

# WELCOME TO THE PARISHES OF

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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.**

## TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**18<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2013**



**I came to bring fire to the earth. Lk 12:49**

### MULTICULTURAL MASS AND MORNING TEA ON FATHER'S DAY IN KYABRAM

On Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September, there will be a Multicultural Mass at 10 a.m. We will be celebrating multiculturalism and the contribution of fathers in our community. Everyone is invited to stay for morning tea where we will share the cuisine from different countries.

“The light of faith is unique, since it is capable of illuminating every aspect of human existence. A light this powerful cannot come from ourselves but from a more primordial source: in a word, it must come from God.” [Pope Francis, Lumen Fidei, paragraph 4]

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

The PPC Meeting is on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> August at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall.

### INVITATION

St Mary's Parish Pastoral Council invite you to hear guest speaker Tony Nicholson, Executive Director of the Brotherhood of St Lawrence, speak on “the challenge of loving thy neighbour in our modern society” to be held on Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> August 2013 at St Mary's Primary School Rushworth, commencing at 7.30pm. See flyer on notice board for full details.

**SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB** at the Terminus Hotel, Shepparton on **Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept 7.30 – 9 pm** (meals from 6pm optional).

**Does the Gospel Affect Your Vote? A conversation about religion, politics, social policy & the 'common good'** with Fr Bruce Duncan CSSR, lecturer, Yarra Theological Union, founder, Social Policy Connections, and Director, Yarra Institute for Religion & Social Policy, plus **Kate Fogarty**, Principal, St Joseph's College, Echuca, a passionate advocate for SJ education, asylum seekers & indigenous education.

All views welcome in an **Open Forum**.

More info on fliers at back of church. Enq: Kerry 0408 579904 Frank 5821 4362.

*Happiness is like perfume; you can't pour it on someone else without getting a few drops on yourself.*

*James Van Der Zee*

## We pray for



|                                       |                                                                                                                                               |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Those who have died recently</b>   | Therese Mulcahy; Carmel O'Brien                                                                                                               |
| <b>Those whose Anniversary occurs</b> | Florence Kerlin; David Atkins; Stuart Crilly; Ian Crilly; Fr John Leahy                                                                       |
| <b>Our sick and their carers</b>      | Margaret Woodland; *** Isabel Slaughter; Denis Bacon; Tessa Stokes; Glen Spicer; Carmel Rawlings; Tahlia Backman; Gerard Berry; Billy Edwards |

| MASSES FOR THE COMING WEEK: 19 – 25 August 2013 |      |                          |                            | <b>PLEASE COLLECT:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sandpiper</li> <li>• Australian Catholics</li> <li>• Caritas Australia</li> <li>• Along the Track</li> </ul> |
|-------------------------------------------------|------|--------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| DAY                                             | DATE | TATURA                   | KYABRAM                    |                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Monday                                          | 19   | No Mass                  | No Mass                    |                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Tuesday                                         | 20   | No Mass                  | No Mass                    |                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Wednesday                                       | 21   | 9.15am                   | 5.00pm Int. David Atkins   |                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Thursday                                        | 22   | No Mass                  | No Mass                    |                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Friday                                          | 23   | Liturgy of the Word      | No Mass                    |                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Saturday                                        | 24   | No Mass                  | 6.30pm                     |                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Sunday                                          | 25   | 10.00am                  | 8.00am<br>11.30am Merrigum |                                                                                                                                                                              |
| ROSARY                                          |      | Wed 9:00am<br>Fri 9:00am |                            |                                                                                                                                                                              |
| RECONCILIATION                                  | 24   | 11:30am                  |                            |                                                                                                                                                                              |

| MASS                 | COMMENTATOR | READER         | GOSPEL PROCESSION | PRESENTATION OF GIFTS | SPECIAL MINISTERS                    | COUNTERS          |
|----------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Sun Aug 25th 10.00am | Sue Nihill  | Maria Spedding | Terry White       | Tim Nihill Family     | AM Carroll,<br>P Baldwin,<br>C Serra | Lou & Debbie Worm |

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER** - *"Do you think I have come to give you peace on Earth? No, I tell you, but rather division."* Luke 12:51. Living a stewardship lifestyle means stepping out of our comfort zone when needed. Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves, stay in the middle of the road. In today's world we are called to be informed and take a stance for life, marriage and religious liberty.

### 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

**ALONG THE TRACK** - If you put your name down to receive a copy of Jim Quillinan's 'Along the Track', the latest article ("Jesus: His Ministry Begins" - second meditation) is available in the Narthex.

### AUGUST DIARY DATES

| Mon   | 19     |                                                                                                           |
|-------|--------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Tues  | 20     | <b>PPC Meeting 7.00pm Parish Hall</b><br>Feast: St Bernard                                                |
| Wed   | 21     |                                                                                                           |
| Thurs | 22     | SSEB Planning meeting, Shep – Fr Michael                                                                  |
| Frid  | 23     | SVDP Meeting 9.00am at the Centre<br>10.00am – Mass/Opening – St Bernard's, Ess<br>Feast: St Rose of Lima |
| Sat   | 24     |                                                                                                           |
| Sun   | 25     |                                                                                                           |
| Mon   | 26     |                                                                                                           |
| Tues  | 27     | Priests Luncheon – Monichinos<br>Feast St Monica                                                          |
| Wed   | 28     | Feast: St Augustine                                                                                       |
| Thurs | 29     | Martyrdom of John the Baptist                                                                             |
| Frid  | 30     | Send off for Max Fletcher, Bendigo – Fr Michael                                                           |
| Sat   | 31     |                                                                                                           |
| Sun   | 1 Sept | Father's Day                                                                                              |

**RUSHWORTH PARISH** - After consideration, the following arrangements have been made for St Mary's Parish, Rushworth, following Father Owen Doyle's retirement on 8th September. Father Joven Lustre has been appointed Parish Priest of St Mary's. This will be in addition to his duties as Parish Priest of St Mel's, South Shepparton. To assist Father Joven, Father Peter-John Neivandt of Elmore Parish will be responsible for the celebration of Mass and the Sacraments at Sacred Heart Church Cornella, and Father Joseph Pothennampil of Mooroopna Parish will be responsible for the celebration of Mass and the Sacraments at St Laurence's Church, Stanhope. I trust these arrangements will ensure a continuation of Father Owen's good work in the Rushworth parish. - *Bishop Les Tomlinson DD*

## A Short History of Medicine

'Doctor, I have an ear ache.'

2000 BC – 'Here, eat this root.'

1000 BC – 'That root is heathen, say this prayer.'

1850 AD – 'That prayer is superstition, drink this potion.'

1940 AD – 'That potion is snake oil, swallow this pill.'

1985 AD – 'That pill is ineffective, take this antibiotic.'

2000 AD – 'That antibiotic is artificial. Here, eat this root!'

## PAPAL BLESSINGS

We have been advised by the Apostolic Nuncio that the cost of a Papal Blessing has increased to \$70.

Occasions when the Blessing may be granted:

- Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation
- Marriage between 2 Catholics
- Priestly Ordination/First Mass
- Religious Profession
- Anniversaries: (10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, of
  - Marriage
  - Priestly Ordination
  - Religious Profession
- Birthday: (18<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 60<sup>th</sup>, 70<sup>th</sup>, 90<sup>th</sup>, 100<sup>th</sup>)
- Individual Catholic person or family
- Dedication of a new Church or Jubilee (25<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup>, 100<sup>th</sup>) for a parish or shrine.
- Jubilee anniversaries (25, 50, 100 years of Catholic parochial/diocesan groups and associations).

The Blessings from the Vatican take approximately 6 weeks to process. If it is for a marriage please include the name of the parish as well as the date of the marriage. Allow another 2 weeks for your parish administration and postage time.

## 'Haste is our enemy'

'Haste is our enemy. It puts us under stress, raises our blood pressure, makes us impatient, and, most seriously of all, blinds us to the needs of others. The more in a hurry we are, the less likely we are to stop and help someone else in need.

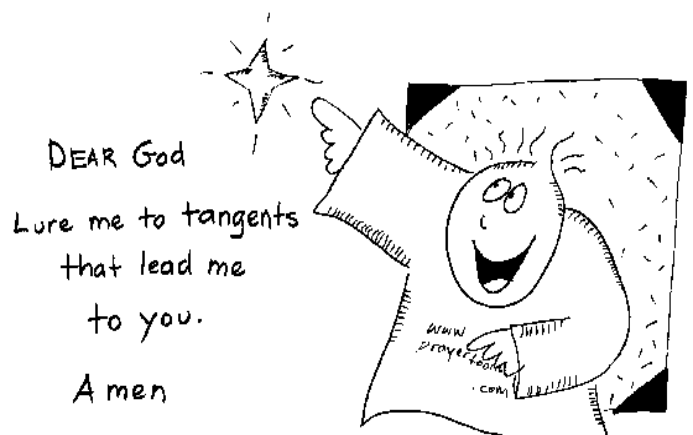
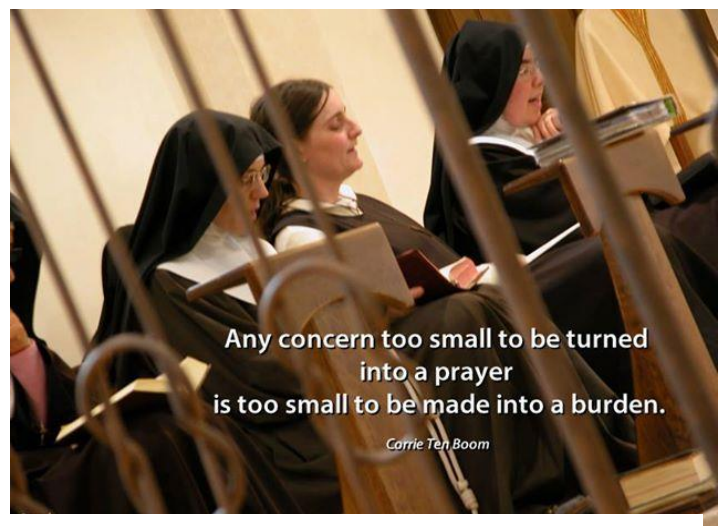
Haste and hurry, perhaps more than anything else, prevent us from being good Samaritans. Our struggle to give proper time to family, prayer, and helping others has mainly to do with time. We're invariably too busy, too pressured, too hurried, too-driven, to stop and help.

'It's no accident that virtually all of the classical spiritual writers warn about the dangers of overwork. Indeed, the dangers of haste and hurry are already written into the very first page of scripture where God invites us to make sure to keep proper Sabbath. When we are in a hurry we see little beyond our own agenda.'

- Fr Ron Rolheiser OMI Full text at:  
<http://www.ronrolheiser.com/>

## On Fire.....

In the Gospel Reading today Jesus says that he has come to set the world on fire. These past few weeks we have heard about the dangers of greed and about the followers of Jesus who must stay awake, attentive, and responsive as servants of the serving-Lord. These verses have been dramatic and hard to hear. Well, get set for the dramatic climax. Jesus, again speaking to his disciples with the crowd hanging around, tells them that he has come "to bring fire to the earth." He refers to this as a "baptism" with which he wishes to immerse the earth. Our reading concludes with examples of family unity which will be split. This does not sound very appealing and who would want to follow such a prophet as Jesus? A faith-decision to walk the ways of Jesus is not all beer and skittles. We are invited to live a life less dominated by self-indulgence and possessiveness. Faith is not easy. It is much easier to follow from a safe distance and not have our lives changed by his relationship with us. The good thing about this is that Jesus keeps attentively calling us out of our comfort zones and into the life of real living. Love is a faith act, and faith is a love act. It is the **commitment** that costs. One of the symbols of the Holy Spirit is fire. Our God is a consuming fire of love. Jesus longs for that same fire to be set in our lives: so that we might truly learn to love each other by loving God even more.





Readings for  
this week:

Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10  
Hebrews 12:1-4  
Luke 12:49-53



Readings for  
next Sunday:

Isaiah 66:18-21  
Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13  
Luke 13:22-30



## Liturgical Jottings Gospel Acclamation

After the readings that precede the Gospel, we sing or say the Gospel Acclamation. It is a rite in itself, by which the assembly of the faithful stands, welcomes and greets the Lord who is about to speak in the Gospel and professes its faith by means of the chant. The priest or deacon processes to the lectern with the gospel book and may be accompanied by servers carrying candles and incense. The Alleluia is sung in every season other than Lent. During Lent another verse is sung as shown in the Lectionary. Another psalm or text is also allowed. The Acclamation may be omitted if not sung. GIRM 62,63,175

## Text from the Day

Let us not lose sight of Jesus, who leads us in our faith and brings it to perfection. (Heb 12:2)

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## Looking at the Readings

As disciples we commit ourselves to values and principles that are not always cherished by others. We can be misunderstood for our beliefs, even ridiculed. Our lives may be a reproach to those who do not share our aspirations. There may be times when we must stand in opposition to others. All of this tends to alienate us. It could even place us at enmity with those whom we love. Yet, if we are genuinely committed, we realise that there is also a price to pay if we are not faithful. It is very difficult to live with ourselves when we disregard our deepest convictions and ignore the promptings of God that we experience within ourselves. As difficult as a life of faith may be, we know that it is the only way to live in this world.

Faced with the cost of discipleship we are brought to the realisation that, by ourselves, we do not have the necessary resources. We need assistance. Like Jeremiah, we might find that this aid will come from places we may have never expected. The real support and assistance that we get is from Jesus who came to set the world and our hearts on fire. Paul assures us that there is a vast throng cheering us on as we run the race of discipleship. They are not merely spectators; they have already run or are still running their own race. We are not alone in our commitment, in our struggle. There are many witnesses, many examples for us to follow. © Dianne Bergant CSS

## Quotable Quote

The Church is certainly a human and historical institution with all that it entails, yet her nature is not essentially political but spiritual: the Church is the People of God, the Holy People of God making its way to encounter Jesus Christ. Only from this perspective can a satisfactory account be given of the Church's life and activity. Pope Francis

## Prayer for the week



God of fire and light, you draw your servants out of darkness and out of the mud of human difficulties. Lead us by your light, so that we may find you and rejoice. Help us to persevere in hope and to grow in faith, that we may give you thanks and sing your praise, through Christ, our Light.

## On the Lighter Side

A Priest in the Sunshine Coast lamented that it was very difficult to get his message across to his congregation. "It's so beautiful here in the winter," he said, "that heaven doesn't interest them. And it's so hot here in the summer that hell doesn't scare them."



## QUOTE:

'Prayer, as the act of turning toward God, is not just an application of energies to one task among many. It fulfils the whole purpose of one's being. We were made for prayer; it is the most human and personal thing we do.'

Fr Michael Casey OCD, *Toward God*

## KIMBERLEY CATHOLIC VOLUNTEER SERVICE

Wanted – Urgently seeking youth workers. The Diocese of Broome, WA, urgently requires two youth workers to assist the work of the church in Kalumburu Mission in the far north of WA. See notice board for further details.