



we really want. Cost: \$10.  
Ph: 5441 1814 Bookings essential.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Jack Dullard, Virginia Petraglia,  
Maryanne Maher, Leo Janssen Snr,  
Mary Robert, Monique Bowe, Paula  
Drum, Tyler Ruschmeyer,  
Dina Wallbank (formerly *Martin*),  
Robert Temple, Nita Atkins

**RECENTLY DECEASED**

Please pray for Agnes Flavell, Jim  
Jones, Claude Rogers

**PRAY FOR ANNIVERSARIES**

Mary & Joseph Meade, Leigh  
Clohesy, Carmel Curtain, Nell  
Tavenor, Maureen Dole, Yannick  
Casseran

**BAPTISM:** We welcome to our  
**parish family** : Nathaniel Timothy  
Morgan, son of Kimberley and  
Timothy.

**SILVER JUBILEE Fr PETER  
AUSTIN**

Fr Peter is a former parishioner  
who will celebrate 25 years of  
priesthood on Sunday August 1<sup>st</sup>  
There will be a special Mass 10.30am  
St Joseph's Rochester followed by  
luncheon at 12.30. All welcome. If  
you wish to attend the luncheon,  
please ring Maria Love on 5484 2244.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS**

our next meeting will be on **Thurs 29  
July**, 7.30pm in the Parish Office.

**"WHY THE LOSER WON"**

We have two sets of DVD s on the  
life of St Paul. Each set contains 4  
DVDs featuring Archbishop Mark  
Coleridge. They are available for  
loan from the Parish Office. Please  
be patient. They are much in  
demand.

**ADVANCE NOTICE**

Our Parish Thanksgiving renewal:  
14 Sept – 7 Nov 2010. Key dates:  
25/26 Sept, 2/3, 9/10 & 16/17 Oct.

**MARY MacKILLOP  
CELEBRATIONS AT KCP**

St Francis of the Fields School / St  
Therese's School combined event to  
be at St Francis of the Fields School,  
10am 6 August - save the date!!  
There will be celebrations at Parish  
Masses on the weekend on 7/8 Aug.

**MARY MacKILLOP  
CANONISATION & FOOTSTEPS  
OF ST PAUL PILGRIMAGE**

Rome,  
Greece & Turkey, ending at Rob  
Galea's ordination in Malta  
(*optional*). Led by Bishop Joe. Cost  
\$7800. Don't miss out! Phone  
Angela on 0400 087 634

**"BECOME ONE BODY, ONE  
SPIRIT IN CHRIST"**

Fr Peter Williams, Executive  
Secretary of the Bishops'  
Commission for Liturgy, will speak  
about the Church's journey to the  
new translation of the Roman Missal  
and the catechetical DVD "Become  
One Body, One Spirit in Christ" on  
Tuesday 10 August, De Campo Hall,  
CEO, 120 Hargreaves St Bendigo  
from 7.30pm. All welcome. Please  
RSVP to the Chancery on 5441 2544.

**PENOLA TOUR**

The Knights of the Southern Cross  
are conducting their annual trip to  
Penola to walk in the footsteps of  
Blessed Mary MacKillop. All travel,  
accommodation, meals etc included  
in the full cost of \$352.00 per person.  
Contact the tour convenor: RJ Ross

on 5446 9445 or 0418 157 064.

**CATHOLIC MISSION -  
DIOCESAN DIRECTOR FOR  
DIOCESE OF SANDHURST**

Position available for one day a week Applications close 26 July Contact Peter Gates 1800 257 296 or [petergates@catholicmission.org.au](mailto:petergates@catholicmission.org.au)

**MARY MacKILLOP  
PILGRIMAGE CROSS**

The Knights of the Southern Cross and Sisters of St Joseph Pilgrimage Cross: Thurs 12 August at St John the Baptist Church, Numurkah. In Bendigo 13 Aug at Sacred Heart Cathedral (1.00pm - 3.00pm) and St Liborius, Eaglehawk (from 4.00pm).

**ST VINCENT'S COLLEGE  
REUNION**

Past students of **St Vincent's College - 55-year Anniversary** of the Foundation of the College, 9-10 Oct. Anniversary dinner Saturday night, family Mass and lunch at the College on Sunday. Bookings essential. Info: Alumni Office: [alumni@ccb.vic.edu.au](mailto:alumni@ccb.vic.edu.au) or visit the website [www.ccb.vic.edu.au/community/alumni/pages/events.html](http://www.ccb.vic.edu.au/community/alumni/pages/events.html) ensure you are registered to get updates.

**COLUMBAN FATHERS**

Next week there will be two visiting Columban priests who will speak of the missionary work of the Columban Order.

**MAUREEN CONSIDINE FUND  
- TRIVIA NIGHT**

Sat 14 Aug at Fr Ted Harte Centre, White Hills from 7.00pm. Tickets \$20.00 includes supper. Drinks for

sale. Contact Chris Fishley 0419 434 236 or 5443 4231

**LET THERE BE LIGHT -  
FELLOWSHIP DAY**

Salvation Army Church, Mundy Street, Bendigo, Friday 20 Aug 10.30am followed by a light lunch. All welcome.

**THANKYOU for 35 BLANKETS**

Thanks to all those who donated blankets for the Karen refugees. They are snug and most grateful.

**ADVANCE NOTICE**

**e-CONFERENCE**

"Jesus the Christ" with Fr Gerald O'Collins, SJ Thursday 16 Sept 2010 10.30am - 3.00pm. Please put this in your diary now.

**IT'S SNOWING AT MT  
HOTHAM**

*Why not try FEATHERTOP CHALET HARRIETVILLE for a SNOW TRIP this winter?* 20 minutes beyond Bright and only 30 minutes from ski runs on Mt Hotham. Facilities: ski hire equipment, conference centre, indoor heated pool, tennis courts, games hall, mini golf, squash court, dining room and licensed bar. Bookings/info Kevin or Trish Bourke on (03) 5759 2688 or visit [www.feathertopchalet.com.au](http://www.feathertopchalet.com.au)

**ST THERESE'S SCHOOL  
"ART SPECTACULAR"**

Sun 15 August, 11am - 2.30pm, in the school grounds. Come and celebrate the artistic talents of our students, plus many others. Includes an exhibition of framed work from every student, major raffle, silent

auctions, activities and food stalls.

## COMMUNITY AND WORSHIP

*Angela's column*

Prayer - what is it? How do I pray? For some reciting a sequence of holy words offers a sense of security and that security is good prayer for them. For me 'knocking and asking' seems too business like. I prefer the conversational prayer whereby I talk to God as I would a friend. There can be a whinge 'why me, Lord', or 'thankyou, Lord, that was fantastic, I'm so grateful'. There are time when its just a 'I'm too tired Lord, hope you understand'. I can hardly explain how I pray. Prayer is more than words. It's a relationship which is experienced and expressed personally. I like 'popcorn' prayer. These are prayers which just pop up in the course of the day: 'Thankyou God for the people I've met / for that beautiful tree/ for this opportunity'. Popcorn prayers surface while making a cup of coffee, having a shower, playing in the park, feeding a child. While washing, shopping or preparing meals, while taking time with my family or friends, I can let myself have these 30 second friend-to-friend conversations with the Lord. For me it's the continual practice of connecting with our Lord that carries me through the

day. Looking back and saying "thank you" every night, if even for 30 seconds, gives me courage and hope. The most powerful prayer for me is The Lord's Prayer particularly the line: 'Let YOUR will be done on earth as it is in heaven'

*Angela Stark, Pastoral Associate*

### *Anne's Column*

Wouldn't you know, the very day when there is a nice lot of room, I can't think of a think to write! Of course I should stop right now, but of course I won't.

Last week I was out and about visiting a new family (and that's a benefit from Angela's broken leg, because if she'd been here, she would have been the visitor). I was inspired by the new parishioners' obvious willingness to share their gifts with us as they have evidently been doing in their own parish. It led me to reflect on how ready I would be to become involved if I moved (no immediate plans...) It might be nice to be low-profile. At the same time I have had occasion to develop my own personal mission statement. That was a most interesting exercise.

Do you know what your mission statement would look like? Where do you start? You consider what are your deepest values. Make a list. Rank them in order of importance. *(continued next page)*

## LITURGY PAGE

*17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*25 July 2010*

*Genesis 18:20-32 Psalm 137 Colossians 2:12-14 Luke 11:1-13*

### EXPLORING THE WORD

The God of this Gospel text is not a vague and distant God, but one who is in an intimate relationship of love - that of a father. If ordinary parents know what is good for their children and want to give them all that is good, how much more so will our Father in heaven give what we need? Asking our Father for the things that we need (rather than the things we want) is an expression of our dependence on God. To ask is to place ourselves in a state of co-operation with God. We also have to commit ourselves to working towards that which we pray for or else prayer becomes a way of evading responsibility.

- So often we abuse this privilege of asking God for what we need. In what ways can this happen?
- Persistence is praised in this text. Have there been times when you have felt like giving up on your journey?
- What kept you persevering?