

DEDICATION OF ST JOHN LATERAN BASILICA - YEAR A

9th November 2008

THEME: John 2: 13-22

St John Lateran, the first Christian basilica, was dedicated on 9th November in the year 324. This building is the cathedral of the pope - not St. Peter's but humble St John Lateran. We celebrate all that it symbolises: our unity in Christ, our call to be the community of believers, our worship and our going forth again and again to be Christ in the world.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The waters of the river gladden the city of God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I have chosen and sanctified this house, says the Lord, that my name may remain in it for all time.

Alleluia!

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Monday 10th November - Leo the Great, pope, doctor

Tuesday 11th November - Martin of Tours, bishop

Wednesday 12th Wednesday - Josaphat, bishop, martyr

YOU AND I, AND ALL WHO GATHER, BECOME THE HOLY PLACE

St Paul's words, as first shared with the church in Corinth (today's second reading), invite believers to think of the holy place of God's presence in terms of flesh and blood rather than bricks and mortar. You and I, and all who gather, become that holy place by virtue of our drawing together in faith and because of God's promise (through Jesus) to be present. If each of us were to take it to heart, how might that conviction influence our attitude toward our bodies and the bodies of others? Would we desecrate the temple of our body with too much food, too much alcohol, with illicit drugs or smoking or promiscuity? Would we be so quick to harm another through violence? How would we reconcile allowing the temples of God to die from famine, disease, injustice or war? Wouldn't their status as holy places demand our care and our reverence?

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Grant spiritual comfort and healing to the sick, especially:

Norina Spinelli, Bishop Brennan, Nancy Gibson, Anne Ferguson, Lionel West, John Hunt, Francesca Morton, Rob Deller, Mary McNamara, Ria Stumpe, James Williams, Joan Sullivan, Mary Cooper, Judith Falconer, Wendy Murphy, Stan Sawaski, Monette Fealy, Annette Hoffman, Lionel Jansen, Kelly Harty, John McManus, Peter Cairns, Allan Dedrauth, Marjory Stott, Gerri Boldrini, Melda McDonald, Kristi Cassandra, Luke Heffernan, Rosel Free, Reece Valta, Yela Jankovic, Karl Grlica, Alvin Horn, Kate Cox, Patricia Hamill, Maureen Pidutti, Zoltan Tar, Catherine Mead, Charles Francis, Will Carland, Maureen Fields, Patricia Barber, Ian Walters, Des O'Meara, Gregory Cummins, Ben Harper, Joseph Doran, Nicholas Hetherington, Bess Harris, Sandra Varrasso, Effie Ray, Patricia Bourke, Bob Woods and Marie Cook.

Grant eternal life to:

Louise Rowe, Peter Logue, James Thompson, Denis Murray, Carmen McClure, Ted Drum, Roy Poy, Frank Smith, Yvonne Murray, Clifford Nesbitt and all our dear ones deceased.

Anniversaries:

Joseph Nolan, Wal Taylor, Thelma McPherson, Bob Gracie, Jack Mew, Bert Scammell and all those whose anniversaries occur now.

And Also:

Ray Muntz, Deceased Members of the Murray Family, Deceased Members of St Vincent de Paul, Deceased Members of the Ryan & Taylor families and all our dear ones deceased.

LORD HEAR US

BAPTISMS

Last weekend we welcomed into God's church the following newly baptised:

IMOGEN BUXTON

DENZEL SINCLAIR

FOR YOUR DIARY

PARISH COUNCIL

Nine nominations were received for the Parish Council. Fathers Fulton and Lee have gratefully accepted all nine. They will be notified by letter early this week and invited to the change-over meeting in December.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next meeting of St Patrick's Parish Council will be held this Thursday 13th November at 7.30pm in the presbytery.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The Annual Meeting of the CWL will be held in the supper room of St Patrick's Hall at 8.00pm on Monday 17th November. All Catholic women are invited to attend. Miriam Kirley will be guest speaker and will talk on her experiences with World Youth Day. Members of the CWL are reminded that the November ordinary meeting will be held at 7.00pm in the supper room in the hall on 17th November. Also a reminder that membership and horizon subscriptions will be due at this meeting.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CARDS & CALENDARS

Cards \$6.00 per pack of 10

Caldendars \$7.00 each.

Please place money in the "Paper Money" Box.

MARY'S JUNIOR LEAGUE

Mary's Junior League meets on the first Wednesday of the month from 3.30pm-5.00pm. For details please contact Anna on 6023 3838.

THE CATHOLIC WEEKLY

- * School transport move will hurt families
- * Worlds apart - hearing in a deaf society

MEALS ON WHEELS

St Patrick's Meals on Wheels Team will deliver meals the week commencing Monday 10th November.

ST PATRICK'S SCHOOL FETE

St Patrick's School Fete will be held on Sunday 16th November from 10.00am-2.00pm. Many stalls and amusements - come along and have some fun.

TRASH & TREASURE

If you have any items suitable for the Trash & Treasure stall at the fete, could you please send them along to the school office or ring Adrian Mitchelhill on 6021 4117 to be picked up.

SANCTUARY & FLOWER ROSTER FOR 2009

Volunteers are needed for the St Patrick's Church Altar Roster. This requires about one hour of your time once a week for two weeks of the year to dust the church and arrange flowers. Usually done on a Friday afternoon, could easily be done while waiting for children after school. Great way to meet people or get a group together to help your parish church. Please phone Nan Brandt on 6021 5060 or the Parish Secretary on 6041 2588 if you can help.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP, 18-35 YRS

St Patrick's holds a weekly discussion group for 18-35 year olds on Wednesday nights at 7.00pm in the upper room of St Patrick's hall. For more information, contact Miriam Kirley on 0400 419 981 or email mizmim@gmail.com John Burton 0400 574 958 or Marcus Shaw 0418 463 952.

YOUTH EXPO 28TH-30TH NOVEMBER 2008

Youth Expo is coming up! This weekend retreat of prayer, music and talks is being held at St Patrick's Hall from 28-30th November. If you are between the ages of 13 and 30 you are welcome to attend. Register now! For more information or to register, please take home a brochure found at the back of the Church.

BILLETING NEEDED FOR YOUTH EXPO NOVEMBER 28-30

Many of the youth attending Youth Expo are from outside the Albury area and will be in need of accommodation for the Friday and Saturday nights. If you are able to provide accommodation during the weekend, please leave your details on the signup sheet at the back of the church or contact Miriam on 0400 419 981. Thank you.

OPEN GARDEN

Orange Grove, Olympic Way, 9km north of Gerogery on 9th November 2008 from 10.30am-4.00pm. Gold coin donation. Refreshments, BBQ available. Beneficiary is the Murray Valley Sanctuary Refugee Group.

MOVIE AFTERNOON 16TH NOVEMBER

Cinema Centre 4.30pm. \$15.00 per ticket. The movie is "Son of a Lion"- rated PG. For tickets please phone Harry on 0411 746 286.

HOLY SPIRIT MULTICULTURAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

Holy Spirit Hall on Saturday 6th December from 5.30pm. Mass at 6.00pm followed by party at 7.00pm. All families welcome - gold coin donation towards the Holy Spirit Church. BYO food (to share) and drinks. Contact Rudy Caringal 0400 417 680 or Tita Caringal 0419 278 388.