

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH

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SUNDAY (C)

November 13th 2016

THE YEAR OF MERCY
33rd Sunday

BULLETIN NOTICES

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

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NEXT WEEKS MASS TIMES

3rd SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

**SUNDAY, 8.30 A.M. –
CHARLTON**

**SATURDAY, 7.00 P.M. –
WEDDERBURN**

**SUNDAY, 10.30 A.M. –
ST. ARNAUD**

**SUNDAY, 10.30 A.M. –
DONALD**

*Lay Led Liturgy

NEXT WEEKENDS MASS ROSTER

SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: Margaret Fradd√*
Francie Lanyon√* Marg McGrath* Nursing Home•

READERS: Fran Byrne Lee

PRAYERS OF FAITHFUL: Anne Kenny

GIFTS : Brian Fitzpatrick family

ALTAR SERVERS: Caileb and Chelsy Good

FLOWERS: Margaret Fradd

HOME VISITING: Mary Anne Sait

COUNTERS: This week: Jeff and Mary McLoughlan

Next week: Brian and Sandra Patton

CHURCH CLEANING: K Fitzpatrick, J Bourke, N Fitzpatrick

OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS:

RECENT DEATHS:

- GRAEME HEATH

ANNIVERSARIES:

- JEANETTE PATTON
- RAY DONALDSON
- MAURIE O'BRIEN
- BERNIE BENNETT
- GERARD MERCOVICH

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

- Bailey Delaney
- Vin Sait
- Fr John Keane

November Remembering our Past Family members and friends. Those who have been prominent in our lives. During this month we will be remembering as usual those who have died and we wish to pray for.

There are envelopes in your planned giving sets and more on the seats of the church.

LOOKING FORWARD. This is a continuation of the Diocesan process to refine the way we will function as a Parish and as a Diocese. There will be fewer priests serving the same number of parishes. How will we cope into the future to spread Good News?

Fr Justin Driscoll and Amanda Smith, the Bishop's Professional Assistant, will be here on 23rd November at 5pm to meet in a group discussion at the School Resource Centre. They want to listen to what we have to say and suggest.

All who are associated in the life of the parish are requested to attend if at all possible. We include those who are on the parish council, those who are on the maintenance and finance committee, the staff at St Joseph's School, parents of the students at the school, special ministers of the Eucharist, those who assist in the funeral ministry, church cleaners and of course parishioners themselves.

Let us continue to support Bishop Paul and every parishioner in the Diocese to find a positive way forward.

St. Joseph's Christmas Fete

Every year we ask family and friends of St. Joseph's for their support in donating items for the spinning wheel, and each year this generates a wonderful response from you all.

If anyone is interested in donating a raffle prize for one of the raffles, please contact one of the committee members listed below.

Donations may be left in the 'old school office' during school hours.

All donations are very welcome and much appreciated.

Shelley Nelson- 0427 552 460
Alena Olive- 0427 916 212
Julie Roberts- 0407 680 060

St. Joseph's Christmas Fete

Friday 25th November 2016
12 midday to 2.00pm

There will be:

Santa Face Painting, Lucky Dips
Spinning Wheel, Children's
Activities, Jumping Castle,
Fabulous Raffles Super-Sized
Games

Stall's include:

Children's, Christmas Cakes,
Lollies, Milkshakes/Drinks, Plants,
Sandwich Luncheon BBQ

Come & join in the fun at our
Quadrangle.

We hope to see you there.....



PARISH COUNCIL NOTES: last Wednesday, 9 November the Parish Council met these are some of the issues that were discussed.

- Funeral hospitality: discussions are to take place with the St Joseph's school auxiliary, finalising the process of looking after accounts and payments of bills into the future.
- The cost of hiring St Joseph's Hall for an outside organisation has been set at \$200. For others parishioners included it is to be set at \$100.
- Prices are to be finalised on split system air conditioners for the hall.
- With the approval of St Joseph's school we shall celebrate 120 years of Catholic education in Charlton next year 2017. Dates are yet to be set.
- Youth activity: Friday, November 18 will be gathering of use at the croquet club for a fun evening 6 o'clock onwards. A pizza tea will be supplied.
- Columban calendars for 2017 have been ordered and will be available soon.

The next meeting will be on December 7th at 6 PM followed by a Christmas meal at the East Charlton hotel at 7 o'clock.

A challenge from *Laudato Si: On care for our common home*. (Pope Francis, 2015): "Let us sing as we go. May our struggles and our concern for this planet never take away the joy of our hope" (LS 244). Although we must be concerned about what is happening to our planet – we must also enjoy and thank God for all that has been created - we must never lose hope in human kind. ACTION: Rediscover your sense of wonder and awe of creation. Walk on the beach. Stop and smell the flowers. Enjoy the feeling of water, dirt, grass under your feet and between your toes.

**EUCHARIST AND CONFIRMATION MASS IS BEING HELD
AT ST JOSEPHS CHURCH NEXT WEEKEND ON SUNDAY
20TH NOVEMBER AT 8.30AM**

