



St Paul Apostle Catholic Community

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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, 8-9 July, 2023

The Passionists of Holy Spirit Province (Australia, PNG, NZ and Vietnam)

Over the last two weeks Passionists of Holy Spirit Province (Australia, PNG, NZ and Vietnam) have been preparing for their Provincial Chapter, which will be held from the 10th to 14th of July, 2023 in Sydney. This chapter generally occurs every 4 years. During this meeting their new leader will be elected.

During this period all of our priests have been and will be travelling back and forth between Melbourne and Sydney. They are doing their utmost to limit the number of interruptions to our Mass timetable.

However, there is no option but to have Communion Service on weekdays during this coming week. There will be no interruption to weekend Masses. Below are the dates when Communion Service will be held instead of regular Mass (please note there is no change in timing)

Monday 10 July at 9am
Tuesday 11 July at 9am
Thursday 13 July at 9am
Friday 14 July at 9am
(No service on Wednesday evening 12 July)

We ask everyone to keep them in your prayer

Below is a little piece of the history of the province written by our current provincial (Fr Tom McDonough CP) which you can view in their website: <https://www.passionists.com/>

While our Passionist Congregation is 300 years old, beginning in Ovada, near Milan, Italy, our first Passionists arrived in Australia in 1843. We were invited by Archbishop Polding to commence the first mission in Australia to the Aboriginal People on Stradbroke Island, Queensland. Three Italians and one Swiss Passionist arrived and for four years worked among the First Nation peoples. However, a complete lack of financial and other support from the Archbishop made it impossible for the mission to continue. However, the aboriginal people of Stradbroke Island remember the Passionist foundation to this day.

Our Second Arrival, in November 1887 came from our Anglo-Hibernian province. The first religious were appointed to the newly and especially created parish of St. Brigid's, Marrickville. Within six years there were ten religious caring for the parish, giving missions across Australia and New Zealand and training the first Australian Passionists.

Central to our charism is the balance of mission and contemplation. Our life was firmly based in strong communities. Our religious would be engaged in apostolic works for six months of the year and contemplative life in solitude for the other six months of the year. Solitude and silence, rising at 2.00am for prayer, fasting and penance were central. And surrounding all this was life, energy, laughter, and love in abundance. Life, of course, changed radically after the Vatican Council, but being apostolic contemplatives living in community has been a constant of our spirituality and our mission.

For our Founder, St Paul of the Cross, the cross and passion of Jesus is the most extraordinary sign of God's love. So, our core mission was compassion in action. Being a community and building community has been at the heart of our Passionist life. Creating family where everyone is welcome, and everyone matters, everyone is loved. We do now parishes, parish missions, retreats, retreat houses and conference centres, missionary work, Passionist Family Groups, adult faith formation, youth camps, chaplaincies partnerships and more. Our Holy Spirit Province include Australia, Papua New Guinea, Vietnam and New Zealand. Diminishing and ageing in one place, explosive growth and expansion elsewhere. Our communities are hugely multicultural.

What Pope Francis calls 'going to the peripheries', we call serving the crucified of the world wherever they are found. Though dedicated to the Passion, it is not the suffering that we focus on, but the Hope! I pray you have a beautiful time with us.

"May the Passion of Jesus be always in our Hearts"



Weekday Masses

Monday
9am Mass

Tuesday
9am Mass

Wednesday
7pm Mass

Thursday
9am Mass

Friday
9am Mass

Saturday
6pm

Sunday
9am, 11am and 6pm

Please note Sunday 11am is also
ONLINE

Please click on this link to follow
https://youtube.com/live/qDg6ns_vT6o

Reconciliation
Saturdays
10am—10.30am

Priests:

Fr Brendan Connell CP (PP)
Fr Luke Bulley CP

Parish Staff:

Gillian Velupillay (Bursar)
Didi Karkas (Secretary)

Passionist Community

Fr Brendan Connell CP
Fr Brian Gleeson CP
Fr Kevin Hennessy CP
Fr Luke Bulley CP

St Paul Apostle North

Primary School
Ph. 9700 6068
Principal
Mrs Mary Lucas

St Paul Apostle South

Primary School
Ph. 9700 3663
Principal
Mr Paul Gleeson

St John's

Regional College
Ph. 9791 3366
Principal
Mr Tim Hogan

WELCOME AND THANK YOU

As our regular priests are away for their Provincial Chapter, we will have Fr Paul Sireh O'Carm leading our Sunday 11am & 6pm Masses. Please make him feel welcome, we thank him for his generosity in giving of his time to help out our parish.

YOUTH MEETING (for Year 5-9)

Thank you to parents whom have enthusiastically attended their first meeting for this age group and are excited to commence activities for the children. The first gathering will be on **FRIDAY, 11th AUGUST at 7pm in the Annexe**. If you are interested in joining this group please contact the parish office on 9700 3781

YOUNG ADULTS RETREAT is August 4

-6 (Friday night to Sunday afternoon). at Pallotti College for those aged 18+. It will be run by Tom Warren (from our Passionist Youth Retreat Team in Brisbane) and Fr Luke. This is an open invitation to young people in our parish, as well as friends, or anyone else who would like to come. Registration forms will be available at the gathering space. We are limited to 20 people, so please register soon (details to the right). Cost is \$150 per person. This will be a great opportunity to get to know other young people in our wider parish community, as well as deepen faith in a fun and open way. There will also be the possibility of being part of an emerging Team of young people facilitating school retreats around Victoria towards the end of the year. Register by scanning the QR Code or clicking [this link](#).



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Just a small reminder that the children's liturgy does not run during the school holiday period. It resumes on the 9th of July at 11am Mass. During the break we will have an illustration available at the entrances. Please pick one up as you walk in if you wish to have a copy. Thank you Corey Payton for your invaluable assistance in providing the illustrations, it is greatly appreciated.

As you may have noticed, the number of children in this pro-

gram has increased, which is wonderful news, however, to enable us to pay enough attention to each child, we kindly ask for more volunteers to assist those who are now leading the program. We only ask you to help within your capacity, no more than what you are readily able to do. Please contact the parish office on 97003781 if you are interested in helping out. We would like to also invite all parents to join the group for chat and cuppa at the gathering area on **Sunday 23 July after 11am Mass**, to get to know each other more and to gather some more ideas on how to give more to our younger member of the parish.

2023 SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

This program is for all school children in years 6-8 who have received their Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Communion. If your child is in this category and wishes to be part of the 2023 program, registration is now open. You can obtain the registration form from either the Parish Office or our website (under "documents and forms" tab) or simply click [here](#). Donation is \$25 per child. Return the completed form to the PARISH OFFICE no later than the 23rd of SEPTEMBER (Please do not return to the school office)

PARISH BINGO

Remember to put it in your diary that our next parish bingo night is on **FRIDAY, 21 July from 7.30pm**. You may come in a group or on your own. For more information please contact Louis 0419 008 173, Vianney 0438 700 675 or Joe 0419 385 441. Please note that this activity is *strictly only for anyone older than 18 yrs old*. Anyone under this age is not allowed to come in to the hall.

DANDENONG DEANERY DINNER

The next Dandenong Deanery Dinner is on **WEDNESDAY, 12th July** at 5.30pm. It will be held at **Graduate Restaurant of St John's Regional College, Caroline Street, Dandenong**. This time the guest speaker is Deacon George Piech Meat Cost is \$45 per person (incl. 3 course meal and Wine or Beer). If you interested to attend please RSVP to Paddy 0422 296 961 or email to dandenongdeanery@live.com.au. Payment is by Cash or cheque or bank transfer (please note that there is NO CARD FACILITY)

Readings:

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A

Zech 9: 9-10;
Rom 8: 9, 11-13;
Mt 11: 25-30

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A

Is 55: 10-11;
Rom 8: 18-23;
Mt 13: 1-23

www.universalis.com

This weekend we pray for:

Those who are sick

Zina Carlow, Denis Carlow, Sonia Singh, Roger Gray, Anton Nadarajah, Anthona Henderson, Nimal Pandithakorale, Chris Williams, Cecil Harper, Fr Brian Gleeson, Wilhada de los Reyes, Nicole Pinto, Toni Celona, Shinead Kralj, Carlos Aquino, Jamie Cabrera, Angela Schink, Rajendre Rasiah, Roy Conyers, Sandra D'Costa, Horace Stolke, Annette Perera, Ronald Peters, Godfrey Joseph, Camilla D'Rozario, Esric Jackson, Emily Broadbent, *and All those in aged care or homebound with chronic health issues*

Those who have died

Charmaine Jayatilleke, Assunta Beltrano, Angela Leong, Stephen De Niese, Ainsley Jansz, York-Chau HO, Lionel Heaton, Rachel Fernando, Pai Joao77, Maun Raimondo77 *and all who are named in our church memorial book*

May they rest in peace

We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults

