



The Word WEEKLY BULLETIN



Parishes of Holy Spirit, St Anne & St Gerard.

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 27-28 June 2020

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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: Andrew Warrington, Jane Jacinto, Lorna Meyer, Lynette Street, Lesley Taylor, Gerard Vaughan, Craig Boyhan, John Collins, Mary Hearsum, Bill Noonan, Anne Durant, Ben Pepers

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: 2 Kings:4:8-11,14-16; Rom 6:3-4,8-11; Matthew 10:37-42

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.



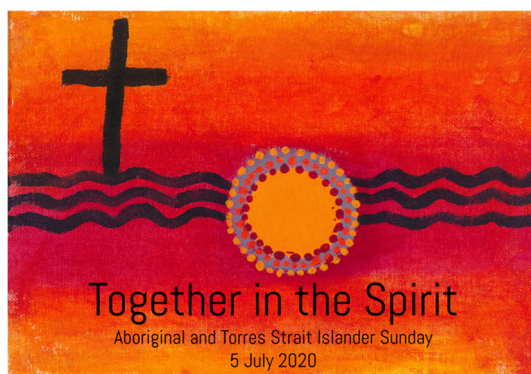
Holy Spirit is a child safe parish. At Holy Spirit we hold the care, safety and well being of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parish.

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.

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.

**Collection Notice**

For information on the Parish's policies regarding information collection and privacy please refer to www.holyspiritparish.org.au

Holy Spirit Web Site

Recent Updates to www.holyspiritparish.org.au (Refer News / Events in the menu)

A Parish blog re. news and procedures re. our position on COVID-19 is on our home page -

<http://www.cam.org.au/holyspirit/>

Holy Spirit Parish Updates: Online resources to get us by during the restrictions caused by the pandemic - bit.ly/hspupdates

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)



13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"...whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." (Matthew 10:38)

Pope Benedict XVI said, "The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort, you were made for greatness." "Comfort" puts me first. "Picking up your cross and following Jesus" puts God and others first. Why settle for comfort when you can achieve greatness! Pick up your cross, ask Jesus for guidance on using your gifts and live the life God intended for you!

Relection.

In an age when people are growing further apart, there is a greater need for friendliness 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.

Following Christ involves putting his way of life into practice and in a Christian community this means everyone should feel welcome and there should be no strangers or outcasts. Hospitality then means showing a generosity of disposition and willingness to interrupt our personal lives in order to do some unrecorded acts of kindness because it is not what is given that counts but the heart with which it is given. -Fr. Arsenio



97 THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING

2 Kings 4.8-12a, 14-17++

*This man is a holy man of God. He can stay here
whenever he comes to us.*

A reading from the second book of Kings.

- 8 One day Elisha was passing through Shunem,
where a wealthy woman lived,
who urged him to have a meal.
So whenever he passed that way,
he would stop there for a meal.
- 9 She said to her husband,
"Look, I am sure that this man who regularly passes our way
is a holy man of God.
- 10 Let us make a small roof chamber with walls,
and put there for him a bed, a table, a chair, and a lamp,
so that he can stay there whenever he comes to us."
- 11 One day when Elisha came there,
he went up to the chamber and lay down there.
- 12 He said to his servant Gehazi,
14 "What then may be done for the woman?"
Gehazi answered,
"Well, she has no son, and her husband is old."
- 15 Elisha said, "Call her."
When the servant had called her, she stood at the door.
- 16 Elisha said,
"At this season, in due time, you shall embrace a son."
She replied, "No, my lord, O man of God;
do not deceive your servant."
- 17 The woman conceived and bore a son at that season, in due time,
as Elisha had declared to her.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 89.1-2, 15-16, 17-18, (R.1a)

R. For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

- 1 I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever;
with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.
- 2 I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;
your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens. **R.**
- 15 Happy are the people who know the festal shout,
who walk, O Lord, in the light of your countenance;
16 they exult in your name all day long,
and extol your righteousness. **R.**
- 17 For you are the glory of their strength;
by your favour our horn is exalted.
- 18 For our shield belongs to the Lord,
our king to the Holy One of Israel. **R.**



SECOND READING

Romans 6.3-4, 8-11

We have been buried with Christ Jesus by baptism into death,
so we too might walk in newness of life.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

My brothers and sisters:

- 3 Do you not know
that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus
were baptized into his death?
4 Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death,
so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead
by the glory of the Father,
so we too might walk in newness of life.
8 But if we have died with Christ,
we believe that we will also live with him.
9 We know that Christ, being raised from the dead,
will never die again;
death no longer has dominion over him.
10 The death he died, he died to sin, once for all;
but the life he lives, he lives to God.
11 So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin
and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

See 1 Peter 2.9

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

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people.
Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light.

GOSPEL

Matthew 10.37-42

Whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me.
Whoever welcomes you welcomes me.

✠ A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus called the twelve to him
and sent them out with the following instructions:

- 37 "Whoever loves father or mother more than me
is not worthy of me;
and whoever loves son or daughter more than me
is not worthy of me;
38 and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me
is not worthy of me.
39 Those who find their life will lose it,
and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.
40 "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me,
and whoever welcomes me
welcomes the one who sent me.
41 Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet
will receive a prophet's reward;
and whoever welcomes a righteous person
in the name of a righteous person
will receive the reward of the righteous;
42 and whoever gives even a cup of cold water
to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—
truly I tell you,
none of these will lose their reward."

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: Andrew Warrington, Jane Jacinto, Lorna Meyer, Lynette Street, Lesley Taylor, Gerard Vaughan, Craig Boyhan, John Collins, Mary Hearsum, Bill Noonan, Anne Durant, Ben Pepers.

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

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

