

# WELCOME TO THE PARISHES OF

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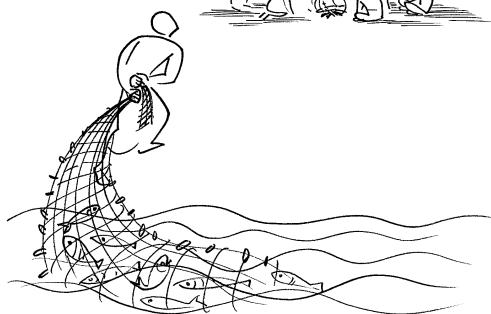
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As we come to worship we remember the Bangerang & Yorta Yorta People, the original custodians of this land  
We commit ourselves to actively working alongside Aboriginal people for reconciliation and justice.

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

14<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2013



'Simon Peter dragged the net ashore'  
John 21:11  
Good News Bible

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*It really is Cuppa after Mass Today!*

*Very tasty morning tea and a chat with friends! What could be better?*

Have a chat, a coffee or tea and a friendly chat with friends in the Mercy Centre for a few minutes after Mass today. Join us - you'll love it!



### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

The PPC Meeting is on this Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

CWL Members are reminded that the CWL Mass Crusade is 14<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>. April. Mass and prayers are requested for the intentions of the Holy Father, the universal Church, the work of the WUCWO, all the special Works of the Catholic Women's League and the intentions of all Members.

### Imagining the future with Pope Francis

'Every one of his utterances so far has had nothing to do with structure and everything to do with mission. After one week, Francis is calling us back to a sharp focus: to live and preach the Gospels. Clearly, he sees at the centre of the Gospels calls to mercy, forgiveness, inclusiveness and love.

He has already spoken in simple words about the infinite mercy of God. He is compulsively inclusive. He has not wagged a finger, not once. Is this the long-awaited new spring for our deeply hurting church? Well, for the moment, the former Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio, now Pope Francis, seems to be imagining something big -- very big.'

- Thomas C. Fox, NCR, March 20. Full text:

<http://ncronline.org/blogs/ncr-today/imagining-new-spring-along-pope-francis>

**HARRIETVILLE WEEKEND "SPIRITUALITY FOR A PILGRIM CHURCH"** Fri (eve) 26 – Sun (lunch) 28 April, with Mons Tony Doherty, Ailsa Piper, Br Michael Herry. ***Our lives are like a pilgrimage, with difficult stretches, wounds needing healing, unexpected new life and happiness, walking, stopping places, sharing meals, memories, stories, music.***

Brochures in parishes or contact Lvn at [adultfaith@sandhurst.catholic.org.au](mailto:adultfaith@sandhurst.catholic.org.au) or ph (03) 5441 2544.

## We pray for



|                                |  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| Those who have died recently   |  |
| Those whose Anniversary occurs | Gary Basile; Guiseppina Peluso; Jack Smith   |
| Our sick and their carers      | Brendan Shingles (Nan Lawlor's son-in-law); Eileen Kirby; Geraldine Sullivan; Fr Chris Reay; Colin Mason; Heather Carter; Lawrie Dwyer; Max Davies;*** |

| MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK: |      |   |         |
|-----------------------------|------|---|---------|
| DAY                         | DATE | TATURA                                  | KYABRAM |
| Monday                      | 15   | No Mass                                 | No Mass |
| Tuesday                     | 16   | 5.30pm (Int Gary Basile)                | No Mass |
| Wednesday                   | 17   | 9.15am                                  | 5.00pm  |
| Thursday                    | 18   | No Mass                                 | 9.15am  |
| Friday                      | 19   | 9.15am                                  | No Mass |
| Saturday                    | 20   | 6.00pm                                  | No Mass |
| Sunday                      | 21   | 8.00am                                  | 10.00am |
| ROSARY                      |      | Tues 5.15pm<br>Wed 9:00am<br>Fri 9:00am |         |
| RECONCILIATION              | 20   | 11:30am                                 |         |

**Please Collect:**

- "The Sandpiper" 100<sup>th</sup> edition of the Diocesan free monthly newspaper
- "Australian Catholics" plenty of copies if this free publication covering many social justice issues of our time
- Pope Francis' Palm Sunday Homily

| MASS               | COMMENTATOR   | READER           | GOSPEL PROCESSION | PRESENTATION OF GIFTS | SPECIAL MINISTERS                     | COUNTERS   |
|--------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Sat 6pm<br>20/4/13 | Denice Bourke | Peter Kerrins    | Pat Baldwin       | E Leahy<br>D Turvey   | T Warnett<br>J Webster<br>J Scrimizzi | L & D Worm |
| Sun 8am<br>21/4/13 | D Worm        | Ann-Marie Nihill | Mandy McGrath     | K Stewart             | S Cowan<br>C Coulston<br>L Cowan      |            |

### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Stewardship begins with prayer and an understanding that this concept is as old as the Scriptures. Although there are countless examples in the Old Testament of men and women using their gifts to honour God, our vision of stewardship is rooted in the teachings of Jesus Christ. He prepared His apostles to carry on His teachings. "Come Follow Me" is not a suggestion; it is our mission as Christians. We use our gifts or talents to be disciples; to be the hands and feet of our Lord, to do what He would do if He were here in the flesh.

### PARISH PRAYER

God our Father, bless our two Parishes so that we may love you more.  
 Help our parents to give good example to their children  
 and our youth to grow in strength as good Christians.  
 Encircle our families with your loving care.  
 To the sick grant health, to the aged bring serenity and to those in sorrow, joy.  
 May each parishioner grow stronger in faith and may our love for one another become deeper in our daily living.  
 We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.  
 Amen

### DIARY DATES

|       |    |                                   |
|-------|----|-----------------------------------|
| Mon   | 15 | Crazy Whist Parish Hall 1.30pm    |
| Tues  | 16 | PPC Meeting 7.30pm Parish Hall    |
| Wed   | 17 |                                   |
| Thurs | 18 |                                   |
| Frid  | 19 |                                   |
| Sat   | 20 |                                   |
| Sun   | 21 |                                   |
| Mon   | 22 | SVDP Meeting 5.30pm               |
| Tues  | 23 | Sacred Heart School Board Meeting |
| Wed   | 24 |                                   |
| Thurs | 25 | Anzac Day                         |
| Frid  | 26 |                                   |
| Sat   | 27 |                                   |
| Sun   | 28 |                                   |

### Olivia Newton-John Cancer Appeal Tickets

Denise will have raffle Tickets available after Mass today for the Olivia Newton-John Appeal for the Cancer & Wellness Centre and Medical Research Unit. Tickets are \$2 each. Please help this worthwhile cause.

### HUMOUR

Two sausages are in a pan. One looks at the other and says "Gosh it's hot in here!" The other sausage says, "Goodness gracious – a talking sausage!"

## Horticultural - knowhow

I don't have much of a green thumb, but I like to have a few plants in my house.

One day when my mother was over to babysit the children, I remarked that one of the plants in my window was looking poorly and asked if she could try to fix it while I was gone.

When I returned, to my surprise, the plant looked beautiful and full. 'What did you do?' I asked.

'I turned it round,' she replied.

### Around the Diocese.....

#### World Youth Day

Young people are being invited to take part in the Victorian pilgrimage to World Youth Day 2013 to be held at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, from July 23-28. The Victorian pilgrimage is an exciting new initiative that will enable the youth of Victoria to share their faith and to be rejuvenated to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ; and to be fired by a deep desire to "Go and make disciples of all nations." (Matthew 28:19). Registrations for World Youth Day are now open and close on Sunday, March 31. For more information on the pilgrimages available or to register, visit [www.wydtours.com/wyd-pilgrimages/vic/victoria/](http://www.wydtours.com/wyd-pilgrimages/vic/victoria/)

#### Australian Catholic Youth Festival

The inaugural Australian Catholic Youth Festival will be held in Melbourne from December 5-7. The festival will include music, prayers, talks and exhibitions, and will be the biggest gathering of young people in Australia since World Youth Day 2008. More information on the Festival, including details on costs and registrations, will be publicised soon. The website for the event is [www.youthfestival.catholic.org.au](http://www.youthfestival.catholic.org.au)

#### Stronger Retreat

This year's Stronger Retreat for young people aged 16-26 will be held from Friday, September 20 until Sunday, September 22 at Feathertop Chalet, Harrierville. Registrations are now open.

- \$140- Earlybird- until March 31
- \$165- Discounted- April 1 to July 15
- \$180- Regular- July 16 to September 9

#### Stronger Rally

The next Stronger Rally will be held in Kyabram at The Brigidine Centre at St Augustine's College, Church Street, Kyabram, on Friday, June 21, from 6-9pm. The Rally is open to secondary school students and young adults.

#### Sandhurst Youth Ministry

To keep up-to-date with youth ministry activities across the Diocese, visit [www.sym.org.au](http://www.sym.org.au)

## YEAR OF GRACE PRAYER

Gracious God,  
You have blessed this ancient land  
with many gifts, especially its people.  
We thank you for the Year of Grace,  
a time to start afresh from Christ.  
You invite us to contemplate the face of Jesus your Son,  
that we may experience a new wave of grace,  
and that the light of Christ may burn more brightly in our lives.

Attune our hearts and minds  
to the presence of your Holy Spirit,  
that our Church may be transformed,  
our relationships be healed,  
and our nation grow in compassion and justice.  
With the intercession of St Mary MacKillop,  
who showed us new ways of living the Gospel,  
we make our prayer  
through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Mary, Help of Christians, pray for us.



## 'It is the Lord.' .....

On the joyful recognition of the Risen Lord by the Apostles Peter's impulsive nature is once more to the fore. He jumps out of the boat and heads for shore leaving the others to bring the boat and their catch in. A meal awaits then *that question*. 'Simon, son of John, do you love me?' Pause a moment. There is something great stirring here. Have you ever uttered those words to another? 'Do you love me?' Most of us, once beyond childhood, are terrified at the thought of asking such a question. It is hard enough for some to tell their loved ones of their love for them. But it can be excruciating to ask, 'Do you love me?' Could we ask a friend as much? A brother or sister?

There are scores of questions Christ might have put to Peter. Questions we might have asked such as: Do you promise never to betray me again? Will you finally be more modest in your claims? Do you now, at long last, modify your responses? Can you please be less impulsive? Now do you see why I had to wash your feet? Well, big-mouth? But none of this. Jesus is interested in one thing, the heart of the one before him. The gift of a person even tarnished. The human 'yes' spoken in all its hurt and frailty. Jesus said only, 'Do you love me?' What incredible Love came to live and die in Jesus Christ? What wonderful manner of man was he? How could we not wonder at such a God?

## THE DIFFICULTY OF RECONCILIATION

'Few, if any, escape the experience of being hurt, of being let down by someone we trusted, even loved. And we are all familiar with our natural reaction to that experience - anger, abuse, followed by that ultimate form of human disapproval - no speaks! And we all know, too, how difficult it is to make up when this happens.

'This is Peter's first encounter with the Risen Christ. He must have vivid memories of recent events - his protestation of undying love and loyalty -[Mat 26:35] Peter said to him, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, "Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you." [Mat 26:74] Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath, "I do not know the man!"

'Now look at the reaction of Jesus - no reproaches, no reprimands, no "I told you so", no harsh judgements, no warnings about "if you do this again", no bawling out. All Jesus asks for is a reaffirmation of Peter's love. Total generosity and magnanimity of spirit! There are, in life, situations that are irreparable; but, they are few. For the most part, there are many relationships that are broken and could be repaired with a little effort on both sides.'

*Fr Noel Tobin, Geraldton, WA.*



Readings for this week: Acts 5:27-32,40-41  
Apocalypse 5:11-14  
John 21:1-19



Readings for next Sunday: Acts 13:14,43-52  
Apocalypse 7:9,14-17  
John 10:27-30



**Extraordinary catch of fish**

The miraculous catch of fish has posed a mystery greater than the miracle itself. Why 153 fish? Numbers in Scripture are often symbolic, yet no spiritual match has satisfactorily explained this number. St Jerome, the 5<sup>th</sup> century biblical translator, hazarded that it was the known number of species of fish, indicating that all tribes and nations are represented in the net. Another theory is that 153, being an arithmetic progression of the numbers one to nineteen, indicate that the evangelising ministry of the apostles progressively increased with each person won for Christ.



**Prayer for the week**

Lord, I place my life under your direction. May my words and actions advance the coming of your kingdom.

**Looking at the Readings**

In their teaching and preaching the apostles moved from one understanding of God’s presence and activity in the midst of the people to another. This new understanding had the death and resurrection of Jesus at its core. The light of the resurrection illumined their former religious convictions and aspirations, and they were undeterred in their commitment to spread this good news, this new word, this transforming light.

A martyr is a witness, who is so committed and willing to suffer any consequence, even death, in order to be faithful. The apostles rejoiced that they had been found worthy of ill-treatment for the sake of the name of Jesus. The Lamb who is exalted is the one who was slain, and Peter is told that, like his master, he will pay for his commitment with his life. Even the psalm alludes to the suffering that must be endured by those who have chosen to be faithful. This kind of steadfastness has always been a persuasive witness.

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**Quotable Quote**

To see the miraculous within the ordinary is the mark of highest wisdom.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

**Liturgical Note**

The days between Easter and Pentecost are set aside for mystagogy, a time for rejoicing in the Resurrection of the Lord and more deeply appreciating the effects of our baptism, confirmation and Eucharist. For the newly baptised (neophytes) this season is accompanied by catechesis on the sacraments and strengthening our sense of identity with the body of Christ and the people of God. We are inspired by the Acts of the Apostles and letters of St Peter read during this time.

**On the Lighter Side**

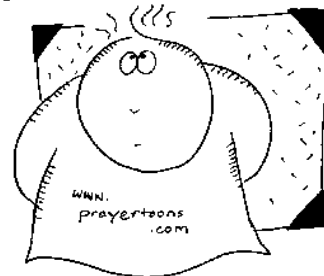
• A mother was preparing cakes for her sons, Kevin aged 5, and Ryan 3. The boys began to argue over who would get the first cake. Their mother saw the opportunity for a moral lesson. "If Jesus were sitting here, He would say, 'Let my brother have the first cake, I can wait.'" Kevin turned to his younger brother and said, "Ryan, you be Jesus!"



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**Quote**  
‘If you are what you should be, you will set the world on fire.’  
*St. Catherine of Siena*

DEAR God  
I know you are really busy but could you spare me a minute?



Amen