

Risen Christ



Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

22 & 23 June 2024 - Year B

The Catholic Communities of Our Lady Help of Christians, Eltham & St Francis Xavier, Montmorency



We acknowledge the Wurundjeri people who are the traditional custodians of this land and pay respect to the elders past, present and emerging of the Kulin Nation.

Gospel: Mark 4:35-41

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us cross over to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, 'Master, do you not care? We are going down!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and all was calm again. Then he said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?' They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.'



Reflection:

It's rare for the responsorial psalm and gospel story to parallel each other so closely. Like the seafarers in Psalm 106/107 who are terrified by a tumultuous storm but are saved when they cry out to God for help, the disciples too are delivered from disaster when they appeal to Jesus. The psalm may well have helped shape the way Mark recounts the drama.

With this episode Mark moves on from Jesus' parables to several displays of divine power. Today's scene is vividly sketched. A sudden storm, for which the Sea of Galilee is still notorious, threatens to swamp the boat; the disciples are seized by fear; Jesus remains asleep, exemplifying total trust; once awakened, he exerts his authority over the waters and rebukes the disciples; they are awestruck.

Stormy seas epitomised chaos in the Old Testament, but Israel's God always reigned supreme. Mark is not necessarily presenting Jesus as divine in himself, but certainly as an agent of divine power. The fact that Jesus rebukes the wind and addresses the sea suggests that he is dealing with a demonic spirit. His reproach of the disciples is one of several in this gospel. Mark casts their obtuseness and lack of faith in high relief.

Because it's a familiar story, the minister of the gospel may need to take special care to ensure it is proclaimed with all its inherent vigour.

Break Open the Word 2024

*This parish has a commitment to ensuring the safety of children and vulnerable people in our community.
We support the recommendations of the Royal Commission into institutional abuse and pray for all the survivors.*



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Risen Christ Parish Bulletin items:

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RECONCILIATION

available half an hour before
any weekday or weekend Parish Mass.

Collections: 2 & 9 June 2024

		OLHC	SFX
Thanksgiving	Cash	\$532.00	\$1,086.00
	Electronic	\$423.00	\$4,331.82
Presbytery	Cash	\$633.70	\$886.25
	Electronic	\$50.00	\$390.00

Thanksgiving / Stewardship Offering

Month	OLHC	SFX	Total
March	\$6,218.67	\$8,372.38	\$14,591.05
April	\$5,427.77	\$9,527.68	\$14,955.45
May	\$6,351.83	\$7,555.58	\$13,907.41

Risen Christ Parish Calendar of Events

Saturday 22

6:00pm Mass

Montmorency

Sunday 23

8:30am Mass

Montmorency

10:00am Mass

Eltham

Tuesday 25

9:30am Mass

Montmorency

10:00am Rosary

Montmorency

7:30pm Jordan Small Church Community

Montmorency

Wednesday 26

6:30am Meditation

Montmorency

9:30am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Eltham

Thursday 27

9:30am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Montmorency

10:30am ASRC Food Collection

Montmorency

10:30am Emmaus Small Church Community

Montmorency

Friday 28

9:30am Mass

Eltham

Saturday 29

6:00pm Mass & First Eucharist

Montmorency

Sunday 30

8:30am Mass

Montmorency

10:00am Mass & First Eucharists

Eltham

Tuesday 2 July

9:30am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Montmorency

10:00am Rosary

Montmorency

10:00am Craft Group

Montmorency

11:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry

Eltham

2:00pm Bethany Small Church Community

Montmorency

Wednesday 3

6:30am Meditation

Montmorency

9:30am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Eltham

1:00pm Kairos Small Church Community

Montmorency

Thursday 4

9:30am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Montmorency

10:30am ASRC Food Collection

Montmorency

Friday 5

9:30am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Eltham

Saturday 6

6:00pm Mass & First Eucharist

Montmorency

Sunday 7

8:30am Mass

Montmorency

10:00am Mass

Eltham

Tuesday 9

9:30am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Montmorency

10:00am Rosary

Montmorency

7:30pm Jordan Small Church Community

Montmorency

Wednesday 10

6:30am Meditation

Montmorency

9:30am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Eltham

Thursday 11

9:30am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Montmorency

10:30am ASRC Food Collection

Montmorency

10:30am Emmaus Small Church Community

Montmorency

Friday 12

9:30am Liturgy of the Word with Communion

Eltham

Saturday 13

6:00pm Mass & First Eucharists

Montmorency

Support
Risen Christ Parish,
The Catholic Communities
of
Eltham & Montmorency
by giving with CDFpay





*Let us pray for all those who have gone before us
marked with the sign of faith ...*

Montmorency

For those in need of **healing**, remembering especially:

Terry Kean

*Debbie Edgley (nee Vanderwert), Leon Gray, Graeme Layton,
Frances McDonald, Cindy & Ed Morrissey, Pauline Murphy,
Jeanette Steward, Skye Stojanov (5 weeks old)*

For those whose **anniversaries** are at this time:

*Rhys Branston, Tony Lier, Maria Antoneta Pereira, Jack Ramsdale
Margaret Mary Moylan - sister of Julian
80 year anniversary: 17/06/1944-20/06/1944*

Eltham

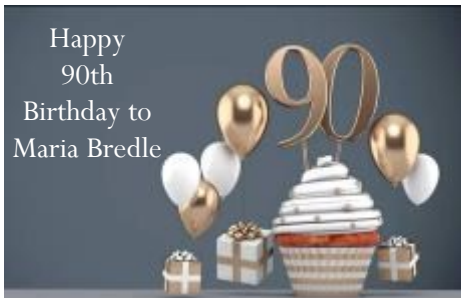
For those in need of **healing**, remembering especially:

*Penny Boyce, Maurice Brosnan, Ruth Decker,
Shannon Donahoo, Rosemary Scully*

To include an anniversary please contact Parish Office
9435 4742 or RisenChrist.Parish@cam.org.au.



Happy
65th Wedding
Anniversary
to
Jeanne &
Anton
Vanderwert



Happy
90th
Birthday to
Maria Bredle



St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

Thank you to Parishioners, SFX, HT & CLC School Communities

The Montmorency Conference of St Vincent de Paul wishes to thank all parishioners and the St Francis Xavier, Holy Trinity and Catholic Ladies College School Communities who support our Winter Appeal. This year we are very much aware that the cost of living is impacting all family budgets and so it is with utmost gratitude we thank you all for your support.

We know that the families, individuals, whom we (that is, you) assist are forever grateful and would like to give you all a loving, virtual thank you hug for helping to make this winter just that bit warmer for them. They also know that there is a supportive community backing the Montmorency visiting teams.

SVdP Members will be at the foyer after both weekend Masses offering a small home-made treat to you all as a small token of our appreciation for your support.

If you would like to assist families in need in our local community, you may be able to donate as per below:

How to donate to the SVDP Winter appeal

Envelopes: SVDP envelopes are availing in the St Francis Xavier church pews or at the tables at the entrance doors or at the Parish Office. You are welcome to leave your donations and/or envelopes in the SVDP donation boxes on the tables near the entrances to the church, at the Parish Office, or give to a SVDP member or contact Mike on 0417 221 245. Receipts can be issued by simply completing name and address on the envelope.

On Line: www.vinnies.org.au In terms of directing funds back to the Montmorency or Eltham Conferences, we request that you state **Montmorency** or **Eltham** in the “**Comments/Conference Name box**” which is just after the postal address box.

By Phone: 13 18 12 and state your donation is for the **Montmorency or Eltham Conference**.

Direct Transfer: BSB: 063 003; Account: 1008 1787 **with reference Montmorency 916**. In this way monies will be credited to the Montmorency Conference account and stay within our community.

If you are donating **online, by phone or direct transfer** please send an email to msaid@netspace.net.au with your full name and address, amount and date of deposit so that the conference can acknowledge your generosity and ensure these monies are allocated to the **Montmorency or Eltham Conferences**.

Roster for week ending: 23 June 2024

Armstrong, Miranda	C10:00
Capuana, Marisa	LoW-01
Dhanasen Family	PRSE
Donnellan, Denise	E10:00
Dunell, Linda	E10:00
Edwards, Elisabeth	E10:00
Kulkens, Mark	W6:00
Lucas, Maree	CLNR
Maynes, Phil	W6:00
McKenna, John	CLKR
McKinley, Michael	W8:30
Nolan, Mike	PRYR
Northrop, Greg	E10:00
Ramsdale, John	W8:30
Reardon, Kathy	ASE
Reardon, Kathy	H10:00
Reardon, Peter	E10:00
Reardon, Peter	H10:00
Scully, Greg	H10:00
Scully, Helen	H10:00
Stevens, Patricia	CLNR
Zylstra, Diane	R10:00

Roster for week ending: 30 June 2024

Armstrong, Miranda	E10:00
Bowyer, Darrell	ASRC
Bowyer, Rosemary	ASRC
Boyd, Mary	PRYR
Castellanos, Rodrigo	E10:00
Donnellan, Denise	E10:00
Dopheide, Marlis	E10:00
Dunell, Linda	ASE
Haines, Geoff	C10:00
Leahy Family	PRSE
Reardon, Kathy	E10:00
Scully, Greg	R10:00
Steward, Jeanette	CLKR
Sullivan, Frances	W8:30
Volunteer Please	H10:00
Volunteer Please	H10:00
Volunteer Please	H10:00
Volunteer Please	H10:00
Wallace, Kathryn	W6:00
Watson, Denis	CLNR
Williams, Peter	W6:00
Wood, Marie	W8:30

ASE = Altar Society @ Eltham;

C = Commentator;

CLKR = Powerpoint Clicker @ SFX;

CLNR = Cleaner @ SFX; R = Reader;

E = Eucharistic Minister; H = Hospitality;

LoW-01 = Liturgy of the Word with
Communion @ SFX;

PRSE = Pilgrim Rosary Statue @ Eltham;

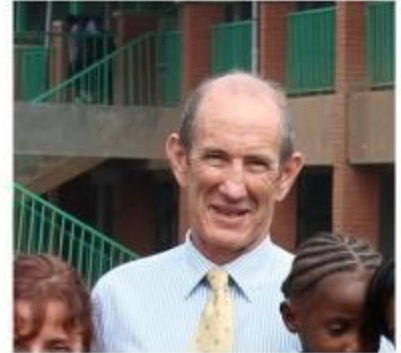
M = Music; W = Minister of the Word

‘PROJECT KENYA’ NEWSLETTER NUMBER 2, 2024

NEWS FROM EDMUND RICE SCHOOL, EMBULBUL .. April to June 2024

‘Your health is your wealth’.

I received news from Peter Shanahan just a few days ago (late May) that he had not been well in recent weeks. In fact, he was sitting in hospital, waiting to see a doctor as I emailed him for any Embulbul news. About 3 weeks prior to that date, in late April his heart had started to miss a few beats, much to Peter’s surprise. This was followed by a stint in hospital for about 8 days, where Peter was diagnosed as having had an ischemic stroke. His memory of the event is very hazy but they did say to him at the hospital that it had been a minor stroke and that his full memory should return. Peter has been a wonderful leader of the Embulbul centre for well over a decade now and certainly needs our prayers and ongoing support. I will tell Peter that via this Newsletter, I have asked for your



prayers for his speedy return to good health... there are nearly 200 of you on my mailing list so there is no doubt in my mind that he will be back on his feet soon.



Whilst on the subject of keeping wonderful people in your prayers, Sr. Francesca a nun from the local parish has been part of the Embulbul school staff working in a pastoral role, visiting the families of those being sponsored, caring for the welfare of all at ERCEC for as long as I can remember and has been away from school for a few months with back and mobility problems. We also wish her a speedy return to good health and I know she would appreciate your prayers for her.

Kenyan Science and Engineering Fair 2024

In a past Newsletter, I detailed my first memory (in 2006) of the science facilities at Embulbul. Though science was a compulsory subject for all Form 4 (Yr.12) students, the school then had an old empty container as a future Lab and two stands as equipment (see photo) in the ‘science’ classroom. The students then had almost zero chance of passing the



subject, but since then, as detailed in last year’s newsletters, the school has sustained excellence in the national Science competitions in Kenya. In 2023, one of the most remarkable projects presented was the making of paper from cow dung. This innovative project garnered attention from judges who praised its environmental benefits and the utilization of locally available materials. The project received numerous accolades for its simplicity and sustainability.

So, to 2024 and though maintaining top performance and excellence is challenging, the Edmund Rice Catholic Education Centre has managed again to sustain its high standards with a **student securing the first runner-up position nationally with a project aimed at addressing pest infestations, particularly cockroaches, in home environments.**

Of course, the school's commitment to excellence is reflected in a diverse range of study projects that students undertake annually, not only in science but in other academic areas and to quote staff member and Development Officer, Mercilinus Ounde ' these achievements are **made possible through the generous support of donors and supporters from Australia** who continue to fund students at school and provide essential study materials.'

All the achievements are all the more remarkable when you realise where the students come from. Below some photos show the local area



The streets of Embulbul are home to the students of Edmund Rice Catholic Education Centre



Many homes are extremely basic – mud walls and floors

Having been on visits to the homes of sponsored students many a time, with Sr. Francesca and others and having noted how many families had no running water, electricity or proper sanitation, I was often amazed at the dignity and hope of these families. They neither sought nor expected charity, but gracefully acknowledged the help so many people in Australia are providing so on their behalf, **thank you once again** for your generosity.

John McKenna



Staff and fellow students share the joy



and your donation provides a daily lunch that for many is their only food for the day. (photo left)

Carrying water down a laneway in Embulbul. (photo right)





Intimacy and Sexual Wholeness

An Authentic Exchange

Richard Rohr honours the divine dimension of embodied love:

Authentic love is about giving a bit of myself to another - and, in this surrender, something new is created. The flow of love is a divine experience mirroring the relationship within the Trinity. It is possible to connect our varied experiences of embodiment - through gender, sexuality, and physicality - with the very life of God flowing through us. We are co-creators with God, not just passive observers, in a world that is continually evolving and unfolding.

In the midst of authentic lovemaking (physical and/or emotional), we realise there is a third element that is beyond us or our beloved. In the Trinitarian view, we call this third energy the Holy Spirit. Unconditional, unselfish love takes place when I love and care for the other for their own sake. I seek their pleasure more than my own, even to the point of suffering for their good. Such love brings us beyond separation to a place where we are one even if we are far apart physically or in time.

I've witnessed this eternal, unbreakable intimacy in people whose partner has passed away. More than one bereaved spouse has said to me, "He's actually more real, more present to me now than when his body was alive." This means they fully experienced the "bridal chamber" or the *divine espousals*, to use Teresa of Ávila's mystical language. We are part of the divine lovemaking in which we are both making love and being made love to in the same action (See Song of Songs 1). This is experienced as an energy and life that is larger than our own. We are merely along for the ride!

Of course, the greater the light there is in something, the greater the shadow it casts. Sexuality and false intimacy also have the power to destroy and wound. No wonder there are so many taboos around sexuality. It has been said, "Where nothing is forbidden, nothing is required." There's something so significant required of the soul to make and to commit to love that I'm not surprised so many cultures and religions have created so many moralistic guidelines - even if a lot of them were not very helpful or healing. Impulse control is certainly a valuable skill for an adolescent to learn, but too often the church's teaching just led to shame or pre-emptive repression rather than healthy sexuality. (This is not to say that all free expression is wonderful, moral, or even helpful!)

What is so important and essential here? I believe it's simply this: We are each a sacred image of the Divine. We are co-creators with God, so we must respect our own embodiment, and the sacred embodiment of the other. Let Paul speak his truth here: "Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?... The temple of God, which you are, is holy" (1 Corinthians 3:16-17).

VOCATIONS DISCERNMENT RETREAT FOR MEN

Saturday 6 July, 10am-4pm
Carmelite Monastery, Kew

The Vocations Office invites all men discerning a vocation to a day retreat. The day will include talks on the Priesthood and discernment as well as time for prayerful reflection.

RSVP by Wed 3 July at:
vocations@cam.org.au



CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE
OF MELBOURNE



Beanies, scarves, socks!

Dear Friends, with the temperatures at night through to morning around 2 & 3 degrees, it is difficult to imagine the hardship and pain experienced by those sleeping on the streets. This level of suffering is off the scale, especially in our society of plenty, unequally shared, it is heart-breaking. Well, we cannot help everybody, but we are able to make life a little easier for some, with our care, love and prayer.

As I separate your contributions into hats, socks and scarves, I am so touched by the level of your generosity with new warm garments along with the beautiful woolen hand crafted items. 'It is in giving that we receive.' Thank you again for your compassion and giving.

Further enquiries contact Patsy 0429 439 675



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If you're happy for the trip, come to

Palms' Discovery information session (www.palms.org.au/event/discovery-information-session-altona)

at Altona on 11 July.

Meet Soraya and returned Palms participants to discover more about Assignments Aboard (<https://palms.org.au/current-opportunities/>).

Alternatively, please enquire at

<https://palms.org.au>

Venue: Mary Help of Christians Church Hall
Address: 97 Railway St N, Altona VIC 3018
Date: Thursday 11th July 2024
Time: 5:30pm to 6:30pm
0422 472 567
palms@palms.org.au



Prayers of the Faithful for 22 & 23 June 2024 - Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Leader: We pray with faith to our heavenly Father for all the inhabitants of our world. We entrust to Him especially those confronting their own personal storms.

God of life: take care of our earth. May your Church persevere in promoting the health and well-being of our physical environment and may the God of Creation touch the hearts of all humankind.

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

God of love: enlighten the leaders of our world so that they become fully aware of their responsibilities and promote the well-being of all citizens.

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

God of tenderness and mercy: watch over those people who are forced to flee their conflict-torn countries so that migrants are welcomed and given refuge.

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

God our Father: here is your community assembled here. May we be nourished by, and be faithful to, your Word and your Eucharist, so that we can better serve the wider community.

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

God of healing: may all those suffering illness be touched by your healing grace and be calmed by your all-embracing love.

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

God, who promises eternal life: may those who have died, and those whose anniversaries occur at this time, including *Rhys Branston, Tony Lier, Margaret Moylan, Maria Antoneta Pereira & Jack Ramsdale* experience the fullness of God's love and presence.

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Bountiful Father, listen to our prayers and the cries of all humanity and show us your mercy. Through our Lord, Jesus Christ.

All: Amen



We would like to thank you for your generosity supporting the Church in Mongolia and House of Mercy.

Thanks to your kindness, people like Chuluunbaatar will have access to the support they need to help them get back on their feet. Your gift will also support a variety of Church programs around the world.

To learn more about the impact your support is making, please visit catholicmission.org.au/our-work. Here, you can also sign up to our regular newsletter to keep up to date with the latest news.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to give, please do so at catholicmission.org.au/mongolia. Your action will make a profound change on people's lives.

GO AND INVITE EVERYONE to the banquet



Free call: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/mongolia

SCAN ME



NAIDOC WEEK

KEEP THE FIRE BURNING! BLAK, LOUD AND PROUD

7-14 JULY 2024

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Unggun May by Deb Relyea
SABULWONGGAL, TORRES STRAIT

Unggun May, from the Torres Strait, is the oldest of the Torres Strait Islands. It is the only island in the Torres Strait that has a traditional Torres Strait Islander community. It is a beautiful island with a rich culture and history. It is a place where the Torres Strait Islanders have lived for centuries. It is a place where the Torres Strait Islanders have a strong sense of community and pride. It is a place where the Torres Strait Islanders have a strong sense of identity and belonging. It is a place where the Torres Strait Islanders have a strong sense of responsibility and care for their land and people. It is a place where the Torres Strait Islanders have a strong sense of hope and optimism for the future.

Designed and illustrated by an Islander Torres Strait Islander. The artwork is a traditional Torres Strait Islander artwork. It is a beautiful piece of art that captures the essence of the Torres Strait Islands. It is a piece of art that is both beautiful and meaningful. It is a piece of art that is a testament to the resilience and strength of the Torres Strait Islanders. It is a piece of art that is a source of pride and inspiration for all who see it.



naidoc.org.au

This year's NAIDOC Week theme of 'Keep the fire burning! Blak, loud and proud' points us to the important opportunity to reflect on the strength of First Nations leadership, and ways we can all be involved in keeping the fire burning for justice, truth and hope. You can find further information about NAIDOC Week on <https://naidoc.org.au>.

PRaise for social housing investment in NSW Budget



The St Vincent de Paul Society New South Wales says last night's state Budget takes a positive step towards addressing the housing crisis that will make a substantive difference to the lives of thousands of people living at the margins.

<https://cathnews.com/2024/06/19/praise-for-social-housing-investment-in-nsw-budget/>

Audit finds Townsville Diocese acting on safeguarding



Townsville Diocese has embraced child safeguarding standards, according to an audit report published today by Australian Catholic

Safeguarding Ltd.

<https://cathnews.com/2024/06/19/audit-finds-townsville-diocese-acting-on-safeguarding/>

Cairns appoints new education leader for 2025



Catholic Education in the Diocese of Cairns will have a new leader in 2025, with Diarmuid O'Riordan selected to take over from Bill Dixon who will retire in December.

<https://cathnews.com/2024/06/19/cairns-appoints-new-education-leader-for-2025/>

Victoria won't meet deadline for child law changes



Victoria is set to go past its own deadline to raise the age of criminal responsibility from 10 to 12 by the end of the year, after introducing its mammoth

1000-page youth justice bill to Parliament yesterday. Source: *The Age*.

<https://cathnews.com/2024/06/19/victoria-wont-meet-deadline-for-child-law-changes/>

Caritas highlights needs in world's largest refugee camp



This World Refugee Week (June 17-20), Caritas Australia is shining a light on the plight of the one million people in the world's largest refugee camp, Kutupalong in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh.

<https://cathnews.com/2024/06/19/caritas-highlights-needs-in-worlds-largest-refugee-camp/>

New tool sheds light on harmful online voices



Parents will get a window into the misogynistic content flooding their teenagers' social media feeds under the latest push to tackle gender-based

violence. Source: *The West Australian*.

<https://cathnews.com/2024/06/19/new-tool-sheds-light-on-harmful-online-voices/>



Venturing out

Jesus calls us to venture out beyond our comfort zones and into those places where his love is needed most, towards people whose lives and experiences might differ drastically from our own but who remain close to God's heart.



In this week's stories, we hear from Dr Claudio Betti, who was in Melbourne last week for the Archdiocese's annual clergy conference. He spoke with us about how we might be a Church that goes beyond the 'safe space' to build a culture of hope and peace.

<https://melbournecatholic.org/news/beyond-safe-spaces-claudio-betti-on-going-where-jesus-sends-us>



As we observe Refugee Week, Andrew Hamilton SJ also encourages us to 'light a candle' by viewing refugees not as numbers and an abstract 'problem' but 'from the inside' as people with families and unique stories, and with inspiring gifts of

resilience and generosity.

<https://melbournecatholic.org/news/lighting-a-candle-in-refugee-week>



And we catch up with young Melbourne Catholic Kyle Correya, whose passion for music and ministry led him recently all the way to Rome, where he represented Australia at the International Congress on Youth Ministry.

<https://melbournecatholic.org/news/kyles-passion-for-music-ministry-ignited-following-youth-congress-in-rome>

Caritas Australia raises awareness of the world's largest refugee camp



As we mark Refugee Week this week, Caritas Australia is shining a light on the plight of the one million people in the world's largest refugee camp, Kutupalong in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh, which is made up of 33 highly congested camps. The Rohingya emergency in 2017

caused hundreds of thousands to flee there, with the plight of an estimated half a million child refugees having captured global attention. <https://melbournecatholic.org/news/caritas-australia-raises-awareness-of-the-worlds-largest-refugee-camp>

'Found in your love': Emmanuel Worship play at Encounter+

Teenagers travelled from across the Archdiocese of Melbourne on Friday 14 June to gather for adoration, worship, food and fellowship at the Catholic Leadership Centre and St John the Evangelist Church in East Melbourne, where the special Encounter+ evening featured popular Brisbane-based band

Emmanuel Worship on their first Melbourne tour. The band's director, Liam Desic, says that 'Jesus is always wanting to encounter' us, and that evenings like this one offer young people opportunities to meet him in both 'small and powerful' ways. <https://melbournecatholic.org/news/found-in-your-love-emmanuel-worship-play-at-encounter-gathering>

<https://melbournecatholic.org/events>

For more information: www.melbournecatholic.org or Facebook:

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