



# HOLY FAMILY

## DOVETON

*The only thing that counts is faith working through love. (Galatians 5:6)*

### The Third Sunday of Ordinary time Year A 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2023

#### **EXCERPTS FROM SPE SALVI: PRAYER AS A SCHOOL OF HOPE, Pope Benedict XVI**

A first essential setting for learning hope is prayer. When no one listens to me anymore God still listens to me. When I can no longer talk to anyone or call upon anyone, I can always talk to God. When there is no longer anyone to help me deal with a need or expectation that goes beyond the human capacity for hope he can help me. When I have been plunged into complete solitude...; if I pray I am never totally alone.

St Augustine defines prayer as an exercise in desire. Man was created for greatness – for God himself, he was created to be filled by God. But his heart is too small for the greatness to which it is destined. It must be stretched. By delaying [his gift], God strengthens our desire; through desire he enlarges our soul and by expanding it he increases its capacity [for receiving him].

St Augustine points out that the vessel that is our heart must first be enlarged and then cleansed, freed from vinegar and its taste. This requires hard work and is painful, but in this way alone do we become suited to that for which we are destined.

When we pray properly we undergo a process of inner purification which opens us up to God and thus to our fellow human beings as well.

*“Have patience with all things - but first with yourself. Never confuse your mistakes with your value as a human being. You are perfectly valuable, creative, worthwhile person simply because you exist. And no amount of triumphs or tribulations can ever change that.”*

*St Francis de Sales*

**Parish Priest:**

Fr. Prince Joseph VC  
(John Prince)

**Parish Secretary:**

Maureen Goonewardena

**Parish Manager:**

Wilfred D’Couto

**Acting Principal:**

Pauline Moran

**Parish Bulletin:**

David Naidoo  
Anthony Wong

**Child Safety Officer:**

Bernadette Saubolle

**Sunday Masses:**

Saturday Vigil .... 6.30pm  
Sunday..... 9.30am  
..... 11.00am  
Healing Mass .... 7.00pm

**Spanish Mass:**

Saturday 4.00pm

**Weekday Masses:**

Everyday 9.15am

**Reconciliation:**

Tuesday 9.45am - 10.15am  
Saturday 9.45am - 10.15am

**Novena to Our Lady:**

Saturday 9.00am

**Baptisms:** Second Sunday

**Divine Kids Bible Class:**

Sunday 10.30am

**Parish Prayer Group:**

Tuesday 7pm-8pm in the  
Big Hall

**Parish Halls:**

Available for hire –  
Contact Parish Office

**THE DEPOSIT OF FAITH**

As Catholics the Truth is made known to us by Divine Revelation. God’s revelation is expressed both in Sacred Scripture, the Bible and in Sacred (Apostolic) Tradition as interpreted by the teaching authority of the Church known as the Magisterium.

Sacred Scripture is the inspired and written word of God.

Sacred Tradition is the Word of God taught through the oral tradition which mostly preceded the written word and transmitted through the Magisterium.

Sacred Scripture, Sacred Tradition and the Magisterium remained unquestioned in the Christian tradition until the Reformation.

These three pillars and the real presence of God in the Eucharist, together with our acceptance that the Old Testament consists of 46 inspired books may well be the primary features that distinguish the Catholic Church from other Christian traditions.

Through knowledge of Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition over time the Truth is slowly and continually revealed but the fullness of Truth is not completely comprehended by humans. Like the Trinity His Will is a mystery to be contemplated through Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition as authenticated by the Magisterium.

**COMMUNITY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MILESTONE CELEBRATIONS**

Daily Mass is often offered for the celebration of personal milestones such as birthdays, wedding anniversaries, baptisms, examination success etc. As part of the strengthening of relations on which our community of the faithful is based parishioners who so wish are invited to email to the parish office photographs/details of upcoming jubilee milestones such as 25/50 birthdays, jubilee wedding anniversaries, baptisms etc. **for publication in our news bulletin** – an inspirational way to get to know more about our fellow parishioners.

## READINGS

### SUNDAY

Is 8:23-9:3

Ps 26:1,4,13-14

1 Cor 1:10-13,17

Mt 4:12-23

### MONDAY

Heb 9:15, 24-28

Ps 97:1-6

Mk 3:22-30

### TUESDAY

#### St Francis de Sales

Heb: 10:1-10

Ps 39:2,4,7-8,10-11

Mk 3:31-35

### WEDNESDAY

#### The Conversion of St

#### Paul the Apostle

Act 22:3-16

Ps 116:1-2

Mk 16:15-18

### THURSDAY

Is 32:15-18

Ps 84:9-14

Mt 5:1-12

### FRIDAY

Heb 10:32-39

Ps 36:3-6,23-24,39-40

Mk 4:26-34

### SATURDAY

#### St Thomas Aquinas

Heb 11:1-2,8-19

Lk 1:69-75

Mk 4:35-41

## LOURDES DAY MASS

You are invited to attend the annual Lourdes Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral, **on Saturday, 18th February 2023 at 10.30am.** This is a special occasion to pray for our sick, infirm and elderly and those who care for them.

The principal celebrant will be Archbishop Peter A Comensoli.

Everybody attending will receive a gift pack containing water from the grotto at Lourdes, rosary beads and prayer resources.

## VACANT POSITIONS IN MELBOURNE CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE

Positions for suitably qualified and experienced applicants could be found at:

<https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

Including:

### Parish Positions

Pastoral Worker – St Andrew's Parish, Werribee

Cleaner – St John the Baptist Parish, Ferntree Gully

Parish Secretary – St Dominic's Parish, Melton

Parish Bookkeeper – St Andrew's Parish, Werribee

Youth Pastoral Worker - St Christopher's Parish, Syndal

### Other Positions

Cook – Bayside Catholic Mission

Further details of the above positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at: <https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

## FUNERAL OF CARDINAL PELL

A Requiem Mass will be held for the late Cardinal George Pell at St Mary's Cathedral on Thursday, February 2 before his body is laid to rest in the Cathedral crypt in a private ceremony.

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney has announced a Pontifical Requiem Mass will be held at 11am. Cardinal Pell's successor as Archbishop of Sydney, Anthony Fisher, will be the principal celebrant.

Cardinal Pell died in Rome on January 10 after complications from hip surgery. He was 81.

# DIVINE AUSTRALIA

## HEALING MASSES & RETREATS, JAN 2023



**Fr. Joseph Edattu V.C.**

Director, Divine Retreat Centre, UK.

Musician- Jeremiah Vaz

### PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

**20<sup>th</sup> Jan, Friday**

**7:30pm – Healing Mass**

Our Lady Help of Christians

496 Princes Highway, **Narre Warren**

**24<sup>th</sup> Jan, Tuesday**

**7pm – Healing Mass**

St. Christopher's Church

5 Doon Avenue, **Syndal (Glen Waverley)**

**21<sup>st</sup> Jan, Saturday**

**Retreat, 9:30am - 2pm**

St Peter Chanel Church

848 Ballarat Road, **Deer Park**

**25<sup>th</sup> Jan, Wednesday**

**7pm – Healing Mass**

St. Mary MacKillop Church

152 Odessa Avenue, **Keilor Downs**

**22<sup>nd</sup> Jan, Sunday**

**6:45pm – Healing Mass**

Holy Family Church

100 Power Road, **Doveton**

**26<sup>th</sup> Jan, Thursday**

**7pm – Healing Mass**

St. Kevin's Church

120 Hallam Road, **Hampton Park**

**23<sup>rd</sup> Jan, Monday**

**7pm – Healing Mass**

St. Agatha's Church

129 Sladen Street, **Cranbourne**

**27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Jan, Friday to Sunday**

**9:30am - 5pm**

Holy Family Church

100 Power Road, **Doveton**

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday .....9am-11am

Wednesday ...9am-12 pm

Friday .....9am-12pm

#### **Telephones**

Presbytery 97924317

School 97911853

Child Safety Email ...

#### **Parish Website/Email**

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*Let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, and all the more as you see the day approaching. (Hebrews 10:25)*