



ST ANTHONY'S PARISH

M A R S F I E L D

18 FEBRUARY 2018

1ST SUNDAY IN LENT YEAR B

1st Reading **Genesis 9:8-15**

Resp Psalm **Ps 24:4-9**

*Your ways, O Lord, are love & truth
to those who keep your covenant*

2nd Reading **1 Peter 3:18-22**

Gospel **Mark 1:12-15**

Masses

Weekend

Sat 6pm. Sun 9am & 6pm.

Weekdays

Mon & Tue 9am

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Wed-Fri 9am

MASS

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THE GOOD OIL

WE ARE NOW into the great season of Lent, when we spend six weeks preparing to celebrate the high point of our faith: the Paschal Mystery, the suffering, death and resurrection of the Incarnate God. Formerly it was a time of severe penance as a way of purifying ourselves from our sinful habits and being ready to celebrate the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ with a renewed commitment to follow him.

Even though we are no longer asked by the Church to observe the severe penances of former times, it is surely fitting that we make some of form of preparation. It should be a time for personal reflection on where we stand as Christians. Only a little reflection will convince us that, on the one hand, there are many ways in which we fail through word and action, through our thoughts and through our failure to be the kind of people that the Gospel challenges us to be.

But our reflections should not only focus on the negative. What are the positive things which should be part and parcel of my daily life? What kind of a person am I in relation to my family, friends, working colleagues and other people with whom I come in contact? How active am I as a member of my Christian community e.g. my parish? What difference do I make to other people's lives? What do I do, within my limitations, to help eradicate the abuses which are part of our society?

Read the full commentary: livingspace.sacredspace.ie/LB011/
Living Space is part of sacredspace.ie

Pastoral Sessions

Mon: Rosary in Italian 7.30pm.

Tue: Cenacle 9.30am. Cenacle & Adoration 4pm.

Wed: Adoration 9.30am. Meditation 10am Parish Centre.

Fri: Rosary 9.30am. Adoration 6pm.

Reconciliation by appointment or Sat 5.30-5.50pm



PASCHAL PRECEPT. Each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This is to be done between Ash Wednesday, 14 Feb, and Trinity Sunday, 27 May 2018, unless for a good reason it is done at another time during the year. All the faithful are obliged to confess their grave sins at least once a year.

LENTEN DAYS OF PENANCE. Abstinence from meat and fasting must be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. All who have completed their 18th year and have not yet begun their 60th year are bound to fast. All who have completed their 14th year are bound to abstain. On all other Fridays of Lent, the law of common practice of penance is fulfilled by performing any one of the following:

1. **prayer**—e.g. Mass attendance; family prayer; visit to a church or chapel; reading the Bible; making the Stations of the Cross; praying the Rosary.
2. **self-denial**—e.g. not eating meat, not eating sweets or dessert; giving up entertainment to spend time with family; limiting food and drink so as to give to the poor of one's own country.
3. **helping others**—e.g. special attention to someone who is poor, sick, elderly, lonely or overburdened.

SOLOMON ISLANDS TRIVIA NIGHT FUNDRAISER Sat 3 Mar at the Parish Hall from 7pm. Cost: \$10 per head. Tables of 10. BYO Nibbles and Drinks. Coffee, Tea and Cake supplied. Fr Brian will be attending. Tickets available from Parish Office.

VIA CRUCIS—Il gruppo del Rosario Madonna delle Grazie invita a tutti gli Italiani della zona a partecipare a questi funzioni religiosi in preparazione alla Santa Pasqua incominciando **Lunedì 19 Febario** Rosario 7pm e dopo si incomincia—La Via Crucis. **Lunedì 26 Marzo: Confessioni** in Italiano con Fr Greg Cooney cm, 6.30pm; **Rosario** 6.30pm; **Messa** 7.15pm; **Via Crucis** 8pm. Dopo si va fuori per un rinfresco e si fa una lotteria che va tutto per i poveri. Per piacere portate un piatto.



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GONG XI FA CAI (HAPPY NEW YEAR) to all those who celebrated the Lunar New Year on 16 Feb. This is the year of the Dog & those born in the year of the Dog are loyal, affectionate, reliable, caring, honest, sincere, patient and intelligent.

CHANEL COLLEGE 60TH ANNIVERSARY REUNION for students of THE MARIST FATHERS ERA [1958-1970]. Email chanel.geelong@gmail.com OR send your postal details to PO Box 3069 Geelong West 3218 for info.

THE XT3 LENT CALENDAR 2018 MOBILE APP is available for download on Apple and Android devices (search for Xt3 Lent)

CATHOLICCARE- SHORT-TERM FOSTER CARERS URGENTLY NEEDED. More info at the free open evening on Thu 1 Mar at 6pm in Lewisham. Call 13 18 19.

POSITIONS VACANT

Communications & Development Manager, Council of Catholic School Parents NSW/ACT. Permanent full-time position. Sydney CBD-based. Contact: Anthony Spata at REACH Human Resources, on 0402 210 055. Applications close 27 Feb.

Donor Relations Officer (Casual). Applications are invited for the casual position of Donor Relations Officer in the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney

Housekeeper/Cook – Bishop’s Residence (Part Time). Applications are invited for this position in the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney.

The advertisements can be viewed at www.catholicjobsonline.com.au



**First Sunday of Lent
18th February 2018**



Janaki is a young entrepreneur from Nepal, who has turned her life around. Growing up in a world of poverty and disadvantage, coupled with a forced marriage at the age of twelve, she was in a very vulnerable position. Even more so when her husband died just two years into their marriage. With the help of a Caritas Australia supported program she is now running her own successful sewing business and has become an inspirational community leader.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2018 and empower vulnerable young people like Janaki in Nepal to build a just future for themselves, their families and their communities.

A Just Future starts with your support! You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

PARISH DIARY

Sun 18 Feb — Sun 25 Feb 2018

Liturgy of the Word only Mon 19 & Tue 20 9am
(NO MASS)



THE CATHOLIC WEEKLY is available
at the church doors.
Please put \$2 in the Poor Box.

COUNTERS ROSTER FEB/MAR

18/2 - Team 10; 25/2 - Team 1; 4/3 - Team 2;
11/3 - Team 3; 18/3 - Team 4; 25/3 - Team 5

COMMUNION UNDER BOTH KINDS

- If you have a cold or flu symptoms (or any other communicable disease, cold sores, etc.) you **MUST NOT** receive communion from the Chalice.
- In accordance with the General Instruction, we **DO NOT DIP** the Host in the Chalice.

**Please turn off your mobile phone in Church.
Thank you.**

PRAYER MINISTRY

PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER:

Those who are sick, especially-

Kenny Hee Teck Lim, Irene Tija,
Fr Michael Walsh CM,
Ambrose Hee Chong Lim,
Phillip Hopson, Eddie Yap,
Chris South, Konrad Wrzesinski,
Bishop Geoffrey Robinson,
Janet Godsell, Barbaro family,
Fr David Catterall.

The recently deceased-

Rosario Migliore

Fr Peter Neville

Maria Hansen

And those with anniversaries
around this time.

Terence Joseph Conlon

Maria Victoria Le-Huu

Rosolino Poli
(5th Anniversary)

Due to privacy laws, if you would like the name of a family member or friend printed in the Good Oil, please contact the Parish Office.