

JUNE



THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE
Holy Family
MOUNT WAVERLEY



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Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I give thee my heart and soul.

Welcome to Holy Family

In June, the liturgy of the Church gives us a series of Sunday Feasts that draw our attention to some fundamental elements of our Christian Faith. The Ascension of the Lord and Feast of Pentecost remind us that we have entered the final period of Salvation history, where, through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, Christ has given to the Church and to each one of us, the divine mission of spreading the good news of salvation to all people. That through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, given each one of us in Baptism and completed in Confirmation, we are now sharers in his divine mission.

Our Month of Feasts draws to a close with the great Feast of Corpus Christi, which turns our focus once again to the great mystery of the Mass and the gift that we have received in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. The celebration of the Mass is not just part of our Parish Community, but it is central to who we are as a Catholic community. It must be such also, for each one of us. This month we particularly look forward to celebrating with the children of our Parish who, with their family and friends to support them, will make their first Holy Communion.

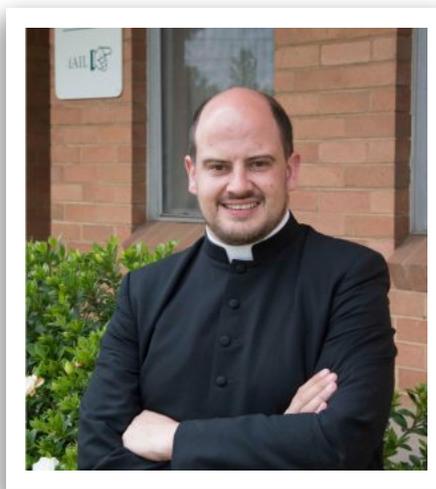
“ Dear young people, the happiness you are seeking, the happiness you have a right to enjoy has a name and a face: it is Jesus of Nazareth, hidden in the Eucharist. Only he gives the fullness of life to humanity! With Mary, say your own "yes" to God, for he wishes to give himself to you. - Pope Benedict

This important step in the lives of these Children and their families is a reminder for each one of us of the centrality of the sacraments to the life of the Christian and in particular the importance of the Mass and the Eucharist to our daily lives.

God Bless,



Fr Nicholas Pearce



Bend your knee in his presence.

-A Parishioner Reflects-

Do you understand why we genuflect? When we enter God's presence this means we respect that he sent his only son to die for all of us and he has given everything we take for granted. Even if you turn away from him, he will not abandon you. You are one of his creations. **Believe this with all your heart!** He will be there in all situations, Please bend your knee in his presence.

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Sundays this Month

2 JUNE

The Ascension of The Lord

As Benedict XVI wrote, it would be a mistake to interpret the Ascension as "the temporary absence of Christ from the world." Rather, "we go to heaven to the extent that we go to Jesus Christ and enter into him." Heaven is a person: "Jesus himself is what we call 'heaven'."

READINGS:

Acts 1:1-11
Ephesians 1:17-23

GOSPEL:

Luke 24:46-53

PSALM:

R. God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord

9 JUNE

Pentecost

With the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, Christ's Paschal Mystery was brought to completion. It was at Pentecost when he poured his love into the hearts of his disciples by means of the Spirit.

READINGS:

Acts 2:1-11
1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13

GOSPEL:

John 20:19-23

PSALM:

R. Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth

16 JUNE

The Most Holy Trinity

As the Church celebrates Trinity Sunday we rejoice, as a Parish community, with those children who will be receiving their first Holy Communion. Surrounded by their family and friends, they approach the altar for the first time and receive their Eucharistic Lord.

READINGS:

Proverbs 8:22-31
Romans 5:1-5

GOSPEL:

John 16:12-15

PSALM:

R. O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

23 JUNE

Corpus Christi

On this weekend we rejoice in this post-Easter expression of Eucharistic affection in order to deepen our attachment to the unique and unending Event that transforms our lives and we celebrate with great solemnity our Eucharistic faith.

READINGS:

Genesis 14:18-20
1 Corinthians 11:23-26

GOSPEL:

Luke 9:11-17

PSALM:

R. You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

30 JUNE

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

As we return to Ordinary Time the Gospel reminds us that Jesus "resolutely took the road for Jerusalem". He uses his human freedom to follow the path that leads to death. We too are called, in our own ways, to choose to follow the Lord, even if this means suffering and death.

READINGS:

1 Kings 19:16,19-21
Galatians 5:1,13-18

GOSPEL:

Luke 9:51-62

PSALM:

R. You are my inheritance, O Lord.

HOLY FAMILY EDUCATION BOARD INVITES YOU TO:

Pints with
Padre

5 JUNE 2019
@ 7.00PM

AN EVENING
FOR PARENTS

GUEST SPEAKER

**SAM
CLEAR**

\$35 PER HEAD
(2 COURSE MEAL)
DRINKS AT BAR PRICES



SALOON BAR
NOTTING HILL HOTEL

FOR MORE INFO VISIT
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Rumbling with Russians & the Love of God

Written by: Sam Clear

Ten years ago I was trekking through Russia, 10,500km into a 15,600km walk around the world praying for unity when two drunken men attacked me. I think they were just bored and I was in the wrong place at the wrong time. The men beat me up, and in doing so snapped my carbon fibre walking poles in half and ripped the top strap off my backpack. I defended myself by grabbing them around the throat and locking my elbows out. I had a Russian in both hands and we danced an ugly tango down a snow-covered road. It was frantic. The men then began clawing at my hands causing damage that's still visible today, before I was able to lose myself from them (by introducing them to each other with a thud) and run as hard as I could.

That fight could've been just a cool story to tell my mates when I arrived home, but here's the twist; just before I was set upon, I happened to be praying a rosary and was meditating on the passion of Christ, specifically his docility before his aggressors. I couldn't do that. I could not remain docile before my aggressors and let them take everything. I had every right to defend myself, but for the first time in my life, I realised that Jesus did too. He didn't just have the right though - he also had the might. He remained docile. A fight in the snow on the side of a Russian road became an invaluable lesson in humility and the incredible love of God. Jesus loves us that much.

Every time I present myself at Mass now and I look up at the elevated Eucharist, His body given for us, I'm struck at just how humbling God's love is - that the creator of the universe would become bread for our consumption. Love and humility manifesting before our eyes. Perhaps one day I'll find those two Russian guys and share a laugh and a meal with them. Perhaps there's even a chance we might be able to share in the heavenly meal. There'd probably better be some confessions heard first!

Setting out on the 16th of December 2006, Sam Clear walked 15,500km from the easternmost point of Brazil, through South America, Central America and North America, across Siberia on the Trans-Siberian Railway and on foot again from Moscow to the westernmost point of Spain, all for the sake of Christian unity. Having to find food and water every day and relying on the hospitality of complete strangers, he was mugged at knife point, threatened at gun point, bashed on the side of the road, came face to face with dangerous animals and experienced 80°C of temperatures from -33°C to 47°C, yet through it all what stood tall was God's love in action under the most incredible circumstances.

Sam will be speaking at our inaugural Pints with Padre events for Parents and working with the School Staff of Holy Family School as part of their ongoing commitment to professional development.



Three Points of Contact

Written by: **Father Nicholas Pearce**

Those working on ladders are encouraged to maintain three points of contact at all times when climbing. This is a fundamental principle of workplace safety to ensure that workers, no matter how busy they may be, or how much work they have to do, remain safe at all times and avoid workplace accidents, tragedies, and fatalities. I've always thought that this is an excellent analogy for the Christian life. That we too, should strive at all times to maintain three points of contact. In the busyness of our daily lives, it is easy to let things go as we rush from one thing to the next. To avoid tragedy, to avoid spiritual death, we should always keep three points of contact, no matter how busy or distracted we are.

Take a moment to reflect on your own spiritual life. What are your three points of contact? Do you have them at all times? Or are you hanging on by one hand? Are you at risk of falling away completely?

Our first and most crucial point of contact is Sunday Mass, the source and summit of our Christian life. In reflecting on the Importance of Sunday Mass, Pope Francis said recently "How can we carry out the Gospel without drawing the energy needed to do it, one Sunday after another, from the limitless source of the Eucharist." It is integral that we keep an emphasis on Sunday Mass, for ourselves and for our family. Does our family make Sunday Mass the centre of our week or do we fly in the doors of the Church and out again? Is Mass just another thing on a long list of obligations we need to complete on Sunday before we get a chance to really relax? Do we make an effort to prepare well, dress well and participate well in Sunday mass?

Our Second point of contact should be in and through the other sacraments and the treasury of devotions the Church offers us. So many beautiful tools for spiritual growth that were once commonplace among all Catholics have now been relegated to the annals of history. These things need to be rediscovered by each one of us if we are looking for a stable and secure spiritual life. Of course, one of the most important is the regular use of the Sacrament of Confession, this tribunal of mercy that is so often forgotten. Do we turn to the Lord and seek his forgiveness and grace with regularity? How about fostering devotion to the Blessed Sacrament? Do we make time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, or for a visit to the Church during the week or do we make an effort to attend a weekday Mass? Let us not forget our Blessed Mother. When was the last time we prayed the rosary with devotion and love? Have we taught our children and grandchildren to have a love of our Lady and to turn to her with all their needs?

And finally, do we reach out to other members of our Parish community? Are we interested in being an active member of our Parish Family? Our Parish is full of numerous social groups and opportunities to serve others, which in turn builds our relationship with our fellow parishioners. Have you considered serving in one of our Parish groups, joining the Alpha Team as a leader or hospitality assistant, supporting our youth? What about volunteering for Vinnies, or church cleaning or at a working bee? All these opportunities to work alongside your fellow Parishioners are a fantastic way to ensure that your Christian faith is growing and deepening in real and concrete ways through love and service of your neighbour.

What's on at Holy Family



48 Hours of Adoration

FRIDAY, 21 JUNE, 10:00AM

Join us as we prepare for the Feast of Corpus Christi at Holy Family with 48 Hours of Perpetual Adoration. Volunteers required to keep watch, so please sign up in the church foyer.



New Parishioners' Evening

We warmly invite all new parishioners of Holy Family to an evening of wine & cheese while you learn about the groups & events in your parish community.

7:00PM: START
WHERE: HOLY FAMILY SMALL HALL



Multicultural Mass - Pentecost Sunday

SUNDAY, 9 JUNE, 10:30AM

Please join us for Pentecost Sunday Mass with a multicultural lunch to follow.

10:30AM: MASS
11:30AM: LUNCH



First Holy Communion

SATURDAY, 15 JUNE, 6:00PM

Join the Children of our Parish as they receive their First Holy Communion at the Saturday evening 6pm Mass and Sunday morning 10:30am Mass.



Baptism Preparation Day

SUNDAY, 21 JULY, 10:30AM

A day of preparation for all parents looking to have a child baptised at Holy Family. For more information, contact the Parish Office on 9807 9494.

10:30AM: MASS & RECEPTION OF CANDLE



Confirmation Preparation Program

SUNDAY, 30 JUNE, 9:30AM & SUNDAY, 7 JULY, 9:30AM & SUNDAY, 14 JULY, 9:30AM

Confirmation preparation for Parish Children will be run on Sunday morning starting on the 30th June. For enquiries and enrolments contact the Parish Office: 9807 9494

9:30AM: SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM CLASS
10:30AM: MASS
WHERE: PARISH LIBRARY



Alpha

WEDNESDAY, 5 JUNE, 7:00PM & WEDNESDAY, 12 JUNE, 7:00PM & WEDNESDAY, 19 JUNE, 7:00PM & WEDNESDAY, 26 JUNE, 7:00PM

Alpha is an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. The evenings will involve dinner, an informative video and group discussion.

7:00PM: START
9:10PM: END
WHERE: HOLY FAMILY SMALL HALL



Around the Mount



YEARS 7 - 9

Meets on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month at **6:30pm - 9pm.**

Years 7 - 9



Holy Family Hall

SUMMIT

Meets on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month at **6pm - 8pm.**

Years 10 - 12



Holy Family Library

CALLING OUT FOR

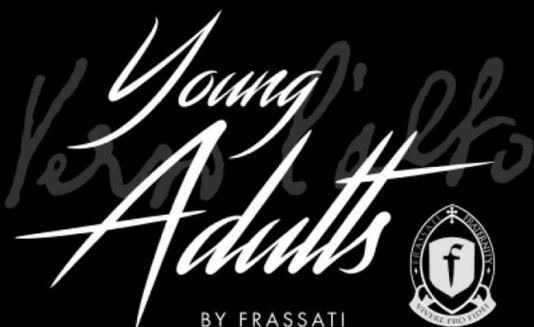
SINGERS

Join us on 2nd and 4th Sunday Nights.
Rehearsals from 3:30pm

Years 9 - 12



Holy Family Church



BY FRASSATI

Mass at **6:30pm** followed by dinner and discussion afterwards.

Every Monday except the first of the month.

Solidarity, Empowerment, Love.

Written by: Lauren Considine

Our life is full of milestones. Sometimes we celebrate birthdays, other times achievements and even sacraments. These moments make us smile, feel loved and most importantly, they allow us to grow. Over the last term, our Year 3 and 4 students have successfully planned and delivered the Biennial Mini fete for the school. This is a long running rite of passage and act of social justice that the students look forward to create and manage for their peers. With 30 stalls including the highly popular popcorn stall, cupcakes, haunted house, paper plane competition and tattoo stall the students raised an enormous \$2500. While we could say congratulations to the students for their successful business skills before moving on to the next project, that was not enough.

This unit of work was much more than just one of economics and team building. It was one of Social Justice and compassion. The students knew that their purpose was not to make money for themselves, but for people less fortunate than they. We organised the Missionaries of Charity to come out to school and tell us all about their lives as women who serve God through their mission. Using Mother Teresa as a role model and guide in all they do, these Sisters minister to some of our poorest and most disadvantaged children and adults around Melbourne.

For the Missionaries of Charity, social justice is an expression of their fourth vow: Service of the Poor.

It is about solidarity with those who are in greatest need, including the homeless. Moreover, it creates opportunities to empower the poor and oppressed, working with them rather than on behalf of them. Between the daily soup kitchen, weekly tutoring and catechism classes and Sunday roasts for the homeless, these women really encapsulate Jesus' message "to love one another as I have loved you."

“ We cannot separate our lives from the Eucharist; the moment we do, something breaks. People ask, 'Where do the sisters get the joy and the energy to do what they are doing?' The Eucharist. - Mother Teresa

After a highly successful day, the students have asked the sisters to come back and teach them a little more about what they do and to present them with the earnings from the day to help with all of their charity work. The students' passion is something we can all learn from. Their innocence and genuine empathy is inspiring, and in the words of Mother Teresa, may we all learn that "Peace starts with a smile [and] if you can't feed a hundred people then feed just one".



Holy Family Noticeboard

St Vinnies - Thank You

Thank you for the wonderful response to our St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal which raised \$2,319. This money will be used to assist the families we help through this winter. Your ongoing generosity is very much appreciated.

PRESIDENT

Maureen Mack

Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle

Unfortunately, the Parish did not win a car! However, the Raffle raised \$5,770 for the Parish. The Finance Committee would like to thank all parishioners who bought tickets ensuring this was a successful fund-raising activity. Also, a big thanks to all the volunteers who assisted with the selling and collecting of raffle butts and money. Let's hope our luck changes for the better next year!

Ecumenical Sunday

Holy Family Parish will join with other Christian churches to celebrate Ecumenical Sunday on Sunday 2nd June 2019. Members of our Parish are encouraged to visit other Christian churches in Monash, and in return we will welcome members of other congregations to Holy Family.

PARISH OFFICE

9807 9494

Food for the Soul

Available from the Piety Stall after all Masses.

SPECIAL PRICE

\$20.00 each

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

The novena prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour are said on:

**1st Saturday of each month
9:00am - Holy Family Church**

Holy Family Play Group

**1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month during the term.
9:00am-10:30am - Holy Family Hall**

All pre-schoolers and their parents/carers welcome to come along. Morning tea provided.

St Vincent De Paul Members

The next meeting of The St Vincent de Paul Society will be held on:

**Monday 3rd June
7:30 pm - Parish Library**

Mothers' Prayer Group

Are you a mum, looking for some time out to pray and an opportunity to meet other mothers? Join us on a monthly basis at the Mothers' Prayer Group.

**1st Saturday of the Month
4:00pm - 5:30pm - Parish Library
All Welcome**



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Chaplain to the Korean
Community

HALL BOOKINGS

Small and Large Hall is
available for family and
group bookings.

Parishioners' rates available.
Please contact the Parish Office
for more information.

COLUMBARIUM AND MEMORIAL GARDEN

Plots are now available for
reservation for Parishioners
and Families.

Please contact the Parish Office
for more information.

Regular Mass Times *

MONDAY

6:30pm
2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th Mondays of
the Month

TUESDAY

7:00am

WEDNESDAY

9:15am
Followed by morning tea

THURSDAY

7:00am
7:30pm **KOREAN**

FRIDAY

9:15am

SATURDAY

6:00pm

SUNDAY

8:30am
10:30am
1:30pm **KOREAN**
5:00pm

* Weekly Mass Schedule may
change from time to time. Please
check the Parish website for the
most up-to-date information.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

TUESDAY

7:00pm - 8:00pm

WEDNESDAY

8:00am - 9:00am

FRIDAY

8:00am - 9:00am

Confession Times

SATURDAY

5:15pm - 5:45pm

SUNDAY

9:45am - 10:15am

Baptisms

Sundays following 10:30am Mass.
Please ring the Parish Office for
preparation and scheduling of
Baptism.

Weddings

By appointment with the Parish
Priest.



P 1300 845 526



P 0413 100 685 - Francis (Kim)

Active Cleaning

P 0418 382 505 - Simon



P 9886 5318

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P 9807 6916 - Elsie



P 0433 661 738 - Jeffrey Kang



P 9807 3007

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P 0402 354 246 - Alberto