



St Martin de Porres

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## Community Newsletter

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### From the Mons

I was sitting in a doctors waiting room reflecting on what I might write for this Newsletter. What immediately came to mind was how blessed we are for the wonderful expertise we have in our society for those who need medical care.

We are likewise blessed for the support we have when we need spiritual care. We keep talking about our problems and the challenges that lie ahead. Rightfully so. But this can distract us from how blessed we are in what spiritual support we presently have available to us.

Whatever our challenges, we know Jesus is with us in our community, in our sacraments, and in our own personal prayer. Physical problems become very obvious to us. Spiritual problems not so.

One of our problems is that we find it hard to accept how absolutely, and totally, Jesus loves us.

Lent is a special time for reflection on our personal relationship with Jesus.

We sometimes forget he is always there waiting for us to recognise his presence.

Mons Ian



### From Fr Peter



We are once again approaching the week of the year we call HOLY. It begins on Palm Sunday with Jesus being welcomed into Jerusalem. It is the city of Salem; shalom; the City of Peace. It is not going to be a peaceful time for Jesus.

We are present with Jesus at the Last Supper where we witness his love in washing the feet of his disciples and giving himself as bread for life and wine for joy. He is arrested, tortured and nailed to a cross. He is buried and rises to new life.

One of the Good Friday songs has Jesus asking us: "What more could I have done for you that I have not done?"

The answer is: nothing! We see his love, his humility, his faith and hope in God his Father to see him through.

May we truly be with Jesus in these days, realising this is for me!



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We are always looking for photos or information to add to our facebook page –please send them to Pat at [hcp@adam.com.au](mailto:hcp@adam.com.au)

### *Our Parish Vision*

*A Catholic community enriched by, and centered on, the Eucharist, empowered to bring the Good News to all.*

## Parish Gathering on Renewal at Hallett Cove Parish

### Introduction

The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) held a successful Parish Gathering on Sunday, 23 October 2016. The purpose of the Parish Gathering—and this newsletter update—is to work towards all parishioners becoming aware of, and engaged in, the renewal of the parish. The PPC is not intended to be a small group of people who ‘do the renewal’ for the parish.

Renewal begins with each of us seeking a deeper awareness of our baptismal calling and sharing our gifts and talents with each other. The PPC assists our Parish Priest and his pastoral team in enabling the baptised faithful to more fully live out the Gospel in the midst of our world.

### Parish Gathering

Approximately 40 parishioners attended the meeting (a solid start!), held in St Martin de Porres school hall. The purpose of the meeting was to share with parishioners an update on the renewal process and to seek their feedback. During the Gathering, PPC members shared eight characteristics of renewal outlined in the Renewing Parishes document. There was an overwhelmingly positive response to the Gathering by those who attended.

A copy of the PowerPoint presentation used by PPC members is included at the end of this newsletter. Also included is a summary of feedback from those who attended the Gathering. Please review the presentation and feedback and feel free to offer your own feedback via direct discussion with any PPC member, or via email:

[hcp parish@adam.com.au](mailto:hcp parish@adam.com.au)

### Next Steps

As we know, in late 2018, our Parish Priest, Monsignor Ian Dempsey, is due to retire. It's important that we, as a parish, plan for this reality. Based on feedback received from the Parish Gathering, your PPC will be prioritising plans for parish renewal efforts. Obviously, the parish cannot embark on numerous efforts, as important as each of the renewal characteristics are for the future of the parish. Instead, the PPC will focus on 2-3 goals over the next 12-18 months. Your PPC apologises that it has taken so long to update the parish on the Gathering. Because the PPC has only met once in 2017 (March) due to scheduling issues, its goals have not been finalised as yet. The PPC meets next in early April. Please pray that we may be given sound discernment about our next steps.

Tim Grauel  
PPC Chair



### Child Protection

We are a “child safe” organisation!

This is the statement we make in our parish.

It is the responsibility of everyone who enters this church to make it so.

We have a code of conduct that all volunteers sign.

A statement that says that we are to treat all people with respect and dignity and acknowledge the rights of all with whom we come into contact, especially children, the elderly and the less abled.

As a volunteer in our community you are automatically mandated to report any suspicion of child abuse or neglect that you may come into contact with. The Child Abuse Report Line No is 13 14 78. You will need to have as much information as possible, ie Child's name, age, address, incident, location of the child and how you learnt about the abuse.

There are some brochures in the foyer that may help you to discern what to do if you have suspicions about a child's situation.

The UN Convention on the Rights of a Child is a document with 54 Articles on the rights that a child has: for example

- Article 6—You have right to be alive.
  - Article 9—You have the right to live with your parents unless it is bad for you.
  - Article 12—You have the right to give your opinion, and for adults to listen and take you seriously.
  - Article 19— You have the right to be protected from being hurt and mistreated, in body and mind.
  - Article 28—You have the right to a good quality education.
  - Article 31—You have the right to play and rest.
- There is a copy of the Articles on the Children's Liturgy noticeboard in the foyer if you would like to read more.



## UPDATE FROM THE SOCIAL COMMITTEE

### Who are we??

See the next page for photos and Bios

We have a mix of events planned this year to increase the social activity of the parish and also some fundraising events.

To compliment the wine and cheese events hosted by Pat on the first Saturday night of the month, we will be hosting a morning tea on the first Sunday of each month after Mass. Doing this on a regular basis, we see this as a simple way of reconnecting with people you may not normally have an opportunity to speak with, and to reach out to new parishioners. We'd love your support by bringing a plate to share. Parishioners who attend both Saturday and Sunday Masses are warmly welcomed. Here are some happy snaps of our first morning tea of the year . . . .



## PARISH SOCIAL COMMITTEE

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Fundraiser

We aim to have a Mother's Day raffle as a fundraiser. National Pharmacies and Hallett Cove Chemplus have kindly donated the prize consisting of pamper products. Tickets will be \$1 each and on sale from 26 March. We aim to draw this on 7 May so you have your Mother's Day gift all sorted!

#### Parish Lunch

Back by popular demand! After the success of last year's Parish lunch we will be organising two lunches [at different venues] this year. More details to follow, however, pencil the following dates into your diaries Sunday, 21 May and Sunday, 22 October.

#### Like to contribute to the Social Committee?

We would love to have more support on the Social Committee and particularly encourage attendees from Saturday night Mass. We are responsible for planning and coordinating activities with a focus on creating community spirit. We generally meet monthly at McDonald's Hallett Cove.

If you would like to know more, please reach out to one of the Social Committee members below. Together we can put "fun" into fundraising [and socialising]!

**Maree** 0414 734 414,  
**Rima** 0401 006 459,  
**Rae** 0421 377 555,  
**Helen** 0419 803 281 or  
**Mike** 0413 805 089.

#### Suggestions or Comments?

If you have any suggestions or comments please make use of the Committee's suggestion box located in the Church foyer, or alternatively speak with one of the Committee members.

# Introducing The Social Committee

[we meet at McDonalds, Hallett cove]



## **MAREE FRIDAY**

I have been a parishioner of Hallett Cove since moving to Sheidow Park in 1997. I decided to join the Social Committee in 2014 to contribute to the social and fundraising events. I have been privileged to meet many new people by doing this. On a personal note, I am married to Paul and we have one daughter, Meagan, who also attends the parish. Please say hi to me if you see me at Mass or locally in the area; I'd love to meet you!



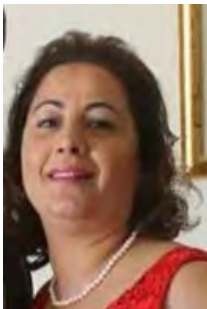
## **MIKE McPEAKE**

My wife Janette and I moved to Sheidow Park and joined the parish in July 2014. Previously I was a member of the Glenelg parish for 28 years and am Joy Saba's father. I volunteered to help with the 2014 Bunnings BBQ and thoroughly enjoyed meeting new friends. I have joined the ministry as Commentator and Social Committee and enjoy being part of the parish helping where I can.



## **HELEN TELFORD**

I first came to the parish when I moved out of home. Hallett Cove is 1/2 way between where my Mum, sister and I lived so it was a great way of catching up each week. I joined the Social Committee after being on the Parish Council; we identified a need to bring the parish community together to support each other spiritually and socially. Happy to chat to you any time about how you can be involved no matter how big or small.



## **RIMA HADDAD**

I have been associated with the Parish for 24 years. Initially I founded the craft group and for the last five years have been part of the Social Committee. I am passionate about bringing our community together. I am married to Sam and have two sons, Feras and Arthur, who both Attended St Martin de Porres School. Please reach out to me if you would like to know more about joining the Social Committee, we will warmly welcome you!



## **RAE CAMPBELL**

We moved to Trott Park 35 years ago and this has been our parish ever since, even before the church and school were built. I've been involved in the Music group, and am a regular reader, commentator and a member of the PPC.

Last year I joined the Social Committee. Why? Because I believe that together, we can build a community, where strangers are just friends that we haven't met yet. With family far away, this Parish is my family.

### Hobby Interest of Graham Cocks

Having lived next to a railway line at Victor Harbor for my childhood and youth years, it was inevitable that I became interested in trains and model trains. Upon working in Adelaide, I bought models and I eventually joined a model railway club for N scale modelling, which is modelling to the scale of 1:160, the second most popular scale for railway modelling. Besides being a club committee member for some considerable time, I made modular modules for the club's exhibition layout and participated in running model trains at exhibitions.

In recent years I made a true to scale model of Strathalbyn railway station and yards as it was in the 1960s. With the help of a few team members, the bridges, flour mill and silo were also included. This 12 metre long layout has been displayed at exhibitions in the last few years and it received the Best Display award as voted by peers at the Noarlunga Model Railroaders Exhibition in October last year. The photo shows part of the 4 metre central section.



Like all model railway layouts - never finished. The Strathalbyn layout is still being expanded and will next include Milang station and yard.

### Family Group Update

This is our latest family group outing for the Berrima Buddies

We enjoyed a lovely meal in February at the Marion Hotel with all 25 members present. Great fun was had by all.

We would all like to thank Sr. Margaret Kenny for starting the family groups in our parish

Libby Thompson, Berrima Buddies



### Citizen of the Year Award

Citizens who have made a noteworthy contribution during the previous year and/or given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years.

#### 2017 Citizen of the Year - Rae Campbell



(From left, Australia Day Ambassador Neil Kerley OAM with Citizen of the Year recipient Rae Campbell and Mayor John Trainer OAM)

Founder of the Adelaide Koala and Wildlife Hospital in Plympton, Rae has worked tirelessly rescuing native wildlife for a greater part of her life. Known as South Australia's 'Koala Lady', Rae opened her wildlife hospital in February 2014 and two years on, the facility is 99 per cent operated by volunteers. The hospital has treated around 2,000 patients at no cost, with funding being provided through fundraising events organised by Rae and the hospital's volunteers. In addition to treating hurt and orphaned wildlife, Rae participates in research programs into diseases which affect koalas and carries out public education programs.

Congratulations Rae!!!

### Craft Group

Do you enjoy meeting others over a coffee? Wondering what to do on a Thursday morning. Come along to our craft group during school terms from 10.30am. Bring along a craft to do if you wish or have a look at what others are doing.

Thinking about leaving a bequest?

God loves a cheerful giver  
2 Corinthians 9:7

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### Community News

Articles, items of interest, special occasions etc. (subject to approval) are being accepted now for the next edition.

Deadline is Tuesday 27th June for availability on the weekend of the 1st/2nd July, 2017



# St Vincent de Paul Society

*good works*

## St Vincent de Paul Society (Vinnies)

All members of the Vinnies Conference wish to thank all parishioners and the St Martin de Porres School community who supported us so generously with our Christmas Appeal and Giving Tree. This allowed us to brighten the lives of over 20 families with 33 adults and 39 children with gifts of food and toy hampers valued in excess of \$5,000. This represents a significant contribution for which we are all very grateful.

You may not be aware that the Vinnies run the bookshop in the foyer. This not only provides a service to the parish but is also a fundraiser for us. We sold all calendars this year, so if you missed out and wanted one, we'd be keen to hear from you, as we may need to increase our orders next year. Sadly, our card sales were down, so there's a lesson learnt there – perhaps we're a victim of the increase in electronic cards.

The Vinnies conference has now settled down to its more regular activities of assisting individuals and families seeking emergency assistance in the form of food, clothing, shoes, household goods and furniture. In addition, the Vinnies can assist with budget and financial counselling which offer longer term benefits.

We will be launching the sales of the People's Choice Community Lottery tickets before long and look forward to your ongoing support with the sales of these -the single greatest fund raiser for us each year.

Due to the retirement of some volunteers recently, our membership is down. So if you have a spare hour or two and have been considering joining our team, we would welcome you with open arms. Either speak to one of our volunteers or contact Conference President Richard Hoskings on 0438 853 343.



## Married Couples – Autumn Weekend Getaway



If you'd like to make your marriage even more special than it already is, spend a few minutes to find out how you can cosy up together and experience a WWME autumn weekend getaway on May 26-28 2017 at St Francis Winery, Old Reynella. For more information call Joy & Charlie on 0437388513 or email [marriageencountersa@gmail.com](mailto:marriageencountersa@gmail.com). Alternatively, visit [wwme.org.au](http://wwme.org.au) and apply online today.

## Congratulations

to Teresa & Gary Pascoe who celebrated their 30th Wedding Anniversary in January by cruising through Asia. They were married at St Mary's Church in Morphett Vale by the current Vicar General Fr Phillip Marshall.



## Join us for Easter

### Penitential Liturgy

Joint Liturgy followed by Individual Reconciliations

Wednesday 5th April, 7pm

### Palm Sunday 8th/9th April

Saturday 6pm, Sunday 9.15am

## Easter Ceremonies

### Holy Thursday

Feast of the Lord's Supper: 7.30pm

### Good Friday

Stations of the Cross: 10.00am  
Commemoration of the Lord's Passion: 3.00pm



### Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil Mass: 7.30pm

### Easter Sunday

Mass 9.15am

See the Easter invite for more information about individual ceremonies

## Original Brochure about the Church

### BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL

This chapel of prayer also serves as a place for preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The small wall divides this chapel from the main church area, thus creating a sense of intimacy with the Lord.

The Reconciliation Chapel is adjacent to this space, and hence, the privacy and prayerfulness creates that atmosphere of reflection as one prepares for the Sacrament of Penance.

### THE BAPTISM AREA

The Baptism Font is made from Wistow Stone.

The Hallett Cove area is famous for its geology — its rocks and water. We attempted to capture this part of the local environment in the Baptism font.

The waterfall effect reflects the Book of Exodus, where water flowed from the rock, giving life to the people. Within the stone is a space for the Paschal Candle.

It is also designed to allow for adult Baptism, and immersion of infants.

It is anticipated that a statue representing the Holy Family will be placed within the Baptism area.

### St Martin de Porres Parish Church

Berrima Road Sheidow Park

#### MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil — 6:00 pm  
Sunday — 8:30 am and 10:30 am

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Available after Saturday Vigil Mass and upon request

#### BAPTISMS

Celebrated at 12:00 noon each Sunday. Parents seeking Baptism for their children are asked to attend a Baptism Preparation evening, held on the first Wednesday of each month.

#### MARRIAGE

Minimum of six months notice required.

#### PARISH OFFICE

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St Martin de Porres Parish Church

Illustration by Sharon Hooper

## Welcome to

### St Martin de Porres Parish Church

The Parish of Hallett Cove was established in January, 1988. Mass was celebrated in St Martin de Porres School.

In March 1990, the Parish Pastoral Council set up a Working Party to investigate the building of a parish church. This was undertaken because of the increasing number celebrating Mass here each week.

This committee reported back to the Council in October, 1990. Parish meetings were held in November and December, and the decision to proceed was made by the Parish Pastoral Council on December 10th, 1990.

A Parish Building Committee was formed.

Our architect, Mr Lynton Jury, was commissioned to prepare plans. Approval from Catholic Church Office was obtained.

In June, 1991, tenders were called. Badge Constructions were the successful tenderer with a quote of \$550,000.

Work began on September 4th, 1991.

The Foundation Stone was placed on November 17th, 1991.

The Church was dedicated on March 20th, 1992.

## Features

### THE FOYER

This is the gathering space for the community. Rooms off this area are a kitchenette, a book sales space, and sacristy.

The feature of this area is the wall banner of St Martin de Porres. The banner depicts the saint and his work among the poor, and was given to the parish by the Peru Mission of the Sisters of St Joseph.

It was made by a woman in the village of Huasahuasi, Peru. In this village, in May, 1991, Sr Irene McCormack RSJ and four others were killed by terrorists. This banner is a reminder to us of the suffering experienced by those who seek to 'bring the good news to the poor'.

St Martin de Porres is the patron saint of inter racial justice. He was born in Peru in 1579. He was a lay brother of the Dominican Order, working amongst the poor and sick of Lima, Peru. He died on 3rd November, 1639.

### THE CHURCH AREA

Seating capacity — 422

### THE SANCTUARY

The Altar protrudes into the nave area. We gather around the table of the Lord, to listen to His word and to be fed at His Table.

The lectern is positioned so that eye contact is possible for the proclamation of the Word.

The furnishings were originally made for the school chapel. They link us with the past, yet remind us of the sacred space we now have — in which to gather, to listen, and to be nourished by the Bread of Life.

Chairs were selected for the church because they allow for a greater freedom in Liturgy. If required for children's Liturgy, or special occasion they can be re-arranged.



## Opening of church 20/3/1992

Parish Priest: Fr Tony Papps  
Archbishop Leonard Faulkner



## 20th Anniversary of the Opening of the Church—March 2012



Photos from the 1st Anniversary of our parish – before the church was built. Can you recognise any faces.

*Thank you to Maureen Griggs for these photos*

