

St Peter Apostle Mission Parish

38 Guinane Avenue, Hoppers Crossing 3029
Archdiocese of Melbourne

Committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of children and vulnerable adults



13 January 2019 The Baptism of the Lord Year C



DEVOTIONAL PRAYER FOR JANUARY

Prayer for All Mankind

Father of all, as we begin the New Year let your peace, mercy and kindness be experienced by all people that they may come to know and love you, the one true God, their Lord and their Father.

Make yourself known to those who do not know you; may those who seek you find you.

Of your compassion, may every sorrow be comforted, every need supplied, every evil averted, every wrong righted, every hope realised.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour.

Amen.

Entrance Antiphon

After the Lord was baptised, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

1st Reading Is 40:1-5, 9-11

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

'Console my people, console them' says your God. 'Speak to the heart of Jerusalem and call to her that her time of service is ended, that her sin is atoned for, that she has received from the hand of the Lord double punishment for her crimes.' A voice cries, 'Prepare in the wilderness a way for the Lord. Make a straight highway for our God across the desert. Let every valley be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low, let every cliff become a plain, and the ridges a valley; then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all mankind shall see it; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.' Go up on a high mountain, joyful messenger to Zion. Shout with a loud voice, joyful messenger to Jerusalem. Shout without fear, say to the towns of Judah, 'Here is your God.' Here is the Lord coming with power, his arm subduing all things to him. The prize of his victory is with him, his trophies all go before him. He is like a shepherd feeding his flock, gathering lambs in his arms, holding them against his breast and leading to their rest the mother ewes.
The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Oh, bless the Lord, my soul.

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OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Fri: 9:00am – 3:30pm

CONTACT DETAILS

Parish Priest

Fr. Vincent John CMI

Parish Deacon

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WEEKEND MASSES

Sat: 6:00pm

Sun: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm

Filipino – 4th Sun at 12:00 noon

Polish – 1st Sun at 3:30pm

Spanish – 1st & 3rd Sun at 1:15pm

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

First Friday: 7:00pm to 10:00pm

Morning Prayer

Mon to Fri 8:00am

Sat 9:00am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Fri 9:00am & Divine Mercy Chaplet

Sat 2:30pm

Next Healing Mass

2 February 19, 1:30 to 4:30pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena

Wed after 7:00pm Mass

Rosary

Mon to Fri 8:10am

Sat 8:40am

Sun 8:10am

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Sundays at 12 noon

Baptism Preparation Meeting

1st Monday of the month, 7:00pm

WEDDINGS

By Appointment

ANOINTING OF THE SICK, HOUSE BLESSINGS & VISITS

Call Parish Office on 9749 4300

ALL QUERIES

Parish Office 9749 4300

2nd Reading
Titus 2:11-14,
3:4-7

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

God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is to give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus. He sacrificed himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own and would have no ambition except to do good. When the kindness and love of God our saviour for mankind were revealed, it was not because he was concerned with any righteous actions we might have done ourselves; it was for no reason except his own compassion that he saved us, by means of the cleansing water of rebirth and by renewing us with the Holy Spirit which he has so generously poured over us through Jesus Christ our saviour. He did this so that we should be justified by his grace, to become heirs looking forward to inheriting eternal life.
The Word of the Lord.

Gospel
Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! John said: He who is to come is mightier than I; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. **Alleluia!**

Gospel
Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

A reading from the holy Gospel according to St. Luke

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire.' Now when all the people had been baptised and while Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily shape, like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion
Antiphon

Behold the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.

Next week's
Readings

Is 62:1-5; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

Feasts of the
Week

St. Anthony, Abbot Thu, 17 Jan

ROSTERS

Money Counters – 20 January 19

John Allen / Jules & Neeta Pereira

Readers – 19/20 January 19

6:00pm	Wilfred D'Cruz
8:30am	Kitty Stuttard
10:30am	Sharon Aurubia
5:00pm	Angelique Etiennette

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion 19/20 January 19

6:00pm	Davy F. / E. Dalton / S. D'Silva / A. D'Lima
8:30am	Bernice S. / Karen F. / K. English / C. Coelho
10:30am	V Firman / Vanina IDA / S Delos Reyos / L Ortega
5:00pm	M&D Etiennette / J. Phan Lai / Volunteer

PARISH NEWS

CAR PARK REFURBISHMENT

Please note that the car park will be undergoing major refurbishment from January 14 to 26 during which time the entire car park will be closed for weekday and weekend Masses. **Please note the car park will be closed for the next (January 19th/20th) weekend Masses.** Access to church will be through the side gate. There will be no access to the community centre. Thank you for your co-operation and assistance in this regard. Please do pray that the car park refurbishment will be completed on time.

FEAST OF STO NIÑO will be celebrated at St. Peter Apostle Mission Parish at 12 noon on Sunday, 27th January 2019. Procession starts at 11:30am in the carpark. You are welcome to bring your Sto Niño icons on the day.

PIETY STORE

Divine Mercy and Columban Calendars are available (\$9). Keep informed of Saints' Feast days and other Feasts throughout the year.

GIVING TREE. A big thank you from St Peter's Conference of St. Vincent de Paul Society to all parishioners and to students from St. Peter's School and Thomas Carr College, who gave so generously to our Giving tree. We were able to give hampers to 110 families in our area.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR OUR PARISH (FROM FEBRUARY 2019)

Sundays	- 6:15 to 8:15pm HSI School of Discipleship in Community Centre - Youth Group meet in the Hall after 5pm Mass - Young Adults (18 -29 years) meet in Theatrette from 6:00pm
Baptisms	1 st & 3 rd Sundays at 12 noon. Next Baptism Formation Meeting, Monday, 4 th February at 7:00pm in Church.
1 st Fridays	7:00pm to 10:00pm starting with Mass
Healing Mass	1 st Saturday of the month, 1:30pm to 4:30pm – NEXT HEALING MASS ON FEBRUARY 2nd, 1:30pm – 4:30pm

READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

As the next Roster from March to May 2019 will include the Easter Ceremonies, please complete the Availability Forms in the Hall and return them to the Parish Office **NO LATER THAN 6TH FEBRUARY, 2019.** Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

YOUTH MASS

Please note that from February 2019, the 5:00pm Mass on the 3rd Sunday of each month will be a Youth Mass, and they will supply all the Ministries for the Mass.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER, REFLECTION & ACTION AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING

All are invited to attend a Vigil Mass to celebrate the Feast of St. Josephine Bakhita and to mark the International Day of Prayer, Reflection and Action Against Human Trafficking on Thursday, 7th February 2019 at 7:30pm. Celebrated by Archbishop Peter Comensoli at St. Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne.

BAPTISM OF THE LORD – 13TH JANUARY 2019

The call given to each of us at our Baptism is unique. At Baptism we were made 'priests, prophets and kings' as the Rite of Baptism reminds us. As we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord this weekend, reflect on the call given to us at our baptism, no matter how long ago it was. As baptised Christians, we are called to spread the 'Good News' and grow in holiness. Let us pray today for the young members of our families and our congregations and our secondary schools: that they will live out this call in a radical way and respond to whatever the Lord calls them to, perhaps consecrated life or priesthood.

PROMISED WEEKLY AMOUNT:	\$4236.00
ENVELOPES/CR CARD/BANK CR:	\$3086.00
CHURCH A/C:	\$1595.90
PRESBYTERY A/C:	\$1324.75
CHAPLAINCY	\$ 202.15

RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for Jaia Baer, Ossie Fonseca, Mariano De Muri, Isidra Buenaventura, Petronila Larmar and all who have passed away recently.

DEATH ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for Lena Surrao, Diane Cameron, Edith Platel, Cyril Dickson, Michael Blythe, Wanda & Bob Keech, Harry Robert John, Swamy Lobo and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: We pray for Leo Linehan, Lydia (Aleida) Van Susteren, Gary Spotswood, Stan Walkden, Sean Donaldson, Liam Parr, Edith Street, Bob Meehan, Rita Dubowik, Lucy Ballan, Irene Jones, Thais Long, Sr. Eileen Jones, Virginia Jewers, Janko Janksic, Josie Walsh, Cynthia Middleton, Miroslav Hedik, and all who are ill in our Parish.