

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: Rev. Fr Geoffrey McIlroy

Parish Secretary: Theresa Collard

John 1, 29-34



MASS TIMES

Weekdays: Tues-Sat 9:15am

Saturday: Vigil 6pm.

Sunday: 9am, 11am & 5pm

1st Sunday of the Month: Filipino Mass
7pm (In Tagalog)

RECONCILIATION:

**After 9:15am Mass, Wednesday &
Saturdays**

Or contact parish office for appointment.

Anointing Mass: 1st Fri of the Month

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday after 9.15am mass till 12pm,

Sunday 3:45pm-4.30pm

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: Bernard Butler
0419 427 408

Pastoral Coordinator: Refer Parish
Secretary

Finance Committee: Frank Crea
0417 104 041

High Spirits Co-Ord. Faye Melhem
Contact Parish Office

Children's Liturgy Co-Ordinator: TBA

Little Macs Playgroup: Email:
littlemacsplaygroup@gmail.com

Parish 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 5th February 2020

Marriage Preparation & Any Counselling:

Charmaine Holmes, Ph: 59772665

Recently Deceased: Agatha Morabito.

Anniversaries: David Fyffe, Kit Kershaw, Betty Wells, Mick Murphy. Elizabeth Maria Palmen , Lambertus Josephus Palmen and Eric George Fordyce.

Pray for the sick and their Carers: Graham Oliver, Richard Holloway, Laura Castelow, Julie Nash, Margaret O'Connor, Jay Keogh, Sophie Davidsen, Cinzia Caboche, Robert Warne, Dean Pratt, Trent Wilkinson, Esma Murphy, Eva Balista, Kate Maree Ayoub (Tunks) Frances McLean, Richard Meech, Colleen, Noah Guest, Carly Guy, , Elizabeth Brennan, Bob Barrett, Ally Roe, Colleen & Jim Husin, Maryanne Husin, Eileen Young, Stuart Poustie, Peter Hingston, Dave Mortby, Lynne Anderson, Naomi Andrews, Peter Atkinson, Kevin Paganoni, Jeannie Fox, Phyllis Molloy, Terry Lyons, Renee Barker, Courtney Stevens, , Mary Cattermole, Joseph Aquilina, Helen & Denis Chambers, Mark Allan, Lucas Pingiaro, Fernando Pineda, Jim Kershaw (NZ), Bernadette Harvey (NZ), David Taylor NZ), Maureen Spargo, Tony Formosa, Bert Limpens, John Mahony, Terry Smyth.

Seriously ill: Michael Nicolaou

First Reading Is 49:3. 5-6

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The Lord said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I shall be glorified';

I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord,
my God was my strength.

And now the Lord has spoken,
he who formed me in the womb to be his servant,
to bring Jacob back to him,
to gather Israel to him:

'It is not enough for you to be my servant,
to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel;
I will make you the light of the nations
so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 39:2. 4. 7 -10. R. vv. 8.9.

(R.) Hear I am, Lord; I come to do your will

Second Reading 1 Cor 1:1-3

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together with brother Sosthenes, send greetings to the church of God in Corinth, to the holy people of Jesus Christ, who are called to take their place among all the saints everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ; for he is their Lord no less than ours. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 1:14. 12

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us.

He enabled those who accepted him

to become the children of God.

Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 1:29-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water.' John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit." Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.'

Communion Antiphon 1 Jn 4:16

We have come to know and to believe

in the love that God has for us.



Congratulations To:

**Ayden Tornello, Liam Tornello, Andreas Tapia, Arie Crawford
and Edward Smith.**

Who receive the Sacraments of Baptism this
Sunday 19th January.

May they always walk in the light of Christ.

Gospel of Matthew Retreat

Fr Frank Moloney SDB 3 – 6 February

Fr Frank Moloney will lead this retreat on the Gospel of Matthew at the beautiful and peaceful Don Bosco Retreat Centre. Cost - \$430 all inclusive (retreat, meals, accommodation, etc). Further information and registration: Contact - Candy 9752 2432 or e-mail: dbrclysterfield@gmail.com

St Macartan's MONDAY Parishioners

There will be no further Communion or other services on a Monday.

A communion service was intended for when Sunday Eucharist was unable to be celebrated because of lack of a Priest or some other serious reason and never to permanently replace a weekday Mass.

Monday's are Father's, one day off a week and thus, no services are scheduled.

Fr Geoff

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.



MINIMAL GLUTEN WAFER

We offer 'minimal gluten' hosts at all Masses. If you require one, please approach the Sacristan before Mass.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

2nd Collection Weekly Pledge: \$3,580

1st Collection Presbytery: \$2,000



Deepest Sympathy

We wish to pass on our sincere condolences to the Family of Agatha Morabito in the recent passing of their loved one.

Please remember him in your prayers.

A Requiem Mass will be held at St Macartans Church on Thursday 23rd January at 11 am.

Leaving Collection 25th and 26th January

For those affected by the Bushfires

"For days now, our skies across Melbourne have been filled with the smell and haze of the fires – a steady reminder that our neighbours, so close to us particularly in the Gippsland areas, the bordering States of NSW and South Australia, are in dire need. We stand with all those affected by the devastation of these bushfires, as well as those working tirelessly to assist in the recovery efforts." - **Archbishop Peter Comensoli**

Help our neighbours by donating at www.vinnies.org.au
or as part of our Parish Special Collection on Australia Day weekend.

Dear ministers of communion to the sick and infirmed,

I would greatly appreciate meeting with you all.

I have asked Clive Tucker to organise a meeting, he will be in contact with you, or please contact Clive on 0421 772 563, so as arrangements can be made.

Also Barbara Ensil to assist in coordinating this team.

And thank you for all the wonderful care you give to others.

Fr Geoff.

Hello from Fr Geoff

Well I've been here nearly one month now and what a whirlwind it has been. especially over the Christmas period, new liturgies and new ways of doing things, it has been a steep learning curve, so thank you for your patience with me.

Aren't we all blessed to be part of this wonderful community, with the myriad of different ministries, groups, committees, volunteer teams etc. I have been reading some of the history of this Parish and Schools, as well as trying to get to know everyone, which will take a while, but I appreciate all of you who come up to me and share your stories and invite me for a cuppa and a chat - it's very considerate.

As soon as all the Parish groups start again for this year, I will endeavour to attend their first meetings, to learn what it is they do and how best I can support them. So all groups please send me an invite to your meetings. There will be some changes that must be done, but I always do them with the best interests of the Parish in mind. I have inherited some systems and procedures which may need refining? Others are excellent.

My vision for this Parish is a positive and optimistic one, and I will outline more in detail in weeks to come. I will be meeting with the Parish Pastoral Council and finance committees soon. Until then, if there are any issues or information you want to share, please email them to the Parish office or you are welcome to come and see me.

Below I have copied in a statement from our Archbishop Peter about the fire tragedy and I have put a special prayer on the next page. Let us all please find time to pray it regularly during the rest of summer.

Blessings

Fr Geoff

St Mac's Café—Food Donations

Dear Generous Volunteers,

The first St Mac's Café for 2020 will be Wednesday 29th January.

Could you please begin to think about your food donations, could we have a special effort for the first week to give us a strong start to the year.

Anyone wanting to be added to the list for donating food please contact Bernard Butler on 0419 427 408.

Thank you

Bernard.

Rosters for Sunday Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

The roster for February to May will be drawn up in mid-January.

This covers 3 weekend Masses - **Saturday 6.00, Sunday 9.00 and 11.00.**

Those who are already on the roster, and are happy with their details, need do nothing.

Any current volunteer who would like to change their preferred time or their ministry, please let me know by message to the parish office.

NEW VOLUNTEERS MOST WELCOME - PLEASE HELP.

Many thanks, Chris Smyth

We are also looking for volunteers to operate the AV at the 9am Mass.

Please contact Veronica on 0418 358 213

PRAYER FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY BUSHFIRE AND DROUGHT

Eternal God,
In wisdom and love
you created our earth
to sustain us and give us life.

We turn to you now
in faith, hope and love,
asking you to look with favour
on our fire-ravaged and drought-stricken land,
on our starving and
displaced animals,
on our failing crops and burning
farms, towns and forests.

Strengthen, sustain and give new heart
to our farmers
and to all who are affected by drought;
be with those who support them.
Strengthen and comfort the victims of the fires,
those who have lost family, friends, property and stock.
Protect our volunteer firefighters and all members of essential services.

In your loving providence,
send abundant rain to quench the fires
and to restore our parched earth.

Father of all compassion,
hear our prayer
through Jesus Christ your Son,
in whom the promise of new life
has dawned, and
through the power
of the Holy Spirit,
the Lord the giver of life:
Renew your faithful people;
Renew the face of the earth.

Our Lady of the Southern Cross,
Mary, help of Christians –
Pray for us.
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop –
Pray for us.

ROSTERS

| Readers | 18th-19th January | 25th-26th January |
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| 6pm | Kees Duyvestyn Michael Negri | Josie Raccanello, Iris Hallinan |
| 9am | Paul Girolami, Kevin Morely | Spencer Meier, Don Ziino |
| 11am | Joan Clements, Irene Hackett | Bernard Butler, Charmaine Holmes |
| 5pm | Gabriella Faila, Volunteers | Gabriella Faila, Volunteers |
| Ex.Ministers | 18th-19th January | 25th-26th January |
| 6pm | Mairi Duyvestyn, Alis Fisher, Michael Turner | Sue Fletcher, Frank Raccanello |
| 9am | Delina Frank, Pat Girolami, Trish Thomas | Frank Crea, John Lewis, Mary Lewis |
| 11am | Sandra Barret, Julie Seal, John Spaziani | Evelyn Atkins, Barbara Ensil, Sheila Goddard |
| 5pm | Mario Leitao, Craig Nugent | Mario Leitao, Craig Nugent |
| Music | 18th-19th January | 25th-26th January |
| 6pm | Vron & Co | Vron & Justin |
| 9am | Carmen and Choir | Carmen and Choir |
| 11am | Billie @ Co | Chris @ Co |
| 5pm | Emily/Kiara/Lulu | Emily/Kiara/Lulu |
| AV Ops | 18th-19th January | 25th-26th January |
| 6pm | Tony Ryan | James Barrett |
| 9am | Chris Curtain | Graham Wison |
| 11am | Graham M | Graham Michel |
| 5pm | Marino Cassamento | Marino Cassamento |
| P'point Prs | 18th-19th January | 25th-26th January |
| 6pm | Vron | Vron |
| 9am | TBA | TBA |
| 11am | Vron | Vron |
| 5pm | Vron | Vron |
| Altar Svrs | 18th-19th January | 25th-26th January |
| 6pm | Lucas Demo | Lucas Demo |
| 9am | Samara Passmore, Tes Donnelly, Denham Kiernan | Samara Passmore, Tes Donnelly, Denham Kiernan |
| 11am | Lucas Huynh, Sari Prabawo | Lucas Huynh, Sari Prabawo |
| 5pm | Matt Sayah, Jacob Melham, Mitssy Gonsalves | Matt Sayah, Jacob Melham, Mitssy Gonsalves |
| Counters | 20th January | 27th January |
| | Kevin Kershaw, Kerry McInerney | Mary Andrew, John Azzopardi, Barry Murphy |
| Cleaning | 16th January 2020 | 23rd January 2020 |
| | Alex Barnard, Elizabeth George, John Hasler | Richard Jolly, Jacinta Jolly |
| Flowers | 16th-23rd January 2020 | 30th January—6th February 2020 |
| | Anna Redmond | Liz Young, Lena Scarinci |
| Piety Stall | 18th-19th January | 25th-26th January |
| Sat 6.00pm Sun 9am Sun 11am | Anne Anderson Trish Thomas Geoff and Mary Lane | Ann Doran Diana Wooding Bridie Sexton |
| C Liturgy | 18th-19th January | 25th-26th January |
| Sun 9am/11am | <i>There will be no Children's Liturgy</i> | <i>There will be no Children's Liturgy</i> |
| Tea Trolley | 19th January | 26th January |
| Sun 9am | Catherine Donovan, Brian Scantlebury | John Chandler, Mike McDonnell |

Weekly Activities

HIGH SPIRITS: The Position of High Spirits Coordinator is Faye Melhem and will commence first term in 2020. To register or enquire please contact Parish Office.

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;

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 0409 558 922**

MINISTER UNTO GOD PRAYER GROUP: Will resume next Year, 11th Feb 2020

MARY'S IMMACULATE HEART PRAYERS CENACLE: Tues 2-3pm in Community Centre.

THE LEGION OF MARY: Meets every Wednesday after Mass in the Community Centre.

Please ring Ron Fitzgerald on 0428287101. "Family that prays together, stays together"

RECITE THE ROSARY: Come and join us in a beautiful contemplation on Jesus's life during reciting the Rosary. Let's answer "YES" to our Mother Mary's call to honour and grow closer to her Son Jesus! Every Monday 8pm St Mac's Church - Gabi 0448 947 748

GATHERINGS GROUP: Meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month at 10.00am in the Community Centre.

SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP: Meets on 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 10am in the Sacristy Room. Please call Wally Sharman on ph 59751159. for further details.

MACARTAN CLUB; A club for Retirees and Senior Parishioners.

For information about the Macartan Club contact: John Azzopardi (President) 5975 2289
Calendar of Events for this Week:

Friday 24th January: Monthly General Meeting in the Parish Community Centre after the 9:15 am Mass, Fr. Geoff will be attending.

Friday 24th January: Solo Cards in the Parish Community Centre at 1:00 pm. Contact Elaine Taylor: 5977 1334 for more information

Parishioners and Potential New Members are always welcome to attend meetings and events.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact **John Sumner**
Phone: 5975 2160

Mobile: 0439 671 765

e-mail: johnsumner99@outlook.com

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: Meets on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month – 3.30pm for 4.00pm. in the Community Centre. The Mornington Region meets monthly – 4th. Tuesday of the month – in the Sacristy Room.

Contact: Paul Girolami 0400147875

FRIENDSHIP CUPPA New Venue - Biscottini Café 157 Main St, Mornington

Will resume next year, dates TBA

ST MAC'S CAFÉ: Open Every Wed 6.30pm—8.30pm in the Community Centre. FREE cuppa and food, good music and great company. OPEN TO EVERYONE! We look forward to seeing you there. **Will resume 29th January 2020.**

Any queries please phone Bernard on 0419 427408.

FREE MEN'S BREAKFAST

EVERY Saturday at 7:30am in

the Community Centre. Open to men of all ages. Bring nothing except your appetite!!!



St Macartan's Youth Group : Age: 13 -25

Come connect with the youth of St Macs and grow in faith over games, prayer, talks and discussion

When: Every second Sunday 5.45pm – 7.30pm

Age: 13-25 Year sixes transitioning to year 7 for next year are welcome to join

Dinner provided **Will resume in 2020 dates TBA**

