

Parish Priest : Fr Frank O'Loughlin

SACREDHEART SANDRINGHAM 29th May 2011

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PARISH NOTICES 6th SUNDAY of EASTER

SUNDAY MASSES : 6.00pm (Sat) Vigil Mass; 9am & 11am (Children's Liturgy 9am Mass)

WEEKDAYS :	Mon	Mass	5pm	Convent
	Tues	Mass	9.30am	
	Wed	Mass	9.30am	
	Thurs	Mass	9.30am	& 1.30pm (Fernhill Mercy)
	Fri	Comm Service 9.30am		
	Sat am	No Mass / No Comm Service		

READINGS NEXT SUNDAY:	1st ReadingActs of the Apostles	1:1-11
	2nd ReadingSt Paul to Ephesians	1:17-23
	Gospel Matthew	28:16-20

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

This Week : 6pm C Gomez, A Bracchi, M Burgess	00 🔤 00			
9am J Grimmer, A Stubbs, V Langdon, M &	P Morris			
11am M Mutimer, R Delceppo, J Lamb, Volu	unteers			
Next Week : 6pm Heather McGrath, Volunteers				
9am TDuggan, BDunne, GRyan, MNoon	1an			
11am M Murtagh, L Warner, I Morgan, S A	Agostino			
READERS :	v			
This Week: 6pm C Dunn & Z Burgess 9am C Lynch &	P Manion			
11am C Hill & C O'Reilly				
Next Week: 6pm D O'Neill & Pres Sister 9am J Noonan & S Humphrey				
11am J Lamb & M Wright				

NEW CATECHUMENATE :

Over the next couple of months, we will beginning a new process for those desiring to become Catholics. Anyone who is interested could contact Fr Frank personally or on the phone 9598 1511.

It involves a series of meetings over the course of 12 to 15 months.

It culminates at the Easter Vigil (Easter Saturday night) when those involved are baptized or if they are already baptized are received into the Church.



HOLY HOUR of ADORATION : Sr Rosaleen will lead us on 1st Friday 3rd June beginning with a Communion Service at 9.30am. The Rosary will be recited and Sister will reflect on Scripture for us.

UNDERSTANDING THE SCRIPTURES :

The first Formation in Faith session on this topic will take place this coming Tuesday, May 31st at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall (the old Hall). *Take this opportunity to develop and nourish your faith.*

CUPPAS' NEXT SUNDAY :

Cuppas' in the foyer after the 9am and 11am Masses next Sunday. *All welcome*!

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY :

This takes place in the week between the Feast of the Ascension and Pentecost Sunday which this year is June 6th to 11th.

There will be prayer on four nights of that week, each evening in one of the Churches in Sandringham. It will begin at 7pm and will take only half an hour. *More details next week.*

SINGING PRACTICE :

There will be a practice to learn new hymns and new Mass parts after 11am Mass next Sunday, June 5th.

LUNCH AT ALL SOULS :

To celebrate Pentecost on Sunday June 12th, there will be a soup and bread lunch at All Souls Anglican Church, Bay Rd at 12 noon. Members of each of the four Churches are invited to this.

CONFIRMATION :

Will be celebrated here in the Parish next Wednesday evening at 7pm. Bishop Elliott will be the celebrant.

PARISH DINNER CHOIR PRACTICE :

Practice TODAY Sunday 29th May, 4pm at Bernadette and Anthony O'Neill's home, 43 Sandringham Rd, Sandringham. We need everyone there. Enquiries Peta Wassell 9598 3315.

<u>INVITATIONS TO</u> PARISH DINNER :

Are available at all Masses this weekend.....please take one and get your table organized for July 1st.

CATECHUMENATE MEETING :

Next meeting this Thursday, June 2nd at 8pm in the New Meeting Room.

SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP :

Next meeting on this Wednesday 1st June at 7.30pm in the Meeting Room.

PARISH CARD PARTY :

This Wednesday 1st June in the Parish Hall. Basket Lunch \$8. Come along and join in! *Enquires to Deidre 9521 9561*

PROJECT COMPASSION :

Parish donations sent to Caritas Australia for this year amounted to \$3,312. Included in this amount was \$626 from Sacred Heart School families and staff. *Thank* you

FERNHILL MERCY HOSTEL :

There has been a recent meeting between Mercy Health & Aged Care and The Friends of Fernhill at which there was updated news about plans for Fernhill Mercy. There has been a move to Plan B whose major feature is a 90 bed aged care facility on 3 levels. This means that the independent living units will not be part of the plan. *More details in the near future.*

EAST TIMOR RAFFLE :

The annual Sacred Heart Raffle for East Timor will be launched this weekend, 28 & 29 May 2011. This year the raffle is taking a slightly different format, with lots of prizes - ten in all - with something for everyone.

We are offering those who are present at the Parish Dinner, on 1 July, the opportunity to choose their prize if their ticket is drawn. Those holding winning tickets, who are not able to attend the dinner, will still receive a prize. Proceeds of the raffle go to support education in Remexio by paying the salaries of four teachers in the schools there. We encourage each of you to take a book of tickets to sell to friends,

family, workmates and neighbours. Please return money and tickets (sold or unsold) to the school by **Friday 17 June 2011.** *Thank you in anticipa-*

tion of your generosity

CATHOLIC CARE :

Formerly known as Centacare, CATHOLIC CARE has erected a notice in the foyer for a week to bring our attention to the new name and also remind us of the wonderful services on hand :

Family Support Services Counselling

Adoption & Permanent Care Programs Alcohol & Other Drug Family Service Bushfire Community Recovery Service Family Dispute Resolution Pastoral Services Refugee & Settlement Program Parenting Orders, Program & Family Relationship Centres Marriage & Relationship Education School Counselling Professional Development & Training

Brochures in foyer for further information

COLLECTION COUNTERS:

THIS WEEK: Team 4: P Thorp, R Clark, M Love, J McCartney NEXT WEEK: Team 5: M Cobal, B Moran, M Holland, A Power, N Jencik

CHURCH PREPARATION TEAM:

29/5 Carmella Luppino, Sue ThorpFlowers : Sue Hanna4/6 Kym Hardeman, Tina Fraser & Rita DelceppoFlowers : Caterina ArcuriHUDCH_TEA / COFFEE TEAM:

CHURCH TEA/COFFEE TEAM:

5 June 9am Gilda Griffiths & Doreen Mitchell

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11am Louise Hennessy & Rita O'Toole



BAPTISM THIS SUNDAY

HENRY JOHN BELTON son of David & Lorissa

<u>THE SICK</u>: Tim Wilson, Warren Gleeson, Kathleen Phillips, Louise Davis, Bryan Dowd, Carmel Inguanti, Sara Healey, Joan Corfee, Teresa Curtin, Anne Thornton, Trevor Holden, Graeme Keys, Kim Clements, Jack Lloyd, Viv Straford, Ugo Arcuri

RECENTLY DECEASED: Carl Perry, Jack Cairnes, Marge Crulen, Robyn Curtin

<u>ANNIVERSARIES :</u> Rocco Camera, Pat Comb, Bay Shadlock, Bro Damian Harvey, Peter Sebire



We respectfully acknowledge the Australian Aboriginal peoples and especially the Boonerwrung people of the Kulin Nation, who are the traditional owners and custodians of the Sandringham area.

Social Justice Newsletter

The Social Justice Group of Sacred Heart Parish, Sandringham, has been meeting for over ten years. In addition to raising awareness of social justice issues, particularly in regard to indigenous people, it has also been active in supporting the people of Remexio, East Timor. The purpose of this newsletter to provide information about the work of the Group to our parish and school communities, which generously support our efforts from year to year.

Our Twin Parish

Our twin parish of Remexio is in East Timor (Timor-Leste), one of our closest neighbours, the poorest country in Asia and one of the poorest in the world. Although some development is occurring in Dili, the more remote areas (like Remexio) are still suffering poverty, unemployment and starvation. Education is not available for many children. The work of the SJG, and the support of the parish and the school, addresses some of these needs. Through our partnership with Mary Mackillop East Timor Mission (MMETM), we can be confident that the assistance we provide goes directly to the people in need.

Communication with Remexio

This year, for the first time, we have had direct contact with Fr David, the Parish Priest of Remexio. Through emails to Fr Frank and the Group, Fr David expressed his gratitude to the parish of Sandringham: "Every Thursday morning at 6.30 am we offer the Mass especially for our friends, donators and our twin Parish of Sandringham that already helps us with much money. We know you did many activities, many sacrifices to raise the money for our Parish in Remexio. We cannot pay back your offering, your kindness, but we will always pray for you." Fr David informed us that there are more than 11, 000 parishioners, 99% of whom are subsistence farmers.

Visit to Remexio

In September this year, a small group of members of the Social Justice Group plan to visit Remexio to further develop our relationship with the people there. Fr David is enthusiastic about the proposal, keen to discuss more about what we can do in the future. We also hope to gain a better understanding of the needs of the people and how we can best support them .

The Importance of Education

Efforts made to enable access to education and to raise the standard of education available are vital for reducing poverty and enabling people to reach their potential. Education is vital both for individuals and for the young nation of East Timor as a whole. The East Timor Raffle, held each year and drawn at the parish dinner on the feast of the Sacred Heart, is our big effort towards improving education in Remexio.

The proceeds of this raffle (\$6,322 in 2010) provide funds for teacher salaries in schools in the Remexio area. Generous donations of school uniforms have been sent via Mary MacKillop East Timor Mission.

Our Christmas Appeal gives the Sandringham parish the option of funding books, trade tools and other educational resources. The generosity of parishioners is making a significant contribution to the futures of young people in East Timor.

Health and Nutrition

With a high child mortality rate (35% of it attributed to malnutrition) and a short life expectancy, health and nutrition are key issues for most East Timorese. Through the MMETM Compassionate Care Program, the basic necessities of life (rice, oil, noodles, etc) are provided both to families and to frail and elderly individuals in the Remexio area.

The annual Christmas Appeal (\$8,835 in 2010) and the sales of coffee (\$3,242) were the major sources of funds for this Program.

In addition, we have been able to obtain donations of medicines such as worm tablets, Panamax, Betadine and vitamins from companies in Melbourne. These have been sent to health workers in East Timor for distribution to those in need.

Local Cooperation

The Social Justice Group enjoys its contact with the Bayside Friends of Laleia who support a community in the east of East Timor. We benefit from hearing about their efforts, especially from guest speakers, and we provide coffee for their Coffee and Dessert evenings. We also enjoy serving and selling coffee at the annual Open Gardens program in Bayside supporting Southern Family Life.

Aboriginal Focus

The Social Justice Group is keen to develop an Indigenous focus in our activities. You will have noticed the acknowledgement of Aboriginal peoples, especially the traditional owners and custodians of the Sandringham area, which now appears in each parish bulletin. Soon we will be able to welcome the beautiful Message Stick which was handed over to members of the Social Justice Group in a moving ceremony by Betty Pike, elder at Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Melbourne.

Sacred Heart Parish and School

We hope that this newsletter makes you more aware of the great generosity of the people in the school and the parish in contributing to making a difference to the lives of others.

We encourage you to continue your generous support.

We Need You

The Social Justice Group is always looking for new members and new ideas.

You are welcome to speak to one of our members.

Contact us via the parish email or come to our next meeting on July 6 at 7.30pm in the Parish Meeting Room.



