Dear Parishioners.

As you will read below, this week is National Vocations Awareness Week, when we are asked to reflect on our own call to holiness and service. It is appropriate that this week also incorporates National Marriage Day, which falls on next Sunday. Marriage is a way of living to which we are called by God. In the liturgy of the Nuptial Mass the couple make vows which are just as serious and binding as the vows which a man makes when called to religious life. I encourage all married couples to take time this week to reflect on their marriage and also to join Bishop Sproxton at the Cathedral next Sunday to share in the special Mass to celebrate Marriage Day.

This week is also a good time to encourage our young people in our lives, by pointing out to them particular gifts we see in them and asking them to consider how these gifts could be used to best follow Jesus. God has a particular plan for our happiness and our souls will never rest until we begin to live out His desires for us.

In view of this being National Vocations Week, the Catholic Women's League has chosen a particularly good time for their raffle in support of our seminarians! Please support their efforts as you leave Mass today. - Fr. Sunny.

# NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK

### August 4th - 11th, 2003



#### 4 August - 11 August 2013

Holy Hour for Vocations, St Mary's Cathedral Sunday 11 August 2013 from 3.00 -4.00 pm

This week will provide all of us, as a community, with a wonderful opportunity to pray for Vocations and ask the Lord of the harvest to send more labourers to His harvest. *The time is now. This is urgent*. If we wait another week the harvest will be ruined! Be proactive in your approach. Identify, approach, prompt and encourage the young and not so young men and women in your communities. Sow a seed in their minds and hearts and then let the Holy Spirit take over from there.

# PARISH WEEK CELEBRATIONS MULTICULTURAL MASS & LUNCHEON SUNDAY 24TH AUGUST AT 11.30AM (in English)

Please mark your diaries or calendars now, so that you are free to join in the celebrations! Our parish is so diverse and this will be a great opportunity to celebrate all the different cultures that are included in our community.

On the day, there will be a Mass at 9.30am (no music), but **the 11.30am Mass** will be our main celebration for the Sunday.

More details about the Mass and our planned activities for Parish Week will be published next week

"National Vocations Awareness Week (NVAW) provides an opportunity for all Australian dioceses, parishes, schools, religious communities, youth and campus ministers, and other Catholic organisations, to focus at the same time on the 'call to holiness' (i.e. the Christian Vocation) that arises from our Baptism, and thus to further foster a Vocations Culture across Australia." - www.catholicozvocations.org.au

What does it mean to be called to holiness? God has created each one of us with a plan in mind for our perfect life. When we find and live that perfect life, we are living in accordance with His will, and so our lives become truly holy. For some, that life may include marriage and family; for others a career in a certain area; for others, it may mean both! Yet again, we may be called to a single life which can be devoted to a certain aim or work; for another, it may be the call to the priesthood, religious or missionary life.

National Vocations Awareness Week is an opportunity to look at our lives and ask ourselves, "is this the life God plans for me?".

Of course, as Catholics, this week is not for ourselves alone. It is an ideal time to look around us at our family members and friends and ask, "is this the life that God wishes for them?". The answer to either of these questions does not come easily and it requires serious discernment, prayer and reflection to come to any kind of understanding.

The Bishops of Australia, during this week, remind us of our responsibility to live the life God has always intended, a life "lived to the full".

"For surely I know the plans I have for you", says the LORD,
"plans for your welfare and not for harm,
to give you a future with hope." Jer 29:11

#### Feast of the Assumption - Thursday 15th August

This feast is a holy day of obligation for all Catholics. Accordingly, we have an evening Mass to allow everyone to attend. **Mass Times:** 7am, 9am (whole school Mass) and 7.30pm.

"The feast of the Assumption is a day of joy. God has won. Love has won. It has won life. Love has shown that it is stronger than death, that God possesses the true strength and that His strength is goodness and love.

Mary was taken up body and soul into heaven: There is even room in God for the body. Heaven is no longer a very remote sphere unknown to us.

We have a Mother in heaven. And the Mother of God, the Mother of the Son of God, is our Mother. He himself has said so. He made her our Mother when He said to the disciple and to all of us: "Behold, your Mother!" We have a Mother in heaven. Heaven is open, heaven has a heart."

- Emeritus Pope Benedict XVI



#### **COLUMBARIUM UPDATE.....**

We would like to advise that there are only 3 niches remaining unreserved in the Mary MacKillop Wall. As advised earlier, the St. Paul and St. Joseph walls are fully reserved.



#### TALK THREE

People of God: We are called to holiness

OUR LADY OF THE MISSION PARISH HALL, WHITFORDS - 7.00PM WEDNESDAY 14 AUGUST

Sr Gemma Simmonds CJ, Senior Lecturer in Pastoral and Social Studies and Theology, Heythrop College, University of London



# Our Parish Events





#### **Parish Prayer Concerns**

Recently Deceased: Alfio Grasso, Richard Fosberry, Celine Fairman, Brenda Hendricks, Shirley T;

Anniversaries: Ralph Samuel, Romeo Lepore, Iris D'Rozario, Maria Vu, Christopher Etty, Francis Nguyen, Jane Pight;

Deceased: Kay Falla, Maria Cecilia Pham, Lucia Catalano;

The Sick of the Parish: Nola & Scott Leckie, Tracey Demasson, Joan Galin, Linda Gair, Mary Pursehouse, Bette Wachtel, Regis, Lobo Family and all who are in need of our prayers.

> "What will a man gain if he wins the whole world and suffers the loss of his own soul?"



#### NATIONAL MARRIAGE DAY MASS ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL TUESDAY 13TH AUGUST AT 6.20PM

The Australian Family Association and the Knights of the

Southern Cross invite you to join in a Mass to celebrate the institution of Marriage. Bishop Don Sproxton will celebrate the Mass.

To assist with catering, please RSVP your attendance on 9277 1644 or by emailing wa@family.org.au. You can also register online at www.family.org.au/marriageday.

#### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME - CONFIRMATION

A reminder that Monday 12 August is the Confirmation Parent and Child Night in the Infant Jesus parish centre starting at 7.00pm. The meeting will be for about 1 hour. It is a requirement of the Sacramental Programme that at least one parent/guardian/ sponsor attends with the Confirmation Candidate. Please arrive early and register your attendance by crossing off your child's name on the list in the foyer. Also, please remind children to bring a pencil case.

The completed **blue Confirmation Saint card** need to be returned into the parish office by Monday 12 August.

Confirmation Retreat - change of date and venue: Confirmation retreat is on Saturday 31st August from 8.30am – 12.30pm at Infant Jesus Primary SCHOOL.

#### MARANATHA COURSES AT MORLEY PARISH

THE SPIRITUALITY OF HEALTH: We all get sick, have accidents, suffer in some way and eventually die. What is the role of God when these things happen to us and others? What can we do in these situations? What really helps and what doesn't? Presenter: Fr. Stephen Astill - 3 week course, 6 Aug - 20 Aug 7pm - 9.00pm. Cost \$20.

FEMALE DOCTORS OF THE CHURCH: Who better to listen to during this "Year of Faith" than the four female Doctors of the Church, Catherine of Siena, Teresa of Avila, Therese of Lisieux and Hildegarde of Bingen? In this course we will consider the life and times of each of these women and the spiritual insights they offer us. Presenter: Dr. Michelle Jones— 6 week course, <u>Tuesday 13 Aug- 17 Sept</u> 9.30am - 12pm. Cost \$40.

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#### **PILGRIM STATUE:**

This week in the home of Mr & Mrs D Nathanielsz. 18 Cardwell Avenue, Noranda. Tel: 9276 5048

#### Calendar of Saints

5 Aug: THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA OF ST.

MARY MAJOR

**1**6 Aug: THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

17 Aug: St. Sixtus II & Campanions, Pope (258AD)

> St. Cajetan, Priest (1557AD) St Dominic, Bishop (1221AD)

FEAST OF ST. MARY OF THE CROSS ■ 8 Aug:

19 Aug: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein), Carmelite (1942AD)

10 Aug: St. Lawrence, Deacon (258AD)

## Fr John Rea

PUBLIC HEALING MINISTRY EVENTS 2013



Men's Breakfast

67 Howe Street, Osborne Park AUGUST 17TH: 7.30AM

**Healing Mass** 

St Andrew's Parish 60 Victorsen Parade, Clarkson AUGUST 22ND: 7PM

Pemberton

Holy Spirit of Freedom AUGUST 23RD-25TH

**Healing Masses** 

Gosnells Parish AUGUST 26TH-30TH: 7:30PM

Women's Evening

Disciples of Jesus Venue SEPTEMBER 2ND: 7.30PM

**Healing Mass** 

All Saints Parish 7 Liwara Place, Greenwood SEPTEMBER 4TH: 6.45PM

**Healing Mass** 

St Mary's Cathedral 17 VICIORIA SQUARE, PERTH SEPTEMBER 5TH: 7.30PM

Marriage Evening

Disciples of Jesus Venue 67 Howe Street, Osborne Park SEPTEMBER 7TH: 7.30PM

**Healing Service** 

Disciples of Jesus Venue 67 Howe Street, Osborne Park SEPTEMBER 8TH: 3PM

**Healing Mass** 

**Our Parish Team** 

Holy Spirit Parish 2 Keaney Place, City Beach SEPTEMBER 10TH: 10AM

For enquiries about Fr. Rea's visit, please contact:

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Clarkson Parish Mass

Fr. Robert 9407 7512

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#### In our church

Morning Prayer of the Church: Mon-Fri, 6.40am; Sat, 7.45am Morning Mass: Mon-Fri: 7am & 9am, Sat: 8.30am

Saturday Vigil Mass: 6.30pm

Sunday Masses: 7.30am, 9.30am (Children's Liturgy during school terms), 11.30am (Italian), 6pm (Youth Mass 2nd & 4th Sundays)

Reconciliation: Saturday 10-11am and 5-6pm.

Perpetual Novena in honour of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel:

Wednesday 7.15pm

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**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Friday 9.30am - 10.30am and 7.30pm - 8.30pm

Baptisms, Weddings & Sacraments:

Please contact the Parish Office.

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