



## **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 14th and 15th of August 2021—Year B**

OUR LADY OF THE PINES CHURCH

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**Our Lady of the Pines Parish is a welcoming,  
inclusive community that aims to live our Chris-  
tian faith by example in our daily lives.**

**Our Lady of the Pines Parish is committed to up-  
holding the safety and dignity of each child and  
young person, ensuring they are able to grow  
and develop in a caring and supportive envi-  
ronment within our parish. Visit our parish web-  
site or contact our parish office for our child-  
safe policy."**

**We pray for Better Health:** : Brian Sullivan, Kath  
Potger, Alden Ong, Lisa Dallow, Josephine  
Noli, Teresa Talia, Sharon Rodrigo, Laurel  
Wood ,John Goold ,Meredith Barnes , Judith  
Frood, Terrence Jansz and Karen Jansz

**Anniversaries:** .

**Recent Death:** Lionel Rosario

## **Parish Mission Community Meeting**

In view of the uncertainty of our  
current lockdown situation, we will  
now be holding our Parish Mission  
Community Meeting after our Sunday  
10.00am Zoom Mass on the 22nd of  
August. We invite all our parishioners  
to stay online after the morning mass  
and to join this important meeting .  
Please join in using our normal Zoom  
Mass Link and Password.

## **Extension to Lockdown**

It is with regret that we find ourselves in a continued  
lockdown until 11.59pm on Thursday the 19th of August  
2021. Our weekday and weekend masses will contin-  
ue on Zoom The link for all masses is as follows :-

**[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2597564312?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2597564312?pwd=NGpkK2RsQTN1WkszdEdTTW5KSnl0Zz09)**

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**Meeting ID: 259 756 4312**

**Password: 689922**

Our Weekend Mass will be held at

6.00pm on Saturday the 14th of August and  
10.00am on Sunday the 15th of August.

Weekday Morning Mass times will remain at 9.00am

Thank you very much for your patience, and in the  
meantime please keep safe.

## **PARISH FEAST DAY - SUNDAY 15TH AUGUST**

In view of the continued lockdown we will now be  
holding our Parish Feast Day celebrations on Zoom.

We will have our Feast Day Mass at 10.00am , this will  
be followed by a Parish online gathering after, there  
will be time for you to make yourselves a cuppa and  
we then invite you to come back to join with your  
fellow parishioners. Peter Given will give us an update  
on PPC matters, including the forthcoming Parish  
Mission Cluster meeting which will now also be held on  
Zoom. We will then be moved into smaller break-out  
groups where we can catch up with each other for a  
chat.

The link for this is the same as our Parish Mass :

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We look forward to seeing you at our online  
celebration !

## The Way of the Gospel

On Wednesday 28 April, clergy of the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne gathered to explore how our local communities of faith might continue to address the missionary call of the Gospel into the future. This is just the first step of a much longer journey of reimagining our missionary communities.

We sent a request to the Vicar General, Fr Joe Caddy, to clarify certain points of this document and our way forward. We recently received a reply to our letter and after receiving permission to share this document with our community, we are now pleased to attach this document for your perusal.

## Father's Day Tribute

Fathers Day is fast approaching and we are once again inviting you to submit your Tributes for Father's day that will be included in all masses on the 4th and 5th of September. Pen your thanks, love and support of your father and if you wish for a picture to go up, please remember to send this too.

Send your tributes to the parish office on [donvale@cam.org.au](mailto:donvale@cam.org.au) by the 1st of September for inclusion. We look forward to helping you celebrate Father's Day this year ( lockdowns permitting).

## SPIRITUALITY IN THE HOME "Let's Talk Gospel"

Please join us for this six week series via Zoom to explore the Gospel from the comfort of your own home. Each week we will view a short video and have a discussion about the coming week's Sunday Gospel.

All you need to do is bring a cuppa, turn on your computer and log-in!

The sessions commence on Wednesday, 4th August at 7.30 pm. The final session on Wednesday, 8th September will be an "in person" get together followed by refreshments, at a venue to be advised.

Zoom log-in details can be found below and on the parish website.

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This is a joint initiative between SsPP and OLOP.

For further information please email Trish Keley, Pastoral Worker, OLOP at [trish.keley@cam.org.au](mailto:trish.keley@cam.org.au) or Cheryl Tay, Pastoral Worker, SsPP at [cheryl.tay@cam.org.au](mailto:cheryl.tay@cam.org.au) or

## Spirituality in the Home

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Contact the parish office or see the parish newsletter or website for Zoom log-in details.



*A joint SsPP & OLOP Initiative*



## New Episcopal Vicar for the Eastern Region

We are pleased to announce that Archbishop Comensoli has appointed Very Rev Anthony (Tony) Kerin as Episcopal Vicar (EV) for the Eastern Region of The Archdiocese. Fr Tony will take on this role in addition to his roles as Parish Priest of Box Hill and Box Hill North and EV for Marriage, Life and Family.

Fr Tony replaces Most Rev Anthony Ireland, previously the EV for the Eastern Region who is now Auxiliary Bishop for the Southern Region. With Bishop Terry Curtin continuing as Auxiliary Bishop for the Northern Region and Bishop Martin Ashe taking up his role as Auxiliary Bishop for the Western region all regions are now covered.

## AUSTRALASIAN CATHOLIC COALITION FOR CHURCH REFORM

### INVITES AUSTRALIAN CATHOLICS

TO THE SECOND IN A SERIES OF CONVOCATIONS VIA ZOOM

THURSDAY, 24 AUGUST, 7-90 8.00PM (AEST)

# THE FUTURE OF CATHOLICISM IN AUSTRALIA

*Convocation 2. Outcomes and  
actions for the Plenary Council*

The Convocation will be opened by  
Dr Miriam Rose Ungunmerr Baumann

### Guest speakers

Dr Jessie Rogers  
Ms Debra Zanella  
Mr Robert Fitzgerald  
Prof Emer John Warhurst

### FREE REGISTRATION

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**St Joseph – an encounter**  
**Prayer For The Year Of St. Joseph**

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,  
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.  
To you God entrusted his only Son;  
in you Mary placed her trust;  
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,  
show yourself a father  
and guide us in the path of life.  
Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage,  
and defend us from every evil. Amen.

With thanks to Catholic-link.org for the prayer and Sisters of St Joseph for the image.

**Postponement of the Sacrament of  
First Holy Communion  
21st of August.**

In view of the uncertainty as to whether the Lockdown will be lifted next week and to the number of people that will be allowed back in Church, **we have had to make the decision to postpone the First Holy Communion ceremonies for our Catechist children.**

This has now been postponed to Saturday the 4th of September at 3.00pm.

We will be in touch with all families closer to the revised date to confirm details.

**Support of our Local community and businesses**

During all of these snap lockdowns, it is our community and small businesses that suffer the most. We ask you to please bear in mind and support our small businesses, especially those within our community and businesses that are owned by parishioners or people you know. They are going through a very hard time and a majority are unable to get any assistance.

Everyday we are also hearing about people who have lost their lives and our thoughts and prayers are with these families that have lost loved ones. Could we ask you all to be especially aware of those in our community who are vulnerable and if you can, give them a call to give them some support.



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## ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

**HOSPITALITY TEAMS**— Haswell , Wallace and Sowersby

### READERS & COMMENTATORS

Sat 5.00 pm: Rita Latimour and Trish Gurney

Sun 9.30 am: Natalie Chim and Mark Keating

### PROJECTOR OPERATORS

Sat 5.00pm : Gabrielle Collins

Sun 9.30am : Joseph Chim

### Covid Captain:

5.00pm : Gill and James Beckford

9.30am : Corrinne Ng and Suzanne Keating

### Money Counting Roster:

**Group 7:** Shinta Sugeng, Buford Ng, Shane Johnson, Jack Deady

**Parish Priest :** Fr Jerald Mariadas—98418354

**Email:** [jerald.cecil@cam.org.au](mailto:jerald.cecil@cam.org.au)

### CHAIR OF PARISH SERVERS

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### SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

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### PASTORAL WORKER :

Trish Keley—9841 8354—Mon and Tues.

### PARISH ADMINISTRATION

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## Year B –21st Sunday in Ordinary Time — 22nd of Aug 2021

### GOSPEL

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before? 'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life. 'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him. Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

### DID YOU KNOW?

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- This is another example of how Peter, in the gospels, often takes a leadership role among the twelve.
- Peter's role of leadership among the chosen is why, to this day, his successor, the Pope, has a special position among the leaders of the Church.
- In John's Gospel, the author often uses the device of 'dualism' to contrast life in the Spirit with the life of this earthly existence.

Extract from "The Summit" Online

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

	OLOP	SSPP
Monday	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	No Mass	9.00am Zoom Mass
Wednesday	9.00am Zoom Mass	9.00am Zoom Mass
Thursday	No Mass	9.00am Zoom Mass
Friday	9.00am Mass—Rosary after Morning Mass	9.00am Communion Service
Saturday	5.00pm Vigil Mass	9.00am Mass and 6.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday	9.30am Morning Mass— Rosary after mass	8.00 and 11.15am Morning Mass



## CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF MELBOURNE

30 July 2021

Rev Fr Jerald Mariadas PP  
Our Lady of the Pines Parish  
77 Carbine Street  
DONVALE VIC 3111

Dear Fr Jerald,

Thank you for your email of 10 June 2021 addressed to the Archbishop in relation to the *Way of the Gospel* and how this intersects with the process for the Plenary Council of the Catholic Church in Australia.

Your letter has been forwarded to me as Vicar General. I apologise for the delay in responding to you as I have been away from Melbourne.

I have read your letter with interest and appreciate the respectful and articulate way in which you have communicated your points. As Vicar General, it is important that both Archbishop Peter and I hear first-hand the thoughts and opinions of the priests of the Archdiocese as well as parishioners and lay leaders.

I was delighted to learn that as Parish Priest you are working in close collaboration with your Parish Council and that they are taking an active interest and involvement in both the Plenary Council and *The Way of the Gospel* process. This bodes well for the future of our Archdiocese going forward.

The Plenary Council of the Catholic Church in Australia called by the Bishops of Australia invites the Catholic community to reflect on where the Spirit might be leading us at this particular time. The *Instrumentum laboris*, draws heavily on the voices heard during the Listening and Dialogue and Listening and Discernment phases of the Plenary Council, but also from other key sources. It is entitled *Continuing the Journey*. This is an exciting step forward and we take it together, amidst a time of great change. More than 220,000 people participated in the first stages of Listening and Dialogue, and those voices can be heard clearly in the working document.

While they have a different focus, both the Plenary Council and the *Way of the Gospel* process here in the Archdiocese of Melbourne are also in a sense somewhat complementary, both involving a deeper sense of discernment amongst clergy and laity. The Plenary Council will of course focus more on what we might describe as exploring some of the “big picture” issues facing the Catholic Church in Australia today, encompassing a very broad range of issues.

*The Way of the Gospel* on the other hand, focusses more specifically on the realities of our local Church here in the Archdiocese of Melbourne at both a pastoral, spiritual and practical level. Its

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more about how we might work together co-operatively with the priests and people of the Archdiocese in not only reinvigorating our parish communities but reflecting on how this reality may be lived “on the ground” in our local parish communities in years to come.

It should be noted that similar work has also commenced in a number of other dioceses around Australia including the recent launch of a parish renewal program in the Archdiocese of Sydney.

*The Way of the Gospel* - the path of missionary discipleship—has always been adapted by every generation to fit the local circumstances. How this is arranged has varied according to time and place.

Our initial meeting at the Veneto Club had one purpose in mind: to open up the question as to how our local Church in Melbourne might best be organised into the future, such that:

- the mission of the Gospel is at the heart of our life, worship and outreach;
- Local faith communities are arranged to allow for them to flourish, and;
- Our faith communities be effectively resourced—spiritually, ministerially and materially.

I invite you to continue to participate in this ongoing process of discernment with the parishioners of both Our Lady of the Pines, Donvale and Sts Peter and Paul's, Doncaster East.

The fruitful discussions and honest reflections evident on the day give us reason for optimism as we embark on this journey together. In fact, I cannot remember a time when the Archbishop, Vicar General and senior diocesan staff, gathered in a forum like this with both priests and lay leaders from nearly every one of our 209 parishes.

Our next step, as outlined on the day, will be to meet again, together with both our clergy and lay leaders in the regions to hear first-hand their thoughts and reflections at the local level. Again, as far as I am aware, the opportunity for open dialogue and consultation of this magnitude with the people of the Archdiocese is something that has never been embarked upon before to this extent.

At the same time, it is important to acknowledge, as you point out, that people may be feeling bruised, bewildered and uncertain and even hurt, particularly as we navigate the ups and downs of the Covid19 pandemic and other issues from our past such as the betrayal felt by many in relation to the scandal of child abuse. There is no doubt these issues have effected the confidence and faith of people in our parish communities.

Of course, it is also important for us to remember that people are also emotionally and historically connected and invested in their parish community. For many, their parish plays an important role in both their spiritual and community life – it is part of their story!

As you would appreciate, in an Archdiocese as large as ours there are a wide range of opinions when it comes to the administration of a parish community as well as each individual's personal faith experience.

As our Holy Father, Pope Francis reminds us, we are also called to be a missionary people, not inward looking and closed in on ourselves. Sometimes a different approach can throw people out of their comfort zones and sometimes it takes time to build relationships with one another based on mutual trust and respect.

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All the baptised, equal in dignity, have a role in fulfilling the Church's God given mission to proclaim the good news of salvation. We are all Catholic and all belong to the one family, connected to one another in a unique way as brothers and sisters in Christ, through our common baptism.

Part of our Catholic tradition ensures that there is a wide diversity in the way the Church expresses her mission in different places throughout the ages around the world, which is one of the great riches of the universal church.

The pastoral and spiritual care carried out by both our priests and lay co-operators in bringing Christ's healing and compassionate love to His people can never be underestimated!

Once again, I thank you for your ongoing dedication to the life of your parish community and wish you the peace and joy of the Gospel!

With every blessing,

Yours sincerely in Christ

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joe Caddy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Joe" and the last name "Caddy" written in a single continuous stroke.

Fr Joe Caddy AM  
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