



SRC BULLETIN

HAPPY EASTER



“Life has conquered death. Mercy and love have conquered sin! There is need of faith and hope to open this new and wonderful horizon.” Pope Francis (Vatican Radio, 28/03/2016)

From the Chaplain’s Chair – The Quality of Mercy

In a former life I taught English, produced plays for High School Drama festivals and introduced students to William Shakespeare, the famous sixteenth century English playwright. Portia’s famous speech in his play, “The Merchant of Venice” came immediately to mind when I read of Pope Francis’ declaration of the Jubilee Year of Mercy. I wondered if Pope Francis has ever read “The Merchant of Venice.” What he has written for us in his letter *Misericordiae Vultus* certainly reflects the famed speech of Portia to the court of Venice. I share it with you. Sue Richardson pbvm

“The quality of mercy is not strain’d,
 It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven
 Upon the place beneath: it is twice blest;
 It blesseth him that gives and him that takes:
 ‘Tis mightiest in the mightiest: it becomes
 The throned monarch better than his crown;
 His sceptre shows the force of temporal power,
 The attribute to awe and majesty,
 Wherein doth sit the dread and fear of kings;
 But mercy is above this sceptred sway;
 It is enthroned in the hearts of kings,
 It is an attribute to God himself;
 And earthy power doth then show likest God’s
 When mercy seasons justice. (Act 4, Scene 1)

SPIRITUALITY DAY

Heartfelt appreciation to Cheryl Camp RSM who guided us on a journey through the gates and doors of mercy.

WEEKLY EUCHARIST

Please take note that Weekly Eucharist will resume next week. There is no Eucharist this week.

YTU STAFF ON TV

Mary Reaburn NDS was featured on the ABC Documentary “Easter in Jerusalem with Geraldine Doogue” that was broadcast on Good Friday. The documentary is available online until 8 April at: <http://iview.abc.net.au/programs/easter-in-jerusalem-with-geraldine-doogue/DO1339H001S00>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Presbyteral Ordinations

Vincent Pham CSsR: 16 April 2016, 10am @ Holy Eucharist Parish, St Alban’s South.

Anthony Li SVD: 23 April 2016, 10am @ St Pascal’s Chapel, Box Hill.

Laurensius Woda SVD: 23 April 2016, 10am @ St Pascal’s Chapel, Box Hill.

Michael Wu SVD: 23 April 2016, 10am @ St Pascal’s Chapel, Box Hill.

WEEKLY QUOTE

“Someday, after mastering the winds, the waves, the tides and gravity, we shall harness for God the energies of love, and then, for a second time in the history of the world, man will have discovered fire.” (Pierre Teilhard de Chardin)