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**WEEKEND MASSES HAVE BEEN
TEMPORARY SUSPENDED DUE TO THE
COVID 19 PANDEMIC**

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.

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 27th and 28th of June 2020 – Year A Feast of Ss Peter and Paul

“Whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life will find it. Whoever welcomes you welcomes me and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me.” – Matthew 10.38-40

Faith is a wholehearted entrusting of one's self to whom or what one considers ultimate. The men and women who followed Jesus during his public life left their homes and walked with him. James and John left their father's fishing nets. Their mother also left their home and followed Jesus (Matthew 20.20-21), as did other women of Galilee (27.55-56). To follow Jesus means taking up his cross. His way is not a road to glory but a road of costly self-giving. Those who give their lives in doing what Jesus did will find their lives, he promises. To believe in Jesus is a relationship so fundamental that it claims allegiance deeper than family ties. We choose self-giving as our way of life as it was for Jesus. It means taking up Jesus' cross. Discipleship demands willingness to walk the walk Jesus did and trust God that one will find one's life in giving it. The hospitality sayings apply the principle of reciprocity. The way we welcome people to our homes is the way we welcome Jesus. When violent acts dominate the news the threat of violence can seem pervasive. Every stranger becomes a threat rather than potential friend. To rebuild community in our urban and suburban neighbourhoods, we need to learn our neighbours' names and those of their children. We need to exercise safe ways to welcome new people into our lives. Human and Christian community depend on hospitality. It is the means for gathering all into communion at God's table.

Happy Ss Peter and Paul's Feast Day to all our Parishioners

A happy and most glorious feast day of Sts. Peter and Paul to you all!

Let us entrust our prayers to Ss Peter and Paul and into our own lives may the celebration bring the fullness of belonging that we need to feel in order to live our Christian lives to the fullest, readily, wholeheartedly, and gladly — knowing what the holy Apostles knew, that God is with us!

Saturday Evening/Sunday Masses:

The health and wellbeing of all parishioners is paramount.

Due to on-going gathering restrictions, a decision has been made by both parishes leadership teams that the Saturday Evening/Sunday Masses will not be re-commenced until the allowed gathering number is increased to 50 (possibly 19/07/2020).

Whilst the current gathering number remains at 20, it was decided that this number is problematical for a number of reasons, including the number applying, access to and strict use of the TRY Booking system, management to ensure the fair and equitable attendance opportunity is in place and enforced, and the "risk" of interpersonal issues should/when problems arise.

The Liturgy Committee are working on protocols for when the number increases to 50, and updating the PPC accordingly.

Fr. Jerald will continue to celebrate Mass which can be accessed each weekend via the parish website.

Weekday Masses – TRY Booking

The attendance at weekday Masses is averaging approximately 20 parishioners (maximum number allowed) across OLOP & SPPP.

It is noted however, that on average only 7 are booking via the TRY Booking system, with the remainder attending without booking. Whilst this has been manageable, recently 25 parishioners attended for a Saturday morning Mass. Allowing such a number is a breach of the gathering protocols.

It is important that parishioners register their intention to attend a Mass via the TRY Booking system. If the maximum number is already reached and your booking cannot be confirmed, you must not attend on that day.

To ensure compliance, at weekday Masses only those who have booked via TRY Booking will be assured of entry. If under 20 in number, other parishioner will be admitted on a "first come" basis, however only until the maximum number of 20 is reached. At that stage entry will not be permitted. The link to TRY Booking is on the parish website.

No access to or not confident in using Try Booking – no problem. Simply contact the Parish Office prior to the day and your name will be included on the list, or you will be advise if the allocation is full.

Stewardship Envelopes

The New set of Stewardship Envelopes will be available in the Narthex from Monday the 22nd of June 2020. If you would like to have your envelope posted, please so let Liza in the Parish Office know.

Weekday Morning Mass

With effect from the 22nd of June 2020 the numbers allowed to gather at places of worship will remain at 20.

-In view of this 20 parishioners are allowed at our morning masses. Pre-booking your attendance is still required. YOU CAN BOOK YOUR ATTENDANCE VIA OUR TRYBOOKING SITE.

The link is : <https://www.trybooking.com/BKGAT> and you will be able to book for either the 30th of June, 2nd or 4th of July. Booking is now open.

- You will still need to adhere to the social distancing rules . We also ask , that if you are feeling unwell to please keep safe at home and do not attend.

- For those who would like to book a regular weekly space, please do let Liza in the Parish Office know, and she will arrange this for you. You can also email Liza on doncastereast@cam.org.au to let her know.

Day	Mass Centre	Zoom Video Mass Available
Tuesday	SSPP	Yes
Wednesday	OLOP	Yes
Thursday	SSPP	Yes
Friday	OLOP	Yes
Saturday	SSPP	Yes

Parish AGM

Our parish AGM, scheduled for 22 March 2020 had to be cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. With the gradual easing of restrictions, our AGM report will now be available online, and hard copies are available for pick up from the Narthex. Parishioners are invited to go through the report and provide us with comments, questions or suggestions. All responses received will be compiled and responded to when we re-convene the AGM (hopefully some time in July or August).

In addition, the Parish Pastoral Council is in need of new members. If you would like to nominate someone or yourself onto the Council, you can also do so through the avenues listed below. If you would like to find out more about our Council, contact Fr Jerald or Cheryl our pastoral worker at the email address below.

We look forward to receiving inputs from parishioners across the spectrum.

To access our AGM report, go to <https://www.sspp.org.au/agm-report/>

Provide your comments, questions, or suggestions by 12 July 2020 in any of the following ways:

- Email Cheryl at Cheryl.tay@cam.org.au
- Go to our Online web form at <https://www.sspp.org.au/2020-agm-report-feedback/> to submit your comments
- Postal or physical drop to the parish office, attention to Cheryl Tay

Launching SsPP One in a Hundred Appeal for 2020-21

With the 30th June and a new financial year almost upon us, this is the time to renew our commitment to assist the Sisters of Our Lady of Sion Jerusalem and their Local Children's Education Fund, providing scholarship assistance for the education of children of needy Palestinian families.

Dear friends, let me firstly thank you all for your continuing contributions to the One in a Hundred Appeal during 2019-20, which has lately become such a difficult and challenging time.

Bethlehem and areas of the West Bank have experienced lockdowns and curfews since the start of covid-19. The country is dependent on tourism and pilgrimages to the Holy Land which have totally stopped, with a large percentage of the population out of work.

'National Insurance' have only paid workers with Jerusalem ID's a percentage of salary for April to June, but the people in Bethlehem and the West Bank are not covered so received nothing. The Sion Sisters have paid their staff at the 'Ecce Homo' Pilgrim House on this basis but are not likely to be able to continue beyond June. Understandably, stress levels are very high.

Looking to the year ahead the Sisters hope to be able to assist the 30 families they have on their books through the Local Children's Education Fund, with our support. The number of children to benefit will decrease and be in the sixties. The reality will be that families with young school children will have little for fees, hence the schools will struggle to pay teachers, so whatever we can give to the Education Fund will be vital. What I can see now is a great need that we can help to address, as we have done so faithfully since 2003.

Everyone with an email address has been advised accordingly of the launch of the Appeal for 2020-21. We want all of you who are not on email to know, and have the opportunity to stay the course by supporting the Appeal again in these tough times.

Some practicalities will change, although we will retain the three levels of annual, six-monthly or monthly based on \$120 per annum contribution. Annual and six-monthly contributions can be by direct deposit to the Ss Peter & Paul's Social Justice Account (BSB 083-347 Account No.473008563), referencing your family name and a code I will give you when you confirm. Monthly donations can continue to be via envelope to the Collection Bowl when Weekend Masses resume, hopefully later in July. I will supply envelopes to everyone who registers with me, and they can be put in the Bowl at any Mass for collection. Registration can be by phone, email or using the forms to be left in the box on the table in the Narthex. Please let me know what you decide.

Thank you in anticipation of your support for the Sion Sisters and our Palestinian friends.

Parish Office

The Parish office will remain shut until further advice is received and employees will be working from home. We can still be contacted via our Parish Mobile of 0473873479 or on Doncastereast@cam.org.au. Thank you for your patience during this time. .

Spam Emails

It has been brought to Fr Jerald's attention that some parishioners have been receiving emails purporting to be from him seeking assistance. Please note that these emails are not from Fr Jerald and should be sent to your spam folder. Please do not click on anything on the email. The emails that have been received have been in the name of Jerald Mariadas with a different domain name.

Please note, Fr Jerald's email addresses all have the domain name of @cam.org.au and nothing else. Cam being the abbreviation for Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne.

Fr Jerald has 2 email addresses: either

For Ss Peter and Paul's Parishioners :- geraldmariadas@cam.org.au and

For Our Lady of the Pines Parishioners ; geraldcecil@cam.org.au

If you do receive something that you are not sure of, please let the parish office know.

Thank You all so much.

Parish Raffle

Previously it has been advised that the Raffle was due to be drawn in June. Due to the current situation. Please see below the revised dates :-

Sale Closing Date: 11 September 2020

Draw Date: 26 September 2020 at 7.15 pm

Publication of Winners Date: 30 September 2020

This could change again, depending on the situation. We will keep you informed of this.

Weekly Parish Emails

We hope that you have all been able to receive our weekly Parish Emails . We are aware that there have been some issues with parishioners not receiving this. These emails are sent out via MailChimp- a popular marketing automation platform.

If you have not been receiving these emails, could we ask if you could check your spam folders or if you could check the settings in your email inbox and "allow" emails from mailchimp and doncastereast@cam.org.au.

St Vincent De Paul

Thank you to everyone who has been supporting St Vinnies during this challenging time by dropping off supplies to the Parish Office or leaving in the church.

- They are however running out of Long Life Milk especially at the moment and if you are able, could you add a few more to your shopping list for the Vinnies Store cupboard. Could we kindly ask you to ensure that this has a long life expiry.
- Also a big thank you to all who have been bringing donations for the Vinnies Charity bin. Could we however ask you to please ensure that any donation is brought into the church and left at the bin. We have been finding a few bags left by the Church doors outside and this can be unsightly.

Parish Bin Roster

We are once again looking for volunteers to help with the Parish Bins on a Sunday. We have regrettably had a few drop outs over this period and in order to ease the burden on those left, we would really appreciate some more volunteers on the list. If you can spare an hour or so on a Sunday and would not mind helping the Parish out in this way, please let the

Sense of the Faithful

The clouds have lifted a little. The Plenary council discernment papers have been disseminated & the committee is now asking us for further comments & encouragement before the "working paper" is written for the Plenary council discussion next year. A varied body of people under the website "senseofthefaithful.org.au" is writing some thoughts about major issues like governance, women's roles, language in the liturgy & climate change. We encourage you to look up this website, make some comments (as long as they are not defamatory) & "subscribe (no charge) & you will receive updates. For further information please ring St Kevin's Templestowe 98505983.



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Prayers of the Community

Our Prayers are asked for those who died recently: and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially

Christine Reick, Mary McMahon, Mary Brooks, Kumar Fernando, Quintus Fernando, Renic Paron, Bertha Mernagh, Primo Lago, David Wetherall, Arthur Veale, Lorna Kearney, Leo Caligari, Mary and Imelda Parker, Thomas and Grace Hammond, Jack and Josephine Clappison, Margaret Cannon, Narayan Kamath Neshwar, Stevo Jawgic, Biagia Amato, Agnes O'Brien, George Gregory Martin, Antonio Morabito, James William Wise, Kevin McFadden, Giovanna Pinzone, Mavis Smith, John Collins, Eileen Barker, Ernesto Giussani, Jan Aleksander Skrodzki, Emma Fiorini, Elaine O'Brien, Paolo Di Donato, Anna Maria Widaja

For those who are sick: Paul O'Connor, Emily Patrikis, Madeline Gilmore, Dan McMahon, Teresita Leung, June Webster, Joel Pemberton, Angela Selva, Anthoula Miras, Danny and Alice Zanon, Margaret Jansen, Teresa Talia, Mary Ritus, Lois Norton Old, Salaka Hewamaduma, Priyanthi Perera, Josh Davis, Maree Spinks, Joyce Foo, Peter Wilkinson, Audrey O'Connor, Tai Thomas, Pat Carty, Khek Hong Tan, Choi Yeng Chew, Marie Simpson, Catherine Poon, Ann Weerappah, Bronwyn Burke, Filomena Fusco, Carmenza Cruz, Alicia Nivia, Frank Prendergast, Joan O'Hanrahan, Remi Vulich, Mary Tancredi, Irma Ciccotelli, Jovina Ebell, Gina Giracona, Dr Hong Nguyen, Cesare Iozzi, Ian Stuart, Carlos Caballero and Sharon Rodrigo.



O Immaculate Mary, Help of Christians, Queen of heaven and earth, and tender Mother of humanity, at this time when a pandemic threatens all your children, we entrust to you our nation, Australia, and all who live in this country.

We commit to your intercession all the members of our community, beginning with the weakest ones, from the unborn to the sick, the disabled and the elderly.

We commit to you our families, our young and old, and all who are vulnerable, those who are quarantined or anxious.

We entrust to your Immaculate Heart those who have lost their livelihood or employment, our pastors and other essential service workers, and our leaders at this time.

We implore your intercession especially for the protection of doctors and nurses and those who minister to the contagious sick in this crisis.

Reign over us, Mother of God, and teach us how to make the Heart of Jesus reign and triumph in us and around us, as it has reigned and triumphed in you!

24 / 25 May 2020