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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.

5th and 6th of May 2018

6th Sunday of Easter - Year B

Gospel

For the past five weeks we, the long baptized and the newly baptized, have been relishing life in the Spirit, though we have yet to read Luke's account of the first outpouring of the Spirit. That will come in 2 week's time on Pentecost Sunday. Today we anticipate the story of that original event by hearing of a later Pentecost, but one with a difference. This time the gift of the Spirit is poured out on pagans, and a new era in the mission of the church is launched. All the baptized share this mission, 'In virtue of their baptism all the members of the people of God have become missionary disciples'. All the baptized whatever their position in the church or their level of instruction in the faith, are agents of evangelization. Pope Francis' appeal continues to ring in our ears: "let us not allow ourselves to be robbed of missionary enthusiasm".

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 be back in the Parish on the 24th May 2018. During Fr Jerald's absence, Fr Arnold will be presiding at our masses and there will be communion services during the week. We wish Fr Jerald a safe and Holy time in the Holy Land.

Parish International Lunch Day 20th May 2018, 12pm, Parish Hall

In conjunction with Pentecost Sunday, parishioners are invited to join us for our first parish social event of the year! Bring a plate representing your culture for lunch in the parish hall at 12pm on Sun, 20th May 2018.

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 leave your name and contact number on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

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 Tea

We will be holding our first ladies tea on Friday 11th May 2pm in the drop-in centre. You are invited to join us on the day. If you can't make it this week, do leave your name & contact number on the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

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.

Mother's Day Breakfast & Liturgy

The school and parish will be celebrating all our Mothers with a special Mother's Day Breakfast and Liturgy on Thurs 10th May 2018. Breakfast will commence at 8.15am in the Narthex, followed by liturgy in church at 9am with the children. All are invited to attend.

Communion Ministers Roster

We require more communion ministers for Sat 6pm & Sun 11am mass. Please consider filling your name & contact no. in those available slots.

Holy Week Liturgy Survey

If you have yet to return the Holy Week 2018 survey form, we ask that you do as soon as you can. Thanks.

St Vincent De Paul Society

The next meeting of the St Vincent de Paul Society is a special meeting for the Election of the President for the Doncaster East Conference. The meeting will be held on Tuesday the 22nd of May 2018 at 9.45am.

The regular meeting of the St Vincent de Paul Society will be on Tuesday the 5th of June at 9.30am

St Vincent de Paul Society

Members of the Parish and friends who wish to donate good used furniture to St Vincent de Paul Society, please call 1800 621 349. Choose the option for 'new donations' and the staff will assist you. Thank You.

Introduction to Christian Meditation

Be Still and know that I am God.

Invitation to a six week introduction course

At

St Gregory the Great,

71 Williamson's Road, Doncaster East, VIC 3109

Wednesday Evenings, 7.30 – 8.30pm

18th April to the 30th May

Meditation is an ancient form of prayer. Its aim is to bring the distracted mind to silence and stillness and rest in the presence of God who dwells within our hearts. Even in our modern busy lives this is possible.

We invite you to come along and try this form of prayer which is simple and peaceful and aims to make our awareness of this presence central in our lives.

The introductory course provides an opportunity to experience the practice of meditation in a small group. To learn about its origins and to discover its relevance as a form of prayer for contemporary world.

For more information please contact:

Terry Morton on 0402 307 384 or mortontj@bigpond.net.au

Top five takeaways from 'Gaudete et Exsultate'

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

Two tendencies to avoid: Gnosticism and Pelagianism

Pope Francis may send people racing to either dictionaries or their theology textbooks when asks us to avoid two dangers in the spiritual life. The first is Gnosticism. Gnosticism is the old heresy that says that what matters most is what you know. No need to be charitable or do good works. All you need is the correct intellectual approach. Today Gnosticism tempts people to think that they can make the faith 'entirely comprehensible' and leads them to want to force others to adopt their way of thinking. 'When somebody has an answer for every question,' says Francis, 'it's a sign that they are not on the right path.' In other words, being a know-it-all is not going to save you. The second thing to avoid is Pelagianism.

Pelagianism says that we can take care of our salvation through our own efforts. Pelagians trust in their own powers, don't feel like they need God's grace and act superior to others because they observe certain rules. Today's Pelagians often have, the pope says, 'an obsession with the law, an absorption with social and political advantages, punctilious concern for the church's liturgy, doctrine and prestige.' It's a real danger to holiness because it robs us of humility, sets us over others, and leaves little room for grace.

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, 1st June 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 5th June 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 15th 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 27th May 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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Chairman of Parish Pastoral Council:
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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 1st June from 7.30-8.30pm.
 There will be Exposition, Divine Mercy Chaplet
 and Reconciliation.

Our Prayers are asked for those **who died recently: especially Giovanna Cicero** and



for those whose **anniversaries** occur at this time: Anna Kozuh, Jagica Skryljac, Ines Tabacchiera, Celleste Massarotti, John Nolan, Janet Gill, Maria Murdocca, Joseph McMahan, Angelina Petrocco, Benjamin Chen, Robert Brann, Joseph McMahan, Fr Tony Hally, Hans Lenninger, Anna Kozuh, Antonio Mercuri, Peter O'Brien, Noreen Craddock, Kerry Rinfleisch, Mary McNamara, J **For those who are sick:** Madeline Gilmore, Dan McMahan, 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.

**12th and 13th of May
 Ascension of our Lord**

Acts 1:1-11 Ephesians 4:1-13 Mark 16:15-20		Projector Operators
6.00pm Readers Commentator	Paul O'Hanon Nicky Jansson	Nick Soo
8.00am Readers Commentator	Wendy Davis Frank Smit	Julie Sykes
11.00am Reader Commentator	Frank Burke Angela Gunanayagm	Julika Gunangaygam
Altar Servers	6.00pm 8.00am 11.00am	Abbey and Ashley Volunteers Please Canute and Clayton
Money Counters	Group 2: Elaine Martin Imelda Sutanto	
Our Next Children's liturgy Masses	20 th May, 17 th June	

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

NB. "CS" indicates Communion Service only

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Monday	-	9am CS
Tuesday	-	9.00 CS
Wednesday	9.00am CS- Rosary after morning mass	9am CS
Thursday	9.00am CS	9.00 CS Mother's Day Liturgy
Friday	9.00 Mass CS	9am CS
Saturday	6pm VIGIL (1st Sat of Month ONLY)	9am CS- 6.00pm Vigil
SUNDAY	9:30am	8am, 11am

May 6, 2018 - 6th Sunday of Easter

"This is my commandment: love one another as I love you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends" – JOHN 15:12-13