



Ss Peter and Paul's Catholic Parish

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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**4th and 5th of Feb 23—
Year A**

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.

Parish Office

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PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS:

Parish Office is open every
Mon and Thu 9-5pm
Tue and Wed 9-3.30pm and
Fri 9-4pm.

Lenten Reflection Program

To help parishioners prepare for the Season of Lent, the parish will be running a Lenten Reflection Program over 6 Wednesdays, beginning Wed 22nd Feb at 10.15am in the Drop-In Centre. During the one-hour session, we will reflect on Sunday scripture readings for the weekend, with spiritual guidance provided by Fr Mark De Battista and Mother Hilda Scott OSB via Triumph—Lenten Program 2023 prepared by the Diocese of Wollongong. More details can be found here <https://www.dow.org.au/product/triumph-lenten-program-2023-book/>. To enable planning, please put your name down on the sign-up sheet in the foyer or contact Cheryl at the parish office if you'd like to attend.

Updating the Parish on the SsPP One in a Hundred Appeal 2022-2023

We are pleased to confirm that the transfer of your contributions of \$A12,500 since July 2022, to the Notre Dame de Sion Local Children's Fund Jerusalem was made on 20th January. Thank you all for this magnificent effort, from you who have supported this important initiative for up to 20 years, and those who have come on board more recently. Sr Trudy will be very pleased to receive on behalf of all the families and children who have benefited, and will continue to do so. And please include Sr Trudy and all in your prayers for peace at this time of renewed violence. The Appeal is ongoing, so if you wish to join us there is Information in the Narthex, or call Harry on 0421 770 498.

Ladies Lunch Group

The first Ladies Group Luncheon of 2023 will be held in the Church Narthex on 15 February at 12 noon. It will be a bring-a-plate to share luncheon and everyone is welcome. Anyone interested in attending please ring Muriel on 9840 7484 as BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL especially to make food arrangements. Bookings close on Monday 13 February.

SsPP Saturday Morning Outsiders

Our team, which cleans the paved areas surrounding the Church every Saturday morning in preparation for weekend Masses, is looking for several new recruits to increase our strength to a team of 8. This will support four teams of two doing duty by monthly roster. It's a basic but important job we do and will significantly benefit from some additional helpers. Please call Harry on 0421 770 498 to join our team.

School Mass

On Sunday the 12th of February we will be welcoming our School community to our 11.15am Mass to start the new school year. This will be followed by a BBQ. All are invited to attend.

Marie Williams

We regret to advise the community that Marie Williams went home to god this week. Marie will be known to our 8.00am parishioners . Her funeral will be held at St Phillips in Blackburn on Wed the 8th of Feb at 11.00am.

Pastoral Care Appeal 2023

Next weekend is the Pastoral Care Appeal in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. Each year a special collection is conducted in all parishes, so that the vital work of the Catholic Chaplains can continue. The Chaplains support thousands of Victorians every year in hospitals, prisons and youth justice centres. Your gift can help people find comfort and hope as they go through some of their darkest times of their life. Please give generously. You can donate using the envelopes available or online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.



World Day of Prayer 2023 **Friday March 3rd**

Morning service

10.00am

Trinity Lutheran Church

51 Victoria Street, Doncaster

Speaker: Craig Petty from Compassion

www.compassion.com.au

Evening Service

7.30pm

St Clement of Rome Church

7-21 Egan Drive, Bulleen

Speaker: Rev Swee Ann Koh from
Manningham Uniting Church

ALL WELCOME.

Refreshments after the service.

Service written in Taiwan. Theme "I have heard about your faith".

For further information contact - 9842 2995 or 9850 1150

News from St Patrick's Cathedral

When we approach a new year, our minds often turn to new beginnings and resolutions, but the passing from one year to the next is also a time of remembering and farewelling. Christians have always had a sense of living on a threshold—treasuring the memories and stories of God's presence with us in all the days that have gone before while stepping hopefully into a new day. This was perhaps especially the case as we marked the beginning of *this* new year.

On 31 December, we received the sad news of the death of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, otherwise known as Josef Ratzinger. And last Sunday, almost a month later, a memorial Mass was celebrated at St Patrick's Cathedral, in which Archbishop Peter A Comensoli reflected on the great gift that Benedict was—and will continue to be—to the Church. One of the most significant Catholic theologians of the last century, Benedict also faithfully showed us that Christ is 'the light by which to live', as Archbishop Comensoli observed in his homily. We have also republished a tribute from Australian Professor Tracey Rowland, an international expert on the theology of Josef Ratzinger, in which she reflects on Benedict's legacy, his rich theology and his simple, childlike piety. And Christian Bergmann shares three ways in which Pope Benedict changed his approach to faith altogether.

Recently at St Patrick's Cathedral, three men embarked on their own new beginnings as they were ordained to the priesthood. This week we hear from Fr Huy Nguyen, whose journey has led him from Vietnam to Melbourne to follow God's call. He talks about this vocation, about what it means to become the person God is calling us to be, and the message that he hopes will be central to his ministry.

The late Leopoldine ('Poldi') Mimovich was also someone who knew about vocation, and about what it means to relinquish an old life in order to take hold of a new one. As part of our ongoing 'Moments of Grace' series, we hear the inspiring story of a faithful and gifted artist, whose capacity to see and uncover the beauty hidden in ordinary things and circumstances continues to bless and inspire the people of God in Melbourne and beyond.

Finally, as students return to schools this week, we look ahead to Safer Internet Day, which will be observed on Tuesday 7 February with the theme of 'Connect. Reflect. Protect.' It's an opportunity to talk with our loved ones about some of the benefits, but also the dangers, of the online world, so the Archdiocese of Melbourne's Safeguarding Unit has pointed us to a few resources that might help us with these important conversations.

As we launch into this new year, we look forward to sharing more inspiring stories of the life of faith—stories that we hope might open up some of the rich treasures of our tradition, keep you informed and connected to the life of the Church and point always to the God who makes all things new.

This week we pray for :

Prayers of the Community : Our Prayers are asked for those who died recently especially Marie Williams and Nicoletta Mercuri and those whose anniversaries occur at this time especially Marie Morley, Myra Dias, Phillis McGrath, Gerry Halmaws, Fr John Spillane, Giuseppe Cardillo, Victor Bongiorno, Joe Bangiorno, Paul Kraut, Lorraine Simmons, Peter Gilles, Max Tobler, Emidio Casale, Peter Sammut.

and those who are sick : Francesco Colangelo, Giovanna Tornese, Lina Antonino, Guisa Stilo, Pietro Ciccotelli, June Webster, Rhonda McMahon, Emily Patrikis, Julia Smith, Ann Weerappah, Tai Thomas, Jamie Yarnold, Alexander Alva, Rowena Nolen, Hazel Cross, Jaxson Pelligrino, Marie Cameron, Joseph & Monica Lee, Conroy Chan, Vittoria Del Pomte, Jolly Noronha, Donald Pinnock, Peter Bevilacqua, Cristina Centenera, Cameron Torcaso, Sophie Saidel, Andriano Donato, Kay Stute and Peter Bevilacqua

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 4th Sundays of every
 month at 12.45pm by
 appointment
Weddings: By appointment

**MASS TIMES for partner Parishes of
 SSPP & OLOP**

	OLOP	SSPP
Mon	No Mass	9.00 am Communion Service
Tue	No Mass	9.00am Mass
Wed	9.00am Mass followed by Rosary	9.00 am Communion Service
Thur	No Mass	9.00am Mass
Fri	9.00am Mass followed by Ro- sary	9.00am Communion Service
Sat-	5.00pm Mass	9.00am and 6.00pm Vigil Mass
SUN	9.30am Mass	8.00 am & 11.15am Mass

Rosters for The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time—11th and 12th of Feb 2023

First Reading	Ecclesiasticus	Sir 15:15-20	
Second Reading	1 Corinthians	2:6-10	
Gospel	Matthew	5:20-22,27-28,33-34,37	
Readers: 6.00pm 8.00am 11.15am	Diana Ting Michael Liddy Merlin Cugal	Communion Ministers 6.00pm 8.00am 11.15am	Judith Clark Barbara Gratton Nicole Morabito and Volunteer
Commentator: 6.00pm 8.00am 11.15am	Nevissa D'Souza Greg Sleeth Michelle Kuek	Money Counters: Group 4	Dorothy and Rosanna Merriweather, Julie Sykes, Cheryl and John Manders
Projector Operator 6.00pm 8.00am 11.15am	Elaine Chong Josh Sykes Maryanne Kuek	Altar Servers 6.00pm 11.15am	Mitchel and Nikita Gabriel , Amelia and Zachary
Live Stream 6.00pm Mass	Sheryl	Sacristans 6.00pm 8.00am 11.15am	Vincent Lam/Kenneth Ting Sheryl Kamath/John D'Silva Dale Gordon Stewart/ Kenneth Ting