

# The Church Paper

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



**Thursday July 7**

**St Bonaventure Bishop & Doctor**

## **Sundays in Ordinary time**

**Intentional Interim Priest:**

**Father Richard Murray SCP**

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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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A wise person once said that a tradition is something we did once and enjoyed while something we did once and did not enjoy is a heresy. While this is obviously a flippant comment, there is, as with most such comments, a grain of truth in it. However they might originate, most of us in the Church have a fairly strong sense of tradition and an attachment to our traditions.

Tradition plays an important role in identifying who we are and just what it is by which we identify ourselves. How important are various aspects of tradition for us as a community here at St James?

It is fair to say, I believe that the people of St James sit squarely within the Catholic Anglican tradition. Whether we identify ourselves as Anglo-Catholic, and interestingly, whether others identify us that way is perhaps less clear. I think that, as we approach nearer to the time at which certain choices are made for the future, it is important that we have some conversation about just what this traditional identification means and how it will affect the choices that need to be made. This conversation will be had in the next weeks over coffee and probably in more formal settings as well. The conversation is important because we need to be able to articulate clearly what the traditional parameters of the parish are before others come into the discussions and perhaps bring different understandings of what the parish's Catholic Anglican character is and what is needed to ensure its place in the parish's future existence.

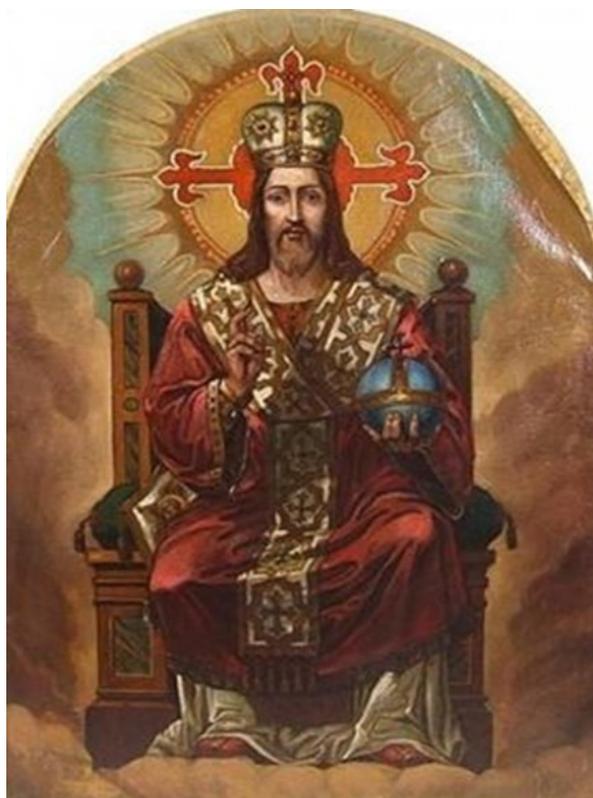
Tradition has sometimes been understood as "what we've always done and how we've always done it." I believe that we need to be much more precise about it and clearer in our own minds about what we mean by "the tradition of the parish", both now and into the future.

Next Sunday I will commence one of the four weeks annual leave that I am entitled to. I will be in Bendigo helping to organise and participate in the Global Conference of Chaplains in Higher Education from next Saturday until Friday week; you will be in good hands on Sunday July 10 and Thursday July 14.

Until next week (when these words will come from the Gold fields),

Blessings to all

*Richard*



## 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

3.7.16

### The Liturgy Today

#### 10.30 a.m. Solemn Mass (APBA)

Mass Setting: Mass of the Unsung Saints

Hymns: See Hymn Board

On Duty: Sidesman: G. Bahula ;  
Deacon: A. Duran

Lectors; G. Bartholomew & L. Hawkes  
Refreshments: G. Bahula

#### Kalendar & Events this Week

Monday - St Elizabeth of Portugal

Tuesday - St Anthony Mary Zaccaria

Wednesday - John Fisher, Bishop and Thomas More

Thursday - St Bonaventure

11am - Mass

#### Next week: 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10.30am Solemn Mass (APBA)

On duty Sidesman: D. Stidston; Deacon: R. Williams  
next week: Lectors: M. Knopf & V. Coffey  
Refreshments: D. Stidston

Fr Richard's Leave covers Sunday 10 July and Thursday 14 July.  
As Sunday 10 July had been scheduled as a BCP Sunday the Wardens have requested that the Liturgy of Sunday 17 July be celebrated according to the Book of Common Prayer.

**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.

**Offertory: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time; June 26 - \$528**

**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."

### **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.

**The July Roster** has been emailed. Further copies may be found on the Narthex table.

## **The St James' Community**

### **Churchwardens**

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

**People's Wardens: Ms Kate Mc Dowell 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**

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### **Parish Office Assistants**

**Mr Francisco Alfonso & Mrs Valerie Coffey**

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### **Verger & Hospitalier**

**Gary Bartholomew: 0408 542 512**

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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: 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 this 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, Brighton - Information 9699 8417.

## **St Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (Feast day-July 15)**

St. Bonaventure, known as "the seraphic doctor," was born at Bagnorea in Tuscany, in 1221. He received the name of Bonaventure in consequence of an exclamation of St. Francis of Assisi, when, in response to the pleading of the child's mother, the saint prayed for John's recovery from a dangerous illness, and, foreseeing the future greatness of the little John, cried out "O Buona ventura"-O good fortune!

At the age of twenty-two St. Bonaventure entered the Franciscan Order. Having made his vows, he was sent to Paris to complete his studies under the celebrated doctor Alexander of Hales, an Englishman and a Franciscan. After the latter's death he continued his course under his successor, John of Rochelle. In Paris he became the intimate friend of the great St. Thomas Aquinas. He received the degree of Doctor, together with Thomas Aquinas, ceding to his friend against the latter's inclination, the honor of having it first conferred upon him. Like St. Thomas Aquinas, he enjoyed the friendship of the holy King, St. Louis.

At the age of thirty-five he was chosen General of his Order and restored a perfect calm where peace had been disturbed by internal dissensions. He did much for his Order and composed The Life of St. Francis. He also assisted at the translation of the relics of St. Anthony of Padua. He was nominated Archbishop of York by Pope Clement IV, but he begged not to be forced to accept that dignity. Gregory X obliged him to take upon himself a greater one, that of Cardinal and Bishop of Albano, one of the six suffragan Sees of Rome. Before his death he abdicated his office of General of the Franciscan Order. He died while he was assisting at the Second Council of Lyons, on July 15, 1274.