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WEEKLY MASS TIMES

1st Wednesday 7pm
2nd & 4th Thursday Rosary 6.30pm
St Aloysius', Yarra Glen
2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th Wednesday 7.30pm
St Brigid's, Healesville
1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th Thursday 9.15am
St Brigid's, Healesville
3rd Thursday 10.30am
Our Lady of the Snows,
Marysville

ROSTER - 2 SEPT 2018

READER: BARRETT
COMMUNION: ADAMS
EDWARDS
CUPPA: GRIEVE
CLEANING: O'HALLORAN
COUNTERS: FRITSCHÉ



UPCOMING DATES

August
25th Confirmation Mass 1pm
26th Migrant & Refugee Sunday
September
2nd Fathers Day PRF collection
5th Yarra Glen Mass 7pm



WEEKLY COLLECTION

Church: \$ 364
Presbytery: \$ 237



Please remember to keep babies Jean Bernice & Emmett in your prayers.

A WORD FROM DEBBIE...

Our wonderful neighbour passed away recently, following a long illness involving slow decline in health. His funeral was a marvellous celebration of a life lived really well, marked by his choice to consistently give of himself in the service of others. The chapel was full, packed with crowds of his family and friends who wished to attest to the great impact that he had in their lives. Listening to his story, we also came to realise the huge impact he had on the lives of many who were not present. Equally big numbers of anonymous recipients of his kindness all over the world will never know his name, but they do know the results of his generosity of spirit, and his dedication to assisting those who cannot help themselves, despite his own limitations. In my book, this is testimony of a life lived to the full, Jesus' wish for us: 'I have come that you may have life, and have it to the full'. In preparation for their Confirmation, candidates from our parish have chosen the Saint who will walk with them throughout the rest of their lives, thus forming a life-long friendship with a person living in the direct presence of God whose own life connects with theirs in some way. The name that Monsignor Tony Ireland will use as he confirms each candidate will be their chosen Saint's own name. They have also chosen a sponsor to accompany them as the Holy Spirit showers his Gifts upon them during Confirmation. I have often joked that I like to sit close to the candidates in the hope that that shower of the Holy Spirit splashes out to soak those in the seats around them! A nice line, but it is in fact what does happen, as the newly-confirmed are 'sent out', to make a difference. As they go, the Holy Spirit continues to 'splash out', using these young men and women to touch others. As they make their way through life, they are accompanied by the sponsor they have selected to walk with

them today, and throughout their unwritten story to come. I have listened to quite a few children speaking about why they have chosen their sponsor, and I am constantly heartened by the goodness they see in that special person whom they have asked to be with them in this powerful moment of meeting God, an awesome encounter of growth. The children are recognising in someone else the Fruits of the Holy Spirit that flow out from the Gifts given to us in Confirmation. We want to be with people who are generous, kind, peaceful, joyful, self-controlled, faithful. Those who demonstrate these encouraging qualities are easy to be with, creating comfort in others. These are the attractive effects of Confirmation that we can easily carry to our world, simply by being ourselves. They are attributes that make a positive difference to those around us. The life of the Holy Spirit that exudes from those sent out from Confirmation activates and encourages others. Through our Confirmation, we are inspired and animated, and others pick up on this. We share our spiritual fire with those we meet. The Holy Spirit burns within us, radiating from us to make a difference, hopefully a positive impact that will be fondly remembered long after we have gone home to God. Celebrating the life of one who has given of themselves, created harmony and peace and filled the lives of others with joy is easy to do, and leaves an uplifting and inspiring joy in the hearts of those they have touched along the way. It happens without any effort whatsoever. As our children choose to take on the life of Christ through the Holy Spirit's Gifts in the Sacrament of Confirmation, and receive the Sacrament of Eucharist, we thank God for them, for our own encounters with the Holy Spirit, and for God's enduring presence in our world through the Sacraments that give us life.

PARISH NEWS:

Thank you to Ed McGettigan for looking after the hall and stepping into Marie's shoes while she's away. We really appreciate all the hard work that you've done.

Why is migration so much a priority for the pastoral care of the Catholic Church?

The Catholic Church is continuously redefining and implementing pastoral models for the care of migrants and refugees. The document Erga Migrantes Caritas Christi published by the then Pontifical Council for the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Itinerant People, in 2004, serves as a foundation for pastoral care to migrants and refugees in our parish communities. Erga Migrantes at the time, mandated that all local churches study and implement pastoral programs each tailored to the local church's individual abilities and circumstances for the care of migrants and refugees. In 2016, with the establishment of the Migrants and Refugees Section of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development, the Holy Father, Pope Francis, assumed personal responsibility for the care of migrants and refugees. During Pope Francis' pontificate we have seen a renewed focus on this matter in particular after the civil war in Syria and the atrocities caused by Daesh/ISIS and the ensuing European refugee crisis. Closer to home, in Australia, we are challenged by the re-establishment of the Manus Island and Nauru regional processing centres under both the Labor and Liberal governments. However, we have also seen the increase in the humanitarian intake, and the additional places in the refugee program announced by the then Prime Minister Tony Abbott and Immigration Minister Peter Dutton. A drop in the ocean, perhaps, but one hopes a step in the right direction in providing assistance to the many millions of displaced persons around the globe. The recent Apostolic Exhortation, Gaudete et Exsultate, reminds us that the path to personal holiness is obtained through concrete charitable acts of mercy. It is the call by Christ to care for our neighbour that spurs the pastoral mission of the Church to care for our migrant and refugee brothers and sisters. We are constantly reminded by the Holy Father and church leaders that it is not enough to sit idly by; we must be actors in bringing about social change with a Christian foundation.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

RECENTLY DECEASED

Corrie Rietbergen, Wendy Barnett, Jopp

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Blake Smith, Trish Leahy, John Snell, Abby Sharp, Peter Munro, Baby Emmett Hysted, Megan, Carmel Megee, Bernie Jansen, Tony Grieve, Maree Campitelli, John, Glenn, Lyn Francis, Dorothy Barber, Maureen Fogarty, Fiona, Val Christie, Annie Preuss, Michelle Ryan, Damian, John, Suzan Sasic, Robbie Ireland, Joyce Slattery, Alison, Heather, Julie Bates, Garry Dettman, Bradley Jordan, Jeanette Henkel, Richard Galbraith, Annette Fromholtz, Debbie Huby, Geoff Lucas, Sandra Donkin, Marg Pomeroy, Dorothy Fraser, Carmel O'Hely, Glen, Ernst Fries, Fred Bullas, Fred Coullas, Mitchell Wilson, Evie Gleeson, Indy Dawes, Rade Krstic, Megan Williams, Michael Christie, Joan Hollow, Michael Wood, Bill Howie, Jennie, Michael & Stephen Youngberry, John Mulholland, Rhiannon Days, Val Savitt, Ron Garland, Jaz Nueber, Patricia Beggs, James Cooney, Robert & Mary Bariola, Tilly Van der Zee, John Lauman

ANNIVERSARIES IN AUGUST

John McDonald (03.08.93), Patricia Newell (06.08.07), John Youngberry (07.08.79), Barbara Pollard (11.08.09), Andrew Sotko (14.08.07), Fr Loughnan (15.08.02), Bernadette Hanley (18.08.09), Mary Thomas (19.08.07), Douglas Ireland (21.08.79), Zandor Hunka (22.08.06), Alison Snell (25.08.02), Maria Slawinski (25.08.82), Gerald Slattery, Derek Beeby, Tilly Blackburn, Thea Humphries

We pray especially for those whom no-one remembers.

PARISH GROUPS:

GOSPEL & LIFE

Gospel & Life Group are having a break over winter. If you have any requests for different times or days for our meetings, special topics to discuss, or other ideas, please contact Elissa. elissaroper@hotmail.com or 9730 2813. And Elissa's blog for friendly info: <https://onwiththesynod.wordpress.com>

Feedback and questions: elissaroper@gmail.com

YOUTH-LED MASS

Our next Mass will be on **Sunday 9th Sept**. All secondary students who would like to join the team are encouraged to contact Paula on 0423 508 355 for more information.

DINNER AT DARRON'S YOUTH TEAM

Secondary school students are invited to be involved in cooking and/or serving a 2-course dinner to those who are financially disadvantaged or socially isolated as part of the Dinner at Darron's Community Meal program organised by HICCI. Enq: Andrea 0417 088 231.

RCIC & RCIA

Anybody wishing to find out what Catholics believe contact Debbie, our Pastoral worker.

RCIC - Baptism

Is someone in your family interested in finding out about the Sacrament of Baptism? Please contact Debbie 0400 310 703

CATECHIST PROGRAM

For children attending non-Catholic schools, who are wishing to participate in the Sacraments this year, please contact Debbie for more information.

MEDITATION GROUP

Mondays 9.15am - 10.15am
Enq: Anna 5962 4308

PARISH GROUPS:

CARE GROUP

1st Friday of month 1.30-3.30pm

PLAYGROUP

is not running at this time

Hall Bookings

Call Marie Snell 5962 3794

COMMUNITY GROUPS:

FAMILY DRUG HELP

1st & 3rd Tues Lilydale 1300 660 068

"Vulnerable children of the World"

Mary 5962 3287

MEN'S BREAKFAST

1st Saturday of the month

PAMPHLETS & NEWSLETTERS:

If you would like to leave literature in the Church please check with the Parish Office beforehand.

LOOKOUT FOR THE SAFETY OF CHILDREN:

LOOKOUT is a local community group concerned with keeping children safe from abuse and being there for adult victims. Next Meeting Golden Wattle House, Joffre St Date 27th August



ST BRIGID'S
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HICCI - AGM

Sunday 26th August 6pm
Liberty Family Church. Light supper provided. Hope to see you all.