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MASS TIMES

Sundays Saturday Vigil 7pm Sunday 9am & 11.00am

 Exodus Community, 12 Noon in the shed at 273 Liberty Pde, Heidelberg West

Weekdays 9am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday

CONFESSIONS & ROSARY After 9am Mass on Saturday mornings

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER 8.30am – 4pm on school days only

PARISH WEBSITE - pol.org.au/heidelbergwest

*St Pius X Catholic Church Heidelberg West actively works to listen to, empower and protect children, and has zero tolerance for child abuse and neglect*.

 PLEASE LOOK AFTER YOUR CHILDREN WHILE MASS IS IN PROGRESS

**SAINTS/FEAST DAYS FOR THE WEEK**

* *Wednesday 20 – Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon*
* *Thursday 21 – St Matthew*
* *Saturday 23 – St Pius of Pietrelcina*

***Reflection*** *“For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord’s.” – Romans 14:8*

This is the essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren’t “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He is calling you to live the life that He intended for you.

**Next Sunday**: September 24

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|  | **Reader** | **Special Ministers** |
| Saturday 7:00pm | Peter Overton |   |
| Sunday 9:00am | Volunteer |  |
| Sunday 11:00am | Jennifer Lim |  |

**NEXT SUNDAY’S READING – 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Is 55:6-9: Ps 144:2-3, 8-9, 17-18: Phil 1:20-24, 27: Mt 20:1-16

**MARY MACKILLOP AUSTRALIAN PILGRIMAGE 17/10 /23 - 28/10/2023**

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, “In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop” commencing in Melbourne on 17 October 23, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 28 October 2023.  During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop’s life and ministry. For more information call 8912 4818 or national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au

**CARITAS AUSTRALIA’S EMERGENCY APPEALS – MOROCCO/LIBYA**

Caritas Australia needs your support to respond to the devastating earthquake in Morocco and floods in Libya. Thousands of people have died and others have been injured. Communities need shelter, food, water and medical assistance. Please support Caritas Australia’s emergency appeal @ [www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au)

**CANDLE DONATIONS**

Due to changes at the National Bank with regard to banking coins we are no longer accepting silver coins for candle donations. ***Gold coin donations only please***

**SENIORS GET TOGETHER – SEPTEMBER**

***All seniors (over 55) are more than welcome to join us at our monthly gatherings***. Join us on Wednesday 20th September for a road trip to the Melbourne Botanical Gardens. Seats on the bus are limited so please book yours by calling the Parish office 9457 5794. All Welcome!

**SOCIAL SERVICES SUNDAY**

Sunday 17 September 2023 marks Social Services Sunday within the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne. The day is an opportunity to keep in our thoughts and prayers the dedicated staff and volunteers of organisations working to stand with and serve the poor, disadvantaged and marginalised

In this time of increasing costs of living, housing stress and crisis, and profound social challenge, the Gospel message of radical welcome, love, and care is needed more than ever. Catholic social services have long held a unique position in the social service sector because they are a part of the enactment of the social mission of the Church — one expression of an established, connected community of people working to live in fidelity to the Gospel.

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***We* *are in******need of new people to read at 9am Mass.*** Please let

Fr Wayne or Junia know if you are interested in joining this ministry.

EXPERIENCE TAIZE

Friday September 29, 6pm-7pm at St Pius X Church. Come and experience this calming, quieting, welcome respite from the hustle and bustle of life….

All are welcome! Light supper will be provided after prayer.

***Prayers for the Sick***: Hannah Steane

***For the recently departed:*** *For the repose of the souls of the faithful departed*

***Anniversary of Death***: Guseppe & Paolo Lucciantonio, Lian Ang, Florence Mills, Adele Bertelli, Mary Evangelou