

PARISH BULLETIN

St Macartan's Catholic Parish



4 Drake St, Mornington VIC 3931

Parish Office: 9.30am-3pm Tuesday to Friday; Ph: 5975 2200

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Parish Priest: Fr Minh Tran SJ

Secretaries: Annette Wales, Francesca McLoughlin



*Someone
is coming,
he will baptise you
with the Holy
Spirit and fire.*

WEEKLY MASS TIMES

Weekdays: Mon-Sat :9:15am

Saturday: Vigil 6pm.

Sunday: 9am , 11am & 5pm

1st Sun of the Month: 3:30pm Filipino Mass.

RECONCILIATION: After 9:15am Mass Monday
to Saturday

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday after 9.15am mass till 12pm,
Sunday 4pm-4.45pm except 1st Sunday.

Baptism (1st&3rd Sunday), Wedding, Funeral
please contact Parish Office or on Parish web site

PARISH INFORMATION

St Macartan's Primary School Ph: 5979 9200

Principal: Colleen McGreal

Deputy: Philip Hills

Padua College Ph: 5976 0100

Parish Pastoral Council: Craig Nugent

Email: craig.nugent@opteonsolutions.com

Pastoral Cordinator: Eileen Marchmont

RCIA: Deacon Kevin Pattison

Finance Committee: Frank Crea (0417 104 041)

Parish Accountant: Spencer Meier

High Spirits Co-Ord. Dorinnia Burns

Email: highspiritsmornington@gmail.com

Children's Liturgy Co-Ordinator: TBA

Little Macs Playgroup: Justine 0448 679 461 /
Sarah 0402 493 680

Email: littlemacsplaygroup@gmail.com

Dec. Caretaker : John Spaziani: 0419 598 911

Parish Care Contacts: Parish Office (5975 2200)

Music Co-Ordinator-

Veronica Ryan (5975 6981/ 0418 358 213)

Baptism Preparation: Kathy Raccanello

Next Baptismal Meeting —

8pm Wednesday 6th February 2019

**Marriage Preparation & Partnership council-
ing:** Charmaine Holmes, Ph: 59772665

Recently Deceased: Jorge Ramirez

Anniversaries: Annie, Peter and Stanle Slinger,
Alexandra Presniakovas

Pray for the sick and their Carers: Carly Guy, Kevin O'Brien, Bernadette Robertson, Elizabeth Brennan, Myna Barlow, Bob Barrett, Ally Roe, Colleen & Jim Husin, Maryanne Husin, Rodelia Pordeux, Phyllis Harvey, Eileen Young, Stuart Poustie, Peter Hingston, Dave Mortby, Lynne Anderson, Naomi Andrews, Peter Atkinson, Kevin Paganoni, Jeannie Fox, Phyllis Molloy, Carly Coulter, Anne Wilson, Terry Lyons, Renee Barker, Courtney Stevens, Lyn McGain, Mary Cattermole, Stuart O'Connell SM, Joseph Aquilina, Cinzia Caboche, Helen & Denis Chambers, Pauline Achermann, , Mark Allan

Mass Intentions

First Reading: A reading from the prophet Zephaniah; Zep 3:14-18

Shout for joy, daughter of Zion, Israel, shout aloud!

Rejoice, exult with all your heart, daughter of Jerusalem!

The Lord has repealed your sentence; he has driven your enemies away.

The Lord, the king of Israel, is in your midst; you have no more evil to fear.

When that day comes, word will come to Jerusalem:

Zion, have no fear, do not let your hands fall limp.

The Lord your God is in your midst, a victorious warrior.

He will exult with joy over you, he will renew you by his love; he will dance with shouts of joy for you as on a day of festival. ***The Word of the Lord***

Responsorial Psalm Is 12:2-6 R. v.6

(R.) Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

1. Truly, God is my salvation, I trust, I shall not fear.

For the Lord is my strength, my song, he became my saviour.

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

2. Give thanks to the Lord, give praise to his name!

Make his mighty deeds known to the peoples! Declare the greatness of his name.

3. Sing a psalm to the Lord for he has done glorious deeds, make them known to all the earth!

People of Zion, sing and shout for joy for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

(R.) Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

Second Reading: A reading from first letter of St Paul to the Philippians . Phil 4:4-7

I want you to be happy, always happy in the Lord; I repeat, what I want is your happiness. Let your tolerance be evident to everyone: the Lord is very near. There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. ***The Word of the Lord***

Gospel Acclamation Is 61:1 (Lk 4:18)

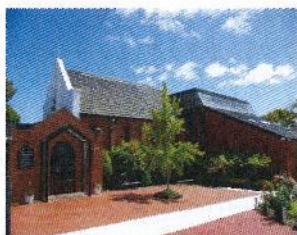
Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!

Gospel: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke; Lk 3:1-6

When all the people asked John, 'What must we do?' he answered, 'If anyone has two tunics he must share with the man who has none, and the one with something to eat must do the same.' There were tax collectors too who came for baptism, and these said to him, 'Master, what must we do?' He said to them, 'Exact no more than your rate.' Some soldiers asked him in their turn, 'What about us? What must we do?' He said to them, 'No intimidation! No extortion! Be content with your pay!'

NEW PARISHIONERS

The St Macartan's community would like to welcome all new parishioners. Please fill in a new parishioner form (available in both foyers) and place in box provided; a member of our Welcome Committee will call and arrange to meet with you.



SACRIFICIAL GIVING

(2nd Collection) Weekly Pledge: \$2008

PRESBYTERY COLLECTION:

(1st) Collection) Last Weekend: \$1625

SPECIAL COLLECTION –ST VINCENTS \$2575

THANK YOU



MINIMAL GLUTEN WAFER

We now offer 'minimal gluten' hosts at all Masses. If you require

Chamber Philharmonia Cologne ARE COMING BACK TO MORNINGTON!!!

Performing here at St Macartan's with a powerful and lovely new programme on **WEDNESDAY 23RD JANUARY @ 8PM**. Please call Patricia on 5975 2613 to make your booking now! Ticket prices will be confirmed soon. Ticket collection will take place every Monday and Thursday of January (7th & 10th, 14th & 17th, 21st) between 10-11am in the Community Centre. We are looking forward to your



Pregnancy Assistance Committee Frankston

At Christmas we reflect and celebrate the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. At Pregnancy Assistance Frankston (PAF) we celebrate family life all year long. Through counsel, benefactors and our dedicated volunteers we are able to provide assistance to families in our local community. We ask for God's Blessings and guidance in 2019 and we heartily thank our wonderful Volunteers for a wonderful 2018.

PAF Committee

Make an Encounter in 2019

Palms Encounters are rich immersions that challenge perceptions of our neighbours, guided by Palms mission volunteers with cultural experience of Timor Leste, Myanmar and Samoa.



Palms Australia

www.palms.org.au/encounters

Timor Leste- April & Sept

Samoa - June

Myanmar- November

December edition of Melbourne Catholic Magazine is now available. \$4 a copy



SCHOOL MASS

End of Year Mass

Tuesday 18 December at 10.30am
in School Hall

All parishioners are welcome.





THE PARISH IS IN URGENT NEED OF VOLUNTEERS.

Readers, Cleaners, Children Liturgy, Communion Ministers & Others
If you are able to volunteer for a few hours each week or a year
on a rostered basis, please let the Parish Office know on 5975 2200 or
email mornington@cam.org.au

Also, if you are currently on the roster and no longer wish to volunteer, please let the Parish Office know

MELBOURNE OVERSEAS MISSIONS APPEAL - December 15th & 16th

Since its foundation in 1969, Melbourne parishioners have supported Melbourne's own mission fund to help developing nations. Archbishop Peter Comensoli commends the fund to your continuing support. Donations of \$2.00 and over are tax deductible.

Please give generously "Appeal Envelopes" and "leaving collection"

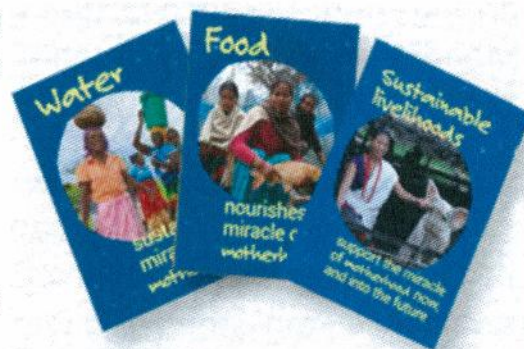


As we welcome the season of Advent, the season of waiting and preparing our hearts for the birth of Child Jesus. May we, as individuals, schools and parishes, act and pray for a more just and fair world, a world where every woman could give birth safely and cherish the miracle of motherhood.

When you choose a Global Gift card to give to family or friends this Christmas, you are providing **Water, Food and Sustainable Livelihoods** for women and children around the world.

Order Global Gift cards online at
www.globalgifts.org.au or call us on 1800 024 413.

Send a Christmas message to those you love, and help save the lives of mothers and babies in the most vulnerable communities.



Summer School of Evangelisation: World Youth Day @ Home.

SUMMER SCHOOL OF EVANGELISATION: WORLD YOUTH DAY @ HOME – REGISTRATIONS CLOSING SOON!

Sun 20 to Sun 27 Jan 2019 PGL Campaspe Downs, 1302 Trentham Road, Kyneton, In 2019, the Melbourne Summer School of Evangelisation in partnership with the Archdiocesan Office for Youth will be offering a special WYD-themed Summer School! The Summer School will include many of WYD features such as Catechesis with bishops, a Stations of the Cross, an expo and a final Mass. Join Bishop Mark Edwards and participants from around Australia for a week of faith and fellowship. Open to young people aged 16-35. Registrations close December 20. To register visit: www.cam.org.au/wyd/wydhome. **Melissa, Media & Communications**

THINK ABOUT IT

This week we're supporting Melbourne Overseas Mission. As well how active are we in our local mission - in our parish, our neighbourhood, our family. **Social Justice Group**

CHURCH SOUND SYSTEM—A special Thank You to those who contribute to the "Weekly Small Donation Envelopes" for the Upgrade of our St Macartan's Sound System. The "donation envelopes" will temporarily cease in early December for the Christmas period. Hopefully we will have reached our end of year target of \$10,000.



Continuing at St Macartan's Community Centre this Wednesday 10th October - 7.30 to 8.30pm. This is a 14 part series that deals with different experiences of the Holy Spirit presented by Fr. Dave Pivonka. Each DVD is separate and not in any order so join us whenever you are free. The first segment is 'God's love poured out'. For further details contact Patrick Guest 0425 163 713 or Jacinta Jolly - 0400 79 1971. **EVERYBODY IS WELCOME.**

THE MINISTRY OF
THE WILD GOOSE

LITTLE MAC'S PLAYGROUP—We are looking for two or more people to help run our energetic Playgroup in 2019. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please email littlemacsplaygroup@gmail.com Thank you to Sarah and Justine for their commitment and efforts over the year.
A current Working with Children Check is essential.



PIETY STALL - Christmas Stock is now in the Piety Stall. For those early shoppers who want to get ahead of the crowds and not be disappointed, we have Nativity sets in varying sizes and price range, plus beautiful decorations to add to the festive season and bring a truly meaningful Christmas atmosphere to the home.



Majellan Christmas Cards - packs of 10 for \$10.00

Just arrived - Artisan jewellery - Handcrafted imaginative designs of pressed flowers in sterling silver surrounds either necklaces or large and small crosses, plus Virgin Mary Rings and pendants. All come with gift pouches for gift giving.



Comfort Crosses have arrived - these small wooden crosses that fit easily in the palm of the hand are a wonderful comfort for the sick and elderly.

Plenary Council 2020—Listen to what the Spirit is saying - "Listening and Dialogue"

What do you think God is asking of you at this time?

What do you think God is asking of us at St Macartan's, Mornington Parish at this time? What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?

REFLECT: In silence, reflect on your personal experience of faith up to this point in your life. Faith journey is about one's own experience of the Holy Spirit guiding and nurturing one's life in the community or one's life and (or in) the Church. How has the Gospel, the Church's teaching, ministry in which you are involved, influenced your faith? (You might want to choose a gospel passage to pray with). You may want to write your thoughts down.



SHARE AND LISTEN: Tell a story of my experience in this area. Take turns to share aloud with each other your personal experience of faith, life and the Church. When others are speaking, remember to listen with an open and humble heart.

RECOLLECTING: How has another perspective influenced my own? After each person has shared, in silence, reflect on how stories shared by other people have influenced your own perspective. You may want to write your thoughts down, or simply sit quietly with your thoughts.

SHARING: I would like to encourage group and public sharing, which means, you can represent your group to share at mass, or you can share your own faith journey at Mass. I am open to suggestions.

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. His winnowing-fan is in his hand to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his barn; but the chaff he will burn in a fire that will never go out.' As well as this, there were many other things he said to exhort the people and to announce the Good News to them. ***The Gospel of the Lord***

Communion Antiphon: Say to the faint of heart: Be strong and do not fear. Behold, our God will come, and he will save us.

Christmas 2018 Mass Times

Christmas Eve Monday 24th December

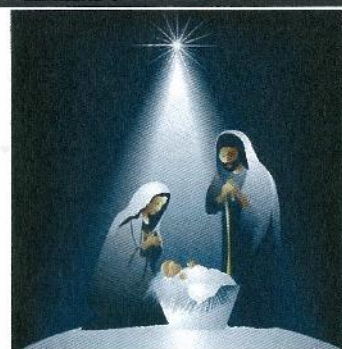
Children's Mass 5 pm

Family Mass 7.30pm Carols from 7pm

Vigil Mass 11.00pm Carols from 10.30pm

Christmas Day Tuesday 25th December

Morning Mass 9.00 am and 10.30 am **There will not be a 5pm Mass**



Christmas 2018 Christmas Eve Children's Mass 5pm

We are very excited to be preparing all children for this beautiful Mass. If you will be attending this Mass, we would love for You to come along and be part of the preparations. This is open to all children who will be attending the Mass. PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD.

Parents can contact Dorinnia on 0428872393 or Lisa on 0433110202 for further information or to sign up. We will be retelling the story of the First Christmas and there will be lots of singers and helpers needed. Preparations will take place Tuesday afternoons: Tuesday Dec 4th, 11th and 18th @ 4 pm 5 pm; arrive early for refreshments!

Where : St. Macartan's Community House. If You will be at the Christmas Eve Mass, and would like to fake part, please take the form on your way out and complete and return. Thank you



RCIA PROGRAM 2018 / 2019 is running under with the help of Deacon Kevin Pattison, our next meeting is on Tuesday, 18th December. If any adult is interested in taking part in our RCIA Program, please contact the Parish Office on 5975 2200 or Rev Kevin J Pattison mob 0408460533, Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au to register your interest. This program will prepare you for Baptism at Easter next year.



Parish Volunteers Picnic

The Parish Pastoral Council would like to invite all volunteers and staffs to parish volunteer picnic on Friday 18 January 2019 at 6.30pm on ward, Please bring a plate to share. It is a great opportunity to get to know one another and looking forward to a new year of collaboration and working in the vineyard of God

ROSTERS!

Readers	15th-16th December	22nd-23rd December
6pm	Breanna Dakin, Brian Scantlebury	Fay Murphy, Michael Negri
9am	Kathleen Ronchi, Kevin Morley	Michael Kesik, Spencer Meier
11am	Brianna Dakin, Bernadette McLean	Irene Hackett, Charmaine Holmes
5pm	Gabriella Failla, Olivia Jolly, Daniel Jolly	Ma Field, Amelie Field, David Warmbrunn
Ex.Ministers	15th-16th December	22nd-23rd December
6pm	Eddie McCluskey, Barbara Peach, Rod Shaw	Tricia Hird, Anna Redmond, Michael Turner
9am	Pat Girolami, Trish Thomas, Joseph Thoppil	Delina Frank, Michael Kerr, Zofia Kraus
11am	Geoffrey Lane, Mary Lane, Elvira Spaziani	Arbara Ensil, Julie Seal, Bridie Sexton
5pm	Fay Melham	Marino Casamento
Music	15th-16th December	22nd-23rd December
6pm	Vron & Justin	Vron & Co
9am	Carmen & Choir	Carmen & Choir
11am	Billie & Singers	Chris & Co
5pm	Lulu, Joe, Kiara & Emily	Lulu, Joe, Kiara & Emily
AV Ops	15th-16th December	22nd-23rd December
6pm	Bryan H	Chris C
9am	T&M Said	T&M Said
11am	Graham	Bryan Handasyde
5pm	Len Seal	Len Seal
P'point Prs	15th-16th December	22nd-23rd December
6pm	Vron	Vron
9am	Terry	Terry
11am	Vron	Wendy
5pm	Vron	Vron
Altar Svrs	15th-16th December	22nd-23rd December
6pm	Sebastian Bath	Lucas Demo
9am	Mitchell Welsh, Emma Welsh	Samara Passmore, Tessa Donnelly, D Kiernan
11am	Ava Banks, Aurelia Banks, Kanatip Pancha	Lucas Huynh, Sari Prabawo
5pm	Jolly Family	Matthew Sayah, Jacob Melham, M Gonsalves
Count. Tm	17th December	27th December
	Sonia & Craig Nugent, Joe Thoppill	Alex Barnard, Elizabeth George, John Hasler
Cleaning	20th December	13th December
	Gab Gordon, G. Bartosikova, F. Taylor	Angela Skoljarev,
Flowers	6th—13th December	20th—27th December
	Trish Andreoli, Louise Renshaw	Liz Young, Lena Scarinci
Piety Stall	15th-16th December	22nd-23rd December
Sat 6pm Sun 9am Sun 11am	Ann Gregg, Geraldine McDonagh Trish Thomas Mary Lane, Geoff Lane	Anne Doran Diana Wooding Bridie Sexton
C Liturgy	16th December	23rd December
Sun 9am Sun 11am	<i>There will be no Children's Liturgy in term 4</i>	<i>There will be no Children's Liturgy in term 4</i>
Tea Trolley	16th December	23rd December
Sun 9am	C Donovan, B & R & Scantlebury *	J Chandler, M McDonnel

Cannot do - looking for replacement

Weekly Activities

HIGH SPIRITS: Every Tuesday during school term in the Community Centre from 4pm—5pm (come early for 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. Email: highspiritsmornington@gmail.com / Dorinnia on 0428 872 393.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY: EVERY SUNDAY AT 9am and 11am MASSES for all children in Grades 2-6 (not during school holiday). **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Please call Parish Office 5975 2200.

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

We are looking for Volunteers to continue the Playgroup in 2019. A current working with children check is essential.

PARISH CHOIR: We practice every Thursday in the church after 9:15am Mass. New Members of all ages are always welcome. Enquiries: Louise 5975 2773

THE LEGION OF MARY: Meets every Wednesday after Mass in the Community Centre. Please ring Ron Fitzgerald on 5974 2130.

MINISTER UNTO GOD PRAYER GROUP: Tuesdays at 10am in Community Centre.

MARY'S IMMACULATE HEART PRAYERS CENACLE: Tuesdays 2pm—3pm in the Community Centre.

SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP: Meets on 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 10am in the Sacristy Room. Please call Wally 5975 1159 for further details.

MACARTAN CLUB- A Club for Retirees and Senior Parishioners Bep Mether 5976 4103, General Meeting held on the 4th Friday of each month in the Community Centre after the 9:15 am Mass. Parishioners and Potential New Members are always welcome to attend meetings and events. **Our small groups are now in recession for the Christmas and New Year period.**

The Macartan Club wishes all parishioners a blessed Christmas and a healthy and happy New Year. The next monthly meeting is on **Friday 25th Jan 2019, 10am at the Community Centre.**

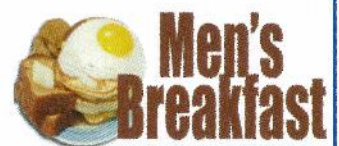
FRIENDSHIP CUPPA: TBA

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

St Mac's Cafe will open for the last time for 2018 on the 12th of December.

The Cafe will re-open on 30th January 2019.

FREE MEN'S BREAKFAST EVERY Saturday at 7:30am in the the Community Centre. Open to men of all ages. Bring nothing except your appetite!!! This will continue over the Christmas & New Year period.



Men's Night. We are now in recession for the Christmas and New Year period and shall return in February with a BBQ. Onions will be under the snags. Safe Travelling. The three Amigos."



To Give Away

Two single beds

And a divan that opens to a double bed

In good condition

Contact—Louise Kesik hm 59752773 mob 0409558922

