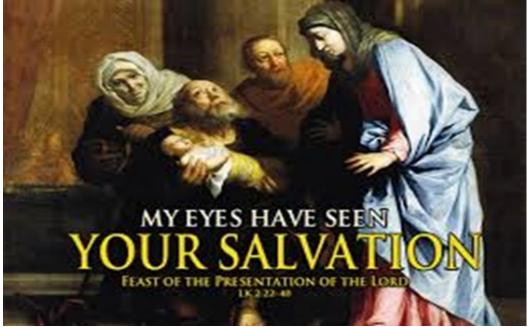
The Presentation of the Lord - Year A, 1st — 2nd February 2020

PARISH BULLETIN St Macartan's Catholic Parish



4 Drake St, Mornington VIC 3931 Parish Office: 9:30am-3pm Tuesday to Friday; Ph: 5975 2200 Email: mornington@cam.org.au Web: stmacartansparish.com.au Parish Priest: Rev. Fr Geoffrey McIlroy Parish Secretary: Theresa Collard



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, Holy hour Sunday 3:45pm-4.30pm (approx) 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. Fave 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: Paula Stanely.

Anniversaries: Kingsley Chitty, Tony Cruise.

Pray for the sick and their Carers: Graham Oliver, Laura Caste-

low, 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, , 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 Mal 3:1-4

A reading from the prophet Malachi

The Lord God says this: Look, I am going to send my messenger to prepare a way before me. And the Lord you are seeking will suddenly enter his temple; and the angel of the covenant whom you are longing for, yes, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. Who will be able to resist the day of his coming? Who will remain standing when he appears? For he is like the refiner's fire and the fuller's alkali. He will take his seat as refiner and purifier; he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and then they will make the offering to the Lord as it should be made. The offering of Judah and Jerusalem will then be welcomed by the Lord as in former days, as in the years of old.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 23(24):7-10. R. v. 10

(R.) Who is the king of glory? It is the Lord.

Second Reading Heb 2:14-18

A reading from the letter of the Hebrews

Since all the children share the same blood and flesh, Jesus too shared equally in it, so that by his death he could take away all the power of the devil, who had power over death, and set free all those who had been held in slavery all their lives by the fear of death. For it was not the angels that he took to himself; he took to himself descent from Abraham. It was essential that he should in this way become completely like his brothers so that he could be a compassionate and trustworthy high priest of God's religion, able to atone for human sins. That is, because he has himself been through temptation he is able to help others who are tempted.

Gospel Acclamation Lk 2:32

Alleluia, alleluia! This is the light of revelation to the nations, and the glory of your people Israel. Alleluia!



Gospel Lk 2:22-40

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

When the day came for them to be purified as laid down by the Law of Moses, the parents of Jesus took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord – observing what stands written in the Law of the Lord: Every first-born male must be consecrated to the Lord – and also to offer in sacrifice, in accordance with what is said in the Law of the Lord, a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons. Now in Jerusalem there was a man named Simeon. He was an upright and devout man; he looked forward to Israel's comforting and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death until he had set eyes on the Christ of the Lord. Prompted by the Spirit he came to the Temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the Law required, he took him into his arms and blessed God, and he said:

'Now, Master, you can let your servant go in peace,

just as you promised;

because my eyes have seen the salvation

which you have prepared for all the nations to see,

a light to enlighten the pagans and the glory of your people Israel.'

As the child's father and mother stood there wondering at the things that were being said about him, Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, 'You see this child: he is destined for the fall and for the rising of many in Israel, destined to be a sign that is rejected – and a sword will pierce your own soul too – so that the secret thoughts of many may be laid bare.'

There was a prophetess also, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was well on in years. Her days of girlhood over, she had been married for seven years before becoming a widow. She was now eighty-four years old and never left the Temple, serving God night and day with fasting and prayer. She came by just at that moment and began to praise God; and she spoke of the child to all who looked forward to the deliver-ance of Jerusalem.

When they had done everything the Law of the Lord required, they went back to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. Meanwhile the child grew to maturity, and he was filled with wisdom; and God's favour was with him.

Communion Antiphon Lk 2:30-31 My eyes have seen your salvation, Which you prepared in the sight of all peoples.



Congratulations To:

Charlotte Barrett and Ayshea Barret

Who receive the Sacraments of Baptism this Sunday 19th January. May they always walk in the light of Christ.

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: \$3,293

1st Collection Presbytery: \$1,975

St Macs Gift Shop

Scripture Diaries are in stock for those that requested them.

We have a limited number of Easter Cards available.

All sale items are now on display. Come in and bag a bargain.

If you have 10 minutes to spare after Mass once a month, please consider becoming a volunteer in the Gift Shop.

We need you. If interested, please call Trish 0425 749 379



Deepest Sympathy

We wish to pass on our sincere condolences to the Family of Paula Stanley

in the recent passing of their loved one.

Please remember her in your prayers.

A Requiem Mass was held at St Macartans Church on Friday 31st.

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.



WELCOME FOUNDATION/PREP CHILDREN 2020 Who are now part of St Macartan's Parish Primary School

We, as a Parish, warmly welcomes the new students and parents here today to celebrate their connection with us in this coming year. We hope you children settle in to St Macartan's School and feel right at home within this wonderful Parish.

A Parish where all come to share In a community of friendship and fellowship. Where Faith, School and Home families, all connect.

WELCOME—ONE AND ALL

<u>CHANGES</u>

From (approx.) 3:45pm - 4:30pm every Sunday, there is now a 'Holy Hour' leading up to 5pm Mass This is modelled on St Patrick's Cathedral Holy Hour and incorporates: brief reflections, music, silence and adoration of the blessed sacrament and is currently arranged by myself, but it will eventually be arranged by the Parish Youth. Because of this and other reasons involving more Youth Masses, the Filipino Mass was asked to consider moving and is now at 7pm on the 1st Sunday of each month.

<u>Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:</u> - During this time I am trying some new initiatives with music, prayers and Benediction. All input/comments are welcome, please come and see me. I appreciate your patience during this period.

Fr Geoff

HIGH SPIRITS

This is catechism for primary aged school children, that do not attend a Catholic School and is designed to instruct them about the Sacraments of first Eucharist, Reconciliation and Confirmation. It will held every Tuesday from 4:30 to 6pm in the Community House, beginning on Tuesday 18th February.

It will start with Confirmation classes: February 18th to June 2nd (Ceremony 11th June). First Eucharist and reconciliation classes will begin in July but enrolments will be taken now. Please contact the Parish Office ASAP, to enrol - 59752200

Any child over the age of 8 for Baptism, parents are to make an appointment to see Fr Geoff.

PARISH YOUTH

What a blessing this Parish has - they are called YOUTH!

Yes, I had the pleasure to meet with our youth representatives, last week I caught up with Emily Witney and this week with Jacob Melhem and Charlie Sayah. These are truly great representatives of the future of our Parish. I will be outlining more on the role of Youth in our Parish in coming weeks, until then, please find ways to encourage, help and support them, inviting all you can to their bi-monthly Youth Gatherings. Parents - Thank you for these young people, well done. Fr Geoff

Musicians needed for 5pm Sunday mass

We are looking for musicians to join the group for the 5pm mass on Sundays. Pianists and guitarists are especially needed as well as any other instrumentalists and singers. As of mid-February, there will be no instrumentalists in the group so we would love to see some new faces.

Rehearsals are every Sunday before mass.

Please don't hesitate to contact the parish office or Emily on 0478539977



St Vincent De Paul

Parishioners may be interested to know that the "Vinnies " advertisement shown on TV during last week was paid for by the ANZ Bank.

Originally the bank intended using the week leading in to the Australian Open for their own advertising purposes .

However, the torrid bushfire situation influenced the Bank to promote the work of the Society and encourage donations to the Society's Bushfire Appeal. Our parish Conference is grateful to the ANZ and wants their generosity acknowledged.

Paul Girolami----- SVDP Parish Conference.

Rosters for Sunday Readers and Eucharistic Ministers Feb—May

Rosters for Extraordinary Ministers of Communion and Readers/Commentators for February – March this year are available for collection in each church foyer. Please take one copy for each family.

The rosters will also be on noticeboards and printed each week in the bulletin as previously.

Also available for collection, on coloured paper, is the master list of ministers for the year, please take a copy for each involved family.

This is your primary resource to consult when the inevitable happens and you can't keep your rostered duty.

Only when you have exhausted the possibilities on this list should you pass the problem to the Mass co-ordinator.

They will be scheduled for only one appointment per month and requests for specific weeks and times can be accommodated.

Thanks again for volunteering, you will see how short some of these lists are. If you can persuade further parishioners to offer their services, please do so.

Thanks again,

Chris Smyth

ROSTERS

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Readers	1st –2nd February	8th –9th February
6pm	Faye Murphy, Michael Negri	Kees Duyvestyn, Josie Raccanello
9am	Michael Kerr, Kath Ronchi	Kevin Morely, Capri Surace
11am	Bernard Butler, Heather Reekie	Chino Chiezey, Ugo Chiezey
5pm	Gabriella Faila, Volunteers	Gabriella Faila, Volunteers
Ex.Ministers	1st –2nd February	8th –9th February
6pm	Alis Fisher, Barbara Peach, Lynne Thorpe	Sue Fletcher, Tricia Hird, Joyce Ward
9am	Macelle Azzopardi, Zofia Krause Joseph Thoppil	Delina Frank, John Lewis, Mary Lewis
11am	Barbara Ensil, Sheila Goddard, Christina Llopart	Sandra Barret, Julie Seal, John Spaziani
5pm	Mario Leitao, Craig Nugent	Mario Leitao, Craig Nugent
Music	1st –2nd February	8th –9th February
6pm	Billy & Co	Vron & Co
9am	Carmen and Choir	Carmen and Choir
11am	Vron and Justin	Chris & Co
5pm	Emily/Kiara/Lulu	Emily/Kiara/Lulu
AV Ops	1st –2nd February	8th –9th February
6pm	Tony Ryan	Tony Ryan
9am	Graham Wison	Need Volunteer
11am	Graham Michel	Graham Michel
5pm	Marino Cassamento	Marino Cassamento
P'point Prs	1st –2nd February	8th –9th February
6pm	Vron	Vron
9am	Vron	Vron
11am	Vron	Vron
5pm	Vron	Vron
Altar Svrs	1st –2nd February	8th –9th February
	Lucas Demo	Lucas Demo
6pm		
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	3rd February	10th February
	Alwyn Azzopardi	Brian Shanon, Neil Houniet, John Wallace
Cleaning	30th January 2020	6th February 2020
	Melissa Kiernan, Janine Ward	Eileen, Hallett, Martha Sarpa, Maggie Holdsworth
Flowers	30th January—6th February 2020	13th February—20th February 2020
	Liz Young, Lena Scarinci	Barbara Bradey
Piety Stall	1st –2nd February	8th –9th February
Sat 6.00pm	Need Volunteers	Need Volunteers
Sun 9am	Marie Picton, Rosemarie D'Silva	Anne McKenna
Sun 11am	Patricia Harper, Sandra Taylor	Anne Wilson, Sheila Goddard
C Liturgy	1st -2nd February	8th –9th February
Sun	There will be no Children's Liturgy	There will be no Children's Liturgy
9am/11am Tea Trolley	2nd February	9th February
Sun 9am	Rosemarie Mahony, Mary Arter	Alwyn Azzopardi

Weekly Activities

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

<u>LITTLE MAC'S PLAYGROUP</u>: 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 o ur 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:

Thursday 6th February 1.00pm Music Appreciation Parish Hall Contact John Azzopardi 59752289

Friday 7th February 1.00pm Cards Solo Parish House Contact Elaine 59771344

Thursday 13th February Club Lunch 12.00 Grand Hotel Main Street For bookings and/or cancellations contact Mal on 59750761 Before Tuesday 11th February.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact **John Sumner** Phone: 5975 2160 Mobile: 0439 671 765 <u>e-mail: johnsumner99@outlook.com</u>

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

<u>ST MAC'S CAFÉ</u>: 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!!!

<u>St Macartan's Youth Group : Age: 13 -25</u>

Come connect with the youth of St Macs and grow in faith over games, prayer, talks and discussion. ALL YOUTH WELCOME :-)

When: Every 2nd and 4th Sunday 5:45pm – 7.30pm

Age: 13-25 Year sixes transitioning to year 7 for next year are welcome to join Dinner provided: **Resumes on Sunday 9th February 2020**



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