

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF MENTONE - PARKDALE

SAINT PATRICK - SAINT JOHN VIANNEY



13th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B: 1st July 2018

Father Michael's Message

Dear Friends,

The announcement of the appointment of a new bishop of Darwin was made on Wednesday night. The retiring bishop, Eugene Hurley, gave the "After Dinner Address" at the priests' in-service conference last week. He spoke of his habit of riding his bicycle through the area known as the 'the Longrassers', the settlement of homeless indigenous Australians in Darwin.

The residents would greet him and he would stop to chat and pray. One night as he was about to leave them, a little girl called him to stop. She said, "You blessed us, now I will bless you."

The heart of the bishop's relationship with his people surely is a good indication for us. It is well captured in the statement that follows. This is the annual statement from the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference to observe National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander week that is observed this week.

THE DECISION OF THE HOLY FATHER, POPE FRANCIS, to have inscribed in the General Roman Calendar this year, "The Memorial of Mary as Mother of the Church", was well received in Christian circles. Significantly it recognises the importance of Mary in our life and devotion echoing, as it does, in some manner the voice of Jesus dying on the Cross as he tells the disciples – "Behold your Mother."¹

Further, just as the Disciples of Christ were bound to His Mother so the faithful have found in Mary one who "has her maternal mission to carry out"² for our benefit. For this we shall be ever grateful, anxious "to plant our life firmly on three great realities: the Cross, the Eucharist and the Mother of God."³

In Australia, in the course of the history of inter-race relations, a great burden of grief is borne still by many of our First Nation peoples and

was made possible by Acts of Parliament and the practices of governments. The forceful separation of Aboriginal children from their families and the placing of them in institutional care, mistakenly 'for their own good,' was a policy almost universally held by others as an appropriate thing to do. The National Apology, published just ten years ago, has acknowledged the need for change in order that the "healing of our nation" might begin⁴.

One cannot help but be saddened by the countless stories of mothers sorrowing for their children taken from them, never to be seen again. The story of Margie comes to mind who has a childhood memory of being driven off in a truck by a policeman while her mother lies in tears on the road behind. Or Tillie who, as an adult, went searching through records in Government departments for information on her estranged mother, and then eventually discovered the elderly woman in an aged care home suffering from advanced Alzheimer's disease.

The societal upheaval and social dislocation wrought by the hideous Stolen Generation policies continues as an inter-generational problem affecting still the well-being of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. So too has the effects of blatant racism, practised since the earliest days of European settlement, taken its toll on the vitality and self-worth of Australia's First Peoples. The burdens borne by Indigenous people since the beginning of Colonial times has been nothing less than a pitiful disgrace that weighs heavily upon the moral responsibility of this nation to do better.

A few years ago, in one outback town, a group of Aboriginal women gathered with their local priest to discuss the purchase of a statue of Our Lady for the Parish Church. Among the women were mothers who had lost sons to road accidents, suicide, alcohol, kidney disease, violence and long terms in prison. They were grandmothers who now cared for the younger children left behind. They were their custodians dedicated to providing for the youngsters something of a stable life. When given a number of holy cards depicting various images of Mary – Our Lady of Lourdes, Fatima,

Walsingham, Carmel, Guadeloupe and the Pieta – they unanimously chose the Pieta, Michelangelo's statue of the Blessed Mother with the broken body of her son Jesus which lay upon her lap, cradled in her arms. It was an image they were familiar with after countless experiences of tragically losing their own sons. The sentiments expressed in the image of the Pieta resonated most profoundly with them for good reason.

Mothers, like Mary, the Mother of the Church, in their maternal mission assist others to rise above the tragedies and tribulations of life in the knowledge that greater moments await us when in hope and in faith we are brought out of darkness into His own wonderful light.

The dark abyss of Aboriginal History in Australia, as we know it, has been remarkably bathed in the light that emanates from the goodness, and the heroic efforts, of many people who are driven by a sense of charity and a longing for what is right. Most notably among these people are numerous mothers in Indigenous Communities throughout the land whose love and determination have achieved inspirational things for themselves and their families. In prayerful thanksgiving we salute them and commend them to Almighty God and to the care of Mary, the Mother of the Church, who has steadfastly lived the Beatitudes of Jesus. May these mothers continue to emulate Mother Mary in what they say and in what they do. In the words of the Holy Father, Pope Francis: "She is that woman who rejoiced in the presence of God, who treasured everything in her heart and who let herself be pierced by the sword. Mary is the saint among the saints, blessed above all others. She teaches us the way of holiness and she walks ever at our side."⁵

1. John 19:26-27

2. +Robert Cardinal Sarah, Rome, *Ecclesiae Mater*, Commentary, p1.

3. +Robert Cardinal Sarah, Rome, *Ecclesiae Mater*, Commentary, p2.

4. Hon Kevin Rudd, Prime Minister of Australia, *National Apology*, Canberra, 13th April 2008

5. Pope Francis I, *Apostolic Exhortation, Gaudete Et Exsultate*, para #176

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Notices for Parish Bulletin to the Parish Office by 12 noon Thursday

Recently Deceased

Louise Dillon, Deidre Browning

Anniversaries

Orazio Messina, Mark Wakefield, Jean Dillon, Gerald Kivlighon, Bill Libbis

Prayer for the Sick



Angela Iorianni, Maureen Oswald, Madeline Wesson, Patricia Walker, Jim Lacey, Rita Buckner, John Blore, Greta Sprague, Joan Nolan, Carmen Lotzniker, Molly Shannon, Hector Burra,

Bonnie Alford, Nanette Woodbridge, Sebastian Wolfenden, Patricia Power, Ellen Farrugia-Merlo, Patricia M and those on the continuing prayer list. (PLEASE LET US KNOW IF A NAME SHOULD BE REMOVED)

Prayer / Meditation

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Each day the Church is open from 8.30 am to 6.00pm. Please choose a time (1/2 hour) to spend in Adoration. Each Friday the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration following the 9.15am Mass until 4.30pm, when Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament is given.



Rosary:

1. In St Patrick's Church the Rosary is prayed each day before morning Mass at 8.45am All welcome.
2. The Rosary is also prayed on Thursday after 10:30am OLSC Mass and on Wednesdays evenings, 5pm at Bridie's (9585 5142)

Divine Mercy Devotions:

Are held in St Patrick's Church each Friday at 3.00pm.

Special Prayer Groups:

Mother's Prayer Group:

Our meetings have recommenced in the old convent. Held on 1st Tuesday of each month 10:00 - 11:45am.

1st Collection:

Presbytery: \$1517.65

2nd Collection:

Thanksgiving: \$1924.50
Loose Money: \$471.25

Pope's Intentions: July 2018

Evangelization: Priests and their Pastoral Ministry

That priests, who experience fatigue and loneliness in their pastoral work, may find help and comfort in their intimacy with the Lord and in their friendship with their brother priests.

Parish Events

Celebrations in the planning

Our Parish Priest Fr Michael McEntee will be celebrating 50 years as a priest on Friday 13th July. Parish celebrations will commence with Mass at St Patrick's 11am, **Sunday 15th July**. For catering purposes please fill in the details in this newsletter (page 3), **no later than Sunday 1st July**, and either return to Parish Office or leave in collection plate.

The Chair of Parish Advisory Group asked about a gift. I would appreciate your considering the needs of the poor on this occasion. If you would like to generously mark the occasion in some way, rather than giving me a personal gift, I invite you to support one of my favourite charities:

Asylum Seekers Resource Centre online www.asrc.org.au or 1300 692 772

CARITAS Australia (Development and Emergency Aid agency of Catholic Church) www.caritas.org.au or 1800 024 413

Cookhouses and Tanks a Lot (Grass roots development assisting women in rural villages in Papua New Guinea – Sister Margaret Ryan RSM founder) ctal.png@gmail.com

Melbourne Overseas Missions (Evangelisation and Development agency of Melbourne Archdiocese, staffed by volunteers) www.mom.org.au or 9337 5760 business hours.

Parish Youth Mass

Our next parish Youth Mass is this **Sunday 1st July at 5.00pm**. Aimed towards young people within the local community, this Mass has been designed for and by the youth of the parish. After Mass there will be a get together in the parish community centre (the old convent) with food and drink provided. All the young people of the parish are invited to come.

Thanksgiving Envelopes

Please collect your next series of envelopes from the Church foyer this weekend. Thank you for your continued support. If your envelopes are not there and/or you would like to become part of our Thanksgiving Program, please call the Parish Office on 9583 2103.

7/8 July 2018

Parish of Mentone-Parkdale Rosters

Readers:

6:00 pm - J Marshall (SP)
9:00 am - D Clifton, A Burn (SJV)
11:00 am - S Tobin (SP)
5:00 pm - J Hughes (SP)

Extraordinary Ministers:

6:00 pm - J Mount, P Mount (SP)
9:00 am - B Fitchet (SJV)
11:00 am - T Mengle, C DSouza (SP)
5:00 pm - C Giosis (SP)

Procession of Gifts:

6:00 pm - B Hickey, E Hoare (SP)
9:00 am - Beck Family (SJV)
11:00 am - G & J Kelly (SP)

Extraordinary Minister to the Sick B Fitchet (SJV)

Counters: Team 12

P Lewis-Williams, F Grijalvo
S Lavery, M & P Osboldstone

Sacristans:

St Patrick's - Group 4:
C Price, S Rodrigo
SJV - A Burn

Pilgrim Statues:

This Week:

Stoppa Family, 10 Catania St (SP)

Next Week:

Iacuccio Family, 6 Eunice Dr (SP)

This Week:

Byrne Family, 32 Balmoral Dr (SJV)

Next Week:

Costanzo Family, 79 Scarlet St (SJV)

Adoration Roster:

Week 2—Mary, Mother of the Church

Travelling Chalice



This week beginning: 24 June
Bernadette

Next week beginning: 1 July
Agnes

Parish and Diocesan News

Vocation View

She fell at His feet and told Him the whole truth. Jesus restores health and wholeness to an 'untouchable' woman. She is remarkable to show as much courage as for her faith. How can we show the courage to ask for forgiveness from the Lord?

Please pray for Vocations



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday Celebration 1 July 2018

Today is the 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time and the day that the Australian Bishops have invited us to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday. Today we acknowledge that God has been walking with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, making his presence known through a continuous living culture over many thousands of years. We pray in thanksgiving for these ancient peoples who have enriched and sustained our continent over all that time.

Choir News

Thank you to the choir, parents and friends of the choir for a great social night at Moorabbin Ten Pin Bowling. We had 3 lanes of bowling and a few falls, left-handed bowls, strikes, spares and 'goals'! Well done Sina for the top score of the night -132. Let us know if you would be interested in joining us next time. Myfanwy McIndoe.

St Patrick's Playgroup : - O'Hanlon Centre Mitchell Street

Each Monday during School Term parents and pre-school aged children are welcome to attend and join in the activities. Cost \$2.00 and we ask you bring a snack for your child. (Please no nuts or nut products).

Chaplaincy Sunday Appeal

Thank you for your generous contributions of \$2,093.20 which assist pastoral care and chaplaincy roles around the country. "As it is, these remain: faith, hope and love; and the greatest of them is love."

Other Events

St James College Enrolment

Enrol now for year 7 - 2019, 2020 and beyond (upcoming College Tours — Term 3)

Tour Dates: Thursday 26th July; Friday 3rd August; Tuesday 7th August and Wednesday 15th August.

Bookings essential 9575 8100

or email registrar@sjcbe.catholic.edu.au to make a booking. 156 Bignell Road, Bentleigh East

www.sjcbe.catholic.edu.au

National Youth Conference 2018

Thursday 12 July, 4pm to Sunday 15 July, 4pm

Mannix College, Monash University Clayton Campus, Wellington Road, Clayton

Designed for participants between 18 and 30 years of age, this year's National Youth Conference presents an array of luminary guest speakers, including Melbourne Bishops Mark Edwards and Terry Curtin, along with Bishop of Syro Malabar Bosco Puthur.

Also presenting over this extraordinary four-day event will be Frs Chris Eaton, Alex Vickers OP and Ken Barker, founder of Missionaries of God's Love, along with co-founder of Real Talk International, Paul Innes, and an array of other excellent youth trainers and leaders.

Events include rallies, talks, workshops, live music and theatre, eucharistic celebrations, along with a special Vocation Expo.

Registration:

www.chosenconference.org.au

In 2001, the Commonwealth and Victorian Governments introduced legislation that deals with the manner in which public and private sector organisations may record, use, store and disclose information, including health information, collected from individuals. This parish is committed to upholding and implementing the Privacy Principles set out in legislation. A copy of the Parish Policy is available by contacting the Parish Office.

Parish Events

Parish Seniors Group

Cards Group

Join the small group who now have their card gathering in the Convent behind the Parish Office. The next card day will be **Monday 2nd July at 2pm.**

At 4pm we stop playing to enjoy some light refreshments and tea/coffee.

Contact: Tony 9558 3646 or the Parish Office, 9583 2103. All welcome.

Christmas in July Luncheon

St Patrick's and St John Vianney's parishioners and friends are invited to celebrate



Christmas in July at the HIGHETT RSL on THURSDAY, 19th July from 12:00 noon with a special Seniors Menu: (One course \$19 – Two courses \$22 – Three courses \$25).

Please Note: The standard Seniors Menu is also available.

RSVP no later than **11.00am** on the **Monday prior** to lunch by either - adding your name to **the list** on the **noticeboard** inside the front doors of **St Patrick's** church; or

- leaving a message with **David Carson** on **0419 001 968**

Travelling by train? Meet at Mentone Station to catch the **11:39am** City-bound train to Highett.

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FR MICHAEL McENTEE GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Sunday 15th July 2018

Thefamily will be in attendance,

Number ofadults,

Number of.....children.

The Liturgy for The 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B: 1st July 2018

Mass Response

Psalm Response: I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, Alleluia!**
Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death
and brought us life through his gospel. **Alleluia!**

Memorial Acclamation: We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection, until you come again.

Legend: "CWBII" Catholic Worship Book II

6:00 pm Vigil Mass (Saturday) - St Patrick's

Entrance: CWBII 514
Mass Setting: Gloria - Ostrowski
Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians - Connolly
Offertory: CWBII 586
Communion: CWBII 619
Recessional: CWBII 494

9:00am (Sunday) - St John Vianney's

Entrance: CWBII 588
Mass Setting: Gloria - Ostrowski
Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians - Connolly
Offertory: CWBII 486
Communion: CWBII 509
Recessional: CWBII 561

11.00am Choral Mass (Sunday) - St Patrick's

Entrance: CWBII 588
Mass Setting: Plainsong
Offertory: CWBII 586
Communion: CWBII 509
Recessional: CWBII 561

5:00 pm (Sunday) - St Patrick's

Entrance: CWBII 588
Mass Setting: Mass of Our Lady Help of Christians – Connolly
Offertory: CWBII 486
Communion: CWBII 619
Recessional: CWBII 561

Readings Next Week:

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr B

Ezekial: 2:2-5
2 Corinthians: 12:7-10
Mark: 6:1-6

MASSES THIS WEEK

(SP) St Patrick's Church; (SJV) St John Vianney's Church

WEEK DAY MORNING MASSES

Monday, 2nd July NO MASS

Tuesday, 3rd July Feast: St Thomas, apostle
9:15 am (SP)

Wednesday, 4th July
9:15 am (SP) Optional: St Elizabeth of Portugal
10:30 am (SJV) Mass

Thursday, 5th July
9:15 am (SP) Optional: St Anthony Zaccaria, priest
10:30 am (SP) **Ordinariate Mass**

Friday, 6th July
9:15 am (SP) Optional: St Maria Goretti, virgin,
martyr
5:15 pm (SJV) Mass

Saturday, 7th July
9:15 am (SP) Optional: Blessed Peter To Rot,
martyr

WEEKEND MASSES

(Vigil) Saturday: 6:00pm (SP)
Sunday: 9:00am (SJV)
Sunday: 9:30am (Ordinariate Mass) (SP)
Sunday: 11.00am (Choral Mass) (SP)
Sunday: 5:00pm (SP)

RECONCILIATION

After the 9:15am Mass on Wednesday & Saturday
mornings (SP) and 5:15 pm Saturday (SP)

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
THIS FRIDAY: BENEDICTION 4:30PM (SP)**