HOLY TRINITY ANGLICAN CHURCH PORT MELBOURNE NEWSLETTER NO. 10 MAY 27, 2020

THE FOOD WE'RE ENJOYING IN ISOLATION



Noel's home grown beetroot



"From home grown eggplant, zucchini and capsicum, I made melanzane (vegetable parmigiana)". Leigh

"I cooked a roast chicken for the first time in ages!" Helen



Susana's scones made with lemonade!



A MESSAGE FROM NOEL

When the State went into lockdown on 23 March 2020 and churches were forced to close until further notice as a result of the coronavirus, our parish finances took a catastrophic hit like so many others. Our main income streams came to an end and have remained so!

Our income is made up of these - The 10am Sunday Service collections, Morning Tea donations, sale of votive candles, donations into the Temple Chest from visitors to the church, parking donations, the Opportunity Shop proceeds, the regular Sausage Sizzles and Mini Market Days, the Spring Parish Fete, fundraising dinners and other fundraising events. There is also the lease on the green space in front of the vicarage, though this is now suspended. All these have come to an end. The Diocese do make a modest six-monthly contribution in lieu of the loss of the vicarage rental.

But, the standing expenses of the parish continue. These include ministry expenses – priest's stipend, insurance on church and vicarage, Diocesan Assessment and book keeping expenses, utilities – electricity, water, internet and gas for church and vicarage, land tax, sewerage and rubbish collection rates, six monthly fire inspections. All these are still being paid.

'The present on going monthly expenses for the parish are \$6662, we receive \$1188 per month from 5 people who give by direct bank debit which leaves a total of \$5474 which we need to address. So our target is \$5474.

Treasurer Liz advises me that we are OK for the next six to eight months owing to the amazing success of the recent roof appeal, but after that! About five parishioners myself included, use the direct debit system from ADF so there is some money coming in to our bank account, but certainly not enough to sustain us into the future. I am asking each one of you to help us to survive financially. I suggest that you make a deposit each month equal to the total weekly collection you would usually give into our Westpac Bank account, the banking details are included in the Newsletter each week. You might like to use the ADF direct debit free facility offered by the diocese, forms are available from me. If each one of us made a meaningful contribution each week then we can survive this extraordinary event in the life of our community.

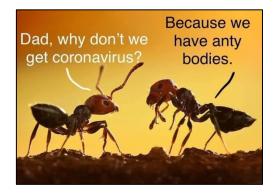
Holy Trinity Port Melbourne has shown that we are a resilient lot and I for one am not going to let this current virus set back knock us out, after all we have been a witness to the love of God in Port Melbourne since 1854! So it's over to you dear friends, as I know that you love Holy Trinity Port Melbourne as much as I do and are immensely proud of who we are and what we represent.

BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The 'Bible Notes' group is meeting on Thursdays at 6 pm.

"We discuss the Gospel reading of the previous week. Thanks to Adrian we have a Zoom meeting

so there's plenty of room for more! Thanks also to all the participants and their thoughtful and pertinent comments." Barbara



THE TOYS FROM THE TOY BOX ARE 'HANGING OUT'!



At first there were four



.... then there were more!

The church being closed for a period of time has provided the opportunity to sort and clean the toys in the children's toy box. Deb took the soft toys home and put them through the washing machine. They now look and feel soft and sparkling clean.

Thanks Deb!!!

THE HOLY TRINITY'S BANKING DETAILS

Without the opportunity to make financial contributions through the plate at this time, the HTPM community is encouraged to still make regular financial contributions via bank transfers.

Account Name: Holy Trinity Cheque Account (Westpac) Bank account details:

> 033 018 Account Number: 101281

NB. Please add 'Collection Plate' in the Reference section. MANY THANKS



SUNDAY 31 MAY 2020

PENTECOST SUNDAY



Readings:

Acts 2: 1 - 21 Psalm 104: 26 - 36 1 Corinthians 12: 1 - 13 John 20: 19 - 23

PRAYER LIST:

The sick: All people affected by the coronavirus, Sylvia P., Sophie, Anne, Jeanette, Ken B., Gordon C., Nicole, Darren, Margaret B., Liam and Ainslie, Jill, Marion, Robbie P. Matthew P.

Those in long term need, sickness: Ken P, Peter D.G For your prayers:

- Holy Trinity Port Melbourne for our presence in the local community;
- Noel our priest, Genieve our Bishop, Philip our Archbishop;
- St Paul's Cathedral Melbourne, the Dean and staff;
- Communities throughout the world, as we all manage and deal with the effects of the coronavirus;
- Doctors, nurses, paramedics and all health care workers that they be kept safe.

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