

Featurettes

Ferials and Feasts this week

Sunday—Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday—Monday of the Thirty Third Week in O T
Tuesday—Tuesday of the Thirty Third Week in O T
Wednesday—Wednesday of the Thirty Third Week in O T
Thursday—The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday—St Cecilia, *Memorial*
Saturday— Saturday of the Thirty Third Week in O T

Keep the Date Free

New Years Eve Dance, St Peter's Parish Hall, 16 Mary Street, Clayton from 7:00pm to 1:00am. Tickets will be on sale from next week. In preparation for the New Years Eve dance and learning how to dance, Tony and Gina will run dance classes in the Parish Hall on Friday nights between 7:00pm and 8:00pm. Hope to see many of you there! Tickets on sale after all the masses in the Narthex.

Columban Calendars

The 2020 Columban Calendars will be on sale from this week in the St Vincent De Paul Piety Stall. The cost of each calendar will be \$9.00. Please buy them quickly as they will run out! A great Christmas stocking filler!

Pre-School Playgroup

Do you have pre-school (0—5years) children? Come and join our playgroup! Families meet in the school Library on Tuesdays from 9-10am or Friday from 9-10am. We would love to meet you and welcome you to our school community.

Youth



Spring Ball

Annual Ball hosted by Saints Peter and Paul's Parish South Melbourne. Saturday, November 23, 2019 at 7:00pm—11:30 PM. The Hall @ Saints Peter and Paul's, South Melbourne. Dress: Cocktail. \$50 each or \$45 each for groups of 10. For more information and for booking, go to Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/2687949381280980/>

Parish Recognition Luncheon

An invitation is extended to all our volunteers who fulfil various ministries within our parish community. A recognition luncheon will be held on Sunday 24th November at 12:30pm in the Parish Hall. Could all volunteers please contact the parish office or email the parish to RSVP for catering purposes by 20th November 2019.

November—Month of Prayer for the Faithful Departed

In November we pray for our faithfully departed. Please collect an envelope for November Masses for the Holy Souls from the narthex. Envelopes can be put in the plate or handed to Fr Andrew and Fr Patrick, or brought to the Parish Office. As stipulated by the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne, each November Mass for the dead is \$20.00 per Mass.

Christmas Lunch

Let us bring people to Christ - let us gather together to celebrate God's greatest gift to us - His only Son Jesus. 25th December 2019 with lunch 12:30pm to 4:00pm. St Peter's Clayton Community Centre, 17 Mary Street, Clayton. Forward this message to someone you know within our Parish especially our new families, our school families, our students - All are welcome. Please RSVP to the parish office on 95441516 by 10th December for catering purposes. We need your hands on deck! We require your help!

A Vocation View

You know that at the end of earth-time, everything will be stubble. Be sure there is a monument to your earth-love in heaven. Listen to Jesus.



DETAILS	
PARISH	
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Website:	www.stpetersclayton.com
Parish Priest:	Rev. Fr Andrew McCarter
Assistant Priest:	Rev. Fr Patrick Bradford
Deacon:	Rev. Dcn Hubert Fernando
Domestic Support:	Seda Peters
Office Hours:	
Monday, Wednesday—Friday:	9:30am—4:30pm
Tuesday:	Closed
PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL	
Address:	16 Mary St, Clayton, 3168
Phone:	9544 3032
Email:	principal@spclayton.catholic.edu.au
Principal:	Sharon Daujat
Secretaries:	Margaret Nahon and Rebecca Burt
CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL	
Sacred Heart College, Oakleigh:	9568 5488
Mazenod College, Mulgrave:	9560 0911
Salesian College, Chadstone:	9807 2644
Killester College, Springvale:	9547 5000

MASS SCHEDULE	
Weekend Mass Times	
Saturday (Vigil)	6:00pm
Sunday	8:00am
	9:30am
	11:15am (English & Italian)
	4:30pm (Malayalam 2nd and 4th Sundays)
Weekday Masses	
Monday	9:00am
	7:00pm (Malayalam)
Tuesday	9:00am
Wednesday	9:00am
	7:00pm (Mass & Novena)
Thursday	9:00am
Friday	9:00am
	2:30pm (Divine Mercy)
Saturday	9:00am
Other Sacraments	
Reconciliation:	Saturday 9:30am (or by appointment)
Marriages and Baptism:	By appointment and at least 6 months notice
Anointing of the Sick:	Please call parish office

Thirty Third in Ordinary Time—Year C 17th November 2019

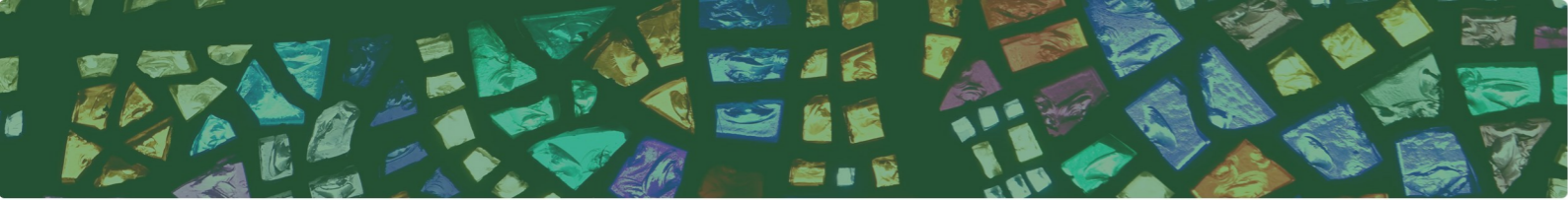
The Triumph of God—The day is coming when all that is evil will be brought to nothing. Already Christ has given us the strength to overcome evil; we receive it in the Eucharist.

FIRST READING:	Mal 3:19-20
RESPONSORIAL PSALM:	The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.
SECOND READING:	2Thess 3:7-12
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:	Alleluia, Alleluia!
	Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia!
GOSPEL:	Lk 21:5-19

NEXT WEEK'S READING:
*Our Lord Jesus Christ the King of the Universe
Year C*

FIRST READING:	2Sam 5:1-3
SECOND READING:	Col 1:12-20
GOSPEL:	Lk 23:35-43

St. Peter's Parish is committed to the safety, well being and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults. If you see something that concerns you, say something. Need advice? Call the office of *Professional Standards and Ethics for assistance* on 9926 5677, or call the *Department of Health and Human Services* on 131 278.



House of Prayer

Rev. Fr James Mallon

Making Disciples (cont...)

It is the membership of our churches who are called to be making disciples, but most have not yet become disciples themselves. A further obstacle to this task is that being an adult learner in the faith is viewed as entirely optional and non-essential. We value it for children and teenagers, but somehow think that adults do not need to learn, grow or mature. Catechesis in Catholic circles usually means what we do with children. Although the laity of our Church is more educated and professional than at any other time in history, the corresponding literacy in things of faith, theology, scripture and the spiritual life lags far behind.

Over the last 50 years, our society has witnessed what can arguably be called the most accelerated social change in human history. As we have moved through several paradigm shifts in the last generation, the pastoral practice of the Catholic Church in the West remains, for the most part, unchanged from what existed prior to this state of flux. Culture supported faith and church attendance. Demographics supported our pastoral development through the birth of children and the movement of migrants. We just had to build it and people would come. I do not believe we were particularly good at making disciples 50 years ago, but it was not obviously to our detriment. As long as we would go and open churches, there were always new communities of migrants, and new babies. As long as we baptised and taught in our schools, we pumped our good “practising Catholics.” In a sense, we got away with not making disciples, because the culture propped it all up. Fast forward through the 60s, the sexual revolution, mass media, new media, post-modernism, materialism, relativism, individualism, hedonism and every other “ism” we can think of and all of a sudden the fault lines are revealed for all to see.

Hundreds of thousands of faithful, believing Catholics carry the enormous burden of children and grandchildren who have abandoned “the faith”. These faithful Catholics carry the extra burden of blaming themselves for this situation, unsure of what they did wrong: after all, they did for their children what their parents did for them. Pointing fingers is, well, pointless. The fact is that the rules have all changed. We no longer have the cultural props we had before, and the social current has turned against us. The only solution going forward is to return to what Jesus asked of us 2,000 years ago: to not just make believers, or “practising Catholics,” but to make *disciples*. To make

disciples. That’s it! This is the heart of the matter and the lens through which we are to evaluate all activity of the Church—all pastoral programs, all expenditures and all use of our buildings.

Evangelisation

How do we make disciples? If a disciple is one who learns, who yearns to grow, who hungers for knowledge, how does this happen? We know that just because someone “believes” in Jesus or goes to church does not necessarily mean they have this hunger. Something must happen to awaken this hunger: that something is evangelisation. We know that “to evangelise” literally means to announce good news, but what is this Good News? I suspect that many of us could fill pages describing the Good News of Jesus or the Good News about Jesus. It is multi-layered and complex. A part of us resists the temptation to oversimplify things and ends up giving in to the temptation of unnecessarily complicating them. We can speak of the message of “God with us,” of God’s Kingdom or Reign, of God’s mercy, of God’s unconditional love, of the forgiveness of sins, of God’s love being revealed on the cross, and of the defeat of death through the resurrection of Jesus. We can speak of the truth that we are never alone, that God desires to dwell in us, to consume us and have us consume him, but in the end it is possible to simplify the message into one word: Jesus. In Jesus, we have the very embodiment of God’s salvation presence, love, mercy and life. We know in the Gospels that he who was the proclaimer of the Good News of the Kingdom becomes the Good News and the embodiment of that Kingdom. To receive this Good News, to be evangelised, is not only to hear these wonderful truths, to know about them, but to come to know him—to not just believe in him, but to love him and to be in love with him. Only then will our hearts sing and our song be heard. Only when we come to encounter him as alive and real, he who is the Way, the Truth and the Life, do we then desire to walk his way, hunger for his truth and seek to live his life.

The difficult truth for us as pastors, leaders and people who care about our church is that so many of our people have never come to know him personally, and therefore have no hunger for him. We still have the shadow of duty and fear as a religious motivation hanging over us. Scripture tells us, however, that where this is active, perfect love has not been discovered.

We remember in our prayers

Recently deceased: Valentina Sabilia

Anniversaries: Giuseppe, Nina, Pasquale and Francesca Caminiti, all deceased members of the Dizon and Alarcon families, Whilem

Sick & their carers: Tracey Baynosa, Letty Lozano, Phil Hickey, Andrea Cinque, Marina Hanz, Margaret Iringan, Bernie Perabo, Rodrigo Bugtai, Ron Grinter, Dawn Francis, Samantha Kolakidis, Francisca Supan, Francisca Silverio, Kevin Hickey, Kateri Byrnes, Carlito Dimar

Parish Notices

Collections Last Week—Thank you for your support!

Weekly Pledge Amount: \$1991.75 (99/250 envelopes returned)

Church Envelope: \$900.35

Church Loose: \$502.75

Presbytery Envelopes: \$512.30

Presbytery Loose: \$776.80

Financial Situation of the Parish—As presented last week at the Annual General Meeting, the parish income has dropped significantly in the last 5 years. As the income has decreased, our expenses must decrease. Sadly, the parish is not in a financial position, at this stage, to employ a parish secretary. The parish is now seeking volunteers to attend to these secretarial duties. You must hold a valid current Working with Children Check and a Police Check.

Beta Night for Alpha Grads—Are you an Alpha graduate? Take the next step! Thursday, 28th November 2019 at 7:00pm—9:00pm in the St Peter’s Parish Community Centre. Looking forward to seeing many of you there! Pot luck dinner so bring a dish to share!

Bake Sale—The next bake sale will be this weekend 16th and 17th November 2019. Please support the efforts of your bakers and support to the upkeep of our parish.

Special Collection Catholic Deaf—Thank you for your contributions and support to the Catholic Deaf Collection last weekend. We managed to raise \$682.25 for this great work.



Parish Vision

Saint Peter’s Parish is a **healthy and growing faith community that brings people to Christ, forms disciples and sends them out to transform the world. Our members commit to worship, to grow, to serve, to connect and to give.**

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEK | 24 NOVEMBER 2019—Sunday Year C

	6:00pm	8:00am	9:30am
Reader	1 Jeremy Paiva	Savitri Ratnasabaphy	Catechist Children
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion	1 Charlie Grech	Yvonne Hepponstall	Roni Asalemo
	2 Mary Grech	Marlene Marshall	Tuala Asalemo
	3 N/A	N/A	Reji Abraham
Hospitality	(Team 4) St Peter’s Choir		
Monash Medical Centre	(Team 2) Jackie Hayman, Rodney Narcis, Tina Murrian		
Counters	(Team 3) Mary Grech, Charlie Grech, Elvira Coutinho		
Church Cleaners	(Team 5) Mila Satore, Wilfred Satore (Friday 29/11/19)		
Linen	Angela Bruno		