The other day I heard two parishioners talking who had never previously met one another. One regularly attended mass at St. Patrick's and the other at St. John Vianney's. In listening to them speak it struck me that as a parish we need to meet and get to know one another to enrich our community.

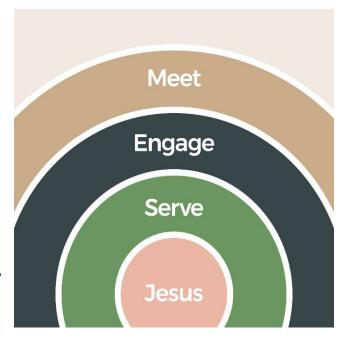
One thing that I am always surprised and proud of is the size, range and dedication of our community. We have two wonderful schools, and many groups within our parish, including prayer groups, sporting clubs, social groups and service organisations yet we still have people who feel disconnected and lonely.

It is now time to come together and share our stories to rediscover the wonderful community we have in Mentone-Parkdale.

As part of our Thanksgiving we have included an Expo to celebrate the work of our parish community. The doors of St Patrick's Mentone school hall will open at 7pm on Wednesday July 31st. This will allow time to browse the displays and meet some of our wonderful community before formalities begin at 7:30pm. The



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evening will include our choirs and hearing from some of our parishioners as to what their faith and parish means to them. At the conclusion of this we will then share some supper together.

Should you have any queries in relation to the night please send an email to: ThanksGiving2019@bigpond.com

To assist with catering could you please confirm you attendance through TryBooking:at <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/BDDVN">https://www.trybooking.com/BDDVN</a>