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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Reflection : This week the Gospel challenges us to take our faith to a deeper level. We are called to love God with all our heart, soul and being and this love is to be demonstrated not only in how we relate to ourselves, but in how we relate to our neighbour.

Who is my neighbour? Jesus' answer to that question has a profound effect on what it means to be Christian. Our neighbours are not just the people who look or think like us. They may be poor, marginalised, different races or faiths. They may vote differently or make choices with which we don't agree. We don't have to 'become good friends' with all our neighbours, as the famous TV show lyrics would have us, but we need to show care, compassion and respect to all.



Australian Catholics

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are an essential part of the St Bernard's community. We currently need people to assist at masses - monthly roster

- set up
- eucharist ministers
- readers
- power point operators

as well as **church cleaners** - 3 times a year (who are a huge financial saving to the Parish).

If you can help, please contact the Office.

Current volunteers : please ensure we have your email address for roster reminders.

NB : ALL volunteers need to provide a copy of your **current Working with Children** card to the Parish Office. *Thank you*



Vinnies Winter Appeal Update

Thank you to Parishioners for the updated total of \$6,339.10



Especially during Winter, our Vinnies volunteers are often asked to help with understanding management of energy bills, by the people we assist. Despite payment plans, discounts and extensions, there can be a shortfall. Thanks to your support we are now able to assist in practical terms, families in the Belmont/Highton area.

Anne Bainbridge, President, Belmont Conference

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for July

Pope Francis calls us to pray that those who administer justice may work with integrity and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.

Plenary Council 2020—

Over the next 6 weeks, there will be summaries of the National Themes for Discernment



1. How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia, that is missionary and evangelising?

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God, who shared a passion for participating in the missionary nature of the Church and desire stronger support, involvement and formation among all the baptised who make up the Church.

The data also identified the need to reach out and communicate more effectively and to find new ways of living and proclaiming the Gospel in Australia today.

There was a call for the strengthening of leadership and ministries in parishes and schools, training to equip leaders for ministry, pastoral support for various groups within parish and faith communities, and a desire for a unified voice in engaging social issues such as life and religious freedom.

Visit : plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au

News from Manny

Recently Frs Nestus and Emma met with people from NUCAFE, a private, non-profit making organisation, that assists Ugandan coffee farmers and processors to develop their businesses, be more productive, access world's best practices and market their coffee.



We remember those who have died :
Kevin Higgins **Mary Awramenko**

We pray for those who are unwell :

Margaret Devlin **Christine Malyniak**
Lydia Ward **Betty Perry**
Lynette Stott **Val Howard**
John Orders **Alan Ansell**
Brittany Schultz **Tulli Seabert**
John Wedding **Bruce Wyndham**



We welcome for Baptism :

Eli & Hannah Young **Luca Maselli**
Nebraska Cockerell

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 ...

While Fr Sang is on holidays :

- **Wednesday** 'lay led' liturgy/communion at noon.
- **Friday** midday mass with Fr Joe.

We welcome : **Fr Thang Vu** (6-7, 13-14 & 27-28 July)
Fr Phuong Vu (20-21 July) celebrating weekend masses.

Mannya beads : The colourful beads in the **Book Nook** are hand-made with rolled paper, by the women in Manya. Only **\$10**



GEELONG COMMUNITY NEWS ...

Sun 14 July at 2.30 pm Former pupils of St John's North Geelong are invited to attend the launch of "**Remembering St John's North Geelong 1923-1966**" Celie's Bistro, Sacred Heart College, Newtown.

Wednesday 24th 6.15pm CRAG and St Joseph's College fundraiser film: **The Merger**. All money to the CRAG legal fund, which is **supporting people in our community seeking asylum**.

6.15 pm: Arrive to buy a glass of wine, beer or soft drink. Browse **art** by local artists, make a bid in the **silent auction**. Ticket prices (includes delicious finger food pre-movie). Adults: \$20, Students \$10, Family \$50 up to 5 people St Josephs College Performing Arts Centre - Parking and entry via Queens Rd Newtown.
Book now: <https://www.trybooking.com/BSDSC>

Sun 28 July, 2019 at 3.00 pm **Brazilian Adventures** Music at the Basilica. Tickets \$50/45/40 at the door or www.trybooking.com/BABCY See noticeboard

Mon 29th July at 1.30pm 'Sing Australia' Belmont Seniors, 52 Thomson St Belmont. \$5.00 Afternoon tea incl.

Wednesday July 31st, 6pm. (re-scheduled) Screening of : **Summer in the Forest**, the Jean Vanier film. Tickets \$25. **Bookings by 18.7.19** : <https://fan-force.com/screenings/summer-in-the-forest-pivotonian-cinema>.

OUR WIDER COMMUNITY ...

Hope Bereavement Care : confidential, personal support & information to anyone affected by the sudden & unexpected death of a child. 4215 33 58 BH or 1300 308 307 AH

Melbourne Catholic Magazine July Issue



Mannya news : Photos of orphan children, whose education is being sponsored by parishioners, are on the green notice board in the Church foyer. Thank you

To enable a child to continue their education next term, please contact the Office.

St Bernard's Mass Times

Saturday : 6pm
Sunday : 9.00am & 10.30am
(5.30pm at St Mary's)
Wednesday : 12 noon
Friday : 12 noon
Mass on the radio 7.00am Light FM 89.9
10.00am Pulse FM

Communion at home (Friday)
Contact Office to arrange 52 432 739

Parish Office Hours

Monday : 10am - 3pm
Tuesday : 8.30 - 4.30
Wednesday : 8.30 - 4.30
Thursday : 8.30 - 1pm
Thursday PM : Closed
Friday : 8.30 - 4.30

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

At St BERNARD'S ...

St Vincent De Paul Monday 4-5.15pm.
Membership enquiries Anne 0458 294 526

Playgroup Tuesdays during school term 9.00am - 10.30am in the Big Space.
Enter via glass doors Fryers Rd. All welcome

Charismatic Prayer 1st & 3rd Tuesday
10.00am in the Church.

Men's Group Second Tuesday
10am in the Church Café.
Come along for a cuppa and chat.

Wednesday Cards

Join us for a friendly game of 500.
Wednesday 1.15-4pm in the Church Café.

**** Knights of the Southern Cross ****
Third Tuesday 7.30pm, Church Cafe

Widowed and Social Group
(Monday mornings—in Winter Recess)

Christian meditation Wednesday 7pm
at The Chapel 'Luson The Vue'
15-29 Reserve Rd Grovedale

Wesley Asylum Seeker Welcome food place.

Pick up a shopping list from either noticeboard, or give supermarket vouchers.

Donations can be left under the table in front of the green noticeboard. *Thank you*



Readings this week : Deut 30:10-14;
Ps 68:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37;
Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37

Readings next week: Gen 18:1-10;
Ps 14:2-5; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

Mass rosters for this week and next are on the **noticeboard** in the foyer.

Cleaners : 19th July : M Patterson
R Gladki S Downey N Brislane

Coffee Shop : Felicity Maree Margaret W