

St Vincent's Parish, Ashfield

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Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 30, 2013

Jesus is starting his journey to Jerusalem. It's a journey we understand because we know and understand what lay ahead. He is focussed because this was his prime purpose...our salvation and establishing the kingdom of God. Today Jesus spells out to prospective followers what Christianity is...hard work!

To one Jesus says, never be comfortable. Until the work of the kingdom is fully achieved, there will always be challenge, there will always be needs. *What are the needs that I can see?*

To another Jesus says this call is the priority over all others and to another he says once you make that commitment you cannot go back. *Don't put off or leave for others what I can attend to today.*

To James and John who want to call in the forces of heaven to scorch opposition, *we have God on our side*, Jesus rebukes them.

Jesus certainly is not doing the 'soft sell' job. This new understanding of God and belief is not all warm and fuzzy. As much as we know that we are called to follow him, Jesus needs us to pull our weight, not be a dead weight, in the building of the kingdom.

How does this resonate with our sense of Christianity? Are we people who just lukewarmly identify with Christianity or are we people resolute in our commitment to spread the news of the kingdom of God by word and example, at the cost of personal comfort....

Marguerite Martin

ANNUAL HOLY FATHER'S APPEAL

The Annual Holy Father's Appeal will be held this week **30 June**. This appeal supports the charitable works of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, addressing the needs of our disadvantage brothers and sisters by proving them with the assistance they require through his network of charitable and humanitarian projects. You are encouraged to open your hearts and give generously. Thank you.

KASIN (Kids at School in Nepal) wishes to express their sincere gratitude to the parishioners of St. Vincent's Ashfield for generously donating to their appeal which was held last Sunday 23rd June. Thank you very much

Planned Giving Envelopes Programme

A reminder to assist our finances those who do not wish to receive a tax deduction would you please fill out the form at the back of the Church or alternatively contact the Parish Office.

Sydney Alliance Parish Meeting

If you would like to know more about the Sydney Alliance you are warmly invited to attend a parish meeting on Sunday 28th July from 4—5pm in the parish Hall. This invitation is particularly extended to parishioners who have yet to attend a Sydney Alliance gathering. In the spirit of the Sydney Alliance we will commence and finish on time.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday

will take place next Sunday 7th July 2013. On this day we celebrate the cultural diversity and acknowledge the traditional Owners of our land.

First Reconciliation

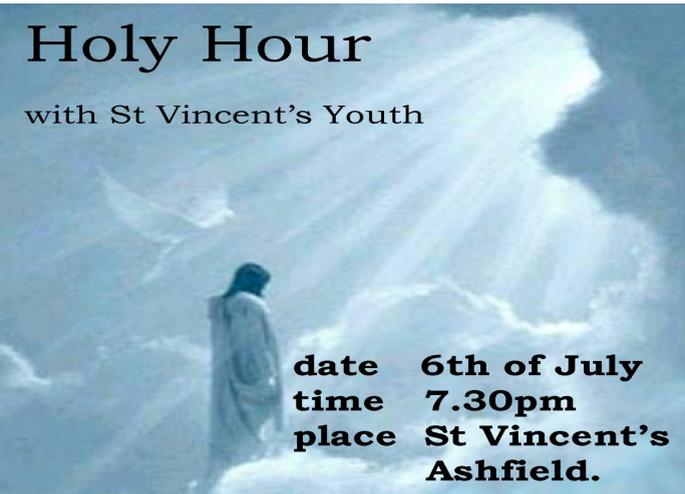
Good Health, happiness and good relationships were the principle desires that our parents had for their children when we met this week in preparation for the reconciliation program to start as soon as school goes back. The children will formally enrol at mass on Sunday 14 July and we look forward to seeing all their beautiful faces as they join us in our reconciling community.

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Painting has been completed, but Chapel will not reopen till Wednesday 3rd July in order to allow the painting to dry off.

Holy Hour

with St Vincent's Youth



date 6th of July
time 7.30pm
place St Vincent's
Ashfield.

Matthew Talbot Mass and Visitation.
A volunteer training session will take place on Monday July 8 at Matthew Talbot, Woolloomooloo from 5pm to 8pm. Any person interested in attending this please let Marguerite know. Also we are calling for anyone who is interested to come and participate in "Music for the Soul" on Sunday afternoon 21 July from 12.30 at Matt Talbot.

Parish Masses this week:

Monday 12 noon
Tuesday 7:00 am
Wednesday 12 noon
Thursday 9:00 am
Saturday 9:00 am

Sunday: 8am, 10:00am 6:00pm

Polish Mass 12 noon

Reconciliation: Saturday 8:10am to 8:40am

Rosary: Saturday after 9:00am Mass

Morning Prayer: Saturday 8:40am

Cardinal Freeman Village Chapel

Sunday 9:00am



Planned Giving Envelopes for the Financial Year July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014, are available for collection at the back of the Church.

Contributions to the Planned Giving program is 100% tax deductible. Existing Planned Giving Numbers from 246 to 260 have been assigned new numbers. You will find them in alphabetical order. To facilitate the location of your box of envelopes, please refer to the listings provided on the table.

Registration Forms for the **Weekly Planned Giving Envelopes** can be found at the back of the church for anyone not contributing and who would like to do so.

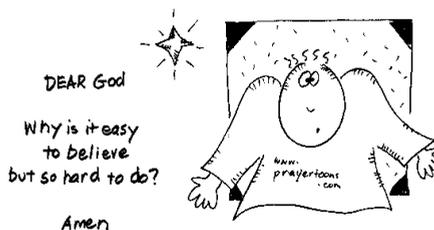
The receipts for donations to the Planned Giving, CWF and Project Compassion for the financial Year 2011-2012, will be available for collection in July.

Thank you for your continuous and generous support to the Parish.

Meditation Group will be on Thursday
4th July at 10:00am
in the Parish Meeting Rooms

Zimbabwean Community Raffle

Raffle tickets will be on sale each Sunday after the 6pm Mass until 28th July. The final draw will take place on Sunday 28th July in the Parish Hall at 5:15pm This will be followed by refreshments. All are welcome. Please bring a gold coin as donation towards the refreshments. All proceeds from the raffle will go towards travelling to Perth in September for a National Gathering of the Zimbabwean Community.



Ashbury Parish Weekday Mass: Monday to Saturday 8:00am Summer Hill Parish Tues & Fri 9:00am
Wed & Thurs. 8:30am

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time C

ENTRANCE PROCESSION: All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

FIRST READING: Elisha rose and followed Elijah and became his servant. (1 Kings 19:16. 19-21)

PSALM: You are my inheritance, O Lord (Ps 15:1-2. 5. 7-11)

SECOND READING: My brothers, you were called to freedom (Galatians 5:1. 13-18)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Jesus resolutely set his face towards Jerusalem. I will follow you wherever you will go (Luke 9:51-62)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.



Next Sunday's Readings
Fourteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Isaiah 66:10-14
Ps 65:1-7. 16. 20
Galatians 6:14-18
Luke 10:1-9