



SS PETER AND PAUL'S CATHOLIC PARISH,

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

SATURDAY 6.00PM.

SUNDAY 8.00AM AND 11.00AM

Our Vision

We are a Catholic Community who profess, celebrate and witness that Jesus lives, and to whom the Father sends His Spirit. We express that belief by living out and spreading the message of the Gospel.

28th and 29th of April 2018

5th Sunday of Easter - Year B

Gospel

At this point in the Easter season it is worth stepping back to see it in perspective. We can imagine it as a great tree that thrust its roots deep down in the soil even as its trunk and branches grow upward and outwards. The hidden roots draw nourishment from deep under the earth and fuel the visible growth of the tree. The gospel readings for the next two Sundays and for Pentecost Sunday, taken from Jesus farewell speech to his disciples in the gospel of John, invite us on an interior journey into the depths of our hearts. It is there that Jesus makes his home in us: it is there that the paraclete teaches us all wisdom. As with the tree, the more our faith is fed from deep within, the stronger is our desire to let love loose in the world.

Fr Jerald Away

Fr Jerald will be going to the Holy Land on Pilgrimage from the 7th to the 17th of May 2018. On the way back Fr Jerald will be stopping in India to preside at a wedding. He will resume his office on 24th May 2018.

During Fr Jerald's absence, Fr Arnold will be presiding at our masses. During this time there will be communion services during the week.

Commissioning of Parish Pastoral Council

On the 6th of May at our 11am Mass, we will be having a special commissioning mass to welcome our new PPC Members. Please join us.

Holy Week Liturgy Survey

In order to help our Liturgy team serve you better for Holy Week 2019, we are undertaking a survey of the Holy Week liturgies this year. Survey sheets will be handed this weekend and we ask if you could take a few minutes just to give us your feedback and return them at your earliest convenience.

Key Inventory

We are once again asking all key holders – of which there are a few – to come forward and advise the parish office of which key you hold. To comply with our insurance requirements, we need to do an inventory of all key holders. Please let the parish office know.

Ss Peter and Paul's School

Ss Peter and Paul's is currently taking enrolments for the 2019 and 2020 school years. Please contact the Principal if you would like a prospectus or to arrange a tour of the school. Entry is available at other grades levels also. Please call 03 9842 2056 to make an appointment.

Ladies Morning Tea

A weekly ladies morning tea is being planned. Please fill in your name & contact no. on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex if you are interested in participating.

Music Ministry needs you.

If you can hold a tune or play an instrument, please consider sharing your talent with our community by joining the Music Ministry. We need more choir members for all masses. Sign up sheets are in the Narthex.

You are invited to - PARISH RETREAT DAY 'PEOPLE COME FIRST' A PARISH RETREAT DAY REFLECTING ON THE PASTORAL THEOLOGY OF POPE FRANCIS

Our Retreat
Conductor: Br. Mark
O'Connor FMS - Pope
Francis Fellow,
Newman College,
University of
Melbourne
9.30am - 4.00pm
Saturday 19th May
2018 Mother of God
Church, Wilfred Rd.,
Ivanhoe. Cost \$10
includes lunch Please
call 0499 1515 to book
or contact Fr. Bill
Edebohls via email
bill.edebohls@cam.
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Communion Ministers Roster

A sign-up sheet has been placed on the board to the right of the entrance as you enter. Please fill in your name & contact no. against your preferred mass time / week to help us draw up the roster.

Children's Liturgy Needs Your Help

We need more volunteers to help run children's liturgy at 11am mass each month. **No experience necessary.** New volunteers will be paired with experienced leaders. Commitment of no more than 8 Sundays a year. Please let your name and contact no. on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

Divine Mercy Mass

You are invited to join us for our first Friday Divine Mercy Mass will be held on Friday 4th May at 7.30pm followed by Divine Mercy adoration at 8pm.



THROUGH THE YEARS WITH THE BEE GEES

RELIVE THE GREATEST HITS OF THIS ICONIC BAND AND
ENJOY A GREAT NIGHT OUT AT THIS SPECIAL EVENT AT OLOP

Our Lady of the Pines Parish
Carbine Street Donvale
Friday 4th May – starts at 7pm

\$45 per person
Beer, wine and soft drinks on sale
No BYO drinks please
Bring your own eats
Pot o' Gold raffle
Book now!

Brought to you by the Parish Social
Committee – keeping the
OLOP spirit alive!

To book contact:-

Noreen Forsyth	9842 2991
David Sowersby	0419 311 775
Geoff Mullane	0409 148 144
Roy Tavenor	0439 668 803

Top five takeaways from 'Gaudete et Exsultate'

Here is the second of five takeaways from Pope Francis' new and very practical exhortation.

2. Everyday life can lead to holiness

You do not need to be a bishop, a priest or a member of a religious order to be holy. Everyone is called to be a saint, as the Second Vatican Council reminded us—a mother or a father, a student or an attorney, a teacher or a janitor. 'Saints next door,' Francis calls them. All we need to do is to 'live our lives in love' and 'bear witness' to God in all we do. That also doesn't have to mean big, dramatic actions. Francis offers examples of everyday sanctity, like a loving parent raising a child; as well as 'small gestures' and sacrifices that one can make, like deciding not to pass on gossip. If you can see your own life as a 'mission,' then you soon realize that you can simply be loving and kind to move towards holiness. You also do not have to be 'swooning in mystic rapture' to be a saint or walking around with 'lowered eyes.' Nor do you have to withdraw from other people. On the other hand, you do not want to be caught up in the 'rat race' of rushing from one thing to another. A balance between action and contemplation is essential.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

Fr Jerald would like to invite you for a 14 day pilgrimage to Poland, Austria, Croatia & Medjugorje that departs on 2nd Sep 2018. This pilgrimage features Warsaw, Krakow, Vienna, Zagreb & Medjugorje for an all-inclusive cost of \$5490. Book before 30 April with an initial deposit of \$500 to get an early-bird discount price of \$ 4990. This fare includes Return airfare + Transfers in AC Coaches + Stay in 4 Star Hotels + All Breakfasts & Dinners. For enquiries & bookings contact parish office on 9842 1480

Parish Groups

<p>VISITATION GROUP The next Visitation Group meeting is scheduled for Friday, 4th May at 10.15am in the Parish Centre. New members are always welcome.</p>	<p>ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY The next meeting will be on Tuesday 1st May at 9.30am. New members always welcome.</p>
<p>SUPPORT GROUP- for widows, widowers and separated The next Yarra Deanery Parish Support Group Gathering will take place in the Narthex of our Church at 7.30pm on Tuesday 1st May 2018. For enquiries, please contact Peter - 0413 015 061 or 9840 6248 or padess53@gmail.com</p>	<p>MEN'S COFFEE CLUB Men of the parish who are shift workers or have retired, on holidays or simply have time on their hands, are invited to meet for a Men's Coffee Club Gathering. camaraderie! Meetings are held every Tuesday at 11.00am in the Drop In Centre. Tel: Kevin on 9848 7858.</p>
<p>1 in a 100 Appeal The next collection is due on Sunday the 29th April for the Sisters of Our Lady of Sion Jerusalem and the Palestinians.</p>	<p>DROP-IN CENTRE Open every Monday morning from 11.00am - 2.30pm except during school holidays.</p>
<p>KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS Meet every second Tuesday of the month in the Drop in Centre from 7.30 – 9.30pm. New members always welcome.</p>	<p>PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS Monday and Thursday: 9.00-5.00pm Tuesday and Wednesday: 9.00-3.00pm Friday: 9.00-4.00pm</p>

SUPPORTING MINISTRIES

Parish Priest: Fr Jerald Mariadas
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e: principal@sppdcstr.catholic.edu.au

Principal: Anita Kelliher

Rosary: Monday to Saturday after
 Mass/Communion Service

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays after morning Mass until 10.30am

Reconciliation: Saturdays 9.30am and 5.30pm
 and any weekday after Mass

Baptisms: On 2nd and 3rd Sundays of
 every month at 12.30pm by appointment


Weddings: By appointment

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

The next Divine Mercy Devotion will be held in
 our Church on Friday 4th May from 7.30-8.30pm.
 There will be Exposition, Divine Mercy Chaplet
 and Reconciliation.

**5th and 6th of May
 6th Sunday of Easter**

Acts 10:25-26,3-35,44-48 1 John: 4:7-10 John 15:9-17		Projector Operators
6.00pm Readers Commentator	Marie de Kretzer Josie Lim	Nick Soo
8.00am Readers Commentator	Paul O'Connor Dianne Neubecker	Frank Smit
11.00am Reader Commentator	Carmel Nigro Suzanne Marshall	James Ting
Altar Servers	6.00pm 8.00am 11.00am	Ashley & BJ Volunteers Please Dominic & Joreen
Money Counters	Group 1: Pat and George Cooper	Leo and Lyn Hammond
Our Next Children's liturgy Masses	20 th May, 17 th June	

Our Prayers are asked for those **who died recently: especially Maria Mandile** and  for those whose **anniversaries** occur at this time: Esther Walliss, Maria Murdocca, Lucia Lima, Albina Iozzi, Leo & Gina Carrazzo, Catherine Leung, Sabina Di Deo, Maria Mercuri, Nicholas Russell, John Floyd, John O'Neill, Nina Stanton, Jill Lewis, Francesco Spadafora, Anthony Ceddia, Laurence Castles, Williem Hassing, Andreas Suryapranata, Dominic Ho, Indelicato Andonino, Orlando Bucci, Adrian O'Connor, Liliane & Pierre Aubert, Len Harris. **For those who are sick:** Madeline Gilmore, Dan McMahon, Ava Pelikan, Teresita Leung, June Webster, Ann Tobin, Joel Pemberton, Angela Selva, Anthoula Miras, Danny Zanon, Margaret Jansen, Teresa Talia, Gaetano and Inez Paolini, Mong Kee Lim, Cyril Taya, Mary Ritus, Lois Norton Old, Caroline Tang, Salaka Hewamaduma, Priyanthi Perera, Josh Davis, Maree Spinks, Graham Holmes, Joyce Foo and Peter Wilkinson.

**MASS TIMES for partner Parishes of
 Our Lady of The Pines, Donvale
 & Ss Peter & Paul, East Doncaster**

NB. "CS" indicates Communion Service only

	OLOP	SSPP
Monday	-	9am CS
Tuesday	-	9.00 Mass
Wednesday	9.00am Mass- Rosary after morning mass	9am CS St Athanasius
Thursday	9.00am CS	9.00 Mass St Phillip and James
Friday	9.00 Mass	9am CS 7.30pm Divine Mercy Mass
Saturday	6pm VIGIL (1st Sat of Month ONLY)	9am Mass- St Peter Chanel 6.00pm Vigil
SUNDAY	9:30am	8am, 11am