

# St Peter Apostle Mission Parish

38 Guinane Avenue, Hoppers Crossing 3029  
Archdiocese of Melbourne  
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## 5 February 2017 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A



### DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR FEBRUARY

#### Prayer for Life

Heavenly Father, through the intercession of Our Lady, instil in us an ever greater respect for every human life.

Guide health care professionals, policy makers and scientists so that progress contributes to the well-being of humanity and justice and equality for all.

We pray that our whole community will always seek to uphold the dignity of every human person regardless of age, sickness or disability.

We pray that we will be witnesses to the Gospel of life and transform the world with love.

Amen.

#### Entrance Antiphon

O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Reading Is 58:7-10

**A reading from the prophet Isaiah.**

Thus says the Lord: Share your bread with the hungry, and shelter the homeless poor, clothe the man you see to be naked and do not turn from your own kin. Then your light will shine like the dawn and your wound be quickly healed over. Your integrity will go before you and the glory of the Lord behind you. Cry, and the Lord will answer; call, and he will say, 'I am here.' If you do away with the yoke, the clenched fist, the wicked word, if you give your bread to the hungry, and relief to the oppressed, your light will rise in the darkness, and your shadows become like noon.

The word of the Lord.

#### Responsorial Psalm

A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading 1Cor 2:1-5

**A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians**

When I came to you, brothers, it was not with any show of oratory or philosophy, but simply to tell you what God had guaranteed. During my stay with you, the only knowledge I claimed to have was about Jesus, and only about him as the crucified Christ. Far from relying on any power of my own, I came among you in great 'fear and trembling' and in my speeches and the sermons that I gave, there were none of the arguments that belong to philosophy; only a demonstration of the power of the Spirit. And I did this so that your faith should not depend on human philosophy but on the power of God.

#### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!** I am the light of the world, says the Lord; the man who follows me will have the light of life. **Alleluia!**

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#### OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Fri: 9:00am – 3:30pm

#### CONTACT DETAILS

Parish Priest  
**Fr. Pius Kodakkathanath** *vc*  
Parish Deacon  
**Charles English**  
Parish Secretary  
**Josephine Thomas**  
School Principal  
**Karen Wilson**  
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#### WEEKEND MASSES

Sat: 6:00pm  
Sun: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm  
*Filipino* – 4<sup>th</sup> Sun: 12:00pm  
*Polish* – 1<sup>st</sup> Sun: 3:30pm  
*Spanish* – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun: 12:00pm

#### WEEKDAY MASSES

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 8:30am  
Wed: 8:30am & 7:00pm  
Sat: 9:15am

#### CONFESSIONS

Wed: After 7:00pm Mass  
Sat: After 9:15am Mass

#### DEVOTIONS

##### **Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction**

Fri & Sat morning after Mass & Sat afternoon at 2.30pm  
**First Friday:** 7:00pm to 10:00pm  
**Morning Prayer & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

Mon to Fri: 8:00am

Sat: 8:30am

##### **Next Healing Mass**

4<sup>th</sup> March 17, 2:00 to 4:30pm

##### **Our Lady of Perpetual Help**

Wed after 7:00pm Mass

##### **Rosary**

Mon to Fri after Mass

Sat before Mass and at 2.00pm

#### BAPTISMS

3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday

10:30am or 2:15pm

Baptism Formation Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month, 7:00pm

#### WEDDINGS

By Appointment

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Call Parish Office on 9749 4300

#### HOUSE BLESSINGS & VISITS

Call Parish Office on 9749 4300

#### ALL QUERIES

Parish Office 9749 4300

Gospel  
Mt 5:13-16

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.**

Jesus said to his disciples, 'You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men. 'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.'  
The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion  
Antiphon

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

Next Week's  
Readings

**Sirach 15:15-20; 1 Cor 2:6-10;  
Mt 5:17-37**

Feasts for  
the Week

St. Paul Miki and companions Mon, 6 Feb  
St. Scholastica Fri, 10 Feb

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### PIETY STORE

Last chance to get your Columban Calendar. Help the Missions and keep up to date with saints' feast days, etc. \$9 each. Calendars must be sent back after the weekend of **4th/5th February**. Only 11 left.

### POPE'S INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY 2017

That all those who are afflicted, especially the poor, refugees and marginalized, may find welcome and comfort in our communities.

### TWEET FROM POPE FRANCIS

Nothing is impossible if we turn to God in prayer. We can all be builders of peace.

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The next Meeting of the Hoppers Crossing Conference of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be on next Tuesday night, the 7th February, at 7:30pm in the Parish Community Centre. We are in need of new Members available to go out on Visits on one day Tuesdays to Thursdays. If you can spare the time (1.5 - 2 hours each week), please feel welcome to come to a Meeting.

## ROSTERS

### Money Counters – 12 Feb 17

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| Andy & Cecille Fernando / Kitty Stuttard |
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### Readers – 11/12 Feb 17

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| 6:00pm  | Wilfred D'Cruz   |
| 8:30am  | Sunil Vaz        |
| 10:30am | Rosemary Hibbert |
| 5:00pm  | Giovanna Siccita |

### Extraordinary Ministers of Communion 11/12 Feb 17

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| 6:00pm  | J. Poppen / S. Albuquerque / R&A D'Souza    |
| 8:30am  | R. Johnson / K. English / L&B Jones         |
| 10:30am | S. Colla / Sally DiB / N. Costa / V. Firman |
| 5:00pm  | J&D Etienne / 2 X VOLUNTEERS                |

### Music Ministry – 11/12 Feb 17

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| 6:00pm  | Footsteps       |
| 8:30am  | Shirley & Group |
| 10:30am | Youth Band      |
| 5:00pm  | KNK             |

## PARISH NEWS

### CHILDREN ENGAGING IN THE GOSPEL

Children's Liturgy of the Word will be starting again for the year on **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February at the 10:30 mass**. It is held every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday during the school term. Children are given the opportunity to come together to engage in the gospel of the Sunday at their level. We are currently in need of more helpers to assist in the running of Children's Liturgy. No experience required and all material will be provided. The commitment is only 6-7 sessions a year. It is a requirement that you have a Working with Children's Check. There is no fee in obtaining the Working with Children Check for volunteers in the parish. Contact Josephine at the parish office on 9749 4300 to apply for one. **If you are interested please contact Ayesha on 0422685779.**

### BAPTISM FORMATION

Baptism Formation meeting will be held on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Feb at 7:00pm in church.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you can help with serving on the Piety Store once a month after your regular Mass, please contact Bev Jones on 9749-2388. Thank you.

## CHILDREN SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM –SUNDAY SCHOOL

Enrolment times and dates for our Sacramental and Religious Education classes for Children attending Non Catholic Schools, are: Sunday **5th and 12th February, 9:30am to 11:00am. Classes start on 19th February from 9:15am to 10:25am.**

If you have Children or Grandchildren whom you wish to receive Sacraments, please come and see us. You will find us by following the arrows on the walls of the school buildings near the undercover car park. Enquiries to Bernice on 9749-2812.

## READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Availability Forms for Easter Ceremonies are in the Hall. Please pick your copy and return the completed form at the earliest. Ash Wednesday is on the 1<sup>st</sup> March.

## LETTER FROM ARCHBISHOP DENIS HART

Please check the noticeboard for a letter from the Archbishop on the final hearing involving the Catholic Church at the Royal Commission into Child Sexual Abuse.

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE PARISH

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| Every Sunday | Youth & Young Adults Group 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Come and join the Brothers & Sisters of Two Hearts as they help you grow in your faith journey with prayer, fun, games, music and pizza. |
| 6 Feb 2017   | Baptism Formation 7:00pm in church.   |
| 1 Mar 2017   | Ash Wednesday   |
| 3-5 Mar 2017 | Our Lady of Fatima Centennial Celebrations. More information to come.   |

## OUR LADY OF FATIMA – CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS

Our Parish is pleased to announce that we will be hosting the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima from Friday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of March through to Sunday the 5<sup>th</sup> of March to mark the **100th anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady in Portugal.** This Statue is one of six which has been blessed by Pope Francis to travel the six continents. Please keep these dates free. Further information regarding special events planned in our Parish will be released in the coming weeks.

## CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL: 50 YEARS COME CELEBRATE!

**Mass St Patrick's Cathedral 26 February 2017 at 2:00pm**

Archbishop Denis Hart will celebrate Mass at **2:00pm** and launch the Jubilee Cross on Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup> February to begin its journey over Victoria. ***To celebrate the great gift of the Holy Spirit the Cross will be carried to 40 parishes in 40 weeks to show God's love for ALL people.***

**MACKILLOP COLLEGE ENROLMENTS FOR 2018** will close on 17th February 2017

## THE CATHOLIC GUY AT ST ANDREW'S PARISH 27-31 MARCH 2017

Five Inspiring Sessions at St Andrew's Parish from 27<sup>th</sup> March to 31<sup>st</sup> March, please check flyer in the hall for details.

## PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

Very soon the students for the priesthood will recommence their studies at Corpus Christi College, our seminary in Carlton. It is anticipated that there will be eleven new students for the Melbourne Archdiocese this year. Please keep them in your prayers, and pray for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Perhaps God is calling somebody from our parish or family.

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| <b>PROMISED WEEKLY AMOUNT:</b>    | <b>\$4250.00</b> |
| <b>ENVELOPES/CR CARD/BANK CR:</b> | <b>\$3401.25</b> |
| <b>LOOSE MONEY:</b>               | <b>\$1478.45</b> |
| <b>PRIESTS:</b>                   | <b>\$1109.20</b> |
| <b>CHAPLAINCY:</b>                |                  |

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** We pray for all who died recently.

**DEATH ANNIVERSARIES:** We pray for Kevin Waters, Joshua Gano, Tessie Lawrence, Noel Lawrence, Mary Miller, Gilbert Williams, John Vella Sr., Albert Gil Estrada and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** We pray for Anthony Cooray, Janet Gill, Frank Fazio, Lydia (Aleida) Van Susteren, Peter McGlade, Molly Wilson, Gary Spotswood, Stan Walkden, Diane Cameron, Sean Donaldson, Aiden Catherall, Vera Fernandez, Vic Pagunsan, Edith Street, Georgette Maalouf, Carmen Mifsud, Bob Meehan, Dominic D'Lima, Cynthia Middleton, Milton Roberts, Elizabeth Slee, Liam Parr, Veronica Gomes, Lynne Worsley, Luis Farrugia, Lisa Hassan, Fillipo Amore, Mary MCMinn, Kristian Romios, Greg O'Keeffe and all who are ill in our Parish.