



HOLY FAMILY

DOVETON

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

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
11th August 2024

THANK YOU FR PRINCE

On Thursday, 1st August, Fr Joby George was installed as the new parish priest of Holy Family Parish. We welcome him with open arms while also expressing our heartfelt thanks to Fr Prince who served our community for over two years.



Fr Prince came to Holy Family at a time when we were returning to normal parish life, after being separated from each other due to the Covid pandemic. Ahead of him were the challenges of restoring our community, encouraging people to come back to Church and reforming the parish leadership and volunteers to ensure future growth. This was no easy task and any priest coming to Holy Family under these circumstances would be tested.

Over these 2 years, Fr Prince has been faithful to his service to our community. Our volunteer numbers have grown, our music ministries across our Masses are better than ever, and the number of parish social gatherings has grown. In the midst of this Fr Prince has deepened our relationship with Holy Family Primary school and many have commented on his ability to clearly explain God's Word to us in his sermons. But the greatest gift Fr Prince has given us is a restored sense of family. Many can remember a time before the pandemic when anyone who visited our parish would comment on how much of a family atmosphere we had. This has always been our most precious evangelising asset, that we are a family of God who welcomes everyone. Through his dedication to God and our community, Fr Prince has set us on the path to a deepening of our sense of family.

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Parish Priest:

Fr. Joby George VC

Priest-In Residence:

Fr Sebastian
Mappilaparambil VC

Parish secretary:

Caroline Allen

Parish Manager:

Gerard Antony

Principal:

Paul Sharp

Child Safety Officer:

Florida Nugara

Catechists:

Christina D’Couto

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 6.30pm

Sunday..... 9.15am

..... 11.00am

Healing Mass 7.00pm

Spanish Mass:

Saturday 4.00pm

Weekday Masses:

Monday to Saturday 9.15am

Wednesday 7.00pm

Reconciliation:

Tuesday 9.45am - 10.15am

Saturday 9.45am - 10.15am

Novena to Our Lady:

Saturday 9.00am

Wednesday 7.00pm

Baptisms: Second Sunday

Divine Kids Bible Class:

Sunday 10.15am

Parish Prayer Group:

Tuesday 7.00pm-8.00pm

Parish Halls:

Available for hire –
Contact Parish Office

**FR MICHAEL SHADBOLT’S DIAMOND
JUBILEE OF ORDINATION TO THE
PRIESTHOOD CELEBRATION:
SUNDAY, 4th AUGUST 2024**



A fitting celebration was hosted by Holy Family (HF) Parish and HF School to acknowledge this significant milestone event, which was attended by around 300 past and present parishioners, school community and well-wishers. The celebrations commenced with Holy Mass, at which Fr Michael was the Principal Celebrant, and assisted by Concelebrants – Fr John Prince VC (former Parish Priest of HF), Fr Joby George VC (current Parish Priest of HF), Fr Sebastian Mappilambarpil (Priest in Residence-HF), Fr Brendan Lane, (former Parish Priest St Mary’s Parish Dandenong) and Fr Anthony Santhiyagu (Assist Priest at St Joseph’s Parish Warragul).



CHILD SAFETY

Holy Family Parish is committed to upholding the wellbeing, safety and dignity of each child and young person and ensuring that they are able to grow and develop in a caring and supportive environment in our Church.

READINGS

SUNDAY

1 Kings 19:4-8
Psalm 34:2-9
Ephesians 4:30-5:2
John 6:41-51

MONDAY

Ezekiel 1:2-5,24-28
Psalm 148:1-2,11-14
Matthew 17:22-27

TUESDAY

Ezekiel 2:8-3:4
Psalm 119:14,24,72,
103,111,131
Matthew 18:1-5,10,
12-14

WEDNESDAY

St Maximilian Kolbe
Ezekiel 9:1-7, 10:18-
22
Psalm 113:1-6
Matthew 18:15-20

THURSDAY

**The Assumption of
the Blessed Virgin
Mary**
Apocalypse 11:19,
12:1-6,10
Psalm 45:10-12,16
1 Corinthians 15:20-26
Luke 1:39-56

FRIDAY

Ezekiel 16:1-15,60,63
Isaiah 12:2-3,4,5-6
Matthew 19:3-12

SATURDAY

Ezekiel 18:1-10,13,
30-32
Psalm 51:12-13, 14-
15, 18-19
Matthew 19:13-15

A BBQ followed in the HF Community Hall where several speeches in acknowledgment of the remarkable contribution and accomplishments of Fr Michael to Holy Family parish in particular and the community at large, were made by Mr Gerard Antony (HF Parish Manager), Ms Pauline Moran (RE Leader at HF school), Mr Danny McCormick, a very senior parishioner and former Parish Manager, Ms Sarah Henriques, representing the Spanish Community at HF.



Fr Michael was delighted to catch up with his former parishioners and fellow clergy, in what he called “his old stomping ground”. The weather behaved, the food was plenty and a great time was enjoyed by all. It was a fitting attribute to express their love and affection towards a most wonderful and dedicated Pastor and servant of God.



He started the tradition of a yearly Mass and thanksgiving for parish volunteers, he supported and encouraged our desire for vibrancy by paving the way for our Holy Family Feast Day celebrations, a yearly Pentecost celebration and much more.

Fr Prince has also left a legacy in developing a vision for our community, it's a vision for growth which will produce fruit and deepen our discipleship of Jesus. Fr Joby will now be the steward of this vision and share it in the near future, it has Fr Prince's loving care for our community in every word. Fr Prince, we are a better community because you were here, thank you for being a gift to us and for setting us on a path of spiritual growth. Every priest who served at Holy Family always has a permanent home with us and if you visit again, you will know the embrace of our open arms. May God bless you, please be assured that our love, prayers and deepest thanks go with you wherever you will serve next.

By Lindsay Sant

VOTE OF THANKS AND FAREWELL TO FR JOHN PRINCE / FORMAL WELCOME TO FR JOBY GEORGE

A Morning Tea will take place on *Sunday, 11th August 2024*, immediately *after the 9.15 am Mass* and prior to the 11 am Mass in the *HF Fellowship Centre*.

FEAST OF ASSUMPTION

It's a day of obligation.

Holy Mass on Thursday 15th August 2024, at 9.15am and 7pm.

You are invited to our



HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY SCHOOL, 14th August 2024

Please come along to our Open Day and see our school in action. Personal tours are available at any time, and open to all families! Please contact the office on 97911853 to make a time.

Parish Office Opening Hours

Tuesday to Friday
9.30am to 1.30pm

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Parish Manager E: hfparrishmanager@gmail.com

Child Safety E: holyfamilycso@cam.org.au

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)