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Easter Sunday Year C



This Easter, we welcome :

Christie Davidson, Danniella Larkins, Emma Thorley, Jaclyn Knowles, Michelle Flowers, Reece Pisarskis & Sanjaya Sulistyo into our faith community at St Bernard's.

We wish them every blessing as they continue their journey of faith.

Symbols of resurrected life

Hot cross buns, chocolate eggs and bunny rabbits all have their origins in the meaning of Easter resurrection and the power of life over death. They became symbols at different times and in different places, of the mystery of new life emerging in the northern hemisphere springtime and of the excitement of the mystery of Resurrection and eternal life.



This mystery of life after death, or some form of eternal life, is no doubt the most challenging reality for we humans to grasp. We are people of this earthly life, people of flesh and blood. To leave ourselves open to a belief that there is more to this earth, draws on a profound faith and a deep humility; a humility that recognises that we are but creatures of an extraordinary merciful God.

At the Easter Vigil celebration, the Church's liturgy invites us to trace the biblical story of this mystery of salvation and come to some understanding of a life beyond the here and now and to see that life centred on the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The liturgy uses light and darkness, word and song, water and fire as key symbols, signifying the meaning of this mystery of new life – eternal life.

We can never hope to comprehend this, but symbols assist us, as we seek understanding. Perhaps in our families and communities this Easter we can recover some of this profound mystery, by taking some time to reflect on the symbols of resurrected life – the symbols of hot cross buns and Easter eggs, as well as the symbols of light out of darkness and of cleansing water.

excerpt Sr Clare Condon 'The Good Oil'

No weekday mass this Wednesday 24th or Friday 26th. Fr Sang is away.



Anzac Day mass
at St Mary's at 9am,
followed by morning tea in the
foyer.

**Archbishop Peter A Comensoli's
Easter message**

<https://www.cam.org.au/easter-message> Copy on noticeboard

Please return
Project Compassion money
as soon as convenient.



We remember those who have died :

Joan Moro Patricia Jones

We pray for those who are unwell :

**Lesley Cole Bruce Wyndham
Val Howard John Orders Alan Ansell
Brittany Schultz Tulli Seabert**



Special prayers for : **Mohammad Rahmani.**

Pray for Mohammad, who is still waiting for a Border Force decision, on his submission for Refugee status.

May God hold them all in the palm of his hand.

At St BERNARD'S ...

Sunday 5th May 8am –2pm Book Fair

The success of the Book Fair rests on **advertising**. If you can help, please **take some A4 size letter box flyers** to deliver to your street. *Thank you.*



Archdiocese guidelines advise about 'dipping' the host :

- * Jesus said "Take and eat" & "Take and drink", so hosts should **not be dipped** in the chalice.
- * When dipping, there is the (undesirable) risk of dripping consecrated wine on the floor.
- * Scientific tests have proved that the chemical reaction between the alcohol in the wine & the metal chalice, ensures that there will be **no communicable infection** when drinking from the chalice.



Child Safety at St Bernard's

In Victoria children are kept safe by:

- Government laws, standards and policies, including the seven child safe standards
- Archdiocese and parish policies and practices.

GEELONG COMMUNITY NEWS ...

Sat 27th April 1-3.30pm. Pastoral Healthcare Network

Pamper Day. Range of treatments incl Bowen & Myotherapy, blood pressure testing, meditation and afternoon tea. St Bernard's church foyer. \$10. Please RSVP 0403 500 279 for catering.

Monday 29th April 1.30pm Drop of a Hat Production presents **Shirley Power & Colin Mockett** Belmont Seniors Concert Hall \$5.00 (see noticeboard)

Wed 1st May 12 noon Sisters of the Holy Angels **LUNCHEON:** new venue St Michael's Parish 147 Separation St Bell Park. Cost \$10 – all welcome! (Please note change of venue).

Saturday 4th May 6.30pm **Michael Carmody Foundation Gala Ball.** Tickets \$80.00 @ www.trybooking.com/472381. See notice board for more details.

Monday 13th May 6.00pm **Movie Fundraiser** for L'Arche Australia. **'Summer in the Forest'** at Pivotonian Cinema \$25. A documentary presenting the work of Jean Vanier and the worldwide L'Arche communities. Enquiries Tricia O'Keefe 0414 672 267 or <http://fan-force.com/screenings>

Readings this week : Rom 6:3-11 Ps 117 Lk 24:1-12
Readings next week: Acts 5 : 12-16 ; Ps 117 ;
Apoc 1 : 9-13, 17-19 ; Jn 20 : 19-31

St Bernard's Mass Times

Saturday: 6.00pm
Sunday: 9.00am and 10.30am
(5.30pm at St Mary's)
Wednesday : No mass this week
Friday : No mass this week
Mass on the radio 7.00am Light FM 89.9;
10.00am Pulse FM

Communion at Home

Contact Office to arrange 5243 2739

Please Note : Church **car park** gates are locked at 1.00pm each Sunday

Parish **Office** Hours this week :

Monday : Closed
Tuesday : 8.30 - 4.30
Wednesday : Closed
Thursday : 8.30 - 1 pm
Thursday pm : Closed
Friday : 8.30 - 4.30

St Bernard's Playgroup

Tuesdays during school term.

9.00am -10.30am in the Big Space, Entrance Fryers Rd. All welcome.

Charismatic Prayer 1st & 3rd Tuesday

10.00am in the Church.

Men's Group Second Tuesday

of the month 10am in the Church Café. Come along for a *cuppa and chat.*

Wednesday Cards

Join us for a friendly game of 500 1-15 -4pm at Weddings this week.

Christian Meditation

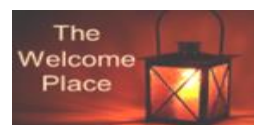
Wed 7pm

New venue: The Chapel at 'Luson The Vue' 15-29 Reserve Rd Grovedale. All welcome

Support for Manny : a number of orphaned children are in desperate need of sponsorship, in order to **continue with their education**. If you would like to help, please contact the Office. BSB : 063 504 acc : 008 005 74

Wesley Asylum Seeker Welcome food place.

Food lists on both noticeboards, or supermarket vouchers. Donations, under the table in front of the green noticeboard. Thank you



Mass rosters for this week and next are on the **noticeboard** in the foyer. Cleaners : 26th April Karen

Coffee Shop : Edna, Mary M, Pauline