



The Word WEEKLY BULLETIN



Parishes of Holy Spirit, St Anne & St Gerard.

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PLEASE NOTE:

IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE PREMIER AND THE BISHOPS OF VICTORIA, NO MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED ON WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY MORNINGS, SATURDAY EVENING AND SUNDAY MORNING & EVENING UNTIL CURRENT RESTRICTIONS ARE EASED.

Readings, Prayers of Intercession and a Gospel reflection are included in the word, which is available from the parish web site: www.holyspiritparish.org.au/The-Word-Newsletter

Recorded Masses available at: www.holyspiritparish.org.au/Online-Resources

Important information, Spirit Extra, the Spirit Magazine and other Parish matters are available on the website: www.holyspiritparish.org.au

The Parish Office will be CLOSED, staff continue to monitor the phone, mail and emails regularly.
Please ring the parish on 0434224483 or Email: ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au

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PLEASE NOTE:

As we transition to NBN, the Holy Spirit phone has been temporarily disconnected.

Please use the mobile number 0434224483, or 70369395 if you need to contact the parish staff. We hope to be back to normal very soon!

IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST—RECENTLY DECEASED: Judith Wilson

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Vanessa Stables, Brendan Rocks, Jean Maher, Anselmo Urbano, Maria Pellegrino, Mary Scott, Monica Mahoney, Jan Fletcher, Sr. Angela O'Donohue, May Weiss and Rosa Della-Chiesa

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SICK: Ben Lobo, Angela Damora, Warren Darbyshire, Stella & family, Pauline Curlis, Sean Hill, Valerie Mason, Dominique, Paul Sanderson, Christopher Woolley, Brian Hegarty

Readings this week: Isaiah 53:10-11; Hebrews 4:4-16; Mark 10:35-45

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

EVENTS THIS COMING WEEK - 18th-24th October 2021

MONDAY	LOCKDOWN CONTINUES
TUESDAY	
WEDNESDAY	7.00 pm Rosary via Zoom
THURSDAY	8:00-9:00 pm Choir, ZOOM
FRIDAY	
SATURDAY	
SUNDAY	30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 7.30-8.45 pm ALPHA via Zoom

When we resume our "Covid normal" celebration of Mass, we will be returning to some of our usual practices. Everything we do must be in accordance with the DHHS guidelines, so there will be some changes to the way we operate! **We particularly need volunteers for the 5pm Sunday Mass.**
If you would like to volunteer in any way, please contact Ruth: ruth.frangeskakis@cam.org.au

PARISH DATA BASE UPDATE

Please remember to advise the parish staff of your current phone and email details so we can update our database. You can either return the data sheet sent to you or email: Ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au
Thank you.



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.

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 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 50th anniversary.

Next year marks our 50th Anniversary. We would like expressions of interest from any parishioner who would like to join a subcommittee to plan our celebrations in March 2022.
Please contact the parish Office: ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au or 9876 3077.

On the Journey this week:

Fr Joseph Murphy says we're called to be servant, going against the logic of the world and its ideals of bigger is better – reputation, possessions, money, ego. Mother Hilda has a personal story of misunderstanding, Michelle Vass calls us to walk in nature, to slow down, listen, stay awhile, go easy and be open and free, and Byron & Francine Pirola say genuine commitment pays dividends in spiritual growth, relational stability, personal integrity, and self-respect. Plus, more great music!

Visit www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

Collection Notice

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

FIRST EUCHARIST 2021

Dear Parishioners

Due to the ongoing uncertainty with Covid restrictions and shutdowns, the planned First Eucharist Masses are currently under review. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers as they await the outcome.



October is the Month of the Rosary

Bishop Michael McKenna recently wrote in the Catholic Observer:

"Of course, the Rosary belongs to every month, but in October the Church celebrates this prayer in a special way: reminding us of its simple beauty and gentle power. It is a time of grace for us to return to this prayer if we have let it slip away: or perhaps to discover for the first time, in the company of Mary, how the Rosary can guide us into unpretentious prayer"

Our Holy Spirit Rosary Group invites all parishioners to join their "Zoom" session each Wednesday evening from 7pm to pray the Rosary. If you are unable to join them, you are encouraged to pray the Rosary at home, or wherever you are.

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH ZOOM ROSARY

Meeting ID: 631 950 8706 Passcode: 2p7ssZ

Hosted by Ambrose & Philomena Cornelio

Prayer requests may be emailed to Ambrose: ambrose_cornelio@hotmail.com for inclusion weekly.

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." (Mark 10:45)

If you held a mirror up to your life, would it reflect God's love and mercy? If you are struggling with this, try changing your attitude from "I want more" to "thank you God for everything you have given me, I have enough to share". This change in perspective will bring you joy through service to others. Pray daily to become less self-centered and to become more God-centered

HOLY SPIRIT LADIES AND MEN'S CHAT ON LINE ZOOM

As there was a need to keep Holy Spirit Parishioners connected during this Covid lockdown, Terry and Maureen Taffe have organized a very friendly Ladies and Men's chat..

Ladies Chat is held on TUESDAY 4pm. Men's Chat is held on THURSDAY 11am.

If you would like to join please contact Maureen on 0422508637 or by email

maureentaffe@hotmail.com.

Terry's contact for the men is 0418679760 or email terrytaffe51@gmail.com.

If you are not familiar with Zoom and would like to join us, we can help you through this process also.

Warmest Regards, Maureen

Are You Called to be a Pastoral Supervisor? Heart of Life's **2022/23 Emmaus Supervision Program** (part-time, in-person or via Zoom) commences in Feb 2022. Developed in response to the demand for professional supervisors for those in individual ministry, eg clergy, chaplains, spiritual directors, pastoral carers etc, the program forms competent, experienced professional supervisors. It draws on the encounter of the two disciples with Jesus on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35) and is open to those with at least five years' experience in their particular ministry who are drawn to support the ministry journey of others. For more information, please see the Emmaus page on the Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation website at www.heartoflife.melbourne, or contact us at secretary@heartoflife.melbourne or tel (03) 9890 1101



Our Lady of Sion College TALK AND TOUR MORNING Thursday 18 November 2021

Join us on our next Talk and Tour Morning and see how your daughter will embrace life at Sion. Tour commences at 9.30 am Register now at: www.sion.catholic.edu.au





Lockdown Light

A weekly series bringing 'light' to this time of lockdown...

Lockdown Light—week seven

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Well and truly done with sourdough starters? Not interested in another DIY project? To help fill the void during lockdown, each week we'll suggest some inspiring content to bring 'light' to this difficult time. Pop on the kettle and check out the recommendations below.

Podcasts for Christian living: Theology of the Body and Healing

In this podcast, Catholic therapists, Dr Bob Schuchts & Jake Khym discuss how we can glorify God in and through our bodies. Using St John Paul II's Theology of the Body, they look at ways we can receive healing and peace Find out more here www.bit.ly/ChristianLiving7a

Getting to know your Bible: How do Scripture and Tradition work together?

Getting Started: Why do we believe in things like the Trinity, purgatory or even what books make up the Bible? They all form part of Sacred Tradition. In this 3-minute video, hear how Scripture and Tradition work together in the life of the Church . Watch at www.bit.ly/BibleGettingStarted7

Going Deeper: Written for Catholic teachers, this short article 'Catholic Teaching on Sacred Scripture' explains the role and importance of both Sacred Scripture and Tradition in our understanding of the revelation of God . View here www.bit.ly/BibleGoingDeeper7



HOLY SPIRIT RAFFLE - POSTPONED

The Holy Spirit Community Fete Raffle has been extended due to the current COVID Pandemic. The raffle will now be drawn at 4pm on Sunday November 28. The draw will be recorded and winners will be notified.

PLEASE ENSURE TICKETS ARE RETURNED BY NOVEMBER 26TH.

The Silent Auction will also be concluded at 4pm on Sunday November 28.

We apologise for the delay but due to current restrictions we have made this decision in the best interest of the Parish and School.

In an effort to ensure everyone has a chance to win, please return raffle tickets as soon as they are sold. Currently, you have the option to complete the credit card payment slip in order to make payment or you can now make a bank transfer for payment – how easy!

Once you have either completed the CC slip or transferred the money, simply return the raffle book stubs via post to the parish (or drop in parish letterbox) at 120 Oban Road Ringwood North.

Make sure to note on the slip if you have paid via bank transfer and ensure to include the name the transfer is under and the ticket numbers.

Bank details – BSB: 063-167 Account: 0090 3467

Reference: Surname and Ticket numbers

Any questions or concerns, please call Katherine on 0467 056 685

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

We turn to the Lord in prayer, asking him to help us to be fully open to his call to discipleship in our lives. We place before you these our prayers.

For Pope Francis, our Bishops and Priests; may they continue to inspire us to proclaim the love of Christ to all and be strengthened and sustained in their leadership and witness of the grace of our loving God. Lord hear us.

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

For those who are in special ministries here and overseas, who sacrifice their lives in sharing their faith, may they know and experience Christ more and more in their relationships with those they serve and live with. Lord hear us.

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

The work of Mission is a challenge for each of us here in Australia. May we continue to reach out and give life to our immediate neighbours, our local community and across the world as proclamation of the gospel message of love in both word and action. Lord hear us.

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

May children everywhere experience the fullness of life and that the hearts of all people will cherish, value and protect them. Lord hear us.

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

For all of us trying to live out our call to mission; help us to see that each person is made in the likeness of God and is special. May the Eucharist inspire us to work to restore hope and share Your grace with those who most need your help. Lord hear us.

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

We pray for our young people; may they be free and open in their hearts to love God and their neighbours with true commitment. Lord hear us.

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

For those who have died recently, Judith Wilson and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time: Vanessa Stables, Brendan Rocks, Jean Maher, Anselmo Urbano, Maria Pellegrino, Mary Scott, Monica Mahoney, Jan Fletcher, Sr. Angela O'Donohue, May Weiss and Rosa Della-Chiesa.

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

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

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



FIRST READING

Isaiah 53.4, 10-11++

*When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring
and shall prolong his days.*

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

4 The servant of the Lord has borne our infirmities
and carried our diseases;
yet we accounted him stricken,
struck down by God, and afflicted.

10 It was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain.
When you make his life an offering for sin,
he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days;
through him the will of the Lord shall prosper.

11 Out of his anguish he shall see light;
he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge.
The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous,
and he shall bear their iniquities.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 33.4-5, 18-19, 20+22, (R.22)

R. Lord, let your mercy be on us,
as we place our trust in you.

4 The word of the Lord is upright,
and all his work is done in faithfulness.

5 He loves righteousness and justice;
the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord. **R.**

18 Truly the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him,
on those who hope in his steadfast love,

19 to deliver their soul from death,
and to keep them alive in famine. **R.**

20 Our soul waits for the Lord;
he is our help and shield.

22 Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,
even as we hope in you. **R.**

SECOND READING

Hebrews 4.14-16

Let us approach the throne of grace with boldness.

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

14 Since we have a great high priest
who has passed through the heavens,
Jesus, the Son of God,
let us hold fast to our confession.

15 For we do not have a high priest
who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,
but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are,
yet without sin.

16 Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness,
so that we may receive mercy
and find grace to help in time of need.
The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia

**The Son of Man came to be serve
and to give his life as a ransom for all.**

Alleluia

G O S P E L

Mark 10.35-45

The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for all.

A reading from the holy gospel according to Mark.

35 James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him,
“Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.”

36 And Jesus said to them,
“What is it you want me to do for you?”

37 And they said to him,
“Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.”

38 But Jesus said to them,
“You do not know what you are asking.
Are you able to drink the cup that I drink,
or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?”

39 They replied, “We are able.”
Then Jesus said to them,
“The cup that I drink you will drink;
and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized;
40 but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant,
but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”

41 When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John.

42 So Jesus called them and said to them,
“You know that among the Gentiles
those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them,
and their great ones are tyrants over them.

43 But it is not so among you;
whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant,
44 and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all.

45 For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve,
and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

The gospel of the Lord.



Reflection.

It seems society can never get away from the problems posed by status and rank. It was no different in the time of Jesus. This time the apostles James and John are requesting favoured treatment from Jesus. With an eye to the future, they were aiming at being part of Christ's inner circle, sitting beside him at his right and left hand in glory. After calming the indignation of the other apostles, Jesus clearly points out a new standard of greatness and status. He is saying that success in his kingdom is not measured by worldly standards. There is no place in his community for ambitious power hungry people who are motivated solely by self-interest. Jesus wants his followers to think in terms of service rather than of authority. In any community he wants those who have authority to be seen at the service of those under their guidance. Christ lived what he preached. His whole life from working as a carpenter to dying on the cross set the example of such service. In so doing he was calling on his followers to share in spreading his gospel by giving themselves completely to his way of life.

We are all involved in the exercise of authority in some shape or form, whether at home or in our place of work. A great help is never to lose sight of the importance of service and availability to others. Jesus was very aware of our human failings because we are all inclined to live for ourselves without showing much concern for others. The attitude of "what's in it for me" runs deep in the heart. The standard of greatness in his kingdom is the standard of the cross. And that's why we must never lose sight of service.

Stay well and safe. God bless you all. -Fr. Arsenio.

