



St Paul Apostle Catholic Community

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, 22-23 July, 2023

WORLD YOUTH DAY

'Away they go'

(extracted from Melbourne Catholic Magazine)

After months of preparation, finally the day has come, the journey to the World Youth Day has begun.

There are almost 600 Australian pilgrims joining the millions of pilgrims from all over the world. Amongst them are Melbourne pilgrims who represent some 134 parishes, schools and movements from across the Archdiocese, including almost 100 students and 60 teachers from 57 Catholic secondary schools. They will participate in a range of faith experiences and leadership-development programs en route to Lisbon, Portugal for the 16th International World Youth Day, from the 2nd to the 6th of August, to share their faith in Jesus Christ through prayer and celebration.

On Sunday the 16th of July they attended the official commissioning Mass and blessing at St Patrick's Cathedral. During that Archbishop Peter A Comensoli said 'World Youth Day is an incredible opportunity for our young people and emerging leaders to experience being part of the universal Church'. 'We pray that this will be a time of powerful spiritual encounter with the Lord for each pilgrim in their own personal journey of faith.'

During his homily on Sunday, the Archbishop encouraged the pilgrims to open themselves up to God and allow his word to grow in their hearts. 'In the parable today, the seed that is scattered in various environments is an image of God's

active and accomplishing word ... Mary heard the word of God and said yes to it, allowing God's Word to then grow within her. Might we be like Mary, our Mother and fellow pilgrim, welcoming God's word into us, and journeying on the path towards life in Christ.'

'So fellow pilgrims, pick up the word of God and journey with it, knowing that God's word, when spoken into your lives, will produce an abundance of crops.'

Our parish is very blessed to have one of our members joining these millions of pilgrims.

Grace Sudjono is travelling to WYD with Heathgrove Study Centre, a group she has been part of for many years..

This Sunday at 9am we will commission Grace and bless her as she embarks on this journey.

All powerful God

You always show mercy
towards those who love You
and You are never far away
for those who seek you.

Remain with your servants
on this holy pilgrimage

and guide their way in accord with your will.

Shelter them with your protection by day,

give them the light of your grace by night,

And, as their companion on the journey,
bring them to their destination in safety

We are looking forward to hearing about all of her experiences when she comes back.

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/QzyT4_gmT0

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
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CONGRATULATIONS

We congratulate Fr Denis Travers CP who have been elected to be new Passionist Provincial. Congratulations also to the elected Provincial Council: Fr Chris Monaghan CP, Fr Brendan Connell CP, Fr John Baptist Trinh CP and Fr John Auram CP. We will keep them and all Passionists in our prayers as they serves the community

THANK YOU

This Sunday we bid a fond farewell to Glenn and Romaine Todd who are relocating to Brisbane to be closer to their children and grand-children.

Glenn and Romaine have been very supportive longtime members of our 'one family' parish (25 years). They served both as communion ministers and collectors. Later on, Romaine joined the sewing group, which have produced banners for our Church.

We thank them for their service and support and wish them safe travel to Brisbane, settling in to their new home and enjoying the warmer weather



2023 PROJECT COMPASSION

All project compassion donations (boxes and envelopes) which we received have now been tallied and transferred to Caritas.

We thank everyone who gave generously to help those in great need. To date \$3,614.70 has been raised.

If you have requested a receipt, we have now processed them and either emailed or mailed them to you.

2023 SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

As our Year 4 children have now completed their First Communion program, we are commencing registration for the 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 falls into this category and wishes to be a 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. Please return the completed form to the PARISH OFFICE **no later than the 15th of SEPTEMBER** (Please do not return to the school office)



YOUTH GROUPS

Unfortunately, we have had to postpone **the upcoming Young Adults Retreat due to low numbers**. We will be discerning other ways for the young adults in our parish to remain connected in the coming months. We'd love to hear from you if you have any suggestions about how we can support you! Feel free to contact one of the Parish Team, or Pastoral Council Members.

HOWEVER, Our Youth Group for year's 5-9 is a go! Our first meeting will be on the **FRIDAY, 11th of August**, and

will include **a slushie machine and pizzas!**

If you would like to register your child for this, please contact Trish Brown at PBrown@optiscan.com. Alternatively, you can contact Fr Luke at luke.bulley@passionists.com



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Our children's liturgy is back every Sunday at 11am Mass. All children are welcome to join in. If your child is under 4 Years old, you are asked to sit with them during the session (unless they enter with an older sibling who is participating and able to look after them)

As you may have noticed, the number of children in this program 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. Thank you to those who have put their hand up to help. but, to in order to reduce the weight on the shoulders of a small number of helpers, we are calling for more volunteers. 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.

PARISH BINGO

Thank you to all who come to our Bingo night. Next parish bingo night is on **FRIDAY, 15 September 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**. Unfortunately, we are bound to a policy which states that anyone under this age is not permitted inside the hall during Bingo.

Readings:

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A

Wis 12: 13. 16-19 ;
Rom 8: 26-27 ;
Mt 13: 24-43

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A

1 Kings 3:5. 7-12 ;
Romans 8:28-30;
Mt 13: 44-52

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This weekend we pray for:

Those who are sick

Marie Kronomberg, Bernardo Cabrera, Anne Ghatt, June Enright, Leang Diep, Zina Carlow, Denis Carlow, Sonia Singh, Roger Gray, Anton Nadarajah, Anthona Henderson, Nimal Pandithakoralage, 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 home-bound with chronic health issues**

Those who have died

Patricia Meerwald, Charmaine Jayatilleke, Regis Cretin, Assunta Beltrano, Angela Leong, Michael Guthridge, Carmelus Rajadurai, France Desribes, Henry Peteru, Veronique Adolphe, Clement Adolphe, Minoo Jones, Marilyn Hedrick, Percy Macleod, Cynthia Macleod, Mariana Villaseca, Georges Dhondee, Alberta Dhondee, Pierre Nicolas, Bethina Nicolas, Dhodee & Nicolas deceased family member **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

