Parishes of Holy Spirit, St Anne & St Gerard.

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 20-21 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:

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Bill Frangeskakis, Doug Johnstone, Natalina Martini, Tony Fraraccio, Bruce McKean, Rosa Bettiol, Jim Patten, Gerard Keane, Harry Doensen, Anthony Dalton, Victor Kater, Erin Stewart, Henry Christis, Joan Schobben and Fred Sultana

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: Jer 20:10-13; Rom 5:12-15; Matthew 10:26-33

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

HOLY SPIRIT THANKSGIVING OFFERINGS:

PRESBYTERY COLLECTION:

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

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**



HAPPY BIRTHDAY Fr Arsenio!



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.

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.



2020 PARISH AGM will be held on Wednesday 15th July at 7.30 pm in the Parish House. 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.

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

PROJECT COMPASSION:

For those of you who have Project Compassion boxes or envelopes waiting to be retuned to the parish, please return them if you are attending Mass, or they can be dropped into the parish Office on Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday morning between 9am—12 noon. Donations can be made directly online if you would prefer to use that option. Please go to www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phone 1800024413.





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)



12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father." (Matthew 10:32)

Would others know that you are Catholic by the way you act and speak? Do you share your Catholic faith with others? Do you defend your Catholic faith when the situation arises or do you remain silent? Do you pray in public before meals? Pray for the strength and courage to be a joyful witness of our Catholic faith when the opportunity presents itself. Let us become the radiant light and bold witness that we are called to be!

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

Collection Notice

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

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 20.7, 10-13++

The Lord has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

Jeremiah cried out:

- "O Lord, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me.
- For I hear many whispering:

 'Terror is all around!

 Denounce him! Let us denounce him!'

 All my close friends

 are watching for me to stumble.

 'Perhaps he can be enticed,

 and we can prevail against him,

 and take our revenge on him.'"
- But the Lord is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail.

 They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed.

 Their eternal dishonour will never be forgotten.
- "O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause.
- "Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers."

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psatm 69.7-9, 13+16, 32-33, 35ab+36 (R.13)

R. Lord, in your great love, answer me.

- 7 It is for your sake that I have borne reproach, that shame has covered my face.
- I have become a stranger to my kindred, an alien to my mother's children.
- It is zeal for your house that has consumed me; the insults of those who insult you have fallen on me. R.
- But as for me, my prayer is to you, O Lord.
 At an acceptable time, O God,
 in the abundance of your steadfast love, answer me.
 With your steadfast help, rescue me.
- Answer me, O Lord, for your steadfast love is good; according to your abundant mercy, turn to me. R.
- 32 Let the oppressed see it and be glad; you who seek God, let your hearts revive.
- For the Lord hears the needy, and does not despise his own that are in bonds.
- Let heaven and earth praise him, the seas and everything that moves in them. R.

SECOND READING

Romans 5.12-15

The free gift is not like the trespass.

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

- Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, so death spread to all because all have sinned.
- Sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law.
- Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.
- But the free gift is not like the trespass.

 For if the many died through the one man's trespass,
 much more surely have the grace of God
 and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ,
 abounded for the many.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

See John 15.26, 27

This verse may accompany the singing of the Alleluia. If the Alleluia is not sung, the acciamation is omitted. The Spirit of truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord, and you also will be my witnesses.

GOSPEL Matthew 10.26-33

Do not fear those who kill the body.

A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus summoned the twelve and sent them out with the following instructions:

- "Have no fear; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known.
- What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops.
- *Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell.
- Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father.
- 30 And even the hairs of your head are all counted.
- So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.
- "Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven;
- but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven."

The gospel of the Lord.

Reflection.

Fear is an emotion with which we are all familiar as it often hinders our lives from being the people we want to be. We can think of many situations in life such as the fear of being laughed at, being out of fashion or regarded as weaklings we often fail to stand up for what we know to be just and right in our hearts. Maybe in the company we keep there is danger of losing friends, by going to church, refusing to take part in gossips, or saying no to drugs. For evil to triumph, all that is required is for good people to remain silent. The pressure in the face of temptation to abandon our Christian principles because of mocks of others arises daily and challenges our loyalty to the teaching of Jesus. If the word of God is to free us to act according to our deeper convictions then we must pray for the grace to overcome our fears. "Fear not" are the words of our Lord. Whatever happens God is always in control. It is his world. His power and his Spirit are at work in our midst and we can be sure of his steadfast love.

-Fr. Arsenio.



Prayers of Intercession

Dear Friends in Christ. Let us pray that we may live in the confident assurance of God's abiding concern and providential care for us and that God will free our hearts from fear and anxiety so that we may respond with love and concern in whatever God asks of us.

We pray for the gift of courage; that we may confidently bear witness to our new life in Christ even as we experience opposition and resistance from the cultures around us.

LORD HEAR US

We pray for confidence to speak the truth; that the Spirit has planted deep in our hearts even when we face rejection and ridicule.

LORD HEAR US

We pray for all who live under the threat of violence, whether from neighbourhood turmoil, organized crime, terrorism or armed conflict; that they will know God's strengthening presence and loving protection.

LORD HEAR US

We pray for all who are confronted by financial difficulties so that God will calm their hearts, give them insight and guide them to the resources they need.

LORD HEAR US

We pray for all refugees and immigrants; that God will lead them to new communities where they will find acceptance, opportunity and safety.

LORD HEAR US

We pray for those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time: Bill Frangeskakis, Doug Johnstone, Nataline Martini, Tony Fraraccio, Bruce McKean, Rosa Bettiol, Jim Patten, Gerard Keane, Harry Doensen, Anthony Dalton, Victor Kater, Erin Stewart, Henry Christis, Joan Schobben and Fred Sultana.

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