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MASS TIMES

Sundays Saturday Vigil 7pm Sunday 9am & 10.30am

 [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

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.

**COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISHES RAFFLES 2020** (Permit No. 10722/19)

**THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE COMBINED PARISHES 2020 RAFFLE. WINNING TICKETS WILL BE DRAWN 26 SEPTEMBER 2020**

**GOOD LUCK!**

**THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES**

**If you would like to collect your 2020-2021 Thanksgiving Envelopes, they are available at the Parish House.**

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL**

Many thanks to those who have continued to support the work of our local Vinnies through donations of groceries, non-perishable food items etc. Donations can be dropped at the Parish House while the Church is in lockdown

**CATHOLICCARE SUNDAY APPEAL** This weekend is the CatholicCare Sunday Appeal. Donations from our parish community will help CatholicCare to support the most vulnerable people in our community. Please donate to CatholicCare Sunday Appeal. Your support and generosity will help break barriers to social inclusion and strengthen families and communities to live life to the full. You can donate online at www.ccam.org.au/SundayAppeal or call (03) 9287 5513

**NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK** - This week we celebrated the Feast of St Mary of the Cross McKillop. Our first Australian born canonised saint. St Mary took bold new directions in education and care of children. We know her saying ‘Never see a need without doing something about it’. We pray this week that many young people in our communities may embrace this spirit in response to the call of the Lord to serve as priests or consecrated religious.

**DAILY MASS ON DEMAND VISIT** **melbournecatholic.org.au/mass**

**DAILY GOSPEL & REFLECTIONS VISIT pray.com.au**

***Fr Wayne*,** Walking on Water.

After the crowd is fed, Jesus sends His disciples to the other side of the lake where He will meet them later, after He has spent time in prayer. He returns to the source of His being, His life, His strength, to do what He has done and will do in the future - the source being His Heavenly Father. However, in the hour of their need He comes to them / us, and with His presence calms their fears and brings them peace. In the experience of Peter and the disciples, we find the experience of every Christian. We often begin with the courage only faith can give us, but such courage can dwindle if we don’t pay attention, distracted by the wind and rain - the storms in our lives - and pandemics that assail us. When Jesus comes to help us do we doubt His presence and question Him? After recognising Him and His invitation to come do I step out and start to ‘walk on water’ as Peter did? If we say, we are Christian, then by extension we are disciples. Like Peter the typical disciple who was caught between faith and doubt we should not be surprised by our gifts and shortcomings. It is in our tottering faith, our shortcomings that we remain ultimately dependent on the gracious help of our Lord just like Peter did when he started to sink. It is to those that Jesus still comes, holding us close and leading us to safety and peace, which only He can give. I am sure that the Pandemic is stretching our resolve and faith. The one thing unchanged is Jesus’ invitation to come and this is perhaps one of those times for many of us. Times are difficult and in some respects unprecedented and we are at a loss to make sense, but at the same time Jesus stretches out His hand to uphold us.

**STAGE FOUR RESTRICTIONS!**

 All Churches **ARE CLOSED FOR MASS** and private prayer. Therefore, there are **NO MASSES within the Parish.**

 The **PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED** all communication should be via phone (03)94575794 or email STPIUSVIC@BIGPOND.COM

 Stay up to date with our Parish News on our **PARISH WEBSITE** [**www.pol.org.au/heidelbergwest**](http://www.pol.org.au/heidelbergwest) or our Facebook page **ST PIUS X CATHOLIC CHURCH**



***Prayers for the Sick***; Josephine Fenech, Leo Fenech, Shane Sheeba,

Ronald Gale, Pauline Lambert, Alan Crabbe, Steven Morrissey, Juan Sanhueza, Des Patterson, Alex Farkas, Will Anderson

***For the Recently Departed****; For the repose of the souls of the faithful departed*

***Anniversary of Death***; Dunstan Caspersz, Frederick Jamieson, Aileen Erikson, Aileen Maher, John Clark