.30pm to 3.45pm

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Masses:

Tuesdays 9am St Gerard's Warrandyte

Sundays 10:30am—1st Sunday of the month @ St Anne's, every other Sunday at St Gerard's.

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL—St. Anne's

Michael Edmonds—9876 1533

IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST— RECENTLY DECEASED: Lucas Murphy

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Father Kevin Mogg, Rick Doensen, Robert Williams, Frances Hanlon, Trevor Chandler, Margaret Merchant, Peter Brown, Jack Carroll and Teresa Panek

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SICK: Angela Damora, Warren Darbyshire, Stella & family, 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, Will Laussen

Readings this week: Gen 2:7-9, 3:1-7; Rom 5:12-19; Matt 4:1-11

The Word, Spirit Magazine and "Spirit Extra" are available online at 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—27th February—5th March 2023

MONDAY	11.30 am Father Kevin Mogg 1st Anniversary Mass, Holy Spirit Chapel 7.00 pm St Vincent de Paul Meeting, Mary Bresnan Room
TUESDAY	9.15-10.00 am Meditation, Holy Spirit Chapel 8.00 pm Charismatic Prayer Group, Holy Spirit Chapel
WEDNESDAY	9.15 am Mass , Holy Spirit Chapel 7.00 pm Rosary via Zoom 7.30 pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting, Mary Bresnan Room
THURSDAY	7:30pm Choir Holy Spirit Chapel
FRIDAY	8:15am Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet 9.15 am Mass, Holy Spirit Chapel 10.00 am World Day of Prayer, Holy Spirit Chapel
SATURDAY	6.00pm Vigil Mass, Holy Spirit Church
SUNDAY	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT 9.00 am Mass, Holy Spirit Church 5.00 pm Mass, Holy Spirit Chapel 4.00-5.00 pm High Spirits, Mary Bresnan Room ST VINCENT DE PAUL \$2.00 COLLECTION WEEKEND

HOLY SPIRIT ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 4th-5th March 2023

Web: www.cam.org.au/ringwoodnorth/Parish-Groups/Parish-Rosters

Mass Coordinators:

6.00 pm: Mary Ryan

9.00 am: Bernadette Loughron

5.00 pm: Volunteer

Lectors:

6.00 pm: Ambrose Cornelio

9.00 am: Paul Dwyer

5.00 pm: Volunteer

Welcomers:

6.00 pm: Maureen Taffe

9.00 am: Nola Ryan

Tea and Coffee:

9.00 am: Nola Ryan and Norma Brown



The March 2022 Spirit Magazine is now being prepared. We would love any contributions you would like to share: photos from a community activity, back to school or first day stories or photos, achievements of our students and Alumni, articles you think worth sharing or a favourite digital resource.

Please send your inputs to thespirit@holyspiritparish.org.au by 24 March. Thank you very much, Yvette.

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.

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 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

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.

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.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2023

TAIWAN

10am Friday March 3rd Holy Spirit Chapel

Followed by Morning Tea in the Mary Bresnan Room

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 or 70369395 by Wednesday 22nd March.

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



On the Journey this week: : In the Gospel reflection Fr Mark De Battista says we grow and mature in virtue by being put to the test. Mother Hilda says love is the antidote for all the negativity around us. We continue the Triumph Lenten series with Fr Sean Cullen and Fr Richard Green and their reflections on prayer. Fr Mike Delaney shares about a weekend where there is a time for every purpose under heaven, and more great music! Visit www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime.

Alpha Get-Together – March 24th, 7pm



Over the past 5 years we have run Alpha at Holy Spirit Parish six times, both in-person and online. Over 60 people have experienced at least one Alpha at Holy Spirit.

It's time to come together, renew some friendships and hear about plans for Alpha in 2024.

If you have experienced Alpha at Holy Spirit Parish, please save the date – **Friday March 24th** for an evening of fun and friendship in the Mary Bresnan Room.

RCIA 2022/23 – RITE OF ELECTION - This Sunday at St. Patrick's Cathedral

We humbly ask for your prayers for our Candidate – Nyariak who this weekend will join with her sponsor (Tina) at the Cathedral for the 'Rite of Election'. The catechumens/candidates are preparing to take part in the Sacraments of Initiation at Easter. So please keep in your prayers Nyariak, her sponsor (Tina), and RCIA team members who are accompanying her in her faith journey, and for all those who will be present at the Cathedral; the witnessing of this call to faith also enriches our own faith life, the fruits of which we can share in our own local parish community. Lawrence Ceconello and Tina Toomey, (RCIA Team, Holy Spirit Parish).

BISHOP ROBERT RABBAT 'S SYRIAN EARTHQUAKE APPEAL



PLEASE DONATE NOW

The recent Syrian earthquake has hit people who were already displaced in a region that has been devastated by more than a decade of civil war. Yet again, we are seeing people fleeing and desperate for shelter in freezing winter conditions. We want to help provide that light in the deepest darkness, to get through this devastating disaster.

MCF DGR ACCOUNT

Ref: Syrian Appeal

BSB: 062784

Account: 100011493

All donations are Tax Deductible.

For a receipt please email mcf@melkite.org.au or contact on (02) 9750 5514

Mission: Change their lives ... and yours.

Communities in Africa, Asia or the Pacific are seeking Australians from a variety of professions and trades to share their skills with those who have less opportunity to develop their talents.

Explore 35 positions by scanning the QR code below. On our website you can also see news including stories from those currently supported in Timor-Leste, Samoa, American Samoa and Thailand.

Please enquire further about potential assignments for you or someone you know:

RING: 02 9560 5333 or 0422 472 567. WEB: www.palms.org.au

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 – Parishes of Frankston

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

ST ANNES PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS 39TH



STRAWBERRY FAIR

SATURDAY 4TH MARCH 2023

60 KNEES ROAD, PARK ORCHARDS • 10AM TO 4PM

• Registrations open 8.00am • Fun run 8:30am start •
• Raffle drawn 3pm •



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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

After losing her father when she was just 10-years-old, **Laxmi** was at risk of falling further into extreme poverty. But with the support of our partner Caritas Nepal, Laxmi joined a child's club, became a leader in her school and is now a mentor to other children in her village.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2023. 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/envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.

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 5th March 2023 at 3.30pm
Location: St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne





Hello to all our wonderful previous
Winter Shelter Volunteers -
WE ARE BACK for winter 2023!!!!

Hoping you have you got a few spare hours to come back to volunteer with Winter Shelter this winter? We need YOU!!

As you are aware our program aims to provide basic facilities, hospitality and crisis accommodation to those who are experiencing homelessness in the city of Maroondah.

Our guests are offered "more than just a place to stay", they are provided with a wholesome dinner, showering facilities, overnight accommodation, breakfast and a packed lunch every night of the week, from 1st June - 17th September.

If you can chat, listen, cook meals, serve food, socialise, drive a minibus, transport our trailer between venues, help in the kitchen, etc we would love to have you back to be part of our 2023 WS team.

An Information Night will be held late April/early May (TBC)

To register for 2023 go directly to
<https://wintershelter.org.au/volunteer>
or use the QR code



Find us on Facebook or Instagram for more information or contact Maroondah Winter Shelter Program Coordinator



Gitta Clayton M: 0451 744 453 gitta.clayton@croydonhills.care
or Beth - Volunteer Coordinator boswalds1@gmail.com

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Celebrant:

Dear Friends in Christ. As we begin our annual period of renewal in the risen life of the Lord, let us ask the Father for all our needs, the needs of the whole Church and the needs of all people throughout the world.

Reader:

We pray for our brothers and sisters throughout the world who are pushed to the edges of society and whose value and potential are not recognized; that their silenced voices may be raised in hope.

Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

As we honestly review our relationships with one another, let us pray that Christ's Light of truth and the Spirit of discernment and reconciliation, will come alive in the hearts of all people and in all who have power and leadership roles throughout the world.

Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

For the poor, needy and suffering throughout the world; that they may come to know the tender care of God in their lives through our generous support of Project Compassion during our Lenten observance.

Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

That our hearts will be open to the work of the Spirit in our lives and our world as we listen and discern how God is calling us to be a Christ-centered Church in Australia that is open to conversion, renewal and reform.

Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

We pray for all involved in the ministry of education. Like Jesus may they be clear, courageous and strong as they pass values of compassion and justice to future generations. May our support for Project Compassion continue to make education more widely available.

Lord hear us.

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries of death occur about this time: Father Kevin Mogg, Rick Doensen, Robert Williams, Frances Hanlon, Trevor Chandler, Margaret Merchant, Peter Brown, Jack Carroll and Teresa Panek.

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

ALL: Lord hear our prayer.

Celebrant:

Lord, we trust that our prayers both spoken and unspoken will be heard with grace and love. May your blessings descend upon us and on all for whom we pray. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

REFLECTION: 1st Sunday of Lent

"It is written: 'The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.'" Matthew 4:10

Tempted between the riches and power of this world and service to God, Jesus chose service to His Father. If we wish to truly follow Jesus, we, too, must decide to turn away from worldly power and riches and put God at the center of our lives. Lent is our time to prune ourselves of earthly things, and develop and nurture heavenly things. Lent is time to repent and let go of the other "gods" we have put before God.

FIRST READING

Genesis 2.7-9, 16-18,2-5; 3.1-7++
The creation and the sin of our first parents.

A reading from the book of Genesis.

7 The Lord God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being.
8 And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed.
9 Out of the ground the Lord God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.
16 And the Lord God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden;
17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."
18 Then the Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner."
25 And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.
1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?"
2 The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden;
3 but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'"
4 But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die;
5 for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."
6 So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate.
7 Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

The word of the Lord.

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 51.1-2, 3-4a, 10-11, 12+15 (R.1a+4a)

R. Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.
2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. **R.**
3 For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.
4 Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight. **R.**
10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.
11 Do not cast me away from your presence, and do not take your holy spirit from me. **R.**

12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

15 O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. **R.**

A period of silence is observed after the reading.

SECOND READING

Romans 5.12, 17-19

Where sin increased, grace abounded all the more.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

12 Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, so death spread to all, because all have sinned.

17 If, because of the trespass of one, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one, Jesus Christ.

18 Therefore just as the trespass of one led to condemnation for all, so the act of righteousness of one leads to justification and life for all.

19 For just as by the disobedience of one the many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one the many will be made righteous.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia

**No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.**

Alleluia

GOSPEL

Matthew 4.1-11

Jesus fasted forty days, and was put to the test.

A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew.

After being baptized,

1 Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

2 He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished.

3 The tempter came and said to him,

“If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.”

4 But he answered,

“It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”

5 Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him,

6 “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

‘He will command his angels concerning you,’

and ‘On their hands they will bear you up,

so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’”

7 Jesus said to him,

“Again it is written, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”

8 Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour;

9 and he said to him,

“All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.”

10 Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan!

for it is written,

‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’”

11 Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

The gospel of the Lord.