



No. 27 Harbinger April 2008

PARISH HAPPENINGS

The merry month of May is a very special one for the parish. In this month we celebrate 90 years of the LCC in Melbourne. The Church of the Holy Spirit, Punt Road, Richmond, was consecrated in 1918. It was the first parish church within the LCC community anywhere in the world!

Spring Cleaning

Date: **Saturday, 26th April from 10.00 am - 12.00 noon.**
BYO lunch for 12.00 noon. Many hands make light work!

90th Anniversary Services

We are delighted to have our new Regionary, Bishop Graham Preston, coming to St. John's to lead our celebrations. They are planned to be as follows:

Sunday, 4th May Sunday within the Octave of the Ascension

Holy Eucharist conducted by Bishop Graham Preston including Confirmations. Light Luncheon in Social Room after the service.
(Those who wish to be Confirmed must contact the Vicar as soon as possible.)

Sunday, 11th May Whitsunday (Pentecost)

Holy Eucharist conducted by Bishop Graham Preston. On this day we celebrate 90 years of the Liberal Catholic Church in Melbourne. The service will include the procession of the Most Blessed Sacrament to the seven Ray Crosses. Also taking place is the Ordination to the Subdiaconate of Russell Cole.

Bishop Allan and Trish Bradley will also be with us, and Bishop Allan will deliver the Address on this anniversary occasion.

A light luncheon in Social Room will follow the service.

A special "Greeting" from the presiding Bishop, M. Rev. Graham Wale, will be read to the gathering after the service. It is a beautiful document, and will be framed and placed on the wall in the Social Room.

A publication will be released at this luncheon that covers the history of the two churches in Melbourne – Church of the Holy Spirit (1918 – 1975) and Church of St. John The Beloved (1975 – 2008). There will be copies of this publication available for everyone free of charge.

Notice of Annual General Meeting of the Parish

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the parish of St. John The Beloved will take place following the celebration of the Holy Eucharist on Sunday 18th May 2008 at 12.00 noon.

Nomination Forms for positions on the Vestry can be collected from the table in the Social Room or by contacting the Parish Secretary. Nominations for Vestry must be lodged with the Parish Secretary by no later than 11th May. All members and friends are welcome to attend the meeting.

Libby Shade
Secretary

Notice of Annual General Meeting of the Trust

Notice is hereby given of the Annual General Meeting of the LCC (Vic.) Holding, commonly known as the Trust, to be held at the conclusion of the parish AGM on Sunday, 18th May 2008 at 12.30 pm. Nomination Forms for positions on the Holding Company as Directors may be obtained from the table in the Social Room or from the Company Secretary. Nominations for the Holding Company must be lodged with the company Secretary by no later than 11th May. All members of the parish are welcome to attend the meeting. Please note that there will be a short meeting of the Executive immediately prior to the parish A.G.M.

Russell Cole
Secretary

N.S.W. Retreat

Here are some details relating to the forthcoming retreat to be conducted in New South Wales.

Date: Friday, 26th – Sunday, 28th September 2008

Venue: Kerever Park, Burradoo, Southern Highlands, N.S.W.

Director: Bishop Pedro Oliveira

Theme: Wisdom, Life and Joy.
Celebrating the Liberal Catholic Tradition.

For further information, please contact the Vicar.

REFLECTION

We have been brought into the full splendour of the true light. Our God has brought us the medicine for both body and soul, truly precious and golden, once by (Hermes) Trismegistus, and now by our 'Medicus', Jesus Christ, who is the stone cut without hands from the highest mountains, the cornerstone rejected indeed by the nations, but placed as the keystone, the head and glory of the Eternal Temple not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Arcana Arcanissima (1614)

Michael Maier 1568 – c1622

OFFICERS OF THE PARISH

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CHURCH CALENDAR

April

Sunday, 6th

Sunday, 13th

Sunday, 20th

Sunday, 27th

Second Sunday of Easter

Third Sunday of Easter

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Fifth Sunday of Easter

May

Sunday, 4th

Sunday, 11th

Sunday within the Octave of Ascension

Whitsunday (Pentecost)

Anniversary of Melbourne consecration
dates (1918, 1975)

Trinity Sunday

Sunday within the Octave of Corpus Christi

Sunday, 18th

Sunday, 25th

June

Sunday, 1st

Sunday, 8th

Sunday, 15th

Sunday, 22nd

Sunday, 29th

Second Sunday after Trinity

Intent: God as Light

Third Sunday after Trinity

Intent: God as Ruler of the Angels

Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Intent: God as Love

St. Alban, Martyr

Patron Saint of the LCC

The Holy Apostles

July

Sunday, 6th

Sunday, 13th

Sunday, 20th

Sunday, 27th

Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Intent: Purity: a day of devotion
to the Holy Spirit

Eighth Sunday after Trinity

Intent: Wisdom

Ninth Sunday after Trinity

Intent: Confidence

Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Intent: Devotion

The service of Holy Eucharist is celebrated every Sunday at 10.30 am.
Other services as advertised. All are welcome.



ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

The Church of St. John The Beloved is celebrating the **90th Anniversary** of the Liberal Catholic Church in Melbourne. Our Regionary Bishop, the Rt.Rev. Graham Preston, will be leading the celebrations and all members, families and friends are most welcome to join us on this happy occasion.

The Anniversary date, celebrating the consecration of the Church of the Holy Spirit in 1918 and later St. John The Beloved in 1975, both on Whitsunday, will take place on Sunday, 11th May 2008 at 10.30 am. Our Regionary Bishop will be celebrating the Holy Eucharist on both Sundays, 4th May and 11th May 2008. Details of the two services are as follows:

Sunday, 4th May (Sunday within the Octave of the Ascension)

Holy Eucharist at 10.30 am. Conducted by Bishop Graham Preston.
The service will include Confirmations.
Light luncheon in the Social Room will follow the service.
All welcome.

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Light luncheon in the Social Room will follow the service.
All welcome.

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