

OUR LADY OF THE PINES CHURCH

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THE PARISH OF OUR LADY OF THE PINES DEEPLY RESPECTS THE WURUNDJERI PEOPLE AS THE ORIGINAL CUSTODIANS OF THIS LAND

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time 28th of January Year B

Confirmation Classes

We will soon be commencing Confirmation classes for children who are not in Catholic Primary School. Confirmation is for children who are in Grade 6 and who have completed the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion. If you would like to enroll your child, please get in touch with the Parish Office to register your interest. Classes commence on Wed the 14th of February.

HEALING MASS, BACCHUS MARSH Sunday 11 February, 11am Ta' Pinu Shrine, 15 Flanagans Drive, Bacchus Marsh

This healing Mass coincides with the 26th World Day of the Sick, and will feature Anointing of the Sick, as well as Mass, Rosary, confessions, novena prayers and devotions framed especially for the elderly and the sick. Principal celebrant will be Melbourne auxiliary Bishop Mark Edwards OMI, concelebrating with other clergy members. All are welcome at this special healing and holy day, held at Melbourne's beautiful Marian shrine.

Details: 5367 7006, 0412 360 231 or infotapinu@optusnet.com.au

Divine Mercy Mass

The next divine mercy mass at Ss Peter and Paul's Church will be held on Friday the 2nd of February at 7.30pm



This Weeks Gospel

This Sunday's Gospel reading illustrates the authority of Jesus. If we truly accept and understand his authority over our lives, we can rejoice in the Lord even when life hands us hardships. Why? Because we know that Christ's authority is supreme, which means that everything we've placed under his authority will produce good fruits. Even bad situations will be transformed into blessings. Tragedies will be changed into triumphs. Sorrows will be transfigured into joy. Frustrations will lay the groundwork for new growth, new knowledge, and a greater ability to minister to others. However, if we reject Christ's authority by acting as if we're the ones in charge, deciding for ourselves how to end a problem or how and when to escape from a hardship, our problems will only get worse. This is called "moral relativism." Pope Francis wrote in his Apostolic Exhortation on the Gospel of Joy (Evangelii Gaudium, paragraph 64) that this leads to a feeling of disorientation instead of joy. The path to joy has been forged by the footsteps of Jesus. To benefit from his authority over evil and over human sufferings, we have to follow his example and obey his teachings. This means choosing to trust him, realizing that his ways are the best ways even when they're unpleasant ways. It means that we're willing to reach resurrection glory by going through the cross with Jesus. There are no successful shortcuts to the triumphant victory that awaits us. There is no easy way to overcome evil. If this were not true, Jesus wouldn't have needed to die on a cross. The good news – the reason why we can rejoice – is that the most loving, most powerful, most wise One in the universe is using his supreme authority on our behalf. The question is: Will we submit to it?

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND
4th February 2018

HOSPITALITY TEAMS

McAuliffe , Nolan and McDonald

READERS & COMMENTATORS

Sat 6.00 pm James Beckford and Mary Wynack
Sun 9.30 am Anna and David Basa

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat 6.00 pm Jordan and Jess
Sun 9.30 am Luke and Jordan

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sun 9.30 am Trish Gurney and Kathy Stewart

MASS DRIVERS Janet and Pat Goodwin

PROJECTOR OPERATORS

Sat 6.00pm Carlos Cordeiro
Sun 9.30 am Bruce Stewart

COUNTERS

Marie Christensen, Chris Haswell and Joan McDonald

LIBRARY

Sat: TBC
Sun: Rita

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Wed 9.00 am to 5.00 pm.

Can also be contacted at Ss Peter and Paul Parish,
On 9842 1480 on Mon, Thurs and Fri.

Year B –5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 4th February 2018

GOSPEL

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straight away. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them.¹ That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding around the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was. In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him, they said, 'Everybody is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.' And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils. (Mark 1:29–39)

DID YOU KNOW?

Points of interest and Catholic lore

In Capernaum, archaeological excavations have uncovered a house, close by the synagogue, which has ancient inscriptions suggesting it is the house of Peter.

- Capernaum was a thriving town and was a centre for the local fishing industry.

.Extract from "The Summit" Online

We pray for Better Health: Nicholas and Rebecca Murphy, Tereza Matusan, Wilma Walsh, Trevor Lawrence , Jacqui Holmes, Brian Sullivan, Anna Sette, Phillip McKenzie, Josephine Noli, Tricia Hardy , Teresa Tali , Glenys Reardon, Christine Murphy

Anniversaries:

Recent Deaths:

MASS TIMES for partner Parishes of Our Lady of The Pines, Donvale & Ss Peter & Paul's, Doncaster East

	OLOP	SSPP
Monday	No Mass	9.00am Communion Service
Tuesday	No Mass	9.00am Mass
Wednesday	9.00am Communion Service – Rosary after morning mass	9.00am Communion Service
Thursday	9.00am Communion Service	9.00am Communion Service
Friday	9.00am Communion Service	9.00am Communion Service
Saturday	6.00pm Vigil (1 st Sat of the month Only)	9.00am Communion Service 6.00pm Vigil
Sunday	9.30am	8.00am and 11.00am