## **Father Peter Carrucan**

Peter Francis Carrucan is a great grandson of Peter Carrucan and Hannah Woods and one of the 'Carrucans of Kew'.

Peter was born in 1932 in the family home in Kew and entered the Seminary at Corpus Christi College in Werribee in 1955. He was admitted to Holy Orders in 1962 and embarked on his long career as a priest in various parishes in the Melbourne Archdiocese.

During his many years in the active ministry, he served as Parish Priest of St Thomas Mores' in Hadfield, St Thomas Mores' in Belgrave and Holy Eucharist in South St Albans. Peter comments

They have been good years, like a roller-coaster. How different life and the Church are today from 1962.

At the end of April 2009 he retired from full-time ministry in a parish. Since then he has filled in in other places as well as doing some Hospital Chaplaincy. In January 2011 he takes on a Pastoral Care role at St Augustines' in Bourke St West, near the Southern Cross Railway Station.

The final words from Father Peter

It has been an uneventful life, sharing the ordinary lives of the people, which are amazing in themselves. Stories of fidelity, love, friendship, hardship, all those things that make up the slings and arrows of being human. Looking back over nearly 50 years I am glad the priesthood came my way.



Father Peter wishes Gillian Carrucan Bon Voyage at Melbourne Airport in Dec 2008