3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER—YEAR A
4th May 2014

First Reading:
Acts 2:14, 22-33

Responsorial Psalm:
Lord, you will show us the path of life.

Second Reading:
1 Peter 1:17-21

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:
Make our hearts burn with love when you speak.
Alleluia!

Gospel:

PRAYER TO SAINT JOSEPH
(Feast Day May 1st)
Blessed Joseph, husband of Mary,
be with us this day.
You protected and cherished the Virgin;
loving the Child Jesus as your Son,
You rescued Him from the danger of death.
Defend the Church,
The household of God,
Purchased by the Blood of Christ.

Guardian of the Holy Family,
Be with us in our trials.
May your prayers obtain for us
the strength to flee from error
and wrestle with the powers of corruption
so that in life we may grow in holiness
and in death rejoice in the crown of victory.
Amen.

MASS TIMES & SERVICES THIS WEEK

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- Every first Wednesday of the month Mass will be at Woodend Community Aged Care at 11.00am
- The Friday Cellgroup meets at 3pm—4.30 each week for bible study, prayer and warm fellowship, all are welcome. Where: 247 Central Rd, Tylden.
  Contact: Simone Liebergreen 54248459, David Mercer.

Baptisms
Are arranged by appointment and are held on the first Sunday of the month.

Marriages
(6 months notice)
Arranged by appointment.
[Enquiries and information brochure available from Parish Office]

Reconciliation
Celebrated at 5.30pm on Saturday or by appointment with the Priest.
COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND
This service is available to sick, elderly and housebound members of our parish community and there are many special ministers of the Eucharist who would deem it an honour to provide this service to such people. If you know of any parishioners who would like someone to call for this purpose contact the office on 5427 2690 and we will make the necessary arrangements.

WE PRAY FOR...
Please keep in your prayers all the members of this community who are sick and all the sick of the Parish. God bring them peace of mind and a recovery to good health and guide those who care for them. We pray today for all those who have died recently, and for all whose anniversaries are at this time and for all those who have gone before us from this world to the fullness of life with God. May God have mercy on them all and help us to be faithful to their memory.

CHURCH ROSTERS

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COLLECTIONS

Presbytery Collection (1st collection)
[This collection covers running costs of Presbytery and Priest’s stipend.]$346

Church (envelopes) collection
[This collection covers the Church capital costs, and on going maintenance.]$653

ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP QUOTES
These quotes explore the spirituality and personality of St Mary of the Cross Mackillop. She had wisdom and insight and her words will help us to live the Gospel in TODAY’S world.
“God will take care of us all.” 1867. Page 54
The Little brown book too by Sue & Leo Kane

VOCATION VIEW
We can feel the Lord’s call at the strangest places and times. The call can haunt us and pursue us until we say, “Lord, what will you have me do?”

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION
How often do we take the time to see what Jesus wants from us? Are our prayers always petitions, asking Jesus to do things for us? If so, that’s a one-sided relationship. Living our faith means developing a personal relationship with Jesus. So, just like any friendship with another person, there is give and take, each side listening to each other and helping each other out. Take time in silence to listen to what Jesus is saying to you.

GOSPEL REFLECTION
Jesus joins two disciples as they walk away from Jerusalem in despair after his death. They share their hopes and longings with him, and Jesus patiently explains why events happened as they did. He breaks bread with them, and suddenly they recognise him. No longer hopeless, they rush back to rejoin the disciples, who by now are convinced that Jesus has risen. The joy of the resurrection is spreading.

MONDAY AT THE MANOR
Call in at John & Judy Wills house at Lot 6 Adam Close, Woodend at midday each Monday for a sandwich and a chat. All Welcome.
Anyone needing transport can call John & Judy Wills on 54272827.
**ST AMBROSE MOTHERS DAY DINNER**

St Ambrose School Parents & Friends Association have organised a country cocktail party to celebrate mother day. Friday May 9th, 7pm till late at St Ambrose Hall. Mums, sisters, girlfriends all welcome. Tickets on sale now at school office $50 includes cocktail style dinner all wine and cocktails. Final numbers needed by 2nd May for catering. Prizes and Raffles bring your ticket to be in it!

**ST MARY’S ANGLICAN CHURCH GUILD**

You are warmly invited to a Winter Fashion Show presented by Tillow Fashions, displaying popular brands of winter fashion at competitive prices.
11.00am, 7th May 2014 at the Norma Richardson Hall, Buckland Street Woodend.
Lunch provided, Cost $10 RSVP 30th April to Norma 54272315 or Sylvia 54274075

**ST AMBROSE SCHOOL ENROLMENTS 2015**

If you have a child ready to attend St Ambrose School next year (2015) or know of any family wishing to have their child at St Ambrose next year please make contact with the school office ASAP.
If you already have the enrolment forms please complete and return to the school now.

**WESTERN SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB**

*Finding hope in the current day church and world.* Speaker Fr Michael Elligate PP AM

Our speaker, Parish Priest at St Carthage’s Parkville, received an AM in last January’s Australia Day Honours for his work to do with ethics. He has much to share from his extensive reading and varied experiences including from chaplaincies within Melbourne University, with Tertiary Institutions, and in Aged Care and from Parish work and networking. He also enjoys running and surfing.

Tuesday, 13th May 7.30-9.00pm Function Room, Club Italia, Furlong Road St Albans.
Bookings can be made at the club for a meal prior at 6.00pm ph 93674187.

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY ASSISTING REFUGEE STUDENTS**

Mercy Connect Project Melbourne—Mercy Works Ltd, is currently recruiting volunteers to support Refugee Students in their educational transitions in Secondary and Primary Schools in the Melbourne Archdiocese. The volunteer commitment is approximately half a day per week for the four school terms. Experience working in an educational setting is required. Retired, Casual and Part Time Teachers along with Teacher Students are encouraged to apply. A training program will be conducted on Thursday 19th of June 2014. Please contact Sr. Mary Lewis RSM for an application form and further information.

Mercy Connect Project Melbourne Tel 93261895 or www.mercyworks.org.au Email:somml@bigpond.com

**SOLO CATHOLICS DINING & DANCING**

Friday 23 May, 7pm
Single Catholics of all ages are welcome to join us for an enjoyable night, including dinner and dancing. Where: Beaumaris RSL, 489 Balcombe Road Beaumaris  Contact: John 0411 483 314

**MARY MEETS MOHAMMAD**

Tasmania’s first asylum-seeker detention centre unexpectedly arrives in Mary’s local community. “An extraordinary and gripping piece of documentary filmmaking”.

Macedon Ranges Rural Australians for Refugees and Woodend Anglican Church presents a screening of Mary meets Mohammad.
Where: The Norma Richardson Hall, 15 Buckland Street, Woodend
Date: Friday 16th May 2014, 7.30pm  Enquiries: Rosie Baker, 0417730978  All donations support the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre
View the trailer at: www.marymeetsmohammad.com

**POSITION VACANT**

Diocese of Sandhurst (Bendigo) seeks to appoint a Director of Catholic Education commencing 1 January 2015. Enquire to Episcopal Vicar for Education, Very Rev Dr Brian Boyle ph 0416041204 or email: brian.boyle@sandhurst.catholic.org.au. App close 30th May 2014

**CAMPION CENTRE OF IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY**

*Oasis Day—Saturday 10th May*
9.30 am—4.00pm  Donation:$85

Offering you a day of silence, quiet prayer, a listening ear and a gentle introduction to Ignatian Spirituality.

**Empowered by a Whisper—**
Friday 16th May 7pm to Sunday 18th May 3pm  Donation:$235
This contemplative weekend offers reflective space as you pray and meditate on scripture, allowing God to nurture and nourish you. (Live In)

Where: 99 Studley Park Road Kew
Phone: 03 98548110
Email: secretary@campion.asn.au
Web: www.campion.asn.au
The pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, and foreknowledge of God, you took and had put into your power by the deliberate intention among you, as you all know. This man, who was signs that God worked through him when he was addressed the crowd in a loud voice: ‘Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice:

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Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason – so that you would have faith and hope in God. The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation  See Lk 24:32

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Gospel  Lk 24:13-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

They recognised him at the breaking of the bread. Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He asked them, ‘What matters are you discussing as you walk along?’ They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, ‘You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.’ ‘What things?’ he asked. ‘All about Jesus of Nazareth’ they answered ‘who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.’

Then he said to them, ‘You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?’ Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself. When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. ‘It is nearly evening’ they said ‘and the day is almost over.’ So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, ‘Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?’

Reflection by Greg Sunter

One of the remarkable things about the Risen Jesus is that his friends and followers almost always fail to recognise him at first. In the instance on the road to Emmaus, two of the disciples are walking the road feeling sorry for themselves when Jesus joins them. It is, perhaps, an experience that is not unfamiliar in our own lives: so absorbed by what is happening to us that we fail to recognise the presence of Christ walking the journey with us – in spirit or in the guise of someone around us. Jesus allows the disciples to share their woes and their grief and then he slowly but surely relates all of what had happened to the scriptures and demonstrates to the disciples that the events of the previous few days were all part of God’s plan. The disciples felt that their hopes and beliefs had been misplaced in Jesus; he hadn’t delivered all that they had dreamed. But the Risen Jesus makes them realise that their hopes were not misplaced; they were right to trust and hope in Jesus and that belief will still bear fruit.

It is not until Jesus re-enacts the Last Supper breaking of bread that the disciples suddenly recognise him, but at that moment of recognition, Jesus vanishes from their midst. It must have been tantalising and frustrating for the two disciples – when they finally realised who they had been talking with and they could celebrate his presence Jesus disappeared. But the truth of what they had realised didn’t abandon them. They reminded one another of the passion they had felt: ‘Didn’t our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road? They are saying to each other, how stupid must we have been not to recognise Jesus? Only he could make us feel like that!’
CROSSWORD

Across
1: vanish
3: Israel’s holy city
6: one of the disciples going to Emmaus
7: Jesus appeared on the road to Emmaus
_ _ _ _ _ days after he died
8: Jesus joined two of his disciples on the road
to this town
9: saviour
12: a place where people live

Down
2: sacred texts
4: to consume food
5: the two disciples knew who Jesus was when he broke what?
10: to experience pain or distress
11: some women saw a vision of these at Jesus’ tomb

ST PHILIP & ST JAMES

St Philip and St James were two of
the twelve apostles chosen by Jesus.
After St Philip was called to be an apostle,
he persuaded Nathaniel (St Bartholomew) to also
follow Jesus. At the feeding of the 5000, St Philip
passed the remark that, “200 denari would
not buy enough bread for each of them to get
a little”. St James was the brother of St Jude,
and is often referred to as “James the Lesser” to
distinguish him from James, the son of Zebedee.
Some traditions believe St James was a cousin of
Jesus, and others name him as the author of the
Epistle of St James. Traditionally, St Philip and
St James share the same feast day because their
remains were both brought to the Church of the
Apostles in Rome, in early May, 561 AD.

Colour the shapes that contain a white dot in red.
Colour the remaining shapes in colours that you find
in a loaf of bread.