



The Word WEEKLY BULLETIN



Parishes of Holy Spirit, St Anne & St Gerard.

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 13-14 February 2021

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PLEASE NOTE:

IN ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS FROM THE PREMIER AND THE BISHOPS OF VICTORIA, THERE WILL BE NO MASSES CELEBRATED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICES.

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 remains closed, however, the staff will be monitoring the phone, mail and emails. Please ring the Parish

Mobile number: 0434 224 483 and leave your name and contact number and we will return your call as soon as possible.

Email: ringwoodnorth@cam.org.au

IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST— RECENTLY DECEASED: Guiseppe Battaglia

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Frank Danelutti, Rosa Acquarola, Eldegard Feher, David Collins, Margaret Dwyer, Steven Rigo, Tony Otten, Attilio Panetta and Angelo

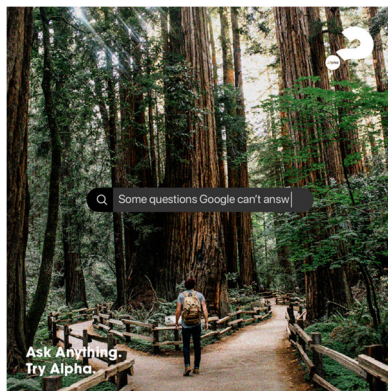
PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SICK: Ben Lobo, John, Angela Damora, Warren Darbyshire, Stella & family, Deb Neilsen, Pauline Curlis, Sean Hill, Valerie Mason

Readings this week: Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46; 1Cor: 10:31-11:1; Mark 1:40-45

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

Life can be so busy, we don't have time to take stock. Alpha is a 'timeout' where you can think about the big questions, listen to others, and discuss your own thoughts.

None of us know it all, but together we can seek some answers.



Alpha is an opportunity to explore life, faith and God in a friendly, open and informal environment.

Try Alpha Online

Sunday 14th March, 7:30-8:45pm

via [Zoom](#) – link to be sent directly to those who register via Eventbrite:

www.eventbrite.com.au/e/holy-spirit-parish-alpha-2021-registration-140784077967

Further details: <https://www.holyspiritparish.org.au/alpha>

Ash Wednesday 2021 is on **Wednesday 17th February**.

Please note: due to Covid lockdown, no Masses will be celebrated on Ash Wednesday.

Holy Spirit Web Site - www.holyspiritparish.org.au:

Stay in touch with our parish website.

- "News, Events": ref menu
- "Covid 19 News and Updates" (much of which is drawn from Jacinta's weekly email): ref home page & menu
- "How we stay connected", online resources such as Masses, Prayers, Newsletters, Next Zoom: ref home page

Collection Notice

For information on the Parish's policies regarding information collection and privacy please refer to:

<https://www.holyspiritparish.org.au/Collection-Notice>

Spirit Magazine March Edition DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY 17TH FEBRUARY

Welcome to the first edition of 2021 everyone. Please tell us what you have been doing throughout the holidays with photos please, if possible.

We have lost some wonderful parishioners and friends of our parish over the past weeks and year without the usual rituals of farewell. As a tribute to them I'm asking for your stories about some of these people who may have been personal friends, or people you worked with in the parish in past years etc. Lets pay tribute to them through your memories.

And, tell us what you would change first - IF I RULED THE WORLD! Can be serious or amusing - give it a try.

Thank you helen@konynenburg.com

REFLECTION: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Brothers and sisters, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God." - 1 Corinthians 10:31

Do a quick check of your priorities. Where does God rank in that list? If He's not first, you have some work to do. Putting God first in everything helps us from putting other "gods" (like our pride, ego, money and possessions) before God. Before making a decision, ask yourself, "Am I doing this for the glory of God or for the glory of me?"

EVENTS THIS COMING WEEK - 15th-21st February 2021

MONDAY

TUESDAY 8:00 pm Liturgy team meeting via ZOOM

WEDNESDAY 7:00 pm Rosary group via ZOOM

THURSDAY 8:00 pm Choir, Holy Spirit Church

FRIDAY 9.15 am Mass, Holy Spirit Chapel

SATURDAY 6.00 pm Vigil Mass, Holy Spirit Church

SUNDAY 9.00 am Mass, Holy Spirit Church

HOLY SPIRIT ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 20th-21st FEBRUARY 2021

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

Mass Coordinator:

6pm: Yvette Collins

9am: Tina Toomey

Lectors:

6pm: Shirley Graham

9am: Maryann Street

Welcomers:

6pm: Dale Sebire and Maureen Taffe

9am: Don Schroder and Jocelyn D'Souza

Ministers of Communion:

6pm: Shirley Graham

9am: Maria Moscatelli

Tea & Coffee:

6pm:

9am: Bill and Trish Lanigan

Garden Maintenance:

Ian Stuart, Bill and Shelah Batson

As 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!

If you would like to volunteer in any way, please contact Ruth: ruth.frangeskakis@cam.org.au



As we have not had any interest in an online discussion group on Wednesday mornings, the Comfort booklets are available to those who would like to follow the reflections privately. A donation for the booklets would be appreciated.

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

The Parish will rely on continuing contributions through the Thanksgiving program to meet our expenses for day to day operations. 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**

Daily Mass Books 2021 are available for \$25. Please email Jenny: jenny.philp@cam.org.au if you would like to get a copy.

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 Hour of Adoration/ Rosary - Wednesday Nights

*Join with parishioners in prayer and devotion to Our Lady
for the intentions of your own heart, our community, our neighbourhood, our city and our world.*

Please contact Ambrose: ambrose_cornelio@hotmail.com for details.

Prayers of Intercession

Father, we believe your spirit is here with us believing in your love and generosity. We bring to you our prayers for our own community and the world.

For the Church; that we may be signs of God's compassionate care for all who are marginalised or whose dignity is devalued. **LORD HEAR US.**

For unity in the human family; that we may work toward the common goals of ending suffering and sharing the blessings of the good earth with all. **LORD HEAR US.**

For all who work in health care; that they manifest Christ's love and compassion to all the sick and their families whom they assist. **LORD HEAR US.**

For all who carry emotional wounds, especially those who have suffered abuse; that God will heal their spirits, renew their hope and lead them to wholeness. **LORD HEAR US.**

We pray for the strength to heal divisions and to restore right relations in our lives as we approach this Lenten season. May we look beyond ourselves to end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity,
LORD HEAR US.

For peace; that God will guide the hearts and minds of all world leaders and help them find peaceful ways to resolve disputes. **LORD HEAR US.**

We pray for those who have died recently, Guiseppe Battaglia and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time: Frank Danelutti, Rosa Acquarola, Eldegard Feher, David Collins, Margaret Dwyer, Steven Rigo, Tony Otten, Attilio Panetta and Angelo. May they rest in the loving arms and peace of Christ. **LORD HEAR US.**

Simply Jesus: Reflect. Renew. Recommit.

This Lent, across our archdiocese, we are being invited to reflect on the way and person of Jesus, renew ourselves in his love, and recommit ourselves to the path of discipleship. After a year where the regular structures that help us live a life of faith and grow in our relationship with Jesus were largely absent, we are encouraged to use Lent to reflect more deeply on our relationship with Jesus and be more attentive to nurturing its growth. To aid us in this, a Way of the Cross resource has been developed incorporating images, Scripture, music, reflection and prayer. The resource provides a meaningful way into the powerful story of Jesus' Passion, inviting a new or renewed intimacy with him. Along with other resources, it can be accessed at: www.melbournecatholic.org/lent2021

FOR THE INFORMATION OF PARISHIONERS

LENT 2021

109. *The Lenten season has a twofold character:*

- 1) *it recalls baptism or prepares for it;*
- 2) *it stresses a penitential spirit.*

By these means especially, Lent readies the faithful for celebrating the paschal mystery after a period of closer attention to the Word of God, and more ardent prayer. In the liturgy itself and in the liturgy-centred instructions, these baptismal and penitential themes should be more pronounced. Hence:

- a) *Wider use is to be made of baptismal features proper to the Lenten liturgy...*
- b) *The same approach holds for the penitential elements...*

110. *During Lent, penance should not be only internal and individual but also external and social...*

In any event, let the paschal fast be kept sacred. It should be observed everywhere on Good Friday and, where possible prolonged throughout Holy Saturday, so that the joys of the Sunday of the resurrection may be visited on uplifted and responsive spirits.

Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, Vatican II

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of Fasting and Abstinence from meat.

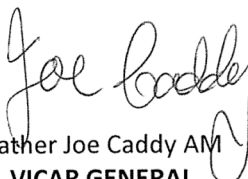
On all other Fridays, except solemnities, the law of the common practice of penance is fulfilled by performing any one of the following:

- (a) **Prayer** -for example, Mass attendance; family prayer; a visit to a church or chapel; reading the Bible; making the Stations of the Cross; praying the Rosary; or in other ways.
 - (b) **Self-Denial** - for example, not eating meat; not eating sweets or dessert; giving up entertainment to spend time with the family; limiting food and drink so as to give to the poor of one's own country or elsewhere; or in other ways. Project Compassion is a major means of expressing our self-denial in Australia.
 - (c) **Helping Others** - for example, special attention to someone who is poor, sick, elderly, lonely or over-burdened; or in other ways.
- All who have completed their eighteenth year and have not yet begun their sixtieth year are bound to fast. All who have completed their fourteenth year are bound to abstain (Canon 1252).
 - The Season of Lent is a time of penance. During this season the faithful are exhorted to devote themselves in a special manner to prayer, to engage in works of piety and charity, and to deny themselves.
 - Each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept must be fulfilled between Ash Wednesday, 17 February 2021 and Trinity Sunday, 30 May 2021 unless for a good reason it is fulfilled at another time during the year.
 - The wonderful gift of the Lord's merciful love is offered in a special way in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Lent is a most appropriate time to receive this Sacrament.
All the faithful who have reached the age of discretion are bound faithfully to confess their grave sins at least once a year.

HOLY WEEK - The 2021 Ordo contains instructions for the Rites of Holy Week.

FUNERALS – On Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday all Masses for the Dead, including Funeral Masses, **are forbidden**. Funerals on these days are celebrated with the Liturgy of the Word and without the Eucharistic Sacrifice.

WEDDINGS - Weddings should be discouraged during the Easter Triduum: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday. Should a couple be particularly insistent on a wedding for one of these days, then please indicate that no decorations (including flowers), no music nor Nuptial Mass will be permitted.


Father Joe Caddy AM
VICAR GENERAL

winter shelter

Maroondah Winter Shelter – 2021

Throughout the lockdown period MWS has not been able to provide our usual shelter and meals for our local homeless community but we have not been idle. Homelessness and poverty still haunts Maroondah. The seven local churches of MWS has changed focus for this period to provide take away meals delivered to accommodation houses and distributed from Café Vive in Croydon and Urban Café in Ringwood. Obviously compliance with Covid19 Restrictions have been implemented to protect both clients and volunteers. It must have worked because MWS distributed over 1325 meals, delivered 247 meals to housing, supporting 526 people in the month of Aug 2020 alone.

Holy Spirit's involvement has been provided by Jacki Wooten and her team of cooks. Our deepest appreciation goes to Jacki and those other generous people.

With the new year comes a new look.

Holy Spirit will be teaming with Uniting Church North Ringwood (Dickson Cres) to provide meals from the café's on Sunday evenings once a month. We will need 85 meals so that means cooks and volunteers to facilitate the distribution. Jacki will again be coordinating the program. Our first Sunday is on Feb 28.

How can you help?

If you can cook we can use your service. The more cooks we have then the fewer times each will be called upon.

If you are good with people we need volunteers to manage the distribution.

If you would like to donate, we would prefer Supermarket Vouchers that can be given out to clients (esp. families).

We aren't taking general groceries but we can use Long Life Milk, Bottled Water, Breakfast Cereals and Tinned Soups. These can be left at the School Admin during the week or at the Church (at mass times). To donate cash, please go to the Maroondah Winter Shelter webpage and donate online.

If you can help please call Jacki on 0488 013 666 or jacki.carman@hotmail.com or Silvio on 0431 399 938 or svolomb1@gmail.com.



Project Compassion Sunday^{14th} February

Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed "Be More".



As Saint Oscar Romero said, "Aspire not to have more, but to be more."

Through your generosity and by aspiring to "Be More", you are assisting some of the world's most vulnerable people build better futures for themselves, their families and their communities.

Thank you for being more!

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, or by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.



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

Leviticus 13.1-2, 45-46

As long as they are unclean they shall live alone outside the camp.

A reading from the book of Leviticus.

1 The Lord spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying:

2 “When a person has on the skin of the body a swelling or an eruption or a spot, and it turns into a leprous disease on the skin of the body, that person shall be brought to Aaron the priest or to one of his sons the priests.

45 “A person who has the leprous disease shall wear torn clothes and let the hair of the head be dishevelled and shall cover the upper lip and cry out, ‘Unclean, unclean.’

46 A person shall remain unclean as long as the disease persists; and being unclean, that person shall live alone with a dwelling outside the camp.”

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. You are my refuge, O Lord, and the joy of my salvation.

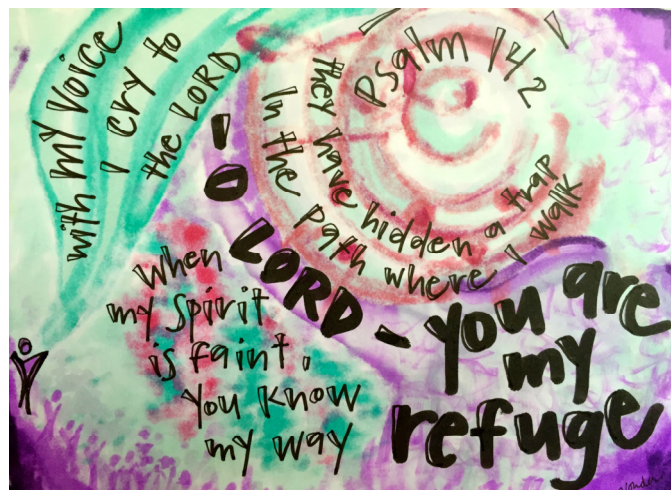
1 Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

2 Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. **R.**

5 I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,” and you forgave the guilt of my sin. **R.**

10 Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the Lord.

11 Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart. **R.**



SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 10.23 - 11.1
Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

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

23 "All things are lawful," but not all things are beneficial.
"All things are lawful," but not all things build up.
24 Do not seek your own advantage, but that of the other.
25 Eat whatever is sold in the meat market
without raising any question on the ground of conscience,
26 for "the earth and its fullness are the Lord's."
27 If an unbeliever invites you to a meal,
and you are disposed to go, eat whatever is set before you
without raising any question on the ground of conscience.
28 But if someone says to you,
"This has been offered in sacrifice,"
then do not eat it, out of consideration for the one who informed you,
and for the sake of conscience –
29 I mean the other's conscience, not your own.
For why should my liberty be subject to the judgment of someone else's conscience?
30 If I partake with thankfulness,
why should I be denounced because of that for which I give thanks?
31 Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do,
do everything for the glory of God.
32 Give no offense to Jews or to Greeks
or to the church of God,
33 just as I try to please everyone in everything I do,
not seeking my own advantage, but that of many, so that they may be saved.
1 Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.
The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia
A great prophet has appeared among us;
God has visited his people.
Alleluia

G O S P E L

Mark 1.40-45
Jesus touched the man with leprosy and he was cured.

A reading from the holy gospel according to Mark.

40 A man with leprosy came to Jesus begging him,
and kneeling said to Jesus, "If you choose, you can make me clean."
41 Moved with pity, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him,
and said to him, "I do choose. Be made clean!"
42 Immediately the leprosy left him, and he was made clean.
43 After sternly warning him Jesus sent him away at once,
44 saying to him, "See that you say nothing to anyone;
but go, show yourself to the priest,
and offer for your cleansing what Moses commanded,
as a testimony to them."
45 But the man went out and began to proclaim it freely,
and to spread the word, and people came to Jesus from every quarter.

The gospel of the Lord.