



HOLY FAMILY

DOVETON

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

The Fifth Sunday of Ordinary time Year A **5th February 2023**

SAFE INTERNET

The world is more digitally connected than it's ever been, which means vigilance about online safety is more important than ever before. Tuesday 7 February 2023 marks the 20th Safer Internet Day, an initiative that started in 2004 and is now recognised by countries around the world. The day provides an opportunity to reflect on how we might create safer online environments for the children and young people under our care.

The theme for this year's [Safer Internet Day](#) is Connect. Reflect. Protect.

- Connect safely and with purpose – keeping apps and devices secure and using social media in positive ways.
- Reflect before we act – take a moment to consider how what we do and say online may affect others.
- Protect ourselves and others by taking action – tell family, friends or colleagues about eSafety and how they can help.

Children and young people spend approximately 7.5 hours per day online, which means half their year is spent on the internet. The potential risks of increased online usage and the severity of these risks are sometimes overlooked.

It's difficult for parents, organisations and even the police to monitor the internet, so to assist the community, the Australian Childhood Foundation has released a new resource – [It's Never Too Late](#) Through real stories and practical advice, the resource informs parents and carers about how they can better protect their children online and shows them how to recognise signs of online abuse and manipulation.

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..... 9.15am
..... 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 10.15am

Parish Prayer Group:

Tuesday 7pm-8pm in the
Big Hall

Parish Halls:

Available for hire –
Contact Parish Office

As part of this resource, [Clare’s story](#) – a YouTube video based on a true story – illustrates some of the dangers that exist for children and young people online, helping them and their parents and carers to consider how they might best respond.

[ThinkUKnow](#) is another great resource and has been developed by the Australian Federal Police to educate the community about issues of online safety. It includes materials about child abuse, online grooming and sexual extortion, and an education program encouraging the cultivation of help-seeking behaviour in young people.

The site’s resource section has some great material for organisations, parents and carers to help facilitate discussions about how to navigate the internet safely and confidently.

The eSafety Commissioner is also conducting a range of parent webinars during Term 1, which you may wish to promote to your community. Some of the topics include:

- eSafety 101
- setting your child up for success online
- getting the most out of gaming
- navigating online friendships.

(From the [webpage](#) of Archdiocese of Melbourne)

“The most beautiful act of faith is the one made in darkness, in sacrifice, and with extreme effort.”

St. Padre Pio

READINGS

SUNDAY

Is 58:7-10.
Ps 111:4-9
1 Cor 2:1-5
Mt 5:13-16

MONDAY

Gen 1:1-19
Ps 103:1-2,5-6, 10, 12,
24, 35
Mk 6:53-56

TUESDAY

Gen 1:20-2:4
Ps 8:4-9
Mk 7:1-13

WEDNESDAY

Gen 2:4-9, 15-17
Ps 103:1-2, 27-30
Mk 7:14-23

THURSDAY

Gen 2:18-25
Ps 127:1-5
Mk 7:24-30

FRIDAY

St Scholastica, Virgin
Gen 3:1-8
Ps 31:1-2, 5-7
Mk 7:31-37

SATURDAY

Gen 3:9-24
Ps 89:2-6, 12-13
Mk 8:1-10

PRIMACY OF PARISH

Traditionally the church has recognised and indeed practised gathering as parishes. Such assemblies of the faithful have been accepted as the bedrock to especially Sunday worship. Appropriately the Catholic Catechism enshrines this fundamental thus:

2179 “A Parish is a definite community of the Christian faithful established on a stable basis within a particular church; the pastoral care of the parish is entrusted to a pastor as its own shepherd under the authority of the diocesan bishop” (CIC, can. 515 § 1). It is the place where the faithful can be gathered together for the Sunday celebration of the Eucharist. The parish initiates the Christian people into the ordinary expression of the liturgical life: it gathers them together in this celebration; it teaches Christ’s saving doctrine; it practices the charity of the Lord in good works and brotherly love:

You cannot pray at home as at church, where there is a great multitude, where exclamations are cried out to God as from one great heart, and where there is something more: the union of minds, the accord of souls, the bond of charity, the prayers of the priests (St John Chrysostom, De incomprehensibili 3, 6: PG 48, 725)

2178 This practice of the Christian assembly dates from the beginnings of the apostolic age (Cf Acts 2:42-46; 1Cor 11:17). The letter to the Hebrews reminds the faithful “**not to neglect to meet together, as is the habit of some, but to encourage one another**” (Heb10:25)

PRIEST-IN RESIDENCE

Fr Sebastian Mappilaparambil VC is retiring as the Parish Priest of Bayswater Parish and will reside at Holy Family Parish, Doveton as Priest-in-Residence commencing on 14 February 2023.

(From VG News Letter Feb 2023)

NEW MASS TIME

As from 12th February 2023 the time for the First Mass on Sunday mornings will change from 9.30am to **9.15am**. All other Mass times remain unchanged.

Therefore, **Sunday Morning Mass times from 12th February 2023** will be:

9.15am and 11.00am.

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.

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.

Parish Office Hours

Monday9am-11am

Wednesday ...9am-12 pm

Friday9am-12pm

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