

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH

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SUNDAY (C)

September 4th 2016

THE YEAR OF MERCY
23rd Sunday

BULLETIN NOTICES

Please forward any notices for the bulletin to Kim Collins (Laffin)

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NEXT WEEKS MASS TIMES

2nd SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

SATURDAY, 7.30P.M –
CHARLTON

SUNDAY, 8.30AM –
WEDDERBURN*

SUNDAY, 8.30 A.M. –
ST. ARNAUD

SUNDAY, 8.30 A.M. –
DONALD

*Lay Led Liturgy

NEXT WEEKENDS MASS ROSTER

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: Marg McGrath√*

Francie Lanyon* Sandra Patton *

READERS: Kim Thompson

PRAYERS OF FAITHFUL: Jeff McLoughlan

GIFTS : Matt and Elaine Donaldson

ALTAR SERVERS: Jackson and Ned Zagame

FLOWERS: Moira Olive

HOME VISITING: Mary Anne Sait

COUNTERS: This week: Frank and Nance Sait

Next week: Brendan Bourke and Paul Fitzpatrick

CHURCH CLEANING: S Walsh, A Calnin, K Bourke

OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS:

RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES:

- MARTIN BOURKE
- VINCE TORMEY
- MICK ROGAN
- BOB CALNIN
- STEVE LAFFIN

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

- Bailey Delaney
- Vin Sait
- Fr John Keane
- Leo Sait

Reconciliation will be celebrated at the Church
On Tuesday 6th September at 5.00pm
All are welcome to attend to celebrate with:
Abby Thompson, Chelsy Good, Darby Fitzpatrick,
Jack Collins, Jackson Zagame, Jacob Olive,
Maddi Fitzpatrick, Oscar Bourke, Patrick Sait
And Tahli Roberts receive the Sacrament.



Planned Giving:
Receipts for 2015/16 financial year were delivered / posted last week.

If you have not received your receipt could you please contact Anne (54911673).

Sorry the receipts are a bit late this year.

Prayer for my father

Dear loving Father,
 Hear this prayer,
 I pray now for my dad,
 Thank you for his life,
 For without him,
 I would not exist.
 Thank you for the times,
 When he cared for me,
 And held me.
 Thank you for the lessons,
 Learned by his examples,
 And his mistakes.
 Oh loving Father,
 Bless my dad,
 Bless his soul.
 And for when dad failed,
 Let me forgive him,
 And love him,
 As you love him.
 Through your Spirit,
 Heal the wounds,
 Between us.
 Dear loving Lord,
 You are Father to us all.
 Spread out your mercy,
 Over all fathers,
 Daughters and sons.
 For the glory of your Son,
 Jesus Christ.
 In his holy name,
 Amen.

Collections

	<u>Planned Giving</u>	<u>Presbytery</u>
07.08.2016	\$63.00	\$272.80
14.08.2016	\$198.00	\$125.10
21.08.2016	\$342.00	\$226.30
28.08.2016	\$177.00	\$197.40

Jesus' mercy extends to even the greatest of sinners

Jesus' mercy extends to all who seek forgiveness no matter how great or small their sins may be, Pope Francis said in his weekly general audience yesterday, reports the Catholic News Service.

While many often feel "cast aside" because of their sins, Jesus offers encouragement and "tells us, 'Courage, come to me,'" the Pope said to a crowd who braved driving rain in St Peter's Square.

"It is the moment of forgiveness, of inclusion in Jesus' life and the life of the Church. All of us are sinners; whether great or small, we all are. The Lord tells us, 'Courage, come, you are no longer discarded. I forgive you, I embrace you.' This is mercy," he said.

Reflecting on the Gospel reading of Jesus' miraculous healing of a woman suffering from haemorrhages, Pope Francis noted the woman's persistence in trying to reach out to Jesus despite the fact that she was excluded from society because of her condition.

"She was a woman discarded from society. It is important to consider this condition – discarded – to understand her state of mind," he said.

"She senses that Jesus can free her from her sickness and from the state of marginalisation and indignity in which she has found herself for years. In short, she knows and feels that Jesus can save her."

Photo: People try to shelter from heavy rain during Pope Francis' general audience in St Peter's Square yesterday (AP)

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