



St Paul Apostle Catholic Community

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Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, 13-14 June, 2026

PASSIONIST FAMILY GROUP MOVEMENT (PFGM)



In the late 1960's, members of the Passionist community of St. Ives, NSW, Australia, developed a team ministry for youth formation and adult education. A group of lay people collaborated in this team Ministry. When the Passionists, in 1972, assumed pastoral care of the new tiny parish of St. Anthony in the Fields, Terrey Hills, Fr. Peter McGrath C.P. became its first Pastor and once again these lay people supported him.

Out of this nucleus, the little parish attracted an extraordinary number of people of all walks of life and spiritual needs. In 1973, Fr. Peter began to gather small groups of families to support and love each other. This was a response to preserving the community spirit. From the heart of St. Anthony in the Fields came the Passionist Family Group Movement.

From the very beginning, the lay people were the backbone of this Movement. In 1982, Fr. Peter and his lay team were asked to introduce the Family Groups into Castle Hill, a large parish in Sydney. The following year Family Groups were established in St Clair, an area in western Sydney bulging with young families, and in the parish of Bardon in Brisbane.

In the years that followed, the Movement grew dramatically. Under the guidance of Fr. Peter, in collaboration with other Passionists and a growing lay leadership team, the Movement was established in other parishes in Australia – in Sydney, in country New South Wales, Queensland, Victoria, Tasmania, the Australian Capital Territory and South Australia.

In 1988 history repeated itself. The Movement was invited into a little country parish of Paeroa in New Zealand. Once again, the Movement grew exponentially. With a dynamic combination of lay and Passionist workers, led by Fr. Brian Traynor C.P., the Passionist Family Groups became the largest Parish Movement throughout the country.

Who will be in my Family Group?

A Family Group is made up of 10 – 12 families or units, perhaps with a cross section of ages, including some children of the same age, or perhaps a number of people of similar ages and stage in life. Everyone

is welcome to join, from grandparents to babies. Non-church-attending spouses and non-Catholic partners are welcome as are one-parent families and single people, the elderly or the young.

What happens in a Family Group?

The groups gather socially once a month for a picnic, barbecue, a meal, etc. to enjoy being with one another and this develops into supportive relationships. Some get-togethers are just for the adults (to give parents of young children a bit of breathing space); while others include the children.

Highlights in a Family Group's calendar may include a weekend away, special events or anniversaries and perhaps, a home Eucharist. People are able to share their experiences through the good times and the difficult times and enhance the spirit in the parish community. Family Groups live the faith in the everyday circumstances of their lives.

How committed do I have to be?

A Family Group is just like a family: the bonds that develop the feelings of belonging create a sense of responsibility for one another. As in any family there is sometimes the need for extra effort. As with all aspects of life, you reap what you sow. You will get from Family Groups what you put into Family Groups.

What can I give to a Group?

Yourself! You can give your friendship, support and time to other members of your group. You just have to be yourself. You can sit down and talk, share and listen to others. What you do doesn't really matter. It is you that matters. Bonds develop and the sense of belonging creates a sense of responsibility for each other. As with your own family, there is a need sometimes to make an extra effort, as with all aspects of life.

What if I'm single or divorced?

The motto is "A Family for all". Family Groups provide an extended family for all who wish to belong; married, single or divorced. There is a giving and receiving by all members of the group to each other. Everyone is welcome to join

Find more details about PFGM in their website <https://www.pfgm.org> or speak to one of their member after Mass this weekend (13/14 June'2026)

Masses

Monday
9am

Tuesday
9am Mass

Wednesday
7pm Mass

Thursday
9am Mass

Friday
9am Mass

Saturday
6pm Mass

Sunday
9am, 11am, 6pm

Reconciliation
Saturdays
10am—10.30am

Parish Priest:
Fr Brendan Connell CP

Assistant Parish Priest
Fr. Tuan Paul Anh-Do CP

Parish Staff:
Gillian Velupillay (Bursar)
Didi Karkas (Secretary)
Valerie Ferreira
(Safeguarding & Visitation)

St Paul Apostle North
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Principal
Mr Tim Hogan

Readings for NEXT WEEK
12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, 2026

First Reader: Jer 20: 10-13

A reading from the book of the Prophet Jeremiah

Jeremiah cried out: I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce Him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him." But the Lord is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heat and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.
This is the Word of God

Psalm

It is for your sake that I have borne reproach,
that shame has covered my face.
I have become a stranger to my kindred,
an alien to my mother's children.

It is zeal for your house that has consumed me;
the insults of those who insult you have fallen on me.

But as for me, my prayer is to you, O Lord.
At an acceptable time, O God,
in the abundance of your steadfast love, answer me.

With your steadfast help, rescue me
Answer me, O Lord, for your steadfast love is good;
according to your abundant mercy, turn to me

Let the oppressed see it and be glad;
you who seek God, let your hearts revive.
For the Lord hears the needy,
and does not despise his own that are in bonds.

Let heaven and earth praise him,
the seas and everything that moves in them

Second Reader: Romans 5:12-15

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Bothers and sisters:
Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, so death spread to all people because all have sinned. Sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many
This is the Word of God

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
The Spirit of truth will testify on my behalf,
says the Lord, and you are also to testify.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 10:26-33

A reading from the Gospel of Matthew

Jesus said to his Apostles: "Fear no one; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before humans, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before humans, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.
The Good news of the Lord

Reflection

Jesus repeatedly tells us, "Do not be afraid," assuring us that the Father's loving care tracks even the "hairs on your head."
"In what specific area of my life am I allowing fear or anxiety to hold me back, and how can I lean on God's assurance that I am deeply valued by Him?"

We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.
St Paul Apostle safeguarding policies can be found on our website at
<https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/endeavourhills> or in hardcopy in the Sacristy



FIRST COMMUNION PROGRAM

As we continue with this year's program, we would like to remind you that our LAST FAMILY night will be held on **TUESDAY 16th JUNE** at 7pm in the Church (Sign in at 6.45pm for 7pm start)

Just a reminder that the registration for Sacrament of Confirmation is now closed. We will send more communication after the completion of the First Communion program.

CHILDRENS LITURGY

As we are all aware, the running of the parish relies heavily on the generosity of parishioners who volunteer their time to run many of our Church activities and programs. One such program, our Children's Liturgy group is growing in attendance and is in great need of additional leaders. Children's Liturgy is held on Sunday 11am Mass, during the school term. It commences at the beginning of the Mass and ends at offering time (during the second collection). Each time, there must be at least 2 volunteers to run it, under the safeguarding policy. If you have time and are willing to assist this group, please contact the Parish Office and we will give you more information. Please consider to help this group.

COME AWAY

Come Away Retreats are conducted at the Holy Cross Centre on a monthly basis. A time for both sharing and quiet time in the beautiful garden setting of Holy Cross; guided meditation, silence, Mass and Anointing, opportunity for individual guidance. Session times: 9.30am. (start with a cuppa) to 3.00pm. (BYO lunch)

Our next session is **Wednesday, June 24th, 2026**

This long-standing Passionist Ministry at Holy Cross is valued by many. We invite you to support it financially according to your means. Suggested Donation \$20 – \$25

GARDENING

The last gardening we have was before Easter.

We are hoping to have another gardening on **SATURDAY 13 JUNE** from 8.30am to around 11am (weather permits). As usual we are hoping many of you will help. You do not need to stay for the whole 3 hours. Every hour you spent with us will make our load lighter. Please come with garden tools

ADORATION GROUP is inviting everyone to join on **Saturday 27 June between 3-4pm** to attend our Church Chapel for prayers of the sick and lonely for healing both physical and spiritual. Come along, bring your family and friends for an hour, even if you can make it for 30 minutes, let's pray together for the healing of our loved ones. Further details please contact John Hendriks 0418308051 or Johnhendriks@gmail.com



DANDENONG DEANERY

The Deanery council is conducting a talk on 'The Voices That Echo the Glory of God through Peace & Mercy' Event will be held on **WEDNESDAY, 17th June, 2026** at GRADUATE RESTAURANT (St John's Regional College, Caroline Street, Dandenong) The night will commence at 5.30pm for a 5.45pm start. Cost is \$48per person (includes a 3 course meal and a glass of wine/ beer)

This invitation is open to all who are interested. Please contact Paddy on 0422 296 961 or email to dandenongdeanery@live.com.au

COMMUNITY AROUND US

Those with early Dementia and their carers are invited to come along to this **FREE** fun singing group which is led by professional singing teacher. The aim is encouraging social interaction with activities to aid memory retention. This activity runs every **SECOND THURSDAY between 1pm-2pm** at **ANDREW CENTRE** (2-6 Hanna Drv, Endeavour Hills) Ph. 03 9700 4944. Afternoon Tea provided

Readings:

11 Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A

Ex 19: 2-6

Romans 5: 6-11

Matthew 9: 36-10:8

www.universalis.com

12 Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A

Jer 20: 10-13

Romans 5: 12-15

Matthew 10: 26-33

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This weekend we pray for:

Those who are sick

Peter Shaw-Dennis, Peter Van Helmond, Pandry Jackson, Irma Dias, Eduardo Dias, Fr Chris Mithen CP, Kerryn Carney, Mary Antoun, Anne McCallister, Neville Akom, Terry Gough, Cecile Potier, Mavis David, James Mendis, Oliver Mendis, Hector de Santos, Teariki Sword, Rui Manuel Campos, Ruby Reid, Danny Sugunasekera, 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

Monica Tissera, Clare Foster, June Kitto, Cyril Sextus De Silva, Conrado Casiano Omega, Carmelo Cicero, Philippe Larosse, Giuseppina Materia, Barbara Anne Tobin, Avita Fernandes, Sinta Nugraha, Milica Kosi, Kuntjoro Setyo, Cheryl Anthony, Marcel Bonhomme. **and all who are named in our church memorial book**

May they rest in peace

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MINISTERS OF WORD/ COMMENTATORS 2026

	Saturday—6pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 11am	Sunday 6pm
1st Sunday	Mary Pegram Liz Spear	Virendra Jayetileke Janina Gorski	Anne Astin Rinku Arora	Stephen Nasalio William Roncon
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	Alvita Dias Harendra Alwis	Jeremy Ferrao Reg Young
4th Sunday	Mark Rolfe Karen Rolfe	Mary Moore Jodicee Tenisio	Mary Heaton Anne Astin	Marg Keating William Roncon
5th Sunday	Marg Daly Trevor Saldanha	Grace Sudjono Jodicee Tenisio	Mary Heaton Jennifer Tanti	Lakni Weerasekera Charlene Nheu

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MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST 2026

	Saturday—6pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 11am	Sunday 6pm
1st Sunday	Riona Alveyn Lionel Alveyn Lien Phan	Mary Moore Nila Fernando Rosa Mitchell Rohan Wickramasinghe Jennifer Cunningham	Vianney Clark Antionette Gargano Stephen Herbert Biniitha Mathew Patricia D'Souza	Anne Kankanige Peng Chee Vonny Lai
2nd Sunday	Gertrude Akom Mima Arena Carmeline Don Paul	Sig Romano Anabela Costa Aloma Pereira David Goh Rinku Arora	Dominque Maclou Sai Dilingar Naomi Falo Stephen Nasalio Santhanamary	Jenny Catania Brendan Keating Lakni Weerasekera
3rd Sunday	Celine Quinless Riona Alveyn Lionel Alveyn	Mary Moore Nila Fernando Rosa Mitchell Jennifer Cunningham Sig Romano	Vianney Clark Antionette Gargano Biniitha Mathew Patricia De Souza Marie Claire Maillard	Vonny Lai Charlene Nheu Marg Keating
4th Sunday	Bernie Henstridge Lien Phan Celine Quinless	Aloma Pereira Michelle Boissezon Rohan Wickramasinghe David Goh Daphne Goh	Naomi Falo Dominque Maclou Lauren Rafferty Stephen Herbert Santhanamary	Mignonne Meerwald Swineetha Disanayake Jenny Catania
5th Sunday	Bernie Henstridge Carmeline Don Paul Mima Arena	Sig Romano Anabela Costa Nila Fernando Rinku Arora Daphne Goh	Biniitha Mathew Stephen Herbert Vianney Clark Patricia De Souza Marie Claire Maillard	Marg Keating Peng Chee Jenny Catania

Please note that the above rosters are subject to the completion of the required SAFEGUARDING documents and training

