



St Paul Apostle Catholic Community

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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B, 12-13 October, 2024

Letter from Archbishop Peter Comensoli

Last week we received a letter from the Archbishop of Melbourne, regrettably it arrived too late to include in our previous newsletter. Nevertheless we believe it is still relevant and have now included it in this newsletter

*My dear friends,
Greetings to you, in Christ Jesus, Prince of Peace.
As we approach the first anniversary of the 7 October terrorising and evil attack by Hamas on Israel, we have seen from a distance the frightening and destructive consequences that have unfolded, involving many countries and more importantly, many peoples - families, the elderly, the young, the displaced.
The lands of Israel, Lebanon, and the Palestinian territories are our Holy Lands, and it is heartbreaking to see where Jesus walked, talked, died and rose, once again on the precipice of an abyss.
Recently, I met with Cardinal Pizzaballa, the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem. His wise words remain with me: a "solution to conflict does not equate with peace". Rather, peace comes through the speaking of truth and the fostering of trust.
Similar thoughts were expressed in this year's Social Justice Statement, of the Australian Bishops:
"All of this points to a crisis of truth which creates in turn the crisis of trust lying at the heart of the world's current convulsions; because without trust there can be no peace... We say: speak truth to build trust and build trust to make peace."*

*In the conflict zones hatred is obscuring truth and hindering peace. This is something we can never give oxygen to in our own country. No to war, and no to the hatred of peoples. Whilst we might feel helpless at what is unfolding overseas, we can ensure that we live truthfully, and work for dialogue and reconciliation at home. As Christians, peace among people, and respect of peoples, must be our choice.
I join with Pope Francis and my brother Bishops in calling for a day of prayer, fasting and reconciliation for Peace this coming Monday, 7 October, the memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary. I encourage you to take up this call in your family and localities. I also ask that our faith communities give expression in prayer to this call during our worship this Sun-*

*day, rather than protest in anger.
May our prayers be offered in earnest to Blessed Mary, Mother of Hope and true Lady of Israel, of Palestine and of Lebanon, so that through her intercession the God of all mercy and consolation will bring about a reconciled world.*

*Most Rev Peter A Comensoli
Archbishop of Melbourne*

Prayer for Peace

Lord our God, Father of the Lord Jesus Christ,
and Father of all peoples,
Who in the cross of Your Son
and through the gift of His own life,
at great cost You wished to destroy the wall
of enmity and hostility that separates peoples
and makes us enemies:

Send into our hearts the gift of the Holy Spirit, that He may
purify us from every feeling
of violence, hatred and revenge,
enlighten us to understand the irrepressible dignity of every
human person, and inflame us
to the point of consumption for a peaceful
and reconciled world in truth and justice,
in love and freedom.

Almighty and eternal God,
in Your hands are the hopes of men and women
and the rights of every people:
Assist with Your wisdom those who govern us,
so that, with Your help, they will become
sensitive to the sufferings of the poor and
of those who suffer the consequences
of violence and war; may they promote
the common good and lasting peace
in our region and throughout the earth.
Virgin Mary, Mother of Hope,
obtain the gift of peace for the Holy Land
that gave birth to you and for the whole world.
Amen.

(by Cardinal Pizzaballa Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem)

Masses

Monday
9am

Tuesday
9am Mass

Wednesday
7pm Mass

Thursday
9am Mass

Friday
9am Mass

Saturday
6pm Mass

Sunday
9am, 11am, 6pm

Please note Sunday 11am is also
ONLINE

Please click on this link to follow

<https://youtube.com/live/zncFLQA7HeE?feature=share>

Reconciliation
Saturdays
10am—10.30am

Priests:

Fr Brendan Connell CP (PP)
Fr Sony Kannanaikal CP

Passionist Community

Fr Brendan Connell CP
Fr Sony Kannanaikal CP
Fr. Tuan Paul Anh-Do CP

Parish Staff:

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Didi Karkas (Secretary)
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Readings for NEXT WEEK
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

First Reading *Isaiah 53:10-11*

A reading from the book of Prophet Isaiah

It was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life and offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. He righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities.

Psalm

The word of the Lord is upright,
and all his work is done in faithfulness.
He loves righteousness and justice;
the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord

Truly the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him,
on those who hope in his steadfast love,
to deliver their soul from death,
and to keep them alive in famine

Our soul waits for the Lord;
he is our help and shield.
Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,
even as we hope in you

Second Reading *Hebrews 4:14-16*

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews

Brothers and sisters:
Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, Let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Son of Man came to serve
and to give his life as a ransom for many.
Alleluia!

Gospel *Mark 10:35-45*

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you."

and Jesus said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" and they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory."

But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?"

They replied, "We are able." The Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John.

So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them.

But it is not so among you; whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

For reflection

1. Don't look for preferment and squabble with one another as to who's more important.
2. To follow Jesus means we will share his suffering.
3. Jesus comes as servant and asks us to follow his example.

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

NO RECONCILIATION

Please note that there will be **NO RECONCILIATION** on **SATURDAY, 19th October**



SPECIAL COLLECTION

This weekend, at all Masses we will conduct a special collection (3rd collection) to support the Retired & Sick Passionist Fund

2024 SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

If you have registered into this program, please remember that our First Family night is this **TUESDAY, 15th October at 7pm** in the Church. Sign in starts at 6.45pm.

Other important dates are as follows:

- Last Family Night Tuesday, 19th November at 7pm
- Meet with Bishop on Wednesday, 20th November at 9.45am
- Confirmation Mass Saturday, 23rd November at 2pm

In between the First family night and the Last Family night all children will attend 3 classes (without parents) either at our parish schools or After School Religious Education (ASRE), for those attending outside our parish school. Please see below for the information regarding ASRE

AFTER SCHOOL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (ASRE)

If you have registered your child into the Sacrament of Confirmation (above) and they attend a NON PARISH SCHOOL, your child is required to attend ASRE classes. These classes are designed to help your child understand more about the sacrament. The class runs on **TUESDAYS from 4pm to 5pm**. Dates are: **22nd October, 29th October and 12th November**

Please note attendance is mandatory for all 3 classes (Parish schools or ASRE) and sessions (family nights, meeting with Bishop and Confirmation mass) as detailed above

VCE STUDENT BLESSING!!

As we enter the VCE exam period, we wish to support all our students who are doing exams with a blessing. If you have a child who wishes to receive a blessing at our church, it is available at all Masses over the 28/29th October weekend.

This invitation is open to all VCE students (or equivalent) and their family and friends.



CONCERT-REFLECTION with PETER KEARNEY

Our Church will be hosting this concert on **SUNDAY, 17th NOVEMBER 2024** from 3pm to 4.30pm (cuppa provided) The theme will be 'Signs of Hope, People of Faith', a theme that connects well to the 'Pilgrims of Hope' motto chosen by Pope Francis for the 2025 Jubilee Year. In the concerts, using voice and guitar, Peter will weave songs, stories and reflections about faithful people who have brought compassion, hope and justice into our world. Subjects include St. Joseph and Mary, St. Francis of Assisi and more. Please take advantage of this very rare opportunity. Admission is FREE .



ST VINCENT DE PAUL - St Paul Apostle cupboard

Their cupboards have low stock on some important necessities. If you wish to help out, these are the low stock items: Flour, Rice, Tea, Coffee, Sugar. If you are able, please consider to donate these items. The preference is for 1 kg size as a maximum, to make it easier to distribute, when required

PARISH YOUTH GROUPS

4:12 YOUTH (our Parish Youth for grd 5 to yr 9)

If you are interested in joining the group, please come along. The next event will be held on **FRIDAY, 8 November at 7pm** in the Tim O'Toole Annexe. A variety of activities is arranged for each gathering. For planning purposes, please contact Trish Brown on 0412 357 350 if you wish to attend.

YOUNG ADULTS (age 18 to 25 years old)

This age Youth group will be gathering on **SUNDAY, 20 October in the Parish House**. If you wish to join in please contact parish office on 97003781 They usually gathers on **THIRD SUNDAY** of each month. Sometimes it holds in the annexe, but other times they have activities at other venue.

ST. JOHN VIANNEY is having a FETE on **SATURDAY, 19 OCTOBER** from 10am to 4pm.

Address is 23 Police Road, Mulgrave.

For more information you can call 03 9554 3831 or

www.facebook.com/SJVFETE/

scan this QR code to pre-purchase your ride wristband



Readings:

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr B

Wisdom 7:7-11
Hebrews 4: 12-13
Mark 10:17-30

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr B

Isaiah 53:10-11
Hebrews 4:14-16
Mark 10:35-45

www.universalis.com

This weekend we pray for:

Those who are sick

Josip Dujic, Hector de Santos, Gladys Torres, Isabel Florindo, Teariki Sword, Rui Manuel Campos, Annette Tanner, Ruby Reid, Danny Sugunasekera, Anton Jansz, Dorothy Locke, Piper Anne Spriggs, Grace Sprigg, Ronella Tyrell **and All those in aged care or homebound with chronic health issues**

Those who have died

Tony Bezzina, Nicholas D'Rozario, Cathy Barta, Fr. Kevin Tuitu'u CP, Peter Cham, Sr. Joan Smith cp, Djuniati Hermawan, Doreen Young, Roger Gray, Victoria Jacqueline Figueira, Rudy Bonhomme, Rohini Condegama **and all who are named in our church memorial book**

May they rest in peace

Safeguarding

The Digital Playground: Safeguard Young People's Future

In an evolving world of technology, the role of Artificial Intelligence can play a part in preventing cyberbullying, grooming, and exploitation, alongside the challenge posed by technologies, including deep fakes.

This webinar aims to increase public awareness about the intersection of the rise of digital technology and child prevention and protection efforts. With exceptional speakers, it will emphasise the need for ethical guidelines to ensure artificial intelligence is used responsibly, especially in our pursuit to protect children and prevent abuse and neglect. Additionally, the session will highlight the role of media, campaigns, and educational programs in fostering a safer digital environment for young people.

Don't miss this opportunity to learn from experts and contribute to shaping a future where technology safeguards our children's well-being.

<https://youtu.be/4LN07yWOeHY>

St Paul Apostle Parish Endeavour Hills MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST 2024

	Saturday—6pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 11am	Sunday 6pm
1st Sunday	Riona Alveyn Lionel Alveyn Lien Phan	Nila Fernando Rosa Mitchell Rohan Wickramasinghe	Vianney Clark Antionette Gargano Florence Madeira	Anne Kankanige Peng Chee Vonny Lai
2nd Sunday	Gertrude Akom Mima Arena Carmeline Don Paul	Sig Romano Esteban Morales Aloma Pereira	Sharon Normington Jean Jansz Naomi Falo	Jenny Catania Brendan Keating Lakni Weerasekera
3rd Sunday	Celine Quinless Riona Alveyn Lionel Alveyn	Mary Moore Nila Fernando Rosa Mitchell	Florence Madeira Sai Dilinger Binitha Mathew	Vonny Lai Charlene Nheu Marg Keating
4th Sunday	Bernie Henstridge Lien Phan Celine Quinless	Aloma Pereira Mary Moore Rohan Wickramasinghe	Vianney Clark Stephen Herbert Lauren Rafferty	Swineetha Disanayake Dominique Maclou Jenny Catania
5th Sunday	Bernie Henstridge Carmeline Don Paul Mima Arena	Sig Romano Esteban Morales Nila Fernando	Binitha Mathew Stephen Herbert Sharon Normington	Ayomi Fernandez Peng Chee Jenny Catania

St Paul Apostle Parish Endeavour Hills MINISTERS OF WORD/ COMMENTATORS 2024

	Saturday—6pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 11am	Sunday 6pm
1st Sunday	Mary Pegram Liz Spear	Virendra Jayetileke Alvita Dias	Anne Astin Rinku Arora	Stephen Nasalio Diane Heaton
2nd Sunday	Marg Daly Liseby Lapierre	Grace Sudjono Rosa Mitchell	Mars Sota Beth Sota	Charlene Nheu Mignonne Meerwald
3rd Sunday	Liz Flood Trevor Saldanha	Agnes Giam William Round	Diane Allegany Anne Astin	Jeremy Ferrao Reg Young
4th Sunday	Mark Rolfe Karen Rolfe	Mary Moore Jodicee Tenisio	Mary Heaton Yvonne Sherwin	Marg Keating William Roncon
5th Sunday	Marg Daly Trevor Saldanha	Janina Gorski Grace Sudjono	Jennifer Tanti Diane Allegany	Lakni Weerasekera Charlene Nheu