



Parish Newsletter - August 13th 2017

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No Masses at St Joseph's— at the moment

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RECENT DEATHS:

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH: Alan Mead, Kate Carmody, Maria Vanzetta, Margaret O'Sullivan, Vincent Gervasoni, Barry Sealey, Dorothy Murray, Kevin Thomas, Fredericus de Jong, Betty Marshall, Kathleen Dalton, Tony Whitely, Jim O'Brien

Prayers for Sick: Gary Eyles



Fr Tom has kindly agreed to say Mass for the feast of the Assumption at 9.30am on Tuesday.

St Michael's School will also be in attendance

Coffee Morning is Back....

TODAY, will see the return of morning tea after Mass. We hope that everyone will stick around for a cuppa and a chat. Thanks to Carol Collins for offering to host this one.

Our next one will be some time in September, and then the 15th October to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of Fr Gary's Ordination (more information on this to come)



Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS

Although divine power is manifested in dramatic ways, it is also present in what is unassuming. Traces of God can be seen in the delicacy of a violet, in a cool summer breeze, in the blush of innocence, in the fiery eyes of justice. Every one of us lives in the midst of God, breathes the breath of God's life, and is constantly touched by the exquisite artistry of God's creativity. Life itself is a mountain experience of God.

As wonderful as life may be, it can also be very frightening at times. There are misunderstandings and rancour, jealousy and vindictiveness, greed and a hunger for power. Our personal lives can come unravelled and we can feel that we are genuinely 'at sea'. Every human being is tossed about by the exigencies of life. It is at times like these that we need faith in Jesus. Even though we do not recognise him, he is there in the midst of our chaos. Having the power of God, he is the definitive champion of all chaos, and so he is able to allay our fears and calm the sea.

A true experience of God, whether it be within the ordinariness of life or one of life's tribulations, is both transformative and effusive. It is a reality that cannot be contained; it must be proclaimed. Disciples must be ready to do what they can in order that the good news of God's revelation be made known to others.

