

# The Church Paper

*St James the Great, East St Kilda  
Celebrating 100 years in East St Kilda*



## **Epiphany tide**

**Intentional Interim Priest:**

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**Sunday: Solemn Mass at 10.30 a.m.**

**Low Mass: Thursdays 11.00 a.m.**

**Service of Healing & Wholeness**

**10.00 a.m. on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month**

**(Always check weekly notices for Mass times)**

**Confession – Thursdays following the 11.00 a.m. Mass & by appointment**

**St James on the Web: [www.stjamesthegreat.org.au](http://www.stjamesthegreat.org.au)**

**St James's in Wikipedia: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/St_James_the_Great_St_Kilda_East)**

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## *The Interim Vicar Writes*

Dear People

In our Epistle reading today we read these words:” Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.”

Paul is writing about the work of the Spirit - the whole scope of God’s providence for his people, but I believe that we can read these words as applying to our lives together as a parish community. If this contention is true then what we need to do is to discern where each of us fits within this great variety and how best we may, as Paul suggests elsewhere, “strive to excel in them [our gifts] for building up the church.”

And while I am quoting Paul’s admonitions to the churches, may I also remind you of his words in Ephesians Chapter 4: “Let no evil talk come out of your mouths, but only what is useful for building up, as there is need, so that your words may give grace to those who hear.”

This too I think gives us guidance in how we interact with each other in our parish life, particularly in these months of transition and moving on. Please think on these things as we approach the times of meeting as Parish Council next week and as a whole parish after Mass on Candlemas.

Until next week, Bless you all

*Richard*

**The Service of Healing & Wholeness**  
**next Sunday January 24 at 10.00 a.m.**

### **Picture on the front of today’s Church Paper**

A man kisses a wooden cross after retrieving it from the Bosphorus river during the blessing of the water ceremony, as part of celebrations of the Epiphany day at the Church of Fener Orthodox Patriarchate in Istanbul, Turkey. Epiphany celebrates the baptism of Jesus. In the Western Church, the Baptism of Christ is celebrated as a second Epiphany a week later than the Epiphany of the Wise Men.



## 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (2nd Sunday after the Epiphany)

17.1.16

### The Liturgy Today

#### 10.30 a.m. Solemn Mass & Prayers at the Crib

*The congregation is invited to gather at the High Altar rail before the Crib for the Prayers of the Faithful*

Our organist, Mark Raczynski, is on leave. Today we will have a said Mass with unaccompanied hymns. A cantor will sing the 1st verse of each hymn after which the congregation will repeat the verse & continue the hymn.

Hymns: Gradual: 403 ; Offertory: 513

Sidesman: S. Payne ; Deacon: D. Stidston

Lectors: M. Knopf & L. Hawkes; Refreshments: D. Stidston

*Join us for Refreshments in the Vicarage garden*

### Kalendar & Events this Week

- Tuesday St Wulfstan, bishop  
5.00 p.m. Little Company Chapter & Mass
- Wednesday St Sebastian martyr
- Thursday St Agnes, virgin & martyr  
11.00 a.m. Mass
- Friday St Vincent, deacon & martyr

#### Next week: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

10.30 a.m. Solemn Mass & Prayers at the Crib

11.45 a.m. Parish Council Conference

On duty next week: Sidesman: K. McDowell Murphy ; Deacon: A. Duran  
Lectors: Dr J. Willis & G. Bahula; Refreshments: K. McDowell Murphy

Sunday February 7 following Solemn Mass

### Candlemas Meeting of the Congregation

Followed by a bring-and-share lunch

Please note your name on the Narthex list

Thank you Leonie Budd for your gentle work in the Vicarage garden.

**Prayers of the Faithful:** Trevor Bulled OGS; Noella; John Graham; Maria Pythagoras; John Ahern; Geraldine Coulthurst; Tammy; Virginia; Marjorie; Sister Raphael OSB; Stephen & Jill; Adrian Stephens, priest; Michael Muschamp; Andrew; Sharon; young Noah; June Little; Ken Mason OGS; Max; Brother Brian SSF; Sonja Knopf; Linda Osmond, priest; Marcus; Betty Boyle; Sally; Mark; Rory & Anna; Christina Melches; Geoffrey & Margaret Clarke; Elizabeth Peters; Gladys Wheeler; Bill Smith; Vilma Byrne; Val Casley; Sister Lyn & Sister Philippa  
R.I.P. Don Fairless

**Michael Casley R.I.P.** The Vigil last Monday evening and the Requiem on Tuesday were each greatly appreciated by Michael's partner Trevor as well as family and friends. Fr Roger has paid special tribute to our Acolytes and to Mark Raczynski and Cantor Loreta Hodson for the fine music that marked the occasion.

**50th Anniversary** Sister Elizabeth OLSH, is the much loved niece of our friend Ian Little. Today Elizabeth celebrates her 50th Anniversary of Religious Profession as a sister of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart. Ian is of course attending the anniversary mass.

**Bring-&-Share** today in the Vicarage garden. As it was forecast to be a pleasant day, this was quickly organized. You are invited to proceed to the Vicarage garden after mass where refreshments will be served. Those free, are welcome to stay and share lunch in the garden.

**Offertory Income:** January 10: The Baptism of Christ - \$670.00

**Alfie's Keys** Someone borrowed keys from Alfie. Who was it please?

**Your Last Will & Testament** our Business Manager draws attention to the following wording for your Will – "I GIVE \$XX to the Anglican Church of St James the Great in East St Kilda and I DECLARE the receipt of the Vicar of the day and the Treasurer or Business Manager for the time being of that organization shall be a full and sufficient discharge to my trustees."

## **The St James' Community**

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### **Churchwardens**

Vicar's Warden: Mr Alfonso Duran, Mob. 040070750

People's Wardens: Ms Kate Mc Dowell Murphy, Mob. 0412 887865

Mr Ronald Williams, Phone 9527 2941

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### **Parish Administrator & Business Manager**

Mr Michael Knopf, Phone 9527 1017

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### **Organist**

Mr Mark Raczynski, B. Mus. (Melb.) L. Mus. A

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### **Parish Office Assistant**

Mr Francisco Alfonso

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### **Sunday School**

Contact: Ms Treasure Vellis

Phone 0413 901 819

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### **St Kilda Steiner Kindergarten**

Pre-School Sessions daily, Monday - Friday

Enquiries Phone: 95275168

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### **Little Patch Child Care Centre**

Commencing operations here at St James's in 2016

Enquiries to Dean & Michelle Clarke - Phone: 0419 548 477

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### **The Little Company of Brothers of the Good Shepherd**

A parish-based Religious Community

Enquiries to the Father Guardian: 9527 1017

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## **Reflections from Facebook**

### **The Divine Office**

*this morning at Mass from Pope Francis*

“those who indulge in worldliness do not know how to celebrate – they can't celebrate! At most, the worldly spirit can provide amusement, it can provoke excitement, but true joy can only come from faith in the Covenant”.

"Jesus' strength is to be found in his words, in his love. And where Jesus is, there is no room for worldliness. There is no room for corruption! This is a challenge for each and every one of us; this is the struggle the Church has to face every day. We must always heed Jesus' words; we must never seek comfort from another master. Jesus told us that we cannot serve two masters. God or riches; God or power”

“... the Church must not be obsessed by money or power, nor worship “holy bribes”. Instead her strength and joy should come from the words of Christ;”

