

ST PAUL'S ST CLARE'S

Bulletin Highlights

Sixth Sunday of Easter ~ Year B

6th May 2018

Padded Kneelers

Throughout the Church, the only pews with timber kneelers are the two big blocks in the centre of the church. These have been removed for a short time to be padded. They will then be refitted. It should be an interesting little project and feedback from parishioners will be invited and encouraged.

Kneeling is a very important posture of reverence and humility. Quite understandably some parishioners are unable to kneel because of physical limitations. Fair Enough! But for the vast majority of our parishioners of all ages who have the capacity, kneeling is very important especially during Mass and at various times during adoration.



Parish Web Site



Parishioners are asked to be mindful that the parish web site was updated quite considerably a few months ago. Highlights from the weekly Parish Community News are provided, along with information about other major events. It's well worth a visit.



Parish Pastoral Council

The next meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday 23rd May. There's not too much that needs to be raised as a matter of urgency, although the Parish Mission Statement will need to be officially endorsed. Please notify our parish secretary, Elizabeth, with suggestions for agenda items.

Inter-Parish Golf Day

Just a reminder that the inter-parish golf day at Mittagong in the Southern Highlands is only two weeks away on the 20th. It's a shot-gun start at midday requiring players to be at the course by about 11:15 AM. Parishioners who have played in previous years would have received a letter in the mail inviting an acceptance.

If not having played before, and wanting to join our parish golf team, please contact Father Michael. It's always a very good day with a little humour and revelry over the meal and during the presentations. And this tight and tough little course is in excellent condition. Beginning about 15 years ago, the tradition continues.



Propagation of the Faith Appeal



It's around this time of year across the nation that parishes conduct the Propagation of the Faith Appeal so that funds can be available for the missionary work of the church. This year's national appeal focuses upon Myanmar, a country with enormous challenges. Please support with our customary generosity.



Confirmation Programme

Parents are advised that the enrolment forms with \$20 need to be returned after Masses this weekend. Parents will also need to provide their preferences for the various workshop days and times.

Please try to be seriously committed to having a presence at Mass with the children. A big part of the programme is to provide the children with a really positive experience of Mass in our own parish with our own worshipping community. So important! Many people in our parish try extra hard to make Mass truly life-giving.



Return and Earn

Stephen Barrett and one of his volunteer grandsons who are collecting the bottles and cans to "Return and Earn" in support of the Orphanage in Hua, Vietnam handing over the proceeds of the Easter collection to Fr Joe and Little Joey.

