



Ss Peter and Paul's Catholic Parish

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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

6th and 7th of February
2021 Year B -

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.

Child Safety Policy

Ss Peter and Paul's is committed to upholding the safety and dignity of each child and young person, ensuring they are able to grow and develop in a caring and supportive environment within our parish. Visit our parish website or contact our parish office for our child-safe policy."

Acknowledgement to Country

In the spirit of reconciliation, Ss Peter and Paul's parish 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.

Piety Stall

We are pleased to advise that the Piety Stall will be reopening on the 7th of February at our 11.15am Mass. This will be opened in a Covid Safe manner where we ask you keep a safe distance and wear your mask. We thank you for your patience during this period.

Ash Wednesday Mass, Wed 17th Feb, 11.30am and 7.30pm

Ash Wednesday falls on 17th Feb this year, and masses will be held at our parish at 11.30am and 7.30pm. We will be joined by our parish school community for mass at 11.30am. There will be no communion service at 9am on this day.

Lenten regulations on fasting and abstinence requirements are available in the Narthex for those who would like to take a copy home. Please have a look at all regulations on Fasting and Abstinence for Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Thank you and Best Wishes!

Our parish extends our most heartfelt thanks to Belinda D for her time and talent in our music ministry and liturgy committee over the past few years. We have been blessed with her every readiness to lend her musical talent at our Sun 8am mass, and special liturgical celebrations such as Ash Wednesday and Christmas Masses. We wish her all the best in her move back to Queensland.

Contact tracing and prebooking for masses.

We are now utilizing the 1Breadcrumb app for our contact tracing purposes. There is a booklet in the Foyer with full details of how to install the app.

With this system the requirement for pre booking is no longer required. We do however still need to comply with the seating capacity in the Church which is 135 in total. We regret that once we reach capacity, we can't allow anyone further in.

Please note: Following recent changes to regulations, the use of facemask's is now required once again. Please ensure that you have your face mask on within the confines of the church.

Claudia and Michael Pennefather

Congratulations to Claudia and Michael Pennefather who celebrate their 60th Wedding Anniversary this Sunday the 7th of February. May the Lord bless you both on this very special day.

SsPP One in a Hundred Appeal – Reviving the Monthly Donors Group

With the cessation of weekend Masses during the worst of the 2020 pandemic lockdown, this group could not function as intended, so we are currently working to revive it. We are contacting individuals to do so, and supplying a new batch of envelopes, but this is an invitation to anyone who might like to join us. Just make contact Harry Martin by Email to hmmartin@optusnet.com.au or call his mobile 0421 770 498 to register and receive envelopes for your \$10 a month contribution.

Lenten Reflection Program, Tuesdays, 10am – 1130am, Church Narthex

Our 6-week Lenten Reflection Program begins on Tues 16th Feb 2021. This is an opportunity to come together to spend time getting to know who Jesus is, for us personally, and as a community. Through reading and reflection of our Lenten Sunday Gospel readings, and sharing of our unique perspectives, we can then enter more fully into the celebration of the Sacred Triduum. No pre-requisites required to participate in this program. Just the willingness to spend some time in retreat and reflection with God.

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Looking for Volunteers for the Outsiders Group!

There are currently 6 of us who clean and tidy the Church surrounds every Saturday morning in advance of weekend Masses.

It would be good to have at least 2 more volunteers so that a pair can be rostered every weekend and so share the load. We perform a fundamental task of benefit to all, and the time required varies between a half an hour and a hour.

Please contact Harry on 0421 770 498 if you would be a willing participant.

Word of God Sunday

The Church in Australia celebrates the Sunday of the Word of God on the first Sunday in February – February 7 in 2021. Pope Francis established the day, which is devoted to “the celebration, study and dissemination” of the Word of God. Visit www.catholic.org.au/wordofgodsonday to access resources to help commemorate the day and for suggestions on how to better engage with Sacred Scripture in various ways and settings.

Stations of the Cross, Fridays, 7.30pm, SSPP

Stations of the Cross begins on Friday 19th Feb and will take place every Friday during Lent. Each week, we will walk the way of the cross and pray for special intentions for our community:

Week 1—19th February	For Families
Week 2– 26th of February	For Vocations
Week 3—5th March	For the Sick
Week 4—12th March	For Deliverance
Week 5—19th of March	For Hope
Week 6—26th of March	For Peace

Bible Sharing Group

Wednesday the 3rd of February– 10.30am

Our Bible sharing group resumes on Wed the 3rd Feb at 10.30am. The group gets together to break open the word of God, reflect and share God's message for us. Everyone is warmly welcome. Please pop in at the parish office on the day to confirm location; or speak to Cheryl our pastoral worker if you would like more information.

Volunteers Needed for Music Ministry

We are looking for volunteers to join our music ministry. Musicians and choir members needed. If you like to sing or play an instrument, and able to commit to practice 45min before mass, please contact the parish office or Cheryl our pastoral worker.

Communion Service

Please note, Communion Services resumed from the 1st of February 2021. We look forward to welcoming you all back to our communion services. **Zoom Masses have now stopped following the re-commencement of Communion Services.**

Joint Parish Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy

Our joint parishes of Ss Peter and Paul and Our Lady of the Pines hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children as one of our fundamental responsibilities. A culture of safety within our parishes ensures that children can actively and fully participate in the life of the Church and realise their potential in a faith community.

As part of our efforts to create this culture of safety, we have adopted the Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy developed by the Archdiocese of Melbourne. In keeping with this policy, we will be requiring all clergy, staff, regular contractors, and parish volunteers to (1) hold a valid Working With Children's Check (WWCC) and provide a copy of the card, and (2) sign a declaration that they have read, understood, and commit to abiding by the Safeguarding Children and Young People Code of Conduct.

We thank all our volunteers who have already provided our office with your WWCC details, and your signed Declaration. It is very much appreciated.

For those who have yet to do so due to the pandemic, we will very much appreciate if you can provide our office with both documents at your earliest convenience. Further details of our policy and the Declaration form can be found at <https://www.sspp.org.au/child-safety/>. Please contact our parish office if you need any assistance.

Prayers of the Community : Our Prayers are asked for those who died recently and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially Guiseppe Cardillo, Victor John Bongiorno, Joe Bongiorno, Paul Kraut, Lorraine Simmons, Peter Giles, Emido Casale, Peter Sammut, Guiseppe Gallo, Yolande Pereira, Malcome Parris, Natalie D'Agostino,

For those who are sick: Emily Patrikis, Madeline Gilmore, Dan McMahon, June Webster, Joel Pemberton, Angela Selva, Anthoula Miras, Danny and Alice Zanon, Margaret Jansen, Mary Ritus, Salaka Hewamaduma, Priyanthi Perera, Josh Davis, Maree Spinks, Joyce Foo, Peter Wilkinson, Tai Thomas, Pat Carty, Khek Hong Tan, Choi Yeng Chew, Glorietta Ioannou, Marie Simpson, Ann Weerappah, Bronwyn Burke, Filomena Fusco, Carmenza Cruz, Alicia Nivia, Frank Prendergast, Joan O'Hanrahan, Mary Tancredi, Irma Ciccotelli, Jovina Ebell, Dr Hong Nguyen, Ian Stuart, Sharon Rodrigo, Susan Higgins, Rose Paynting, Tai Thomas, Ann Weerappah, Pietro Ciccotelli, Jean Elizabeth Rendall.

Year of St Joseph

8 Dec 2020 to 8 Dec 2021

In an apostolic letter entitled *Patris corde*, Pope Francis proclaimed a special “Year of St Joseph,” beginning on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 2020 [8 Dec] and extending to the same feast in 2021. This marks the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX’s declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church.

In his letter, Pope Francis describes Saint Joseph as a beloved father, a tender and loving father, an obedient father, an accepting father; a father who is creatively courageous, a working father, a father in the shadows.

The Holy Father shared that Joseph’s spiritual path “is not one that explains, but accepts” — which does not mean that he is “resigned.” Instead, he is “courageously and firmly proactive,” because with “Holy Spirit’s gift of fortitude,” and full of hope, he is able “to accept life as it is, with all its contradictions, frustrations and disappointments.” In practice, through St. Joseph, it is as if God were to repeat to us: “Do not be afraid!” because “faith gives meaning to every event, however happy or sad,” and makes us aware that “God can make flowers spring up from stony ground.” Joseph “did not look for shortcuts but confronted reality with open eyes and accepted personal responsibility for it.” For this reason, “he encourages us to accept and welcome others as they are, without exception, and to show special concern for the weak”.

At the conclusion of his Letter, Pope Francis adds another prayer to St Joseph, which he encourages all of us to pray together:

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.
Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Communion at Home

During this pandemic, parishioners who are unable to attend mass in person, and wish to receive communion at home, please contact the parish office to leave your contact details. Our pastoral worker will then be in touch to make the arrangements.

Menzies Australia Day Award

It is with great excitement that we announce that Alston Jerome, one of our altar Servers was awarded the Menzies Australia Day Award during the Australia Day Celebrations at Manningham

- Alston is the youngest recipient of this prestigious award
- This is only awarded once in a lifetime.

Below is an excerpt from this award writeup.

"Alston Jerome has been a valuable member of the Australian Air League Doncaster squadron since he began. His knowledge, commitment, empathy and understanding are beyond his years. He has been involved in every squadron activity within the community; Citizenship ceremonies, fundraising for the RSL and Legacy, as well as ceremonies such as ANZAC Day, Remembrance Day amongst others. He has always participated with both enthusiasm and professionalism. He is fast becoming an emergent young leader in our squadron and in the community."

Congratulations Alston on your amazing achievement.



SUPPORTING MINISTRIES

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Rosary: After Mass/Communion Service

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

Baptisms: On 2nd and 3rd Sundays of every month at 12.45pm by appointment

Weddings: By appointment

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

	OLOP	SSPP
Mon	-	Communion Service
Tue	-	9am Mass
Wed	9.00am Mass – Rosary after mass	Communion Service
Thur	No Mass	9.00am Mass
Fri-	9.00am Mass – Rosary after mass	Communion Service
Sat-	5pm VIGIL	9am Mass and 6pm VIGIL
SUN	9.30am Mass – Rosary after mass	8am, 11.15am

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time –14th February 2020

First Reading	Leviticus	13:1-2, 44-46				
Second Reading	1 Corinthians	10: 31– 11:1 1:				
Gospel	Mark	40-45				
	Readers	Commentator	Projector Operator	Sacristants	Ministers of Communion	Money Counters
6.00pm	Paul O'Hanlon	Marie De Kretser	Nick Soo	Vincent Lam	2 Volunteers Required	Group 2 Imeda Sutanto, Elaine Edwards Patrick Martin
8.00am	Michale Liddy	Wendy Davis	Josh Sykes	Nelson Lim	2 Volunteers Required	
11.15am	Frank Burke	Maja Jansson	Benjamin Jansson	Kenneth Ting	2 Volunteers Required	