

# The Church Paper

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



**Wednesday June 29**

**The Feast of St Peter & St Paul**

## **Sundays in Ordinary time**

**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)**

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Dear People

My topic for the week is the sacraments because I believe that this is one of the foundational aspects of parish life that we here at St James hold as being of paramount importance and essential to our parish life. I don't intend here to describe or analyse the sacraments but to reflect on their place in our spiritual life.

I was reading an article last week which talked about putting parts of our lives in separate and often special boxes to organise them and to differentiate between the important and less important ones. Ultimately, the article suggests, as human beings we know boxes. We know containers. And so, when we relate them to an abstract concept, it makes the abstract real. In a way, the expression of the sacraments as 'visible signs of invisible grace' (to quote Richard Hooker) is a means of putting them in a box we can understand, touch, feel and know. The love of God, as an abstract concept, embodied in a physical 'box' as it were, tangible to human senses; acknowledging and honouring the boundaries between the secular and sacred world.

The miracle of the incarnation was also the miracle of a box. God consented to box himself up as a human being (remaining fully human and fully God in the way of divine mysteries). It seems to me that the sacraments of the Church express the way in which we can participate in the incarnation and participate in those divine mysteries.

To help me in my reflection on our parish life, please tell me "What are some of your favourite or least favourite boxes, real or metaphorical?"

Until next week

Blessings to you all

*Richard*

## Think Prevent

**Motivating men & women to work together to end violence against women**

See the Notice on the Narthex table listing consultations, workshops and events in various parishes



## 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

26.6.16

### The Liturgy Today

10.am Service of Healing and Wholeness

10.30 a.m. Solemn Mass (APBA)

Mass Setting: Mass of the Unsung Saints

Hymns: Gradual: 589 (Tune 264)

Offertory: 547

Post Communion: 447

On Duty: Sidesman: V. Coffey ;

Deacon: D. Stidston, Cantor: Loretta Hodson

Lectors; D. Stidston & V. Coffey

Refreshments: M. Knopf

### Kalendar & Events this Week

Monday - St Cyril of Alexandria

Wednesday - FEAST OF ST PETER & ST PAUL

Thursday - The Holy Protomartyrs of the Holy Roman Church

Saturday - Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

### Next week: 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10.30am Solemn Mass (APBA)

On duty

Sidesman: G. Bahula; Deacon: A. Duran

next week:

Lectors: G. Bartholomew & L. Hawkes

Refreshments: G. Bahula

**Prayers of the Faithful:** John & family; Noella; Virginia; Jan Ellis; Douglas Coffey; John Ahern; Brother Howard LBF; Judy Reynolds; Sister Hilary CHN; Jan Ellis; Maria Pythagoras; Geraldine Coulthurst; Valerie; Marjorie; Sister Raphael OSB; Stephen & Jill; Michael Muschamp; Adrian Stephens, priest; young Noah; Ken Mason OGS; Sally; Sonja Knopf; Linda Osmond, priest; Betty Boyle; Mark; Rory & Anna; Geoffrey & Margaret Clarke; Elizabeth Peters; Fay; Gladys Wheeler; Bill Smith; Vilma Byrne; Sister Lyn & Sister Philippa.

**General Chapter in Brisbane** Oratory Companions Alfie Duran and Gary Bartholomew will attend the Retreat with Fr Roger OGS together with Brethren and Companions from all over the world at St John's College in Brisbane from July 14. Pray for them and for the Brothers of the Oratory.

**Assisting People with Transport to and from Church** Please see Michael Knopf or Alfie Duran if you would be willing to assist with transport to or from Church for some of our folk for whom public transport is a problem.

**Raffle Prizes Required.** Warden Alfie Duran is organising a Patronal Festival raffle and is seeking the donation of prizes for the various prize winners. Please see Alfie if you can assist.

**May-July Glen Eira Health & Wellbeing Calendar** Copies of the Calendar are available on the Narthex table.

**Arthritis Victoria Raffle** 1st Prize - a Honda Wagon or Accord; 2nd Prize \$2,000 Holiday Voucher; 3rd Prize Coles Express \$1,000 Fuel Cards  
Tickets available next Sunday, July 3, 2016

**Offertory: 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time; June 19 - \$693.40**

**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**

### **Churchwardens**

**Vicar's Warden: Mr Alfonso Duran, Mob. 0400 707 508**

**People's Wardens: Ms Kate McDowell Murphy, Mob. 0412 887 865**

**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**

**+**

### **Parish Office Assistants**

**Mr Francisco Alfonso & Mrs Valerie Coffey**

**+**

### **Verger & Hospitalier**

**Gary Bartholomew: 0408 542 512**

**+**

### **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: 9527 5168**

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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 & Companions of the Good Shepherd**

**A parish-based Religious Community**

**Enquiries: 0438 450 011**

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### ***This Parish Community***

**shares the ideals of the Fellowship of St Athanasius,**

**a society of Anglican Priests committed to live and uphold**

**"... the Catholic Faith as received from the undivided church"**

## ***MUSIC WITH VEGETABLES!***

It may seem an odd combination, but there will be benefits for gardeners and music-lovers, alike, when the Evergreen Ensemble performs at Trinity Uniting Church in Brighton on Sunday, July 3.

Playing baroque instruments, the Ensemble comprises Shane Lestideau (violin), Jess Foot (oboe), Rosanne Hunt (cello) and Simon Rickard (bassoon).

That's where vegetables come in because Simon is a renowned horticulturist and author of gardening books.

The one-hour program, to feature "flower music" by 18<sup>th</sup> century Scottish composer, James Oswald, will commence at 2.15pm. Admission \$10, under-18 free.

The venue is at 15 Black St. Information 9699 8417.

## **Child Care Centre building continues**

The people of the St James' Vicarage and the Kindergarten continue to be much inconvenienced by the on-going works in and around St James' House.

Have a look at the photographs in the St James' Facebook page. They were taken on Tuesday June 21 soon after the pouring of concrete for the western extension to the building. The pictures show the men at work and the mess and muddiness of the churchyard. But as they say - one must crack eggs to make an omelette!

We do apologise for the present mess and inconvenience - hopefully ultimately it will have been worth all the effort and inconvenience.