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20 August 2017 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A



DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR AUGUST

Love to the End

We pray for all who are approaching death, that they be granted the grace to live in peace in this life and rest in peace in the next.

Show us how to care for those at the end of life with loving patience.

We pray for all doctors, nurses and care givers who answer the call to serve You in the sick and dying. May they be strengthened to continue to use their gifts in the service of life.

We pray for our law and policy makers, may they always seek to serve the common good and respect the dignity of all, especially the most vulnerable.

We pray for the freedom of all to act in accordance with their conscience.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Mary, Mother of all, pray for us!

Entrance Antiphon

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

1st Reading Is 56:1,6-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest. Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

O God, let all the nations praise you!

2nd Reading Rom 11:13-15, 29-32

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans.

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice. Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

The word of the Lord.

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
(9749-1055)

WEEKEND MASSES

Sat: 6:00pm
Sun: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm
Filipino – 4th Sun: 12:00pm
Polish – 1st Sun: 3:30pm
Spanish – 1st & 3rd 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
2nd Sept 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

3rd, 4th, 5th Sunday
10:30am or 2:15pm
Baptism Formation Meeting
1st 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
Acclamation
Mt 17:5

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. **Alleluia!**

Gospel
Mt 15:21-28

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

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion
Antiphon

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

Next Week's
Readings

Is 22:19-23; Rom 11:33-36;
Mt 16:13-20

Feasts of the
Week

St. Pius **Mon, 21 Aug**
The Queenship of the
Blessed Virgin Mary **Tue, 22 Aug**
St. Bartholomew **Thu, 24 Aug**

The JUBILEE CROSS

The Jubilee Cross that has been travelling to various parishes in Victoria since February this year, will be in our parish from **14 to 17 September**. The Cross will be taken in procession on Heaths, Morris, Hogans and Derrimut road during its time in our parish – if anyone wishes to carry the cross, please contact Josephine at the parish office email hopperscrossing@cam.org.au or phone 9749 4300. Details of routes and events will be on the notice board next week. There will be a special Mass on **Sunday 17 September at 10:30am followed by lunch**. All are invited.

CARPENTERS SHOP

All men are invited to join us each Saturday from 7:20am until 8:30am in the Community Centre. Come for a hearty breakfast and lively discussion. Ring Les on 9749 2388 for more information.

PIETY STORE ROSTERS for September, October and November are now available for collection in the Hall

PROMISED WEEKLY AMOUNT:	\$4236.00
ENVELOPES/CR CARD/BANK CR:	\$3235.40
LOOSE MONEY:	\$1416.15
PRIESTS:	\$1100.70
CHAPLAINCY:	\$ 190.15

ROSTERS

Money Counters 27 Aug 17

John Allen, Jules & Neeta Pereira

Readers – 26/27 Aug 17

6:00pm	Jeffery Poppen
8:30am	KSC Reader
10:30am	Rosemary Hibbert
5:00pm	Jeslin Shahji

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion 26/27 Aug 17

6:00pm	H. Durski / B. Farrugia / M. Maple / E. Dalton
8:30am	KSC Minister / K. McLoughlin / L. Jones / VOL
10:30am	V. Azimi / V. Firman / Sally DiB / C. Morcom
5:00pm	S&I SImangan / E. Behrouzi / VOL

Music Ministry 26/27 Aug 17

6:00pm	Filiorum Dei
8:30am	Shirley & Group
10:30am	Domini Chorum
5:00pm	KNK

PARISH NEWS

FR. PIUS IS POSTED TO CORIO

It is with a heavy heart that we inform you that the Archbishop has posted our dear Fr. Pius to Corio as Parish Priest from 11 October. Our parish profile has been sent to the Archdiocese office and we will find out in a few days who will replace Fr Pius as our parish priest.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR PARISH

Sundays	6:15 – 8:15pm HSI School of Discipleship in Community Centre.
31 Aug – 8 Sep	Nativity of Our Lady Novena – see bulletin and notice boards for details
11 Sep	7:00pm Baptism Formation Meeting in church.
14-17 Sep	Jubilee Cross will visit our parish.

CONFIRMATIONS - ST. PETER'S GRADE 6 CHILDREN

We congratulate the Grade 6 students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday 19 August. May their lives be forever enriched by the Gifts and Fruits bestowed upon them by the Holy Spirit.

INVITING ALL ALTAR SERVERS

Fr Pius and Deacon Charles wish to thank all Altar Servers for your wonderful work in our parish. You are all invited to **Mass at 6pm on Saturday the 16th September** and for a meal thereafter in the Hall. RSVP call or email parish office: 7th September for catering purposes.

BAPTISM FORMATION MEETING CHANGED

Please note that as we have the Novena to our Lady (Feast of Nativity) from 31st August to 8th September, the Baptism Formation meeting for next month will be held on the **second Monday, 11 September** at 7:00pm in the church.

EUTHANASIA & ASSISTED SUICIDE – IMPORTANT NOTICE

Thank you to parishioners who have brought their letters to the MPs, as requested. Kindly place these in the boxes outside in the church foyer. If you haven't brought your letters today we will be collecting them again next weekend, so kindly bring them along so that we can send as many letters as possible supporting our vote against the proposed Bill for Euthanasia and Assisted Dying. Thank you all for your tremendous support.

HSI SCHOOL OF DISCIPLESHIP

HSI School of Discipleship commenced on July 23 with thirty candidates attending. The first five weeks of the school are to experience what the school is all about. The School runs for two hours from 6.15 pm on Sunday and is aimed at learning our faith, living it and sharing the faith with others. Come and see how this school could change your life. For enquiries please call Francis on 0401 787 372 or Sharon on 0430 099 654.

POPE'S TWEET

Other people are gifts to be received with respect, especially if they are weak and frail, because Christ comes to meet us in them.

POPE'S INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST

That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

NATIVITY OF OUR LADY NOVENA

The novena for the feast of the Nativity of Our Lady will start on Thursday 31 August until the feast day on 8 September. Parishioners are invited to bring in their own statues/icons of the Blessed Virgin Mary to be placed on the table at the front of the Church each day of the Novena. The last day, 8 September, will conclude with a shared supper. Please bring a plate of finger food to share. Timetable giving timings for the Mass/Rosary/Novena are posted on the notice boards.

TIMETABLE FOR NATIVITY OF OUR LADY NOVENA

We are looking for people to lead the Rosary each day of the novena. If you would like to do so, please call the parish office on 9749 4300 as soon as possible. Thank you.

Day 1 Thu 31 Aug	7:00pm Mass, Exposition, Rosary & Novena Prayer
Day 2 Fri 1 Sept	7:00pm Mass, Exposition, Rosary & Novena Prayer <i>(First Friday)</i>
Day 3 Sat 2 Sept	8:30am Exposition, Rosary & Novena Prayer 9:15am Mass followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet
Day 4 Sun 3 Sept	8:00am Exposition, Rosary & Novena 8:30am Mass
Day 5 Mon 4 Sep	7:00pm Mass, Exposition, Rosary & Novena Prayer
Day 6 Tue 5 Sept	7:00pm Mass, Exposition, Rosary & Novena Prayer
Day 7 Wed 6 Sep	7:00pm Mass, Exposition, Rosary & Novena Prayer <i>Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena will be recited prior to Rosary</i>
Day 8 Thu 7 Sep	7:00pm Mass, Exposition, Rosary & Novena Prayer
Day 9 Fri 8 Sept:	FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LADY 7:00pm – Mass, Exposition, Rosary & Novena Prayer Supper afterwards – please bring plate of finger food to share
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MenALIVE Melbourne – AFL FOOTBALLER DANIEL WELLS

The Catholic Man Breakfast series is an opportunity for men to gather and be encouraged and inspired in their faith. Hear champion AFL Footballer and Catholic husband and father Daniel Wells tell his story in an interview with John "Percy" Canavan. Bookings des@menalive.org.au. Enquiries to Michael Bohan 0439 172 465 or Michael.bohan@menalive.org.au. Cost \$45 per person. Thursday, 14 September, 7:00am to 9:00am at CQ Club.

RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for Vera Saerang, Mary McMinn, Vera Fernandez and all who passed away recently.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for Louise Van Susteren, Anthony Bulbrook, Pasqua Viterbo and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: We pray for Leo Linehan, Angela O'Brien, Lydia (Aleida) Van Susteren, Peter McGlade, Gary Spotswood, Stan Walkden, Diane Cameron, Kristian Romois, Robert Hart, Karen Norris, Liam Parr, Edith Street, Georgette Maalouf, Carmen Mifsud, Bob Meehan, Dominic D'Lima, Cynthia Middleton, Milton Roberts, Elizabeth Slee, Barbara Grogan, Laurie & Leslea Baker, Jean Skinner, Charlie Xerxin, Melissa Caroline, Ralf Milone, Joyce D'Rozario, Megan Rowe, Sean Donaldson, Jeff Grech, Crispin Garcia, Lyn Worsley, Lorraine Gill, Linda Collins, Sr. Eileen Brown, Eugenie Rinaldi, Keith Gill, Margaret Jones and all who are ill in our Parish.