



**27th September
2020**

**26th Sunday
Ordinary Time
Year A**



“The Spire”

All Saints' Parish

Portland - Heywood - Dartmoor

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**Parish Secretary: Antonella Webbstock
Wednesday & Thursday 9.00am till 3.00pm**

All Saints Parish is committed to Child Safety - our Child Safety Policy and Code of Conduct are on display on the Parish website and noticeboard in the Tower Entrance of the Church.

All Saints Parish Portland acknowledges the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land on which our Parish Community meets, the Gunditjmarra people. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation and constitutional acknowledgement of first peoples

Recent Deaths:

Sr Tirsa Bale

Anniversaries:

Paul Kierce, Mollie Carey, Michael-Angelo Galea, Michael Vella, Eileen Laidlaw, Ray Keating, Garry Jennings, Kenneth Ryan, Sam Mizzi, Jim Whitehead, Heather Phillips, Gwenda Sweeney, Donald Murphy, Pat Stretch, Edward Shepherd, Rex Stewart, Ted McKenzie, Ivy Wilson

Prayer Requests:

Bruno Cancian, Margaret Couttie, Noela Clifford, Les Hildebrand, Nicky Schultz, Claire Jesser, Lea-anne Bourke, Rudy Legray, Michelle Mutch,

If you have any prayer requests please contact Antonella at the Parish Office; for privacy reasons only Next of Kin may ask for names to be added: Thank you

Baptisms by appointment with Fr. Gregory

Marriages by appointment with Fr Gregory Tait.

Sacrament of Penance By Appointment with Fr Gregory



Living the Gospel – Saying ‘Yes!’

In many ways, it is easy to say ‘Yes’ and not really mean it. Some people do it all the time in their lives. They say ‘Yes’ when they have no intention at all of following through on their commitment. It’s easy to say ‘Yes’ and not mean it when it comes to faith as well. It’s pretty easy to turn up at Church on a Sunday and be seen to be doing the ‘right’ thing. But if our faith doesn’t change the way we live, then maybe we’re really saying ‘No’ to God.

Please note that the Parish Office remains closed to visitors at this stage. You are able to contact us either by phone or email, details above.

You will be able to watch All Saints’ online services at the following link:

If you have a Smart TV you can access You-Tube via this medium; just log onto You-Tube and search for; **All Saints Parish Portland Victoria Australia**. You will see the Parish logo appear, please subscribe to this channel to view Mass every week.

Otherwise Fr Greg will send out the link each week with his Liturgy email.



We are excited to extend an invitation to you for our upcoming conference, REGROWTH. REGROWTH is a conference for anyone in the Catholic Church who would like to see new growth in the Church after such challenging times.

We will be discussing Alpha in a Catholic Context as a tool to facilitate new life in our parishes.

Topics will focus on how we can use Alpha in a Catholic Context to connect people who have lost connection in our parishes, as well as to rebuild and transform the face of our parishes by becoming more invitational and welcoming.

Daniel Ang, Director, Sydney Centre for Evangelisation - Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney, our keynote speaker, will be calling us to "mission" and "evangelisation" which is more important in these times than ever before.

We look forward to hosting you and your team. Please feel free to invite anyone else you know who is excited about parish renewal.

REGROWTH is a free, online event
Thursday, October 1st
7.15pm-9.00pm
[Register for REGROWTH today](#)

Engaging Your Catholic Faith

Engaging Your Catholic Faith is a series of short sessions offered online by Catholic Theological College lecturers on a range of topics including theology, scripture, pastoral studies and spirituality. Sessions will be held from September 14 - October 31 and will cost \$20 per session. The sessions will be held via Zoom and will run for approximately 90 minutes. More information and enrolment details are available from www.ctc.edu.au.

Trees Without Masks

Simple prayers in the time of a virus
 - Michael McGirr



THE SAPLING

Loving God, we thank you for the gift of new growth.

For the people who never give up.

For the ones who look after the sick.

For those who insist that black lives matter.

For those who bring food to those who can't leave home.

They are all like saplings, small plants that point to a bigger future.

We thank you for the call to new growth in our own lives,

To new commitment, to fresh honesty, to deeper love.

Be with us as we begin to branch out.

Make us stronger.

Amen.

Victorian Council of Churches

EMERGENCIES MINISTRY

What does the training involve?

VCC EM training is a comprehensive training package designed to equip members of faith communities to support affected residents through their participation in VCC EM deployments. The training course is a 2 stage process involving:

Self paced learning and completion of the workbook.
Face to face training day (or via ZOOM if COVID restrictions remain.)

Successful registration will require the completion of safety checks and referee reports and will occur after the training has been completed.

When & Where can I train?

Where

Gateway Church
186 Raglan St
Warrnambool
or via ZOOM

When

Saturday 17th October
2020

Cost

\$80 Full Fee
\$40 Concession/Refresher
\$40 under 40 years of age.

Register at

www.vccem.org.au/training
or for further information
call 9412 8481 or email
emergencies@vccem.org.au

Why complete the training?

This training is essential for all in the faith community intending to respond to emergencies and disasters in Victoria.

The Victorian State and Local Governments are continually tightening the requirements for people entering disaster areas.

The VCC EM is authorised by Government to coordinate an integrated faith communities' response when disaster occurs.

**VCC Emergencies Ministry:
Supporting Victorians since 1977**

SUPPORT OUR PARISHES



CDF Pay for Parishes

Payments can be made by using the below link.

<https://bit.ly/CDFpayPortland>

For all who would normally give weekly with cash in your envelopes, we ask if possible, to do the following:

- Organise EFT contributions through your personal online banking
- Go directly to National Australia Bank (NAB) 64 Percy Street Portland and request that they deposit into the Parish and/or Presbytery accounts.

Details are below. **Please make sure that your name and envelope number are recorded.**

Planned Giving for Parish Account

Given last week, inc. EFT: \$ 792.00

Pledged Amount \$62,400

Total YTD 2020/21: \$ 15,569

Total YTD 2019/20: \$ 16,495

Direct deposit payments for planned giving and donations can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

Account Name: Portland Catholic Church

BSB: 083 532

Account No. 5159 81661

Presbytery Account

Priest support: inc. EFT \$ 185.00

Direct deposit payments for the presbytery account can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

Account Name: All Saints Presbytery Portland

BSB: 083 526

Account No. 24476 6002