

**PARISH BULLETIN**

**St Macartan's Catholic Parish**



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**Parish Priest: Fr Joe Bui Duc Tien ([buiductionien@hotmail.com](mailto:buiductionien@hotmail.com))**

**Secretaries: Francesca McLoughlin, Marie Mills, Catherine Larken  
(9am-3:30pm Monday to Friday)**

**Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!**



**PARISH EVENTS**

**Monday 26th February**

1pm Canasta Cards (CC)

**Tuesday 27th February**

10am Minister Unto God Prayer Group (CC)

4pm High Spirits (CC)

7.30pm Padua College Opening Mass

**Wednesday 28th February**

Little Mac's Playgroup 9:45am-11:30am (CC)

St Mac's Café 7pm-9pm (CC)

**Thursday 1st March**

7pm-9pm Parish Lenten Program (PH)

**Friday 2nd March**

9:15am-10am Mass & Benediction

1pm Solo cards (CC)

3pm-5pm Youth Group (PH)

**Saturday 3rd March**

7:30am Men's Breakfast

**Sunday 4th March**

3.30pm Filipino Mass

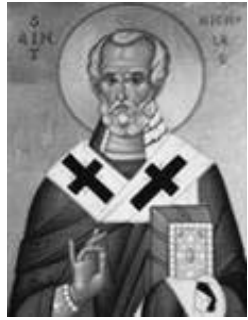
**Recently Deceased:** Manuel Rojas, Jeanette Devon,

**Anniversaries:** Hilda Salsezi, Oscar Azzopardi,

**Pray for the sick and their Carers:** Kevin O'Brien,

Bernadette Robertson, Elizabeth Brennan, Myna Barlow, Bob Barrett, Madeline Allen, Tony Maynard, Ally Roe, Michael Renwick, Colleen & Jim Husin, Maryanne Husin, Leonie Purcell, Rodelia Pordeux, Phyllis Harvey, Barry Vernon, Felise Bolton, Joan Watts, Baby Archie *(The sick and their carers will be on the list for three consecutive weekends, please contact the Parish Office if you wish to have a loved one's name included)*

# Mass Intentions



**St Macartan's Parish Prayer:** Heavenly Father, Creator and giver of all good things, Pour down your Holy Spirit upon this parish of Saint Macartan and the community that worships here. Father, make us holy, inspire us to work together to spread your Gospel, strengthen our Faith and grant us the spirit of service, so that, with your grace and the help of our Lady Mary and St Macartan, we may glorify you and provide for the needs of our wider community. We ask You this through Christ our Lord. Amen

## **Entrance Antiphon:**

*Remember your compassion, O Lord, and your merciful love, for they are from of old. Let not our enemies exult over us. Redeem us, O God of Israel, from all our distress.*

## **First Reading Gen 22:1-2. 9-13. 15-18 A reading from the book of Genesis**

God put Abraham to the test. 'Abraham, Abraham,' he called.' Here I am' he replied. 'Take your son,' God said 'your only child Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him as a burnt offering, on a mountain I will point out to you.' When they arrived at the place God had pointed out to him, Abraham built an altar there, and arranged the wood. Then he bound his son Isaac and put him on the altar on top of the wood. Abraham stretched out his hand and seized the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven. 'Abraham, Abraham' he said. 'I am here' he replied. 'Do not raise your hand against the boy' the angel said. 'Do not harm him, for now I know you fear God. You have not refused me your son, your only son.' Then looking up, Abraham saw a ram caught by its horns in a bush. Abraham took the ram and offered it as a burnt offering in place of his son. The angel of the Lord called Abraham a second time from heaven. 'I swear by my own self – it is the Lord who speaks – because you have done this, because you have not refused me your son, your only son, I will shower blessings on you, I will make your descendants as many as the stars of heaven and the grains of sand on the seashore. Your descendants shall gain possession of the gates of your enemies. All the nations of the earth shall bless themselves by your descendants, as a reward for your obedience.' *The Word of the Lord*

## **Responsorial Psalm Ps 115:10. 15-19. R. 114:9**

**(R.) I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.**

1. I trusted, even when I said: 'I am sorely afflicted.' O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful. **(R.)**
2. Your servant, Lord, your servant am I; you have loosened my bonds. A thanksgiving sacrifice I make: I will call on the Lord's name. **(R.)**
3. My vows to the Lord I will fulfil before all his people, in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem. **(R.)**

**Second Reading Rom 8:31-34 A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans**

With God on our side who can be against us? Since God did not spare his own Son, but gave him up to benefit us all, we may be certain, after such a gift, that he will not refuse anything he can give. Could anyone accuse those that God has chosen? When God acquits, could anyone condemn? Could Christ Jesus? No! He not only died for us – he rose from the dead, and there at God's right hand he stands and pleads for us. *The Word of the Lord*

**Gospel Acclamation**

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud, the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

**Gospel Mk 9:2-10 A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark**

Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain where they could be alone by themselves. There in their presence he was transfigured: his clothes became dazzlingly white, whiter than any earthly bleacher could make them. Elijah appeared to them with Moses; and they were talking with Jesus. Then Peter spoke to Jesus. 'Rabbi,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be here; so let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.' He did not know what to say; they were so frightened. And a cloud came, covering them in shadow; and there came a voice from the cloud, 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' Then suddenly, when they looked round, they saw no one with them any more but only Jesus. As they came down from the mountain he warned them to tell no one what they had seen, until after the Son of Man had risen from the dead. They observed the warning faithfully, though among themselves they discussed what 'rising from the dead' could mean.

*The Gospel of the Lord*

**Communion Antiphon**

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.



**Fr Minh Tran SJ will move in taking up his appointment as  
Parish Priest at St Macartan's  
on Thursday 1st March 2018.**



**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**25<sup>th</sup> February 2018**



Rattanak in Cambodia contracted polio as a child and also became deaf. The Deaf Development Program, supported by Caritas Australia, helped him become a barber and he is now supporting himself, his wife and baby. Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and help deaf youth in Cambodia to build a just future, and live in communities that uphold everyone's dignity. A Just Future starts with your support! You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes (available in each foyer—please take one), by visiting [www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion](http://www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion) or phoning 1800 024 413.

**FAREWELL TO FR JOE**

All parishioners are cordially invited to Fr Joe's Farewell Lunch in the  
Parish Hall THIS Sunday 25th February 2018 at 12 noon.

Please bring a plate to share.

*farewell*

## **THANK YOU MAX FLETCHER!**

It is with great sadness the Parish of St Macartan's says farewell to Max Fletcher, Fr Joe's Parish Administrator and Maintenance Manager. Max has given 100% of his time to these positions and has always been willing to assist with every request for assistance. The refurbishment of the Community Centre, the building and furnishing of the new Parish Hall are all commitments for which Max was the main co-ordinator and supervisor. Day to day problems, eg. locks not working and no basic pantry necessities, were all met with courtesy and smiles and ready advice and assistance. The past and present Parishioners are recipients of Max's efficiency, generosity and management skills acquired in previous employments.

The benefits we have received are too numerous to mention; the most obvious is support and founding of the Saturday morning Men's Breakfast, support for our social activities, the Legion of Mary and the organisation and preparation of the Community Centre for the Moira Kelly Foundation and assistance, advice and support to all who use the Parish facilities.

Together with our stringent Parish Accountant, Peter, Max has monitored our Parish balance sheets and enabled us to achieve the physical needs of our ever growing Parish. His quiet, gentle demeanour was the face of his strong sense of right and wrong, his dedication to maintain for Fr Joe and the Parishioners of St Macartan's a comfortable, well established updated modern Church. A place where one can sit and talk to God in total relaxation.

The Community Centre and Parish Hall are well equipped for all Parishioners to share and enjoy Parish life.

Max leaves to share with his wife, Sue, a wonderful working sojourn in Western Australia using their love and skills to share with God's children the support needed, we wish them every blessing.

### **PARISH LENTEN PROGRAM, THURSDAYS, 7pm—9pm in the Parish Hall until Good Friday ALL WELCOME!**

Lent is a time to deepen our relationship with God and for us to pray, reflect and to open ourselves, heart and soul, to enrich our relationship with Him.

**Enquiries, please call Mel on 0416 060 373**

### **PARISH PASTORAL WORKER**

If you would like to volunteer your talents and help within the Parish, please call our Pastoral Worker, Damiana, at the Parish Office on 5975 2200 or email [damianaalvares@yahoo.com.au](mailto:damianaalvares@yahoo.com.au)  
Damiana would love to hear from you.



### **ENCOUNTER YOUTH**

**All Grade 4 to 6 young people are welcome to the first Youth Group of the year!**

**When: THIS Friday, 2nd of March, 3:30pm—5pm**

**Where: St. Macartan's Parish Hall**

**Snacks will be provided.**

Our aim for 'Encounter Youth' is to create a fun, loving community where the young people can feel safe, whilst giving them an opportunity to learn, grow and express their faith. Bridie Keily (Parish Youth Worker) and a team of dedicated youth ministers, will be supervising and running an afternoon of fun games and activities for the young people. All of which have their Working With Children's Checks, and there will be someone who is First Aid trained present at all times.

**If you would like more information on the leaders or what the group will entail, please don't hesitate to contact Bridie Keily on 0413 992 436 or by email: [bridie\\_keily@hotmail.com](mailto:bridie_keily@hotmail.com)**



# Weekly Activities

**HIGH SPIRITS:** Every Tuesday during school term in the Community Centre from 4pm—5pm (come early for light refreshments). It is aimed at all parish children who do not attend Catholic schools. It teaches Faith Development and prepares children for the Sacraments of Baptism, Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation when appropriate. If you know of anyone who would like to join us please spread the word!

All enqs, please email: [highspiritsmornington@gmail.com](mailto:highspiritsmornington@gmail.com) or call Dorinnia on 0428 872 393.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY: EVERY SUNDAY AT 9am and 11am MASSES** for all children up to Grade 3 (not during school holiday). **Volunteers needed** at 9am & 11am. Rostered 1 or 2 times per term. No experience necessary as everything is prepared for you in advance. Must hold a Working With Children Check card. Please call Parish Office 5975 2200.

**LITTLE MAC'S PLAYGROUP:** for pre-school children and their carers, held in the Community Centre during school term time Wednesdays 9:45am to 11:30am. Gold Coin donation. Further details: Email: [littlemacsplaygroup@gmail.com](mailto:littlemacsplaygroup@gmail.com)



**MINISTER UNTO GOD PRAYER GROUP:** Meets every Tuesday at 10am in Community Centre. Everyone is most welcome.

**THE LEGION OF MARY:** Every Wednesday after Mass a small group of parishioners meet to pray and discuss the work done to assist people in need of spiritual comfort, whether at home or in nursing homes and rehabilitation centres. Please ring Ron Fitzgerald on 5974 2130.



**MARY'S IMMACULATE HEART PRAYERS CENACLE:** Tuesdays 2pm—3pm in Church.

**PARISH CHOIR:** St Macartan's Choir practice every Thursday in the church after 9:15am Mass. New Members of all ages are always welcome. Enquiries: Louise 5975 2773

**SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP:** Meets on 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 10am in the Sacristy Room and discusses concerns re asylum seekers, aboriginal issues throughout Australia, Pope Francis' reforms, etc. Wally 5975 1159.



**ST MAC'S CAFÉ:** Open 7pm—9pm **Will resume for 2018 on Wednesday 31st January** in the Community Centre. FREE cuppa and food, good music and great company. **OPEN TO EVERYONE!** We look forward to seeing you there!



**FREE MEN'S BREAKFAST EVERY Saturday** at 7:30am in Community Centre. Open to men of all ages. Bring nothing except your appetite!!!



## PLEASE NOTE:

There will be no  
**Adoration on Fridays until further notice.**  
This also applies to Vespers  
and Reconciliation on  
**Fridays only.**



## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2018

*"ALL GOD'S CREATION IS VERY GOOD!"*

Friday 2nd March 2018 at 9:30am at Mt Martha Uniting Church, 109 Bay Road, Mt Martha

**THINK ABOUT IT...** "Every stranger who knocks at our door is an opportunity for an encounter with Jesus Christ." Pope Francis



## ST PATRICK'S NIGHT DINNER

**SATURDAY 17TH MARCH 2018 @ 7PM AT THE GRAND HOTEL, MORNINGTON**

***Be seen.... WEAR GREEN!!!!***

Come and celebrate St Patrick's night with a delicious meal (your choice of Seniors or Bistro meal) - order and pay at the counter. Drinks at bar prices.

An Irish singer will be in residence to entertain you.

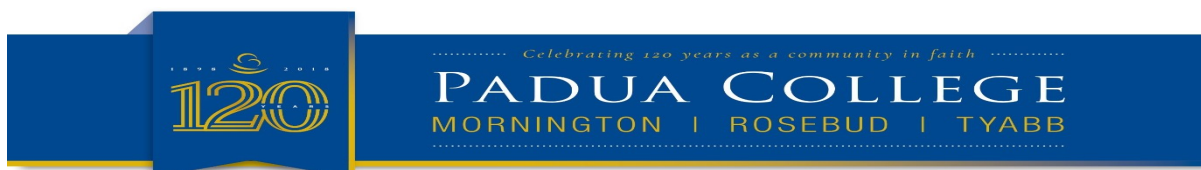
***Limited numbers.... SO BOOK EARLY!!!***

For more info, please call Tricia on 5975 2613 or Ann 0438 315 272

**\* \* \* \* ST PATRICK'S DAY 'POT OF GOLD' RAFFLE \* \* \* \***

***Tickets \$5.00 each, available after all Masses***

***GREAT PRIZES!!!! Billabong BBQ / Upright Freezer / Jameson's Irish Whiskey***



## Padua College Twilight Open Days and Enrolments for Year 7 2020

2018 is an exciting time at Padua College, with our 120 Anniversary celebrations taking place! You're invited to come to our Twilight Open Days to see Padua College and to experience a taste of the curriculum, sporting, cultural and spiritual life we offer. You'll also learn about the exciting new plans for Learning and Teaching, and the current building program that your children will directly benefit from. **Twilight Open Days.....**

**Mornington 7-12 Campus:** Wed 14 March 2018 from 4-7pm, Oakbank Road Tel: 5976 0100

**Tyabb 7-10 Campus:** Wed 7 March 2018; 4-7pm, 1585 Frankston Flinders Rd Tel: 5978 2700

**Rosebud 7-10 Campus:** Wed 7 March 2018 from 4-7pm, Inglewood Crescent Tel: 5982 9500

**BOOKINGS:** <https://www.trybooking.com/TGQI>

### ***Enrolments for Year 7 2020 .....***

Parents of current Grade 5 children should also note that Year 7 Enrolments open on 7 March 2018, and close on 11 May 2018.

*If you would like to make a booking for our Twilight Open Day or to receive an Enrolment Pack, please visit [www.padua.vic.edu.au](http://www.padua.vic.edu.au) or contact the Registrar Christine Mose on [enrolments@padua.vic.edu.au](mailto:enrolments@padua.vic.edu.au) or call 5978 2701.*

## ROAD SAFETY FOR SENIORS

The RACV in conjunction with the Macartan Club will be holding a presentation about **Road Safety for Seniors**. An invitation is extended to all interested parishioners to attend this presentation **on Friday 23rd March at 10.00am in the Parish Hall.**



## ROSTERS!

Readers	24th-25th February	3rd-4th March
6pm	B Scantlebury, F Murphy	T Dakin, K Duyvestyn
9am	P Girolami, D Ziino	M Kesik, P McKenzie– McHarg
11am	J Clements, B Dakin	B Butler, B McLean
5pm	B O'Donnell, H O'Donnell, D Warmbrunn	Z Warmbrunn, D Warmbrunn, G Failla
Ex.Ministers	24th-25th February	3rd-4th March
6pm	R Shaw, M Turner, C Williams	M Duyvestyn, A Fisher, L Thorpe
9am	P Girolami, J Lewis, M Lewis, F Crea	M Azzopardi, Z Krause, P Thomas, F Crea
11am	B Sexton, E Spaziani, J Spaziani	S Goddard, A Hancock, T Roberts
5pm	M Casamento	J Sayah, M Sayah
Music	24th-25th February	3rd-4th March
6pm	Veronica & Co	Veronica & Co
9am	Adriana & Choir	Adriana & Choir
11am	Chris & Siingers	Billie & Singers
5pm	J Melhem	J Melhem
AV Ops	24th-25th February	3rd-4th March
6pm	T Ryan	B Handasyde
9am	M&T Said	M&T Said
11am	T Matthews	C Curtain
5pm	P Toohey	P Toohey
P'point Prs	24th-25th February	3rd-4th March
6pm	Vron	Wendy
9am	Terry	Terry
11am	Wendy	Vron
5pm	Peter	Peter
Altar Svrs	24th-25th February	3rd-4th March
6pm	S Bath	L Demo
9am	<b><i>Volunteers required</i></b>	S Passmore, T Donnelly
11am	A&A Banks, K Pancha	L Huynh, S Prabawo
5pm	O Jolly, K Nugent	M Sayah, J Melhem
Count. Tm	26th February	5th March
	A Azzopardi, T Walker	B Shannon, J Wallace, N Houniet, D Frank
Cleaning	1st March	8th March
	T Disney, J Little, M Booth	M Kiernan, L Guest, J Ward
Flowers	1st March	8th-15th March
	M Arter	A Gregg, G McDonagh
Piety Stall	24th-25th February	3rd-4th March
Sat 6pm	A Doran	L Thorpe
Sun 9am	D Wooding	M Picton, R D'Silva
Sun 11am	B Sexton	P Harper, S Taylor
C Liturgy	25th February	4th March
Sun 9am Sun 11am	<i>No Liturgy due to Fr Joe's Farewell</i>	S Nugent, R Stocks K Raccanello, M Casamento
Tea Trolley	25th February	4th March
	J Chandler, M McDonnell	R Mahony

### **NEW PARISHIONERS**

The St Macartan's community would like to welcome all new parishioners. Please fill in a slip (available in both foyers) and place in box provided; a member of the Welcome Committee will call and see you.

*The Parish Welcome Group is currently looking for new members to assist this small team; support is provided.*

***If you are interested, please call the Parish Office on 5975 2200***



### **PARISH INFORMATION**

**St Macartan's Primary School** Ph: 5979 9200

**Padua College** Ph: 5976 0100

**Parish Pastoral Council** Lisa Chiezey  
Email: lisachiezey@hotmail.com

**Pastoral Worker** Damiana Alvares  
damianaalvares@yahoo.com.au

**High Spirits Co-Ord.** Dorinnia Burns  
Email: highspiritsmornington@gmail.com

**Macartan Club** - John Azzopardi (5975 2289)

**Youth Worker / Youth Groups**

Bridie Keily 0413 992 436

Email: bridie\_keily@hotmail.com

**Children's Liturgy Co-Ordinator**

Sonia Nugent (0418 949 806)

Email: sonianugent@live.com.au

**Little Macs Playgroup**

Email: littlemacsplaygroup@gmail.com

Justine 0448 679 461 / Sarah 0402 493 680

**January Church Caretaker :**

John Spaziani (0419) 597 911

**Parish Care Contacts**

Parish Office (5975 2200)

**Music Co-Ordinator-**

Veronica Ryan (5975 6981/ 0418 358 213)

**Finance Committee**

Frank Crea (0417 104 041)

**MACARTAN CLUB...** A Club for Retirees and Senior Parishioners. General Meeting held on the 4th Friday of each month after 9:15am Mass in the Community Centre. Parishioners and potential new members always welcome to attend meetings and events.

### **EVENTS THIS WEEK.....**

#### **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February**

Walkers: 9:00am – Contact: Mary 5975 5764

Golf: 12:30 pm – Contact: Dermot 5988 4076

Canasta: 1:00pm – Contact: Betty 5975 8497

#### **Wednesday 28th February**

#### **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March**

Golf: 12.30pm Contact Dermot 5988 4076

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March** - Mass: 9.15 am

10am Monthly General Mtg in Comm Centre

Solo: 1:00pm – Contact: Elaine 5977 1334

**A reminder that the BBQ at Mornington Park will be held on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March from 12noon BYO chairs and drinks**

### **SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

**(2nd Collection) Weekly Pledge: \$5478**

Average p/w: \$4003

### **PRESBYTERY COLLECTION:**

**(1st) Collection) Last Weekend: \$1955**

### **WEEKLY MASS TIMES**

**Saturday:** Vigil 6pm.

**Sunday:** 9am , 11am & 5pm

**Weekdays:** Mon-Sat :9:15am

**1st Sunday of the Month:** 4pm Filipino Mass.

**RECONCILIATION:** After 9:15am Mass on  
Wednesdays & Saturdays

**(Our Lady's Novena during 9.15am Sat. Mass)**

**BAPTISMS** : After 11am Mass on the  
1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.

**Please contact Parish Office**

**Next Baptismal Meeting—**

**8pm Wednesday 7th March 2018**

**Weddings**— By appointment only, please  
contact the Parish Office.