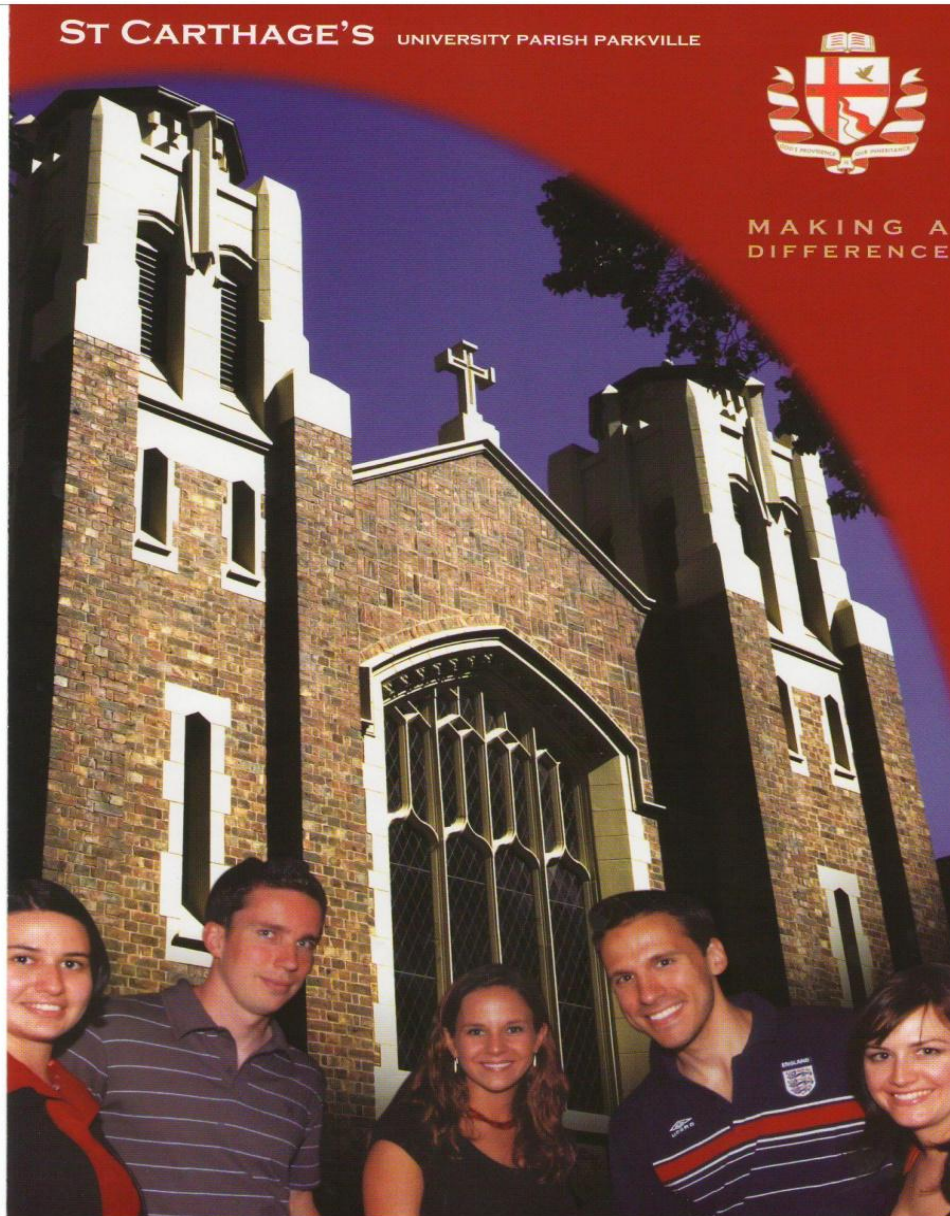




**MASS TIMES**  
Saturday, Vigil Mass 6:00 pm  
Sunday, Family Mass 10:00 am  
Student's Mass 5:00 pm  
23<sup>rd</sup> February 2020

## ***ST CARTHAGE'S NEWSLETTER***



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# Music at St Carthage's

**This Sunday Evening 23<sup>rd</sup> February:**

✚ *We welcome back our  
30 voice Catholic Choir  
"In Excelsis".*



**Next Sunday Evening 01<sup>st</sup> March:**

✚ *Justin Peters will sing  
at the 5pm Student Mass.*



**On Sunday Evening 08<sup>th</sup> March:**

✚ *An ensemble from  
The Australian Chamber Choir  
will sing at the  
5pm Student Mass.*



**On Sunday Evening 15<sup>th</sup> March:**

✚ *The St Carthage's Music Group  
will lead the singing.*





**Spirituality in the Pub**  
**8pm Wed. 4<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

**THE St ANDREW'S HOTEL**  
**128 NICHOLSON STREET FITZROY**  
**Formerly the Pumphouse Hotel**  
(opp. Carlton Gardens)  
*Street parking available*



## **TRANSFORMING LIVES ABROAD and AT HOME**

“Give a person a fish, you feed them for a day; teach them to fish, you feed them for life”. **SIMON COSTA, AO**, left high corporate material success in his mid-forties to re-focus on pursuing meaningful significance. He applied his humanitarian and philanthropic zeal and his formidable skills in sub-Saharan Africa for several years as full-time volunteer advisor with the U.N.'s World Food Program, transforming the lives of literally many hundreds of thousands of families. He received the UN's award for the Most Effective Program ever.

At home in Australia, both before and after this, he has devoted his life to many causes. As Chief Operating Officer of the Costa Group of Companies (32 business units, 13,000 people), he had jointly founded the “Character First” program of leadership across the whole Group. In 2019, after UN, he founded “Inspiring Leader”, to develop exceptional leaders in business, donating all professional fees to causes in developing countries, especially violence against women and girls. In the same year, he became Chairman of the Bluearth Foundation, which is dedicated to improving the health of children through mindfulness and physical activity.

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The St ANDREW'S HOTEL provides a spacious and comfortable atmosphere. Meals available from 6.00pm –7.30pm.

Remember: Support the Pub that supports SIP – Dine at the St Andrew's !

# Inaugural Parish Meeting

Notice is given that the Inaugural Annual Meeting of St Carthage's Parish will be held after 10am Mass on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March

## VISION STATEMENT FOR OUR PARISH

We are the Church, called to be:

- + An honest, warm accepting and compassionate community where all are welcome, all experience sustained adult faith pastoral support and engagement with social justice
- + Committed to transparency, accountability, consultation and the participation of lay men and women in every aspect of our work.

## PURPOSE OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Community welcomes the place of the Priest as one who listens and discerns with the Parish Council to meet the needs of the Parish Community. The role of the Parish Council is to be of service, as spoken about by Jesus in the Gospels.

The Parish Council accepts responsibility for envisioning and being Church in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, including the need to accept and support the upheavals of future transition.

In this context, the responsibilities of the Parish Council include:

- + Discerning and responding to the needs and aspirations of the Parish Community
- + Being aware and respectful of the diversity of our Parish Community
- + Being a vehicle for fostering a sense of community in the Parish
- + Being a vehicle for communication between all parishioners, as well as providing liaison between the Parish and Diocesan bodies
- + Providing leadership in the development of strategy and programs in consultation with the Parish Community
- + Maintaining awareness of all Parish activities. This includes striving to foster congruence and fidelity of these activities to the Parish mission and values save for those matters that are duties of the Finance Committee referred to in paragraphs 4.1 to 4.3.2 Parish Council Constitution.

- ✚ Approving the creation of and offering support to Parish groups who wish to conduct activities in the Parish or in its name
- ✚ Providing oversight of activities which include but are not limited to:
  - Liturgy preparation, conduct, involvements (including special seasonal events, speakers), First Communions, Confirmations, weddings, funerals and other rituals (including planning, advertising and funding as required).
  - Music program (including choir, visiting artists);
  - Parish events (purpose, timing, costs);
  - Community building and pastoral care (welcomes, engagement, visitations);
  - Social justice, animal justice activities and care for the environment (such as: support for St Vincent de Paul, asylum seeker support groups and similar social justice initiatives);
- ✚ Assist in all aspects Parish administration including secretarial and co-ordination work. This includes the use of the Parish house in consultation with the Parish Priest, and maintenance of Church buildings.

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## **ST. CARTHAGE'S PARISH**

### **Inaugural Annual General Meeting**

**Dear Parishioners,**

This is to formally give notice of the first Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the St Carthage's Parish on 15 March, following the 10.00am Mass. Following the Parish Council Constitutions, three weeks' notice of the AGM is to be given, so that if anyone has something they would like discussed, or an issue, to bring it to the notice of the Council:

**a)** It (the AGM) will address the following topics:

- ✚ A full report from the Parish Council – including the Annual Financial Report.
- ✚ It will consider any other matter for which not less than fourteen (14) days' notice has been given to/by Parishioners.

**b)** Parishioners wishing to have any matter or notice of any motion to be put to the Annual General Meeting for consideration, will be required to submit such matter or notice of motion in writing to the Parish Secretary not less than fourteen (14) days before the Annual General Meeting.

Please send any correspondence to me via the Parish email address:

[stcarthages@bigpond.com](mailto:stcarthages@bigpond.com)

**Michael Elligate A.M**  
**Parish Priest**

A Stillness Weekend

# Exploring our Spiritual Connection with the Ocean

with Peter Saunders Being with God in Nature Ministry

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 6.00pm  
to Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2.00pm

At Santa Casa 33-35 Flinders Street Queenscliff VIC 3225

This weekend will offer a time of rest and quiet in Nature. The retreatant is invited to listen to how God speaks to their heart through Nature. During the weekend, retreatants will have the opportunity to relax and contemplate the beauty of Nature and God's presence in the Ocean calling them to new life.

“God is a bright ocean that distills and reveals hidden truths so that my soul has a better understanding of how to trust Love,” Catherine of Siena

Cost: \$320.00 including single room accommodation and all meals.



Contact: Peter Saunders (Tel: 0421643705)

Bookings: Santa Casa, Queenscliff

Bookings Ph.: (03) 5258 2661

Email: [santacasa@ismapng.org.au](mailto:santacasa@ismapng.org.au)

Web: <http://institute.mercy.org.au/santa-casa>

# Ignatian Spiritual Exercises

Are you looking to move deeper in your spiritual journey? The **Ignatian Spiritual Exercises** is a 30-week retreat in daily life which can empower you to deepen your relationship with God and grow in inner freedom, through daily prayer and meeting weekly with a spiritual director.

If you are interested contact

Andrea Grant ([andreaclaregrant@gmail.com](mailto:andreaclaregrant@gmail.com)).

Andrea is a parishioner of St Carthages and has recently completed her formation as a Spiritual Director through Kardia Formation ([www.kardia.com.au](http://www.kardia.com.au))

Andrea is also available to see people for monthly spiritual direction.



## First Communion Programme 2020

**Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> April**

11.30am Enrolment Session, Reconciliation Prayers & distributing of forms & booklets.

**(takes 45-60 Minutes)**

**Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> April**

1.30pm Preparation Session & seating allocation.

**(takes 45-60 Minutes)**

**Saturday, 02<sup>nd</sup> May**  
**Sunday, 03<sup>rd</sup> May**

First Communion Mass – choose one Mass only from below

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Saturday 02May Evening Mass 5:00pm  
Sunday 03 May Morning Mass 11:30 am  
Sunday 03 May Afternoon Mass 2:00 pm  
}

**Communion Mass takes approximately one hour.**

# Approaching Events at St Carthage's

## Ash Wednesday and the Season of Lent

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February

Mass at St Carthage's

07.00pm

Mass at Mercy Place Chapel

11.00am



## Lenten Reflection Booklet

Available next Sunday

**\$7.00**

This booklet explores the Sunday Gospels of Lent and is an ideal aid for some quiet, yet brief, reflection.



**PROJECT  
COMPASSION**  
GO FURTHER TOGETHER

During the time of Lent we recall the tradition that renewal in our own lives may help people in need. Project Compassion is a means to contribute to the needs of people in poverty stricken regions of this world. Boxes and envelopes available next Sunday.