THE FOLLOWING IS THIS WEEK’S PARISH BULLETIN...
ST THOMAS AQUINAS PARISH
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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) (2014 - 34) 24 AUGUST 2014

Who do you say I am?

Better to illuminate than merely shine.

Entrance Antiphon
Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

Responsorial Psalm
Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon
The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

PARISH PRIEST
Fr Ray Zammit mssp

PARISH PASTORAL TEAM
Chairperson Mr Eugene Nikolajenko
Secretary Mr Vinko Ljubanovic
Sacramental Coordinator Ms Betty Hurst

ST THOMAS AQUINAS PRIMARY SCHOOL
Telephone 5275 3560
School Principal Mr Michael Manganelli
Secretary Ms Anne Papke

ST VINCENT DE PAUL
Meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesdays at 6.00 p.m. in the Parish Meeting Room.
Contact: Mr Larry Pankhurst

SCHOOL BREAKFAST CLUB
This is an initiative of the Society of St Vincent de Paul. The Group, made up of Vinnies members, parents, teachers and parishioners, meets to provide breakfast for the schoolchildren.
Contact: Ms Julia Moduchowski

MACKILLOP GROUP
This Group gets together in the Parish Meeting Room on a Tuesday from 10.00 a.m. until noon.
Contact: Ms Betty Hurst

GEELONG DEANEY
For more information go to: http://geelongdeaney.cam.org.au
Contact: Ms Betty Hurst

PARISH SUPPLOTTO
Last Saturday’s winners were: Grace Gerritsen (25) and Jenny Romeyn (31).
Three numbers are still vacant: 24 and 39. Thank you for your support.

CUPPA AFTER MASS
Please stay after Mass at St Thomas’ and have a cuppa and a chat with your fellow parishioners.

PIETY STALL
Have a look at what is available. You can also place your own orders.

TRADING TABLE
Your assistance in this venture has made it a success. Please keep an eye out for anything you feel someone else could use. Fresh produce is also welcome.

FOOTY TIPPING
The footy tipping social evening is to be held at the school hall on Wednesday 24 September starting at 6.30 p.m. Find out who the winners are or who will hold the wooden spoon. There will be games and prizes throughout the evening. Food: party pies, sausage rolls, sandwiches and more, soft drinks provided. Coffee, tea will also be available, plus sweets. If you are in the footy competition there is no charge, as this is included in the initial cost. People not in the competition a charge of $8.00 to cover the food costs. As this is catered for, we require numbers by Sunday 21 September. For enquiries about the night contact Charmaine or Eugene Nikolajenko on 5247 9553.

NIGHTSCAPE
Come and join other fun lovers in the warmth of the cozy ‘Pioneer Room’, for an exciting night of Live Music, Entertainment and/or Dancing. Mark Saturday 30 August in your calendar, for an escape from the winter blues. The ‘Pioneer Room’ is on the 1st Floor, St Mary’s Parish Offices, 150 Yarra St, Geelong. $10 per head @ door/other locations OR Purchase Tickets Online (incl: via your mobile): https://register.canbook.me/nightscape30-08-2014 (NB: 80c online booking fee applies). Call ‘Information Line’ – (03) 52 808006 - For Enquiries / over the counter ticketing assistance OR Email: nightscape@iinet.net.au for Enquiries.

SPECIAL SCHOOL AND PARISH RAFFLE
First Prize: Signed and Framed 2014 Geelong Football Club Guernsey; Second Prize: iTunes Voucher for $100; Third Prize: Coles Myer Voucher for $50. Tickets are $2 each. The Raffle will be drawn at School on 19 September 2014.

WEEKDAY MASSES
There will be no Mass on Tuesday and Thursday at St Thomas’, and on Wednesday at St John’s.
TOGETHER WE CELEBRATE AND PRAY
St Thomas Aquinas Church, Norlane
Thursday 28 August 8.45 a.m. Adoration 9.15 a.m. Mass St Augustine
Friday 29 August 5.00 p.m. Adoration 5.30 p.m. Mass
The Beheading of John the Baptist
Saturday 30 August 6.00 p.m. Mass 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (vigil)
Sunday 31 August 10.00 a.m. Mass 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on Saturday evening from 5.30 to 5.50 p.m. before Mass, or by appointment.

St John the Evangelist Church, Rippleside
Friday 29 August 10.00 a.m. Mass The Beheading of John the Baptist
Sunday 31 August 8.30 a.m. Mass 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
10.35 a.m. Rosary
11.00 a.m. Latin Mass XII Sunday after Pentecost

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available before and after Mass, or by appointment.

Remembering the Sick
Jordan Kordovic, Michael R. Navarro, Margo Trajkovski, Philomena MacBride, Brigid Barra, Mike Anthony Grupi, Florenza Fiore, Antonio Romeo, Luigi Lucioni, Maria Ruzzo, Josephine Wakeman, Frank Beatie, Dorrie Jago, Alice Squires, Doris Boyle, Cornice Schintler, Salvatore Serpello, Christopher Jennings, Darren Doyle, Victorino Po III, Susan Cioch, Rosemary Brandon, John Ford.

Those whose anniversary we remember
Ray Brunger and Molly Wilby.

God calls us
Many of us fear people in authority as authority can be used rightly or wrongly. As Christians we are called to see power as service. We shall all be judged on love.

FORTHCOMING PARISH EVENTS
Please mark these dates on your diary:
Footy Tipping Social on Wednesday 24 September at 6.30 p.m at the School Hall
Confirmation on Sunday 26 October at 10.00 a.m.
Parish Lunch on Sunday 9 November at the Croatian Community Centre
School and Parish Fete on Friday 14 November from 4.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.
Twentieth Anniversary of Ordination on Sunday 16 November with BBQ after 10.00 a.m. Mass
Community Lunch on Saturday 22 November in the School Hall
Christmas Carols on Sunday 7 December at St John’s

BIBLE STUDY GROUP
At our last Pastoral Team Meeting, it was decided that a Bible Study Group would be formed. Would you like to form part of it? This would be a small group so there would need to be some commitment to regular attendance. Please see Fr Ray if interested.

OUR CALL TO MISSION
Small yet strong in the love of God, like Saint Francis of Assisi, all of us, as Christians, are called to watch over and protect the fragile world in which we live, and all its peoples.

(Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel, 216)