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13th June, 2010



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In Our Prayers

We pray for the wellbeing of all our Parishioners who are currently in ill health. We pray for the recently deceased, especially John Gray & Gwendolyn Carroll & also for those whose anniversaries occur at this time, especially Graham Brailsford . May they rest in peace.

Holy Cross School Principal Appointment



The Archbishop has ratified the appointment of Mrs. Sandra Ritchie as principal of Holy Cross School—New Gisborne.

Sandra will commence her appointment at the beginning of the school year in 2011.

The Parish community welcomes her and wishes her every success for the future.

Note from the Parish Secretary

A new set of Thanksgiving envelopes are available at the rear of the church. Please collect yours as you leave.

As a result of an amalgamation of envelopes owing to the Thanksgiving campaign, some parishioners have been allocated new envelope numbers. People are **still** using old envelopes — some even from 2008! Please ensure that going forward, you **use the new envelopes**, as not doing so will result in your contribution not being accurately recorded in the Parish database.

In anticipation of queries regarding discrepancies with Thanksgiving contributions (as many of these queries are due to a misunderstanding of what constitutes a Thanksgiving pledge), please note the following.

It would seem that some people have been placing money in both (red & green) sides of the envelopes, with the idea that both amounts would be acknowledged in the parish records. Please note that it has been the practice for many years (and continues to be so), to acknowledge & keep records of **only** the (red) Thanksgiving offering side, but **not** the (green) Presbytery offering side. If as a result of this information you wish to amend your pledge, please contact the Parish Office via email.

Thank you.

The Gospel: Luke 7:36 - 8:3

Jesus has been invited to a meal at the house of Simon the Pharisee. As they settle to eat, a woman comes in off the streets and subjects Jesus to what could have been an embarrassing display of love and sorrow.

Simon's reaction is probably similar to what ours would have been - how can He let her do that? Doesn't He know her reputation?

As if reading his (and our) thoughts Jesus tells the parable of two people let off their debts - one small - the other huge -and asks quite simply - who would be the more grateful and who would love the giver more?

It is an uncomfortable moment - as Simon realises what Jesus is getting at. He had done all that was required of a host - but had not gone out of his way to make Jesus welcome as an honoured guest - and here was this woman from the streets out-classing him in welcoming Jesus...

He rewards her great love by forgiving the very sins that condemn her in the eyes of the gathered men. They query whether He has the right to do this - not really appreciating the love and compassion which leads Him to do it.

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Food item collection each week

Thank you so much to the people at our three churches who have brought in grocery items each week for the food bank.

We are collecting ongoing donations to support the Helping Hand Ministries (Foodbank) run by Riverside Christian Church in Kyneton. They need our support to meet the increasing demand for food for people in the Macedon Ranges Shire who are in need. They are so grateful for the huge support we have provided and groceries are going directly to those who call in.

There is a box at the door of each church. Just one item each week would be a great help; perhaps write it on your shopping list each week to remember.

Thank you - Anne Earley (St Brigid's), Mae Smith (St Patrick's), Carolyn Peterson (St Ambrose's)

St Vincent de Paul Society

* St. Brigid's Poor Box collection for May amounted to \$25.45

* St. Ambrose's Poor Box collection was \$51.15.
**** Thank you to all who contributed. ****



Departing Parishioners - We'll miss you.
Please notify the presbytery.



New Parishioners - Welcome to St Brigid's Parish.
Please register at the Parish Office.





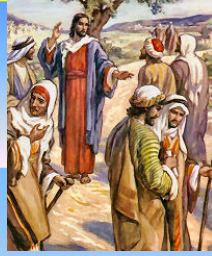
Rosters and Events



Ministers for next weekend's Masses:

6.00pm Mass: St Brigid's

Readers: Anne Trotta
Offertory: Schumack family
Eucharist: Julie Allen, Robyn Angarano



8.00am mass: St Ambrose's

Welcomer: Max McMahon
Readers: Catherine Moore
Eucharist: Eileen Seric



9.30am Mass: St Patrick's

Readers: Christine Trist, Jill Cannon
Offertory: Chosen on the day
Eucharist: K Vandenberg, J Bialobrzkeski
Children's Liturgy: Anna Byrne, Sonya Doherty

11.00am Mass: St Brigid's

Readers: Anne Earley, Kathy Pierce
Offertory: Violet Howard
Eucharist: Michael O'Connor
Children's Liturgy: Confirmation. No Liturgy.
Flowers: Marie Clifford, Wendy Kays



Counters: Graham Kays & Maurice Bourke
Please keep both sides of envelopes together.



Your generous donation amounting to **\$339.95** has helped missionaries to reach out to remote communities with a gift of faith, hope and love. Thank you for joining with Catholic Mission to share what you have with those most in need, and to witness to people that they matter. Your prayers and support are faith in action. Please consider becoming a "Friends in Faith Partner" with a regular monthly gift to support missionaries and remoter parish communities. Please call Melbourne 9639 1344 for more information.

REFUGEES ARE WELCOME

RALLY AND MARCH ON WORLD REFUGEE DAY

End the freeze on asylum seeker claims

Say no to another Tampa election

SUNDAY JUNE 20, 12 NOON
STATE LIBRARY, SWANSTON ST

Organized by the Refugee Advocacy Network of NSW
Coalition of groups that have come together to oppose the freeze on this election year.

AMNESTY International
Labor for Refugees
REFUGEE ACTION

Quote:
'The mystery of God hugs you in its all-encompassing arms.'
— Hildegard of Bingen

Catholic Mission
www.catholicmission.org.au
Freecall 1800 257 296

St. Brigid's Church — Window Repairs

Last year I received a report and recommendations for the repair and maintenance of the windows of St. Brigid's Church. Extensive repair work is now almost complete by Geoffrey Wallace, Stained Glass, who have restored many historic churches, including St. Patrick's Cathedral and Our Lady's, Kyneton.

The work should take six weeks and will include the temporary removal of the main panels of the sanctuary window. These works have been costed at \$28,800.

St. Ambrose — Riddells Creek

A new window depicting the image of St. Ambrose has been installed in the Riddells Creek Church. The work was done by Ettore Di Pilla.

- Fr. Gerry



Pope Benedict's Prayer Intentions for June

General prayer intention: 'That every national and trans-national institution may strive to guarantee respect for human life from conception to natural death.'

Mission intention: 'That the Churches in Asia, which constitute a 'little flock' among non-Christian populations, may know how to communicate the Gospel and give joyful witness to their adherence to Christ.'

Weekday Masses: Tue 15 June - Fri 18 June 2010

Tues: 5.00pm
Wed: 9.15am
Thur: 8.00am
Fri: 9.00am at Holy Cross



Reconciliation & Spiritual Direction: Saturday 9.00-10.00am

Don Bosco Winter Camps 2010

Spaces are filling quickly for the ever popular upcoming Winter Camps in Safety Beach. If you are 9-15 years of age and looking for something fun and different to do in your winter holidays, while eating good food and making new friends then Don Bosco Camp is the place for you. The camps are run by a team of young, enthusiastic leaders whose primary role is to ensure that each camper has the time of their life.

There are two camps to choose from:
Senior Camp (ages 13-15): June 28-July 1
Junior Camp (ages 9-13): July 5-July 8

For more information visit www.donboscocamp.org or ring 5987 2692.



Time for a Smile

Employee: 'My wife says I should ask you for a raise.'



Boss: 'I'll ask my wife if I can give you one.'

Boss: 'You should have been here at 9.30.'

Employee: 'Why, what happened?'

Employee: 'I think I deserve a raise - there are three companies after me.'

Boss: 'Is that so? What other companies are after you?'

Employee: 'The gas, phone and electricity companies!'

St Brigid's Parish Weekly Thanksgiving

Total Amount Received \$ 912.50
Total Amount Pledged \$ 2,083.00
Presbytery Collection \$ 619.75



Thank you for your ongoing support through the Thanksgiving Program.

May the Lord bless you all.