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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 - 23 SEPT 2018

READER: JFCOTT
COMMUNION: EDWARDS
FIELD
CUPPA: GRIEVE
CLEANING: OUDE-MEILINK
COUNTERS: FRITSCHÉ



UPCOMING DATES

September
16th Social Services Sunday
20th Marysville Mass 10.30am
21st Term 3 ends
30th Social Justice Sunday

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Church: \$ 408
Presbytery: \$ 255
PRF: \$ 320



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

A WORD FROM DEBBIE...

In my column last week, I spoke about a completely unexpected question that a child raised when in a session I was conducting recently. The observations that kids come up with never cease to amaze me, there is never a dull moment when they are in investigation mode! Last week I was with another group of children, considering the Gospel that tells the story of Jesus restoring the hearing of a man who was deaf and could not speak clearly. We read the Gospel text together and then discussed some of the details that we had just heard. I could see on their faces that something had caught their attention. I am sure we all know the feeling of holding our breath in anticipation of what is about to come out next, and this was one of those moments, as I knew exactly what they were focused on! We heard how Jesus restored a deaf man's hearing by placing his fingers in the man's ears, and healed his ability to talk clearly by touching the man's tongue with his spittle. As I read the line about Jesus placing his spittle into the man's mouth, I was suddenly aware of what we were listening to, and I have to admit all the red flashing danger signals went on in my head at once. One child spoke about Jesus healing the man's hearing, and of course backed up his explanation by placing both pointer fingers into his ears, showing us what that looked like. I was thankful that no one in the group tried to show me what Jesus healing the man's ability to speak looked like! Their incredulous faces said it all! Jesus spat into the man's mouth. That one screamed out for an explanation. Saving Jesus' reputation with a bunch of primary school children was suddenly my mission, and it was a bit more of a challenge than I

expected. The kids would certainly not get away with similar behaviour at school. Somehow, I thought to link the waters of Baptism with Jesus' action, as good an explanation as I could come up with on the spot, explaining that Jesus is literally the living water in this story, water that refreshes, heals, sanctifies. I have to admit that I had never got that before, and that there is a whole lot more I need to think about now that I am aware that I have only part of the story. Others may receive this account in a different way, this is just what struck me. Sometimes we simply allow the details of Jesus' life story to wash over us, year after year, until one particular detail suddenly makes us stop dead. For those who come to Sunday Mass regularly, by the time the 3 year cycle of readings comes round again and again, we may have heard the same stories dozens of times. It fascinates me that I can always find something new to think about, no matter how well I think I may know the account of a particular incident from the life of Jesus. There is a wonderful hymn by Brother Michael Herry FMS entitled 'God of Surprises'. Once I heard this hymn, my own perspective changed a little I think. Walking in Jesus' company can be downright funny! Certainly, it can also be challenging, and a little absurd. When you invest true energy into the experience, discovering the God of Surprises can be a daily wonder. As I observed earlier, there is never a dull moment when kids, and God, are around. Maybe this is the week that you will discover the God of Surprises too. I hope so, he is such fun!



PARISH NEWS:

YOUTH-LED MASS

A huge thank you to our youth for planning another beautiful Mass for us. We are so grateful that you are sharing your gifts and talents. We also acknowledge that some of you are beginning exam preparation and we wish you all the very best!

AN UPDATE ON PAUL PAVLOU:

It's been publicly reported this week that Paul Pavlou has pleaded guilty to historical child sexual abuse charges. He has now been remanded in custody and will be sentenced in December. For more information please refer to: <http://www.brokenrites.org.au/drupal/node/121>

If you or anyone you know would like to talk about this or anything else relating to clergy abuse please contact the parish office or a member of our child protection team.

CHILD PROTECTION TEAM

Fr Arsenio Tuazon, Deacon Phil King,
Mrs Debbie Edwards, Mrs Paula Pearce,
and Ms Susan Sozic



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, Bernie Jansen, Andrew Sharp, 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 SEPTEMBER

Patricia Carey (02.09.13), Michael Scowen (03.09.05), Bernard Jansen (05.09.04), Frieddy Laszozewski (10.09.82), Moyra Donchi (10.09.15), Bruce Jarvis (14.09.11), Dorothy Amarant (19.09.08), Michael O'Dwyer (20.09.97), Les Humphries (20.09.13), Greta Dame (28.09.96), Betty Ireland (28.09.97), Henriette Sallay (29.09.13), Justin Perry, Sr Mary Fran Coburn (2008), Peter Barnett

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 **September 24th**

Congratulations to Maree Jefcott on receiving your 10 years of service badge for St Vincent de Paul.



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