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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.

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 4th and 5th of July 2020 – Year A National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday Celebration “Together in the Spirit”

With some Parishes reopening (with limited attendees) and schools back across Australia, the scope for local celebrations of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday has increased. With this in mind, The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSIICC) have created a 5 minute virtual Acknowledgement of Country and information presentation that will allow you to pay your respects to the Traditional Custodians of your area - which is important if current restrictions mean you can't have a local Custodian in attendance. Featuring music from Wadeye, the Tiwi Islands and the Torres Strait Islands, the video contains rich imagery of the gifts that First Nations Catholics bring to the Church in Australia. It is the perfect way to set the scene on this important day. This video has been incorporated in our weekend Mass video and the link to this is <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2wimEbLOsI0>



Jubilee Prayer and Statement of Commitment

Father our Creator

You created all things, seen and unseen,
Listen to my silent prayer as I stand here before you.

As my weary eyes look back over distant horizons, back to those days where my people walked.

The footprints of my grandfathers are imprinted on the earth, and their images become real to me.

I see my Grandfathers standing tall and strong, warriors of long ago. I hear them singing, I see them dancing, and my spirit moves within me.

They told me of the emus fighting; picking the scent of our hunters. The images fade away as I feel the hurt of my people.

I can hear the cries of my Grandmothers as they cry for their children.
Grandfather, You can see me as I stand here and feel this hurt.

Father Creator, is this the purpose of my being here? Or is it your plan to reshape my people to be once again the proud race it once was?

Let me walk with you and my Grandfathers towards the dawning of a proud and new nation.

I thank you for my Sacred Being.
Amen.

Saturday Evening/Sunday Masses:

The health and wellbeing of all parishioners is paramount.

Due to on-going gathering restrictions, it has been decided that Saturday Evening/Sunday Masses will not be re-commenced until the allowed gathering number is increased to 50 .

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.

If you do not have access to or are not confident in using Try Booking – no problem. Simply contact the Parish Office as early as possible 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 from the Parish Office . 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/BKIRC> and you will be able to book for either the 7th, 9th or 11th 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 - 9.00am	Zoom Video Available
Tuesdays	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

New Bishop for Sale Diocese

On the Feast Day of St Cyril of Alexandria, The Holy Father has announced Monsignor Gregory Charles Bennet, former Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Melbourne, as the tenth Bishop of the Diocese of Sale in eastern Victoria.

In accepting this appointment, Bishop-Elect Bennet said, "I am humbled by Pope Francis' nomination of me to be the next Bishop of Sale. It is an enormous responsibility and privilege to be asked to undertake this appointment."

Well known and loved in the Melbourne Archdiocese, the Bishop-elect noted that whilst welcoming this new appointment, there will be sadness in leaving the Archdiocese of Melbourne, "I have served in the Archdiocese for 28 years and my heart is grateful for the many people who have formed, nurtured, cared, and supported me throughout my formation and my ministry."

The second of four children to Len (RIP) and Maureen Bennet. Bishop-elect Bennet was educated in Victoria and completed his secondary education through Braemar College, Woodend.

Ordained in 1992 by Archbishop Little, he served as Assistant Priest in the parishes of Grovedale-Torquay, Greensborough and as Administrator of Seymour Parish before undertaking and completing a Master's of Science in pastoral counselling at Loyola College Baltimore MD, USA, and a Licentiate in Sacred Theology at the Angelicum in Rome.

Upon his return from further studies, Bishop-Elect Bennet was appointed as Director, Ministry to Priests and as Director of Ongoing Formation for Clergy in the Archdiocese of Melbourne, followed by later appointments as the inaugural Director of the Archbishop's of Evangelisation, and Parish Priest of St Bede's, North Balwyn.

In 2012 Archbishop Hart appointed the Bishop-elect as Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia and, in that same year, he was appointed a Prelate of Honour by Pope Benedict XVI. He has served as a Diocesan Consultor and on numerous committees of the Archdiocese including: the Archbishop's Personnel Board, Curia, the Diocesan Finance Council, Catholic Capital Grants Ltd and on advisory bodies associated with Catholic Education Melbourne. In March 2020, Archbishop Peter A Comensoli appointed him as Parish Priest of St Joseph's, West Brunswick.

"Mgr Greg has given a generous and deep commitment to the people of God in Melbourne over these 28 years," said Archbishop Comensoli.

"I am delighted at his appointment, but there is sadness to lose such a wonderful servant of God from our own Archdiocese. The people of Sale are blessed to have him as their new shepherd and I know they will welcome him warmly.

"He has also been a personal friend over many years and I wish to acknowledge his wonderful support to me in my own ministry.

"On behalf of the people of Melbourne, we offer our prayers for Mgr Greg and for the people of Sale."

Details regarding the episcopal ordination are still to be determined

The Community of Ss Peter and Paul's would like to extend our Congratulations to Bishop Elect Bennet on his appointment and wish him well.

Updating the Launch of SsPP One in a Hundred Appeal for 2020-21

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With a new financial year now with us, this is the time we ask you to renew your 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.

The biggest thank you to the 30 supporters who have already committed. Many more are needed if we are to match the totals of recent years (ie \$10,000pa).

In the year ahead the Sisters hope to be able to assist the 30 families they have on their books through the Education Fund, with our support. The number of children to benefit will be in the sixties. Families with young school children will have little for fees, the schools will struggle to pay teachers, so whatever we can give to the Education Fund will be vitally important. There is a great need that we can help address, as we have done so faithfully since 2003.

The situation of the Palestinians living in Israel is dire, due to the consequences of Covid-19. The collapse of tourism and pilgrimages to the Holy Land means loss of work, and they are denied the National Insurance benefits available to those with a Jerusalem ID. The Sisters help all they can. Bethlehem and areas of the West Bank continue to experience lockdowns and curfews.

We ask all of our regulars to stay the course by supporting the Appeal again in these difficult times, and we very much need to recruit extra first-time supporters.

We will retain three levels – with a choice of annual, six-monthly or monthly contributions based on \$120 per annum. Annual and six-monthly contributions can be by direct deposit to the account below, your reference is your family name and a code I will give you when you confirm. Monthly donations can continue to be by envelope to the Collection Bowl when Weekend Masses resume, hopefully later in July. Envelopes will be supplied to everyone who registers, and they can be put in the Bowl at any Mass. Registration can be by phone, email or a form left in the box on the table in the Narthex. Please let me know what you decide.

Account ID: Ss Peter & Paul's Social Justice Account (BSB 083-347 AccountNo.473008563)

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

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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

jeraldmariadas@cam.org.au or jeraldcecil@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. Thank you.

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.

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 "senseofthefaitful.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.

Acknowledgement to Country

In the spirit of reconciliation, St Peter and Paul's acknowledges the Wurundjeri people as the traditional custodians of the land we all now share. For thousands of years they raised their families, maintained their culture and sustainably managed this sacred land. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

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



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Prayers of the Community

Our Prayers are asked for those who died recently: especially Audrey O'Connor and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially Eileen Barker, Angelo Riccioni, Elvira Ercolani, Giovana Battista-Riccioni, Jimmy Chen, Kathleen Cross, Nick Miras, Queenie Choy, Ercole Taliana, Stella Muscat, Giuseppe Cardillo, Basil Quihampton, Victor Bongiorno, Joe Bongiorno, Norina Faccin, Mauri Michaella and Maureen Alford .

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, 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, Margaret Ng.



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!