



Brighton Catholic Parishes Newsletter  
**St James The Great**  
 &  
**St Joan of Arc**



29th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME. Year C

20th October, 2019

**Services**

**Sunday Mass**

Sat 6.00pm & Sun 9am  
 at St James Church

Sun 11am & 5.30pm at  
 St Joan of Arc Church.

**Weekday Masses**

Tues at 6pm & \*Thur  
 9.15am at St James.

Wed & Fri at 9.15am at  
 St Joan of Arc.

\*First Thursday of the  
 month at noon, chapel at  
 Cabrini Hospital, Btn.

**Weddings  
 & Baptisms**

By appointment.

**Parish Groups**

**Card Players:**

First Thursday of the  
 month in the St Joan of  
 Arc presbytery meeting  
 room from 11.30am.

**Meditation:**

Mon 10am- presbytery  
 at St Joan of Arc

**Prayer Group:**

Thursday at 8pm in  
 St Joan of Arc Church

**Social Justice Group:**

Every second Thursday  
 of the month in the  
 presbytery at St Joan of  
 Arc at 7.30 pm

**Reflection On The Readings**

The idea of prayer changing us, changes our prayer – giving it greater dynamism and urgency. While we may not know the mind or will of God, we often know our own thoughts and desires.

We can usually pinpoint what needs recrafting or re-shaping in us so that we may live out the goodness and love of God more clearly. Confronting and converting these obstacles, with God, can see our prayer at its boldest and bravest. At these times we can enjoy God’s healing and forgiveness. And because conversion is a life-time process, Jesus encourages us not to lose heart but to pray always and hold on to faith even when the going gets tough.

*Richard Leonard SJ*



**Remember In Our Prayers**

**Illness:** Dalia Borell, Barbara Gallo, Marta Elena Hinds, Michael Kelly, Gabrielle Marylees, Elaine McCaffrey, Margaret McGrath, Kevin Nichollis, Mary O’Connor, Catherine Ryan, Edward Shelley, Emily Somers, Brian Taylor, Robin Turner

**Recently Deceased:** Frank O’Toole

**Anniversaries:** Ronald Lock, Ronnie O’Donnell, Daniel Porter

**Parish Contacts**

**Parish Priest:** Fr Martin Dixon

**Pastoral Associate:** Carole Cheng      **Organist:** Mary Taylor

**Cantors:** Adam Kaczanowski & Marie-France Urruty

**St Joan of Arc & St James Parishes**

**Office Address:** 118 New St, Brighton. 3186    **Tel:** 9593 1703

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**Parish Accountant:** Marina Stevenson    **Parish Secretary:** Elaine Bolitho

**Parish Office Hours:** Tue-Fri: 9.30am-3.30pm.

**St James School**

**School Principal:** Brendan Flanagan    **Tel:** 9596 4766

**St Joan of Arc School**

**School Principal:** Tony McMahon    **Tel:** 9592 3840

## Services This Week

This weekend we are delighted to welcome back Fr Martin and all those who travelled on the pilgrimage to Israel and Jordan.



- ◆ Congratulations to Nicholas and Zachary Crabtree who will receive the Sacraments of Baptism and First Eucharist at the 11am Mass this weekend.
- ◆ Please give generously to our collection for the World Mission Appeal at all Masses. This year we are invited to support the Eden Gardens Children's Home in Nagaland, north-eastern India.

## We're On The Lookout!

Dear parishioners please send in your submissions to the parish magazine by the end of October. Don't miss this opportunity to contribute. Email the parish office at [Brighton@cam.org.au](mailto:Brighton@cam.org.au) or call into the parish office Tuesday to Friday.



### Refreshments At St James

You are invited to enjoy time together for a chat after Masses at St James on the last weekend of each month.

**After 6pm Mass: Wine and cheese**

**After 9am Mass: Tea, coffee and biscuits**

Special thanks to our wonderful volunteer helpers and contributors. Feel free to bring along a slice or biscuits to share.

## Stewardship Statements

Thank you to all parishioners who have supported the parish financially throughout the year. Statements of Giving are available for your collection from the church foyer today.

Please note that the giving amount is not tax deductible.

## Parish Volunteers— Important Notice

The leadership of each parish is responsible for ensuring compliance with the requirements of the Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy and relevant procedures and practices to promote the safety of children and young people consistent with the:

- Child Safe Standards (Victoria)
- National Catholic Safeguarding Standards
- National Principles for Child Safe Organisations

Clergy, employees and volunteers in parish, agency and entity roles represent the Archdiocese and hold a position of trust in our communities, irrespective of whether their role involves direct, indirect or no contact with children and young people. We need to ensure that all who work or volunteer within the Archdiocese have been appropriately screened through the Working with Children Check process (WWCC).

The WWCC requirements of The Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne (CAM) exceed the requirements of the WWCC legislation. This demonstrates our commitment to excluding persons who pose an obvious risk to children and young people.

All clergy, employees and volunteers over the age of 18 are required to maintain a current WWCC throughout their involvement in parishes, agencies and entities.

**We ask all St Joan of Arc and St James volunteers without a WWCC to please apply online at:**

[www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov/individual/applicants/how-to-apply#Complete online application](http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov/individual/applicants/how-to-apply#Complete online application)

We appreciate that this may be difficult for some parishioners but we don't want to lose your support. Please contact the parish office on 9593 1703 for assistance or request help from family and friends.



We acknowledge the Boon Wurrung people of the Kulin nation as the traditional custodians of this place we now call Brighton

Please remember in your prayers all those preparing for exams. Many thanks to Charlie Allpress for taking time from his busy schedule to always help with the collecting at St James.



### St Gerard's Feast Day

A blessing to honour St Gerard Majella's Feast Day (October 16) will be held at Majellan House, 257 St Kilda Street Brighton, (next to Brighton Yacht Club) on **Sunday October 20 at 2.30pm. All welcome.**

## **Cabrini Brighton**

### **Communion Ministry Volunteers Needed**

Are you interested in providing assistance to Cabrini Pastoral and Bereavement Services Department as a Holy Communion Ministry Volunteer?

This work involves distributing Communion to Catholic patients at Cabrini Brighton on Wednesdays & Thursdays. If this appeals to you please contact Therese Proy on 9508 1927 or [tproy@cabrini.com.au](mailto:tproy@cabrini.com.au). No experience needed. Cabrini Health provides extensive orientation and ongoing training for volunteers.

## **Spring Fair**

### **St Peter's Anglican Church**

**Sat 26 Oct, 9am to 1pm**

Cakes, jams, crafts, books, bbq, trash & treasure, plants, Devonshire teas, children's activities and more. 77 Were St Brighton Beach.



### Plum Pudding Orders

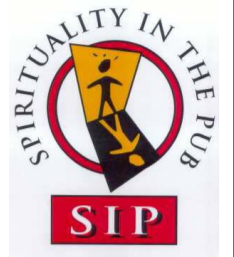


It's time to order your delicious St Peter's plum pudding which have a reputation for their high quality. The puddings come in two sizes: 1.5kg (serves 16) at \$45.00 and 750gms (serves 8) at \$35.00.

Orders can be placed by phoning Jane Wilson on 0438 412 328 or email [jane.wilson.aus@gmail.com](mailto:jane.wilson.aus@gmail.com)

## **Spirituality In The Pub**

### **Plenary Council: The Journey & The Future Where Are We Heading?**



**When:** Wed 23rd Oct at 7.30pm

**Speaker:** Fr Noel Connolly. Fr Noel is a Columban missionary priest who has been appointed to the Facilitation Team for the Plenary Council 2020.

**Venue:** Sandringham Hotel

**Book:** For a meal on 9598 7255

**Details:** Vin on 9530 6004 or Frances on 9579 3920.

## **THE 2019 ANNUAL**

### **WALTER SILVESTER MEMORIAL LECTURE**

Tuesday 29 October, 5.45pm refreshments for a 6.30pm start ACU Christ Lecture Theatre, Young St, Fitzroy. Archbishop of Melbourne, Most Rev. Peter A Comensoli will be delivering the lecture titled Towards the Plenary Council: On Reform in the Church. **RSVP** for catering purposes by 22 October.

**Booking:** Anne Dowling (03) 9304 2926, Ronnie Maloney [rmaloney1537@gmail.com](mailto:rmaloney1537@gmail.com)

## **Catholic Theological College**

### **Open Day Wednesday 6 November, 2019**

Study options, library and building tour, refreshments. Two programs: 4.30pm-6.30pm or 6.00pm-8.00pm. Bookings essential: RSVP to Jenny Delahunt by Friday 1 November. Phone: 9412 3314 Email: [jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au](mailto:jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au) 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne VIC 3002.

## **St James Church Roster**

### Saturday 6pm Mass on 19 & 26 October

**Overhead/Set Up:** Vin Underwood (o)  
**Special Ministers:** Sr Frances Suhr, Mary Field, Ruth Martinez

**Collector:** Wendy Lord-Henry

**Reader/Com:** Helen Miller, Gerry McCusker

### Sunday 9am Mass on 20 & 27 October

**Overheard/Set Up:** Steve Lorenzo (o)  
**Special Ministers:** Robert Messina, Nancy Ohlert, John Blangiardo

**Collector:** Tony Joyce

**Reader / Com:** John Taylor, Denise Van Baer

**FIRST READING: EX17:8-13**

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand. Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it under him and on this he sat, Aaron and Hur supporting his arms, one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

**SECOND READING: 2 TIM 3:14-4:42**

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures - from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work. Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience - but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching. is the word of the Lord.

**GOSPEL LUKE 18:1-8**

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on com-

ing to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death." And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'



Next week's Readings

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Year C  
Sir 35:12-14.16-19, 2 Tim 4:6-8, Luke 18:9-14

## **DIFFERENT VIEW**

### **Convincing God**

*Does this teaching about the need for continual prayer mean that God needs to be convinced of our cause? Does a one-off prayer not get heard? Is God swayed by the force of numbers? Can the prayers of ten people carry more weight than the prayers of one? All these questions miss the point of the parable. It is not God who needs our prayers, but we who have to recognise, through prayer, our need for God's mercy and gracious love. The constancy of prayer is not to convince God but to remind ourselves of our dependence upon God.*