**MASS TIMES** Saturday, Vigil Mass 6:00 pm Sunday, Family Mass 10:00 am Student's Mass 5:00 pm 18<sup>th</sup> April 2021

## ST CARTHAGE'S NEWSLETTER



#### **Presbytery & Parish Centre Address:** 30 Bayles Street, Parkville, 3052.

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## **COVID-19 REGULATIONS**

- Please remember use sanitizer available in the Church porch.
- 4 Masks must be carried and used in crowded places such as in the Church.
- Please record your name and contact details in case contact tracing is required.

St Carthage's Parish Annual General Meeting

An Annual General Meeting of Parishioners will be held on Sunday 25 April before the 10 am Mass, at 9 am as each Sunday there are many baptisms. The delay is partly due to the limited numbers permitted in the Church. Hopefully by this date numbers will have been increased or limits removed altogether.

The AGM will include a report from the Parish Priest, the Parish Council and a report from the Finance Committee.

Parishioners wishing to have any matter or notice of any motion to be put to the Annual General Meeting for consideration, need to submit such matter or notice of motion via email to the Chair of the Parish Council (see below) not less than fourteen (14) days before the Annual General Meeting, e.g., by 11 April.

Rev. Fr Michael Elligate, A.M St Carthage's Parish Priest, 4 April, 2021.

Please forward submissions to the Chair of the Parish Council: heatherwfmm@gmail.com

## Caritas Australia

## PROJECT COMPASSION

- Project Compassion boxes and packs may be placed in the baskets during the Sunday Collection.
- Receipts will be posted to people who supply a name and address with their contribution.



This Sunday Evening 18th April:**4**Erin Absolam – Soloist.**4**Patrick Lawrence – Organist.



## Next Sunday Evening 25<sup>th</sup> April:

The St Carthage's Music Group.





Sunday Evening O2<sup>nd</sup> May: Justin Peters - Singer. The St Carthage's Music Group. Post Mass Celebration





The next meeting will be on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 10:00am where: 30 Bayles Street, Parkville

Author: S.A JONES Book: The FORTRESS Enquiries:

**Carolyn Stapleton** 0401 732 415



THE FORTRESS S.A. JONES

## New readers always welcome to join!

## St Carthage's Men Reading Group!

The next meeting will be on Thursday 13th May at 7:30pm



where: TBA

Author: Adam Courtney Book: The Ghost & The Bounty Hunter

Please call Evan John on 0407 545 413 for enquiries!



New readers most welcome!

**On weekend Masses:** 

- Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> April & Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> April.
- Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April & Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April.
  - Saturday 01<sup>st</sup> May & 02<sup>nd</sup> May.

Our St Vincent de Paul Conference here in Parkville will run a Second Hand Book Fair.

The books will sell at bargain prices ranging from novels, biography and historical perspectives.

Prices: \$10.00 Big Books & \$5.00 Little Books.

The money will be given to our local St Vincent de Paul Conference in order to meet the needs of people in distress.

Fr. Michael wishes to continue to disperse a major part of his personal library prior to retiring from Parish Priest responsibilities.





# Thinking While Packing The Books

In former times in Australia the Catholic Church was serviced by an overwhelming supply of Irish Priests. The Catholic working class wished to



improve their children's education and offer them the prospect of a professional career.

An oppresed and marginalised position in the community led a detemined tribal group to achieve a position of property and honour in the nation.

Formerly the prize gem in these families was to have a Priest, Brother or Nun within their ranks. All this worked!

Now people of Catholic inheritance have made it. We are part of the Establishment Beyond the Church offering services on significant occasions such as times of birth or death many former Catholics see little need for religion. This conviction is affirmed by the submissions to the recent Royal Commission into Sexual Abuse in Religious instituations.

Many Parishes are no longer needed, many priests are not needed precisely because people are not there.

I believe that the training for ministery has to undergo a radical change. Seminarians need to move out of closeted gated compounds and lead a life similar to their peers.

An apprenticeship model working in recognised pastoral parishes needs to be implemented.

The question about bringing priests from overseas not familiar with our culture and language needs to be reconsidered. Of course the ordination of married men and women is inevitable!

I suspect this perspective would be shared by many of our parishioners.

"Michael Elligate"

## Catholic Conversations

### Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> April 6:30pm at St Carthage's Church Parkville

- How did Sactaments emerge in the life of the Church?
- Welcome and refusal of the Sacraments.
- John Henry Newman and his writings on Conscience.
- Vatican II and relegious liberty.



## ALL WELCOME!

## The Wind Blows Where It Chooses

THIS BOOK INDICATES SOME STARTING POINTS FOR A NEW SORT OF PARISH CHURCH IN OUR TIME

"NO READY ANSWERS BUT STACKS OF INSIGHTFUL STARTING POINTS"

## "Michael Elligate"



The Wind Blows Where it Chooses



## Available next Sunday \$22.00