###### *St Pius X Catholic Parish Heidelberg West acknowledges the Wurundjeri people*.

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MASS TIMES

Sundays Saturday Vigil 7pm Sunday 9am & 11.00am

[Exodus Community, 12 Noon at the Community Centre, 21 Alamein Rd

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

The parishioners of St Pius X Parish acknowledge the Wurundjeri people, the Traditional Owners who walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)**

This is for anyone interested to explore the Catholic Church and its beliefs with the view to joining the Catholic community. People baptised or not baptised are welcome.

Please see Fr Wayne or email stpiusvic@bigpond.com

***Reflection:*** *“..they fell down and worshipped him.  Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh...” - Matthew 2:11*

Notice the order of events in the Magi’s visit.  First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him.  Then they presented Him with their gifts.  We, too, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord.  We never know what God may be asking us to share!

MEMORIAL GARDEN PLAQUE ORDERS

ORDER A MEMORIAL PLAQUE FOR A FRIEND OR FAMILY MEMBER.

The size of the plaque is 150cm x 120cm and the cost is $220.00, which includes a symbol and eight lines of text. Please see Junia or Fr Wayne at the Parish House if you are interested in ordering a plaque for a friend or family member

NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS – THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Is 55:1-11 or Is 42:1-4, 6-7; 1 Jn 5:1-9 or Acts 10: 34-38; Mk 1: 7-11

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY ASSISTING REFUGEE STUDENTS MERCY CONNECT MELBOURNE** –

Mercy Works Ltd. is currently recruiting volunteers to support Refugee Students and Asylum Seekers in Primary and Secondary schools across the Melbourne Archdiocese. The volunteer commitment is approximately half a day per week during school terms. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred but not limited to. Please contact Sr. Mary Lewis RSM for an application form and further information. Training Day for new volunteers with emphasis on Child Safeguarding at the end of January.

Email: [somml@bigpond.com](mailto:somml@bigpond.com) Website: www.mercyworks.org.au

Mercy Connect Melbourne Tel: 9326 1895

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C:\Users\Parish\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\EJXC3F6C\MC900045140[1].wmfFr Wayne would like to express his gratitude to everyone who serves either as a Reader at Mass or as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. The Church needs and values your service. Our current roster finishes soon and we really need new people to serve. We will train any newcomers, so please let

Fr Wayne know if you are interested to join the ministry.

**ST PIUS X PARISH AND SCHOOL ARE OFFERING A MONTESSORI INSPIRED GROUP FOR 3-5 YEAR OLD CHILDREN AND A PARENT AND CHILD SESSION FOR 0-3YO.**

St Pius X Little Stars Montessori Room is founded on the Educational Philosophy of Maria Montessori and seeks to provide a space where young children have the opportunity to interact in a hands-on environment to enable them to fully flourish. The room is equipped with Montessori Materials and guided by a trained Montessori teacher. Contact Julie for more details. 0404 658 701

***Prayers for the Sick***; Alan Crabbe, Pauline Lambert, Will Anderson, Josephine Fenech, Leo Fenech, Ronald Gale, Norma Gale

***For the Recently Departed****: For the repose of the souls of the faithful departed.*

***Anniversary of Death***: Cecilia Opie, Walter Smith, Maxine Cowley, John Dixon, Bill Street.

***St Pius X Parish is commited to growing a Child Safety Culture with Love***