



# St Bernadette's Parish

Under the Pastoral Care of The Paulist Missionaries  
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Third Sunday of Easter

Year C

1<sup>st</sup> May 2022

## Parish Staff

Fr John Taliana MSSP	Parish Priest
Miss Amanda Browne	Pastoral Worker
Mrs Joyce Cutajar	Parish Secretary (Mon, Thurs & Fri)
Mrs Bev Tessari	Office (Tuesday)
Miss Josie Desira	Office (Wednesday)
Mr Brendan Gill	School Principal



## Weekday Masses

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>** Sts Philip & James, Apostles  
9.15 am

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>**  
9.15 am

6.30 pm Novena, Rosary followed by  
7.00 pm Mass

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>**  
9.15 am

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup>**  
9.15 am

## Weekend Masses

Saturday - 6.30 pm Vigil Mass, Sunday - 8.30 am,  
9.45 am (Polish) 11.00 am, 12.30 pm (Vietnamese)  
and 7.00 pm.

## Reconciliation

Saturday - By Appointment

## Baptisms

By Appointment Only  
Held on 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the Month  
at 11.00am



## REFLECTION

Reflect, today, upon how you can become more attentive to the presence of our Lord every day, throughout the day. Resolve, also, to react as Peter did when you see Jesus. Let your heart and passion be drawn to Him and react with extraordinary joy and enthusiasm. Don't be afraid to go all in for our Lord!

*Lord, help me to see You, alive in my life, alive in the lives of others, and alive in Your Church, especially in the Most Holy Eucharist. So often I am blind to Your divine presence all around me. Help me to see You every day. Help me also to respond with much joy and enthusiasm to Your divine presence. I love You, dear Lord. Help me to love You more. Jesus, I trust in You.*

## UNIVERSALIS PHONE APP

At last weekend masses Fr Noel brought our attention to Universalis phone app.

The app provides Liturgy of the Hours, Mass, meditations on Saints and feasts of the day, reading, gospels and so much more. For more information go to the App store on your phone. The App costs \$17.99.



## Please Pray For

All who have died recently, for all whose Anniversaries occur at this time and for all those who are sick and dying.



## SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

Our Scripture reflection sessions are on Thursday evenings.

These sessions are via ZOOM video platform so you do not need to leave the comfort of your own home to attend.

If you haven't already attended these sessions, but would like to, please send Amanda an email to brownieab75@gmail.com and she will send you the ZOOM link weekly.

These sessions focus on reflecting on the scripture for the following Sunday and they are a chance for you to connect, not only with the Word of God, but also with the other Parishioners that join.

## SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

### Working with Children Checks

Ministers who have not yet done so, please apply for your Working with

Children Check or update the organisations where you volunteer at as soon as possible.





2022 - May 8 - 1898

After praying the novena to Our Lady of Pompeii, during which I asked her to help me discern God's will for me, I felt strengthened to decide to become a priest.



## May 8 - Celebration of De Piro's 'YES'

As we leave Easter behind and start our journey towards the great feast of Pentecost, as Paulist Missionaries we also need to celebrate the day of Joseph De Piro's 'YES' to God's calling on May 8.

To help us celebrate this day, a number of short reflections will be shared on our web page, Facebook pages and emails. Can I kindly ask you to try to share these reflections with people around you? Let us try to make the Servant of God known within the circles we minister in and invite people to pray through his intercession. If you know that people are praying through the intercession of the Servant of God, kindly inform me to make a record, especially if they have received a grace through his intercession. This helps towards his Fama Sanctitatis, or Reputation of Holiness, which is a next important stage in the process of Beatification and Canonisation.



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## MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR HEALTH & AGED CARE WORKERS

Sunday 1 May, 11am · St Patrick's Cathedral  
Melbourne

The last two years have impacted all of us, but especially on members of the aged-and health-care service sectors. This Mass will be offered in thanksgiving for their ongoing care and **those working in these sectors are especially invited to attend.**

## MASS TO COMMEMORATE THOSE WHO HAVE DIED DURING THE COVID PANDEMIC

Sunday 22 May, 11am · St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne

In recognition of the significant impact of COVID in our families and communities, Archbishop Comensoli will celebrate a memorial Mass for all those who have died during the COVID pandemic and could not be mourned properly due to pandemic restrictions. Parishes and individuals are invited to submit the name(s) of those you would like remembered during the Mass by visiting the Holy Souls Chapel (inside St Patrick's Cathedral) during May or online <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GZKP7QF>. The names will be placed in a basket at the base of the altar, to be prayed for during all Masses over the weekend of 21-22 May.



## MOVIE NIGHTS ARE BACK

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month

Come along for an evening of faith, fun and friendship.

Our first movie night after more than 2 years will be on **Friday May 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm** in our Church. The DVD is called "Overcomer"

Life changes overnight for Coach John Harrison when his high-school basketball team and state-championship dreams are crushed under the weight of unexpected news. When the largest manufacturing plant shuts down and hundreds of families leave their town, John questions how he and his family will face an uncertain future. After John reluctantly agrees to coach cross-country, he and his wife Amy meet an aspiring athlete who's pushing her limits on a journey toward discovery. Inspired by the words and prayers of a new friend, John becomes the least-likely coach helping the least-likely runner attempt the impossible in the biggest race of the year.

## GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

Next Sunday we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday – the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. During this coming week, perhaps you may like to make a prayer each day for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Perhaps there is a young person you may know to pray for by name this week.



## MISSION EXPERIENCE

with the Paulist Missionaries in the Philippines

Join the Mission Experience with the Paulist Missionaries between January 5 and January 21 in 2023. Together the group will: work in a Paulist Missionary Parish in Bataan; minister to the community on 13th Street, New Manila; do prison ministry; visit an orphanage; visit schools and work with the sisters of Mother Teresa in Manila. First preference will be given to applicants between the ages of 18 and 35 who have never joined on one of these experiences. Applicants over the age of 35 are welcome to apply and will be considered if vacancies arise. Total cost: AUD 2,000. For more information or to express interest in participating in this programme email: [mission2023@mssp.org.au](mailto:mission2023@mssp.org.au) or call: 0431984689. Applications close June 30 2022.



## CAROLINE CHISHOLM CATHOLIC COLLEGE OPEN DAY - SUNDAY, 29 MAY

Join us for our College Open Day and enjoy a tour of all three campus's, meet and greet our students and staff, have the opportunity to ask questions and learn more about our College, plus hear from our College Principal.

For more information please visit [cccc.vic.edu.au](http://cccc.vic.edu.au), contact [registrar@cccc.vic.edu.au](mailto:registrar@cccc.vic.edu.au) or call (03) 9296 5311. We look forward to seeing you at our College Open Day!



## CATHOLIC REGIONAL COLLEGE SYDENHAM

2022 Family Tours with the Principal.

A tour of the College will provide a view of the incredible facilities they have to offer for every student every pathway.

Tuesday 10 May and Monday 30 May at 9.30am,  
Wednesday 8 June 11.00am and Wednesday 15 June 4.00pm.  
Register for a tour: [crccs.vic.edu.au](http://crccs.vic.edu.au) Join there Community Book a Tour <https://crccs.vic.edu.au/join-our-community/book-a-tour/>

**First Reading:****Acts 5:27-32. 40-41***A reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning,' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Responsorial Psalm:****Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13**

**Response: I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.**

**Second Reading:****Revelation 5:11-14***A reading from the Book of the Apocalypse*

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation - everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation:**

**Alleluia, Alleluia!** Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation; he has shown pity on all people. **Alleluia!**

**Gospel :****John 21:1-19***A reading from the holy Gospel according to John*

Jesus showed himself again to his disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No,' he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord,' Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

After the meal Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?' He answered, 'Yes Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He replied 'Yes, Lord, you know I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Look after my sheep.' Then he said to him a third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and said, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep.

'I tell you most solemnly, when you were young you put on your own belt and walked where you liked; but when you grow old you will stretch out your hands, and somebody else will put a belt around you and take you where you would rather not go.'

In these words he indicated the kind of death by which Peter would give glory to God. After this he said, 'Follow me.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## EDUCATION IN FAITH

The Gospel this week tells the post-resurrection story of our merciful Saviour who goes in search of His band of disappointed and dejected disciples. The incident proves that Jesus' post-Resurrection appearances were not mere hallucinations. In the first part of today's Gospel, the risen Jesus appears to His disciples and gives them a symbol of their mission in a miraculous catch of fish followed by a grilled fish breakfast prepared by Jesus himself. The second part is a dialogue between Jesus and Simon where Simon is asked three times whether he loves Jesus, and he answers that he does, as if in reparation for his triple denial of Jesus. The two metaphors used in the story, namely fishing and shepherding, are the duties of the Church in her missionary work. Peter, as a forgiven sinner, is chosen for the quality of his love to serve as a leader in a community of brothers and sisters. As his primary mission, Peter is given the care of the vulnerable lambs and sheep, and he is told that fidelity to this mission will lead him to martyrdom.

We all betray Christ by our weakness and fallen nature but it does not matter how many times you have betray Him. Peter denied Him three times and was offered three new opportunities to reaffirm his commitment. This is the same way God comes to each of us daily calling on us to reaffirm our commitment and love for Him, but we ignore Him most of the time?. He restored Peter's dignity and placed a responsibility on his shoulders to shepherd his flock. We too are entrusted with this responsibility of caring for others especially those entrusted to our care.

Don't forget that the risen Lord is always with us in every difficulty and challenge of life. He is always ready to see us through when we recommit our lives to Him. Like the Apostles who made a miraculous catch, so shall we experience miracles in our lives when we draw closer to the risen Christ and love Him with our hearts. The Risen Lord is present in our Christian worship: He is present on our altars during the Holy Mass to share His life with us; He is present in the words of Holy Scripture; He is there in the Sacraments and He is there where two or three are gathered in his name (Matthew 18: 20)

Let's us recommit and open up ourselves to God so that He can use us as instruments in caring for His suffering, sick, abandoned and vulnerable children.

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