

STS PETER & PAUL'S

CATHOLIC PARISH

SOUTH MELBOURNE



4th November, 2018

WHAT'S ON

Craft Club

Mon 12, Wed 14
Nov, 12pm

Play Reading Group

Mon 26 Nov, 1pm

Playgroup

Tuesdays
10am

Coffee Club

Thursdays
12:30pm

The Friars' Market

Starting Sat 24
November

The Friars' Bookshop

Open Fridays,
Saturdays,
Sundays
9:30am-3:30pm

Love is the only law we are to live by. And love is the fulfillment of the Law that God reveals through Moses in today's First Reading (see Romans 13:8–10; Matthew 5:43–48).

The unity of God—the truth that He is one God, Father, Son, and Spirit—means that we must love Him with one love, a love that serves Him with all our hearts and minds, souls and strength.

We love Him because He has loved us first. We love our neighbour because we can't love the God we haven't seen unless we love those made in His image and likeness, whom we have seen (see 1 John 4:19–21).

And we are called imitate the love that Christ showed us in laying His life down on the cross (see 1 John 3:16). As we hear in today's Epistle, by His perfect sacrifice on the cross, He once and for all makes it possible for us to approach God.

There is no greater love than to lay down your life (see John 15:13). This is perhaps why Jesus tells the scribe in today's Gospel that he is not far from the kingdom of God.

The scribe recognises that the burnt offerings and sacrifices of the old Law were meant to teach Israel that it is love that He desires (see Hosea 6:6). The animals offered in sacrifice were symbols of the self-sacrifice, the total gift of our selves that God truly desires.

We are called today to examine our hearts. Do we have other loves that get in the way of our love for God? Do we love others as Jesus has loved us (see John 13:34–35)? Do we love our enemies and pray for those who oppose and persecute us (see Matthew 5:44)?

Let us tell the Lord we love Him, as we do in today's Psalm. And let us take His Word to heart, that we might prosper and have life eternal in His kingdom, the heavenly homeland flowing with milk and honey.

Scott Hahn

MASS TIMES

Sunday 10am, Saturday 6pm (Vigil). Mon - Fri: 8am Tues & Thurs: 12pm Saturday: 10am
Confession Times: Sat 10:30am, 5:30pm

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Please remember in your prayers and Masses the following people who are ill:

Sr. Annunciata Fcj, Pauline O'Hara, Valda Hogan, Flo O'Hara, Sr. Joyce Stewart, Celestine Ressia, Peter Wood, Vandersman Family, Joanne Kilmer, Liliana Bobadilla, Ruby Roxas, Eunice Costa, Richard Fennessy, Eunice Costa, Giovanna Santarossa, James Burnes, James Watkins, Bonnie Breen, Maurita Carlisle, Jeff Martin, Naomi McSweeney, Mary Quirke, Ilse Miranda, Neil Baker, Helen Keighery,

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DAY

Sunday 18th November

After the Mass on Sunday 18th there will be a celebration to acknowledge the generosity of those in our community who give up their time and share their gifts to assist in the parish.

Please all come for this special event.

NO MIDDAY MASS THIS WEEK

For this week, there will only be the 8am Mass from Monday to Friday

NOVEMBER MASSES

November is a traditional time to pray for deceased family and loved ones. Envelopes are available if you would like to have a Mass offered. Names can also be written in the Books of Remembrance.

OUTREACH CORNER

We're doing a bit of a drive for tins/jars of instant coffee for Open House and the food van. Any donations would be very much appreciated.



THE NEXT MARKET DAY WILL BE ON SATURDAY 24TH NOVEMBER

Monday & Tuesday	Evening meal at the parish house, 5pm
Monday	Gentle exercise classes – The Hall, 10.30am BYO Mat
Tuesday	Playgroup - The Hall, 10am
Wednesday	Breakfast at the parish house, 10am
Thursday	Coffee Club in the Cafe, 12:30pm
Thursday	Gentle exercise classes – Old School Hall, 9.15am BYO Mat
Friday	Barbecue lunch, 12.30pm

Please remember to bring non-perishable goods for the Open House Pantry, all donations are greatly appreciated by the Open house team and the people they support



MERCY IN THE CITY

An event for young people from all over Melbourne to conclude the 'Year of Youth'. A night of Adoration, followed by live music, food, & festivities.

Sat 24 Nov, 7pm @ Sts Peter and Paul's



CRAFT GROUP STALL

After the Confirmation Mass on **Sunday 25th Nov**, the craft group will have a stall where they will be selling many of the things they have been making over the past months.

Annual Christmas Luncheon

Monday 3rd December.
 Mass at midday followed by lunch at the Railway Hotel.
 Cost \$22
 Bookings from next week.

EMH Christmas Drinks

The Emerald Hill Mission Committee invite you to an informal get together to celebrate and thank the supporters of EHM
 Wed 28th Nov, 7pm
 "The Chapel" @ MacKillop Family Services
 237 Cecil Street, South Melbourne

Confirmation Mass

The Confirmation Mass for 2018 will be on Sunday 25th November, 10am

SAINT OF THE WEEK

Pope Saint Leo the Great - Nov 10

He was a Roman aristocrat, and was the first pope to have been called "the Great". He is perhaps best known for having met Attila the Hun in 452 and persuading him to turn back from his invasion of Italy. Leo was widely respected for his love for the Lord, intelligence and persuasive nature. He was also gifted in bringing reconciliation between disputing groups of Christians.

