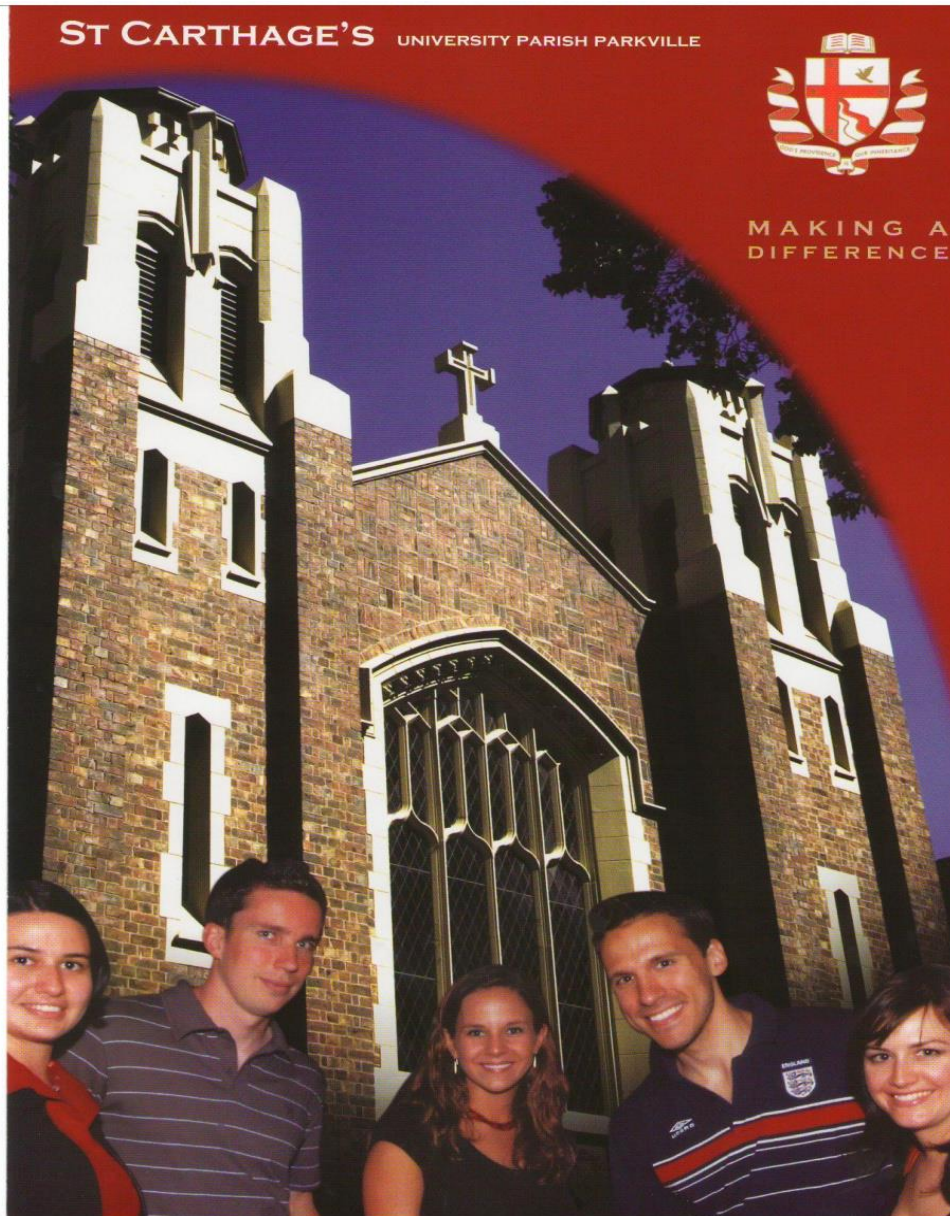




MASS TIMES
Saturday, Vigil Mass 6:00 pm
Sunday, Family Mass 10:00 am
Student's Mass 5:00 pm
17th December 2017

ST CARTHAGE'S NEWSLETTER



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Music at St Carthage's

This Saturday Evening 16th December:

➔ Justin Peters will sing at the Vigil Mass. This liturgy will include a celebration of the Sacrament of the Sick.



This Sunday Evening 17th December:

➔ The choir of Scots Church will sing at our Annual Carol Eucharist.



The Visiting Artist Programme will recommence in February 2018

THANK YOU from 'Friends of Romania'

To the St Carthage Community, a sincere thank you for your most generous support of the Christmas cake sale. All the cakes were sold and some orders were taken and later fulfilled.

The fundraising continues after 19 years for the education of young people in Romania and in the Philippines and this has been made possible by the work of volunteers and supporters.

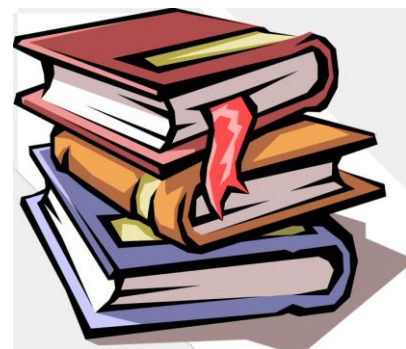
St Carthage's Women's Reading Group

When: Tuesday 19th December 10am – 11:30am

Where: 30 Bayles St, Parkville 3052

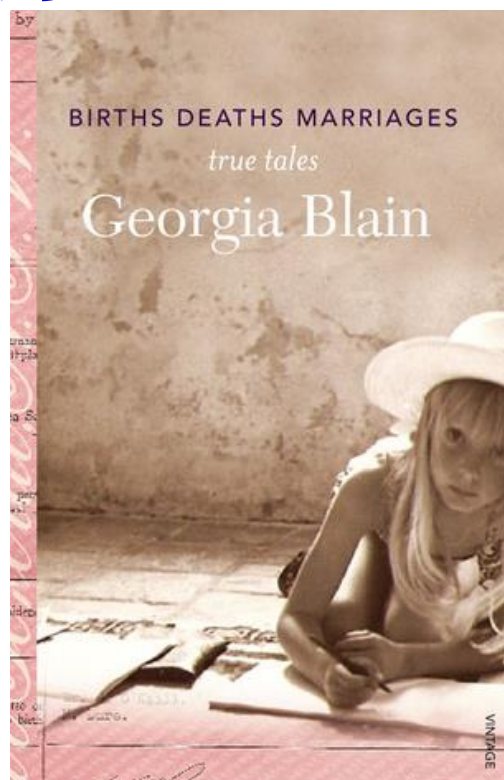
Book: "Births Deaths Marriages"

Author: Georgia Blain



Please bring a pre-loved book as a KK Gift.

Enquiries: Carolyn 0401 732 415



New Readers Welcome!



Christmas Weekend Masses

Saturday 23rd December

06:00pm Vigil Mass

4th Sunday of Advent

Sunday 24th 10:00am Mass

Christmas Eve Masses

06:00pm - Children's Mass.

Children are invited to dress as someone from the Christmas Stories.

Music: Rick Norwood & Juliette Hughes

07:15pm - Candlelight Mass with Carols.

Music: Roger and Anne Rassool

08:30pm - Candlelight Mass with Carols.

Music: St Carthage's Music Group

10:00pm - Candlelight Mass with Carols.

Patrick Lawrence will play our heritage pipe organ.

10:00am - Christmas Day Mass with Carols

Music: Rick Norwood & Juliette Hughes

An end of the year reflection from Michael Elligate, Parish Priest.

This coming new year marks the completion of thirty years as Parish Priest at St Carthage's. with three years until retirement I want the energy and pastoral support offered by the parish to continue at its normal helpful pace.

The focus is not my retirement, but rather seeing that a structure is in place for the life of the parish to continue into future years.

The establishment of the Parish Pastoral Council is a major step forward.

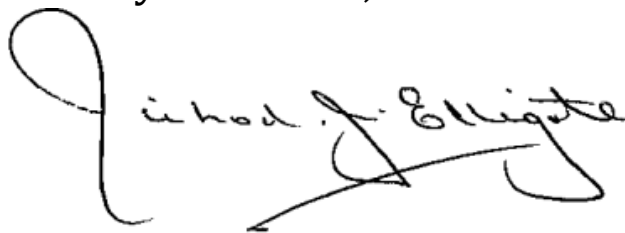
The facilitating of the Parish Survey indicates what are the strength and needs for development to meet today's world. There will be a call for extra willing people to join the Council in the new year.

The Financial administration is in lay hands, so again I thank our Parish Finance Committee for a job well done.

Our office staff have facilitated the steady functioning of the Planned Giving Program.

The facilitators of the diverse parish groups need to be thanked for creative leadership.

With every best wish,



Michael Elligate



Study Tour of the Biblical Lands 2018



Journey with us to the heart of your faith for 27 days:
17 November – 14 December 2018

Tour Leaders



Dr Rosemary Canavan



Rev. Anthony Dean CM



“See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be
handed over ...” (Mk 10:33)

Jordan: 3 days

Recall Jesus' baptism at "Bethany beyond the Jordan," float in the waters of the Dead Sea and visit the magnificent Decapolis city of Jerash.

Palestinian & Israeli Territories: 10 days

Contemplate Jesus on the Sea of Galilee, encounter Mary in Nazareth. Pray at the birth place of Jesus in Bethlehem. View Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, visit the City of David and the Southern Wall excavations. Traverse the passion of Jesus via Gethsemane, Calvary and the Holy Sepulchre. Travel to the height of Masada, investigate Ein Gedi and imagine life in Qumran.

Turkey: 6 days

Behold mystical Istanbul and the Hagia Sophia, visit six of the seven churches of Revelation including Ephesus, reflect at Gallipoli.

Greece: 7 days

Follow Paul's journey through Philippi, Thessaloniki, Beroea to Athens and Corinth.

Total Cost:

\$12,355 per person twin share. Single supplement \$2,742

Contact us now for further information!

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Add On....3 Days in Rome

Tour St Peter's Basilica and the tombs of the Popes, discover Ostia Antica and the port where Paul arrived in Rome, delve into the catacombs and the Basilica San Clemente, marvel at the Ara Pacis, the Forum and Titus Arch.

Cost: Plus \$1,799

Inclusive costing

Our tour cost includes guides, all airfares and bus travel, entry to sites and museums, high quality accommodation with breakfast and dinner daily, visas and tips.

Study Opportunities

This tour can be assessed for credit for 2 units of study in Old Testament and New Testament at undergraduate or postgraduate level:

BN2/3/9705C & BA2/3/9705C

All travellers are audit students.

Study costs are additional

Information Session

Saturday 20 January 2018: 2.00pm-4.00pm
RSVP to jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au
by Wednesday 17 January 2018



ST VINCENT DE PAUL PARKVILLE CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2017

The St Vincent de Paul Parkville Conference Christmas Appeal will be conducted again this weekend.

Cash/cheque donations will assist with the purchase of Christmas grocery vouchers for the large number of families and individuals we assist living on the Ministry of Housing high-rise estates in the Carlton, Parkville and Fitzroy and surrounding areas as well as the increasing number of asylum seekers. For most of the people we assist, this will be the only Christmas cheer they will receive.

Donations will also enable us to continue our educational assistance for financially disadvantaged families and disabled tertiary students as well as our outreach educational and nutritional programs for remote indigenous primary school students.

A tax-deductible receipt will be forwarded if a name and address is provided. Envelopes will be available from our members at Masses and from the porch of the Church. These can be placed in the normal collection basket or mailed to our Conference at PO Box 175 Parkville 3052. Also letting you know that unfortunately, the Conference does not have the facility to process direct debit or credit card donations.

We thank you in anticipation of your generous support as we as we continue our programs in 2018.