

Spring-time Greetings.

We continue with extracts from the Bishops' Social Justice Statement: *Everyone's Business: Developing an inclusive and sustainable economy.*

The statement notes that the spread of benefits from recent economic growth has been uneven. "The top 20% of households received far greater increases in income than the poorest 20%. Nearly 3 million Australians, including over 730,000 children, are living in poverty."

Deregulation of the labour market has reduced security and benefits for many, with permanent jobs replaced by short-term contracts and casual, part-time employment.

Shockingly "minimum wage and award increases no longer provide a 'living wage'. More than one third of Australians experiencing poverty are employed, with many in part-time, casual or intermittent work. The loss or reduction of basic entitlements like weekend penalty rates aggravates the difficulties of low-paid work."

Allowance rates for unemployed, "have not increased in real terms since 1994, leaving them well behind community living standards. Newstart and Youth Allowance are \$110 and \$159 a week below the poverty line respectively. 64% of unemployed Australians live below the poverty line.

"At May 2017, there were 729,200 people unemployed – but only 189,200 job vacancies. Increasingly onerous compliance requirements and 'crackdowns' on welfare are unjust where there is such low demand for workers and no concerted strategy to create jobs.

"In this situation, excessive demands placed on jobseekers or any treatment that humiliates or shames them is unacceptable."

When it comes to housing affordability, "Since the mid-1990s, the real cost of housing has increased by 250%. There have been many causes, including limited housing supply, negative gearing, capital gains concessions and investor demand from home and abroad...

With 200,000 households on social housing waiting lists and finding cuts to housing and homelessness services, we risk vulnerable people joining Australia's 105,200 homeless."

And concerning Indigenous welfare: "That Indigenous Australians are overrepresented on almost every indicator of disadvantage is a national shame – the starkest measure of the economy's failure to serve all Australians.

"First Australians lag behind the rest of the population in health, education, employment and household income, also which influence health and life expectancy."

Public outrage has grown about the huge price increases in gas and electricity – a result of competition policies without adequate regulation giving excessive power to private interests.

And the Banks: "...a failure in ethical standards...including collusion, overcharging and deceptive financial advice, have occurred at a time of record profits and huge remuneration of senior staff." Quotations from the Document: Peter Hearn MSC



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11/12 November, 2017

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time-Year A

1st Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16

2nd Reading: 1Thessalonians 4:13-18

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

Entrance Antiphon: Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he lead me.

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Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

Monday: Midday Mass

Tuesday: 6:30am Mass, 11am (Holy Hour), Midday Mass.

Wednesday: 6:30am Mass, Midday Mass

Thursday: 11:30am (Novena), Midday Mass, 5:40pm Mass.

Friday: Midday Mass (Anointing Mass 2nd Friday), 5:40pm Mass, 6pm (Holy Hour)

Saturday: 11am (Reconciliation), Midday Mass, 5pm (Reconciliation), 6pm Vigil Mass.

Sunday: 8am, 10am, Midday, 6pm. 10.30pm

St. Margaret Mary's

Saturday: 5:15 (Reconciliation), 5:30pm Vigil Mass. 9.30am

Baptisms

Held at OLSH, 1:15pm Sundays. Contact the Parish Office on 9399 6775.



Accessible Seats - Rows
5,6,7 and cross aisles.
Front 6 seats either side
of centre aisle.

Into your loving care we commend :

Recently Deceased: Sister Marie-Rose Droulers,RSCJ, Lyn McDonagh, Kate McClane, Henri De Polignac, Liek Hartono.

Anniversaries , Birthday Remembrances

and Deceased: Barrett Joseph Morgan, Karl de Waal, Charbel Sarkis, Josefa Abad, Daniel Brydon(Birthday Rem), Antonio Dos Santos(Birthday rem) Olive Tierney, Ronaldo and Romeo Morelosm William Crothers, Aitor and Jennifer Banuelos, Nickola Newton, Emmanuel Cruz, Robert Flahive, Joseph Jabour, Raffaele Golino, Michael Browne, Vincent Rozario, Anselm Anthony, Shane Chamer.

Funeral for Lyn McDonagh

The funeral for the late Lyn McDonagh will be held on Thursday November 16th at 1:30pm at OLSH.

OLSH Youth Group

Meet 3rd Saturday of the month at 4pm in Cloister Room. Contact youtholsh@gmail.com followed by Mass at 6.00pm where the youth sing. This is a beautiful occasion for young people (Year 4- upwards – Year 10 or so). They have the chance to participate more meaningfully in the life of the parish, together with a time of simple fun together.

St Margaret Mary's Family Mass

The next family Mass will be held on the 18th November, at 5.30pm.

Little Sisters of the Poor Raffle

Thanks to the many who got the opportunity to buy a ticket. It will be drawn on November 15 and I will get the Sisters to send me the list of prize winners and place it in the foyer.

St Joseph's Nursing Home Craft Stall:

Industrious nuns have made excellent Christmas gifts - proceeds help buy equipment for the Nursing Home.

Coming Up

- **Tues 14 Nov:**
Bereavement Gatherings
10am and 7pm in Cloister Room
- **Wed 15 Nov:**
St Albert the Great
- **Thurs 16 Nov:**
St Gertude: PPC Meeting
- **Sat 18 Nov:**
Dedication of the Basilicas of
Sts Peter and Paul
- **Weekend 18/19 Nov:**
MSC MISSION OFFICE APPEAL
- **Thurs 23 Nov:**
First Reconciliation OLSH Church
- **Sun 26 Nov:**
Volunteers' High Tea-1-3pm
Cloister
- **Thurs 30 Nov:**
FIRST RECONCILIATION SMM

Clean Water Lunch

On Thursday, 16th November a lunch will be held in Ventnor following the midday Mass to assist the MSC's in helping the many in need of clean water. Your attendance and donations would be greatly appreciated. This is our last lunch for the year. All welcome to come along.,

Christmas Midnight Mass Choir

Practice this Wednesday night at 7.00pm, We need, especially, a few more tenors and bassos...Just turn up on Wednesday night. Peter Hearn MSC

Young Adults

Change of night for meetings to Tuesdays: The group meets first and third Tuesdays of the month in the Cloister Room . Contact Fr Tru: truducnguyen@gmail.com

'Don't Silence Us'

Fiona, a Parishioner from SMM who faithfully and cheerfully organizes the servers, sets up for Masses every Sunday morning, has sent me a pamphlet under this heading. It is a plea for us to stand with Fiona and people with intellectual disability as the NSW Government wants to shutdown disability advocacy services across NSW from July 2018. There is a website where you can add your voice to prevent this important service being disbanded: donsilence.org.au See notice boards for where to write to if you prefer. Peter Hearn MSC

Catholic Weekly:

\$2. Euthanasia issues for palliative care providers; article on Sr Berenice OLSH who died last week at St Joseph's Nursing Home – the last survivor of a concentration camp during WWII at Rabaul; article on Cardinal Gilroy's life; Vladimir Putin – villain or foe of the Anti-Christ?; article by Noel Pearson on state of Aboriginal Affairs; murdered Indian nun on way to Beatification.

Spirituality of Jules Chevalier:

"Today we were expelled from our house in Issoudun and from our Novitiate. Poverty will be sweet for us if we bear it with Jesus who was poor and out of love for him."
Jules Chevalier, Nov 5, 1880

Eucharistic Ministers not on Email:

The new roster is available from the Sacristy.

New Parishioners (Hand to a Priest or Acolyte after Mass)

Name: _____ Contact No: _____
 Email: _____
 Address: _____ Date Submitted: ___/___/___

Bereavement/Loss Gathering

For those who have lost a relative or friend through death during the year, or at any time in the past, or who have experienced grief from other situations. TUESDAY 14 November (Month of the Holy Souls), 10.00am Or 7.00pm At Presbytery (enter through the Cloister Room).

Who may like to come? The gathering is really open to anyone at all – but especially to those who have experienced loss through death or other experiences, (eg debilitating ill health, breakdown in relationships, financial loss...) over the past 12 months. This is an invitation to come into an environment of prayer and companionship (non-intrusive) and to come to the Heart of Jesus with our grief and experience there the comfort He offers to those who mourn. If this appeals to you or to someone you know, you may like to accompany them and be a support

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Annals MSC Magazine – on sale in Foyer: \$5.00 please place in box near pamphlet rack. If you find history fascinating, then a good article on Pope Pius XII and the Nazis regime. PHMSC

Australian Catholic Youth Festival VOLUNTEERS WANTED:

www.acyf.org.au Individual Registrations are still open: Call Janice: 0414 188 682 eastermdeaner-sydney@gmail.com