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Second Sunday of Easter

The disciples had lost their great friend, their leader and they had lost their confidence. A number of stories are told in the Gospel of Jesus’ presence among his followers after his Rising. In all these stories the disciples are amazed when they see Jesus. No story tells of any disciple saying “I knew this was going to happen”. No, they are all shocked and all need some convincing of the New Life Jesus is living. (especially Thomas). In this story from John’s Gospel we read “they were filled with joy when they saw the Lord”. We do not feel shock and disbelief at Easter; we have heard the story many times, yet, we are invited to experience that same joy that the disciples felt. I invite you to spread the joy and affirm your own experience by re-reading Jesus words to Thomas “Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe”.

Children’s Liturgy - This Sunday during the 11 am Mass.

Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, 13 April at 7.00 pm at Holy Family Centre.

Recycled Aluminium Can

The Viet group once again have collected recycled aluminium cans and raised $748. Any family in our Parish can collect & bag these cans and leave them at the Parish office to help this worthy effort. Thank You.

Divine Mercy Feast Day - This Sunday at Holy Child, Dallas

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & the Holy Rosary :  2.00 pm to 2.30 pm
Confessions (Possible during Adoration) :  2.10 pm to 2.30 pm
Explanation of the Divine Mercy Devotion :  2.30 pm to 2.45 pm
Placing and blessing of the Divine Mercy Picture :  2.45 pm
“3 O’clock Prayer”, Chaplet, Litany & other prayers :  3.00 pm
Holy Mass :  3.20 pm

Followed by a Cuppa & Finger Foods.

Project Compassion Boxes/Envelopes

If you have not returned Project Compassion Boxes/Envelopes, please bring them along to Church/Parish Office ASAP. Thank You.

Solemnity of Annunciation - Monday, 4 April

9.15 am Mass at Dallas. Mass in Viet at 7 pm at Holy Family Centre.

Theology@thePub

The Pumphouse Hotel, 128 Nicholson St, Fitzroy, Vic on Monday, 4 April. Dinner & drinks from 6.30 pm. Talk commences at 7.30 pm.

Topic: The Catholic Sexual Abuse Crisis - moving forward.

Open to 18-35 years of age and all priests and religious of all.

Missionary Sisters of St Peter Claver

The annual Mission Concert will be held on Sunday, April 10, at 2.00 pm St Peter Claver Hall, 154 Cotham Rd, Kew. Admission is free. A collection will be taken during the Concert. Proceeds will go to assist the Missions.

Hope & Healing after Abortion

Open Doors Counselling will run their next Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat weekend on 15-17 April. These Retreats have brought hope and healing to thousands of women and men struggling with grief and guilt after an abortion. To attend contact 9870 7044 or anne@opendoors.com.au. View video at www.opendoors.com.au/rachels-vineyard-retreat.

Melbourne Catholic Magazine

A modern colourful monthly magazine is being published by Archbishop Hart and his team in the Catholic Office. The second edition, Mar. 2016 Free, now available in the foyer. Take a copy to read and decide if you would like to support and become a subscriber. Price for 2016 is $36 from April onwards. Use the enclosed reply-paid-envelopes.

For your information the Good Friday Collection not yet counted.

Hume Council Tip Stickers

If you are NOT going to use your Tip Stickers, the Parish could make use of the same to dispose of rubbish. Thank you.

Pope Francis

“Vocations are born in prayer and only in prayer can they persevere and bear fruit”

O God who chose the apostles to make disciples of all nations, and who by Baptism and Confirmation has called us to build up your Holy church, we implore you to choose from among us, your children, many priests and religious who will love you with their whole hearts and will gladly spend their lives to make you better known and loved by all. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen