

St. Joseph's Parish, Northcote



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Weekday Mass Times:

8.45am-9.10am Rosary, followed by 9.15am Mass on Tuesday—Friday.

Weekend Mass Times:

5:30pm: Saturday—Vigil Mass.

8.45am: Sunday—Italian/English Mass.

10.30am: Sunday—Family Mass.

Parish Office hours:

Tue-Fri 10am-3.30pm

You may contact the office at any time and leave a message when the office is unattended on 94898008 and Fr. Minh or Secretary will get back to you as soon as possible.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays: 10.00am - 11.00am & 5.00pm or feel free to phone Fr Minh.

First Wednesday of the Month:

7.00pm: Baptism Preparation Meeting in the Church.

Appointment Required.

Last Friday of the Month:

2.00pm: Seniors' Mass at the Parish Centre.

Catholic Religious Education:

Wednesday: 4.00pm—5.00pm R.E. classes for State Primary and Secondary School children in the Parish House.

ROSTERS:

SATURDAY: 01/06 5:30pm

Commentator: Layla El-Fahkri

Reader: Moses El-Fahkri

Communion Minister: Lahiru Perera & Nadesha Wijerathne

Musician in charge: Rusman Priyana

SUNDAY: 02/06 8.45am

Commentator: Salv Caleo

Reader: Cesarina Zampieri

Communion Minister: Lucinda Exposto

SUNDAY : 02/06 10.30am

Commentator: Winston van Haltren

Reader: Melanie Pinto

Communion Minister: Audrey van Haltren & Margaret Dimech

Musician in charge: Neil McKinnon

CHURCH CLEANING (3rd June)

No church cleaning during the renovations

Thank you for your generous support of our parish:

1st Collection: House: \$ 384.50

2nd Collection: Thanksgiving: \$ 957.60

Recently Deceased: Antonio Manarin and Father Raymond Deal

Sick: Betty King

Death Anniversaries: Hanna Suffa Fakhry, Milhem Malkeh Taouk & Michael Colosimo Miniti

Diary Reminders:

Frid 31 May— 2pm—Seniors Mass at the Parish Centre

Sat 1 June & Sun 2 June—Monthly cuppa tea after all Masses

Sunday Mass will be held in the Parish Centre during the Church renovations

St Vincent de Paul

St Vincent de Paul (Vinnies) are looking for volunteers to join the local conference. We assist people in the Northcote/Fairfield Areas. If you are interested in understanding our work and activities, then please contact Tony Bolzan 0448 015 383 for further information.

BINGO—Every Wednesday morning 10am to 12pm



A big thank you to Andrei Alexeyeff for setting up and running our first Bingo day.

A great time was had by all.

Come and join us for a cuppa and a morning of fun

God Bless

Fr Minh

From the Child Safety Officer

What are some potential risks to child safety in a parish environment?

An important part of preparing a child safety risk assessment is identifying potential sources of harm. In general, children may be at risk of harm if:

- they are exposed to physical dangers like tripping hazards, sharp objects, or boiling water
- they are often put in situations where they feel uncomfortable, ignored, or unable to participate
- the people who interact with them are not suitable for that role or aware of their responsibilities
- interactions with children are not conducted in an open, transparent, and appropriate manner.

Not all of these risks will be relevant to every activity in our parish, but being alert to potential risks can help us develop strategies to minimise harm or prevent it from occurring. **Naomi Brammer**



Bring your Palms Together...

As we prepare for Pentecost, join Palms Australia to celebrate diversity, cross-cultural understanding, and our Call to peaceful development of global family.

Palms Together

Thursday June 6th from 5:30pm

Irish Times Pub

427 Little Collins St Melbourne

RSVP by June 2nd to Robert@palms.org.au or call 02 9560 5333

www.palms.org.au

Catholic Archdiocese—Life Marriage & Family Office

Mass for Expectant Mothers

The Life, Marriage & Family Office warmly invites all expectant mothers and their families to the Mass for Expectant Mothers. The Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Peter A. Comensoli at St Patrick's Cathedral on **Sunday 2 June at 11.00am**. Registrations can be made online at: www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily or alternatively by contacting: 9287 5587 or lmf@cam.org.au. Please note that **registration closes on Friday 24 May**. Expectant mothers who register will receive a small token of recognition.

Sixth Sunday of Easter - Year C

First reading: Acts 15:1-2,22-29

Second reading: Apocalypse 21:10-14,22-23
JOHN 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we shall come to him and make our home with him.

Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own:

it is the word of the one who sent me.

I have said these things to you while still with you;

but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit,

whom the Father will send in my name,

will teach you everything

and remind you of all I have said to you.

Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you,

a peace the world cannot give,

this is my gift to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return.

If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father,

for the Father is greater than I.

I have told you this now before it happens,

so that when it does happen you may believe.'

Reflection on the Gospel

Love, Peace and the Spirit

Jesus' words in today's Gospel are sparked off by a question from Judas (not Iscariot). He wants to know how, during Jesus' forthcoming physical absence, the community of believers will have a sense of his presence, even though to the rest of the world he will be entirely absent. In response, Jesus insists upon three things: love, the Paraclete (Holy Spirit) and peace.

First of all, believers who truly love Jesus have his word that he and the Father have made their "home" within them. The "community of love" constituted by Father and Son will "dwell" (literally, "set up house") within their hearts. While, unlike the original disciples, they may not see and hear and touch Jesus physically, faith will give them a sense of living constantly the extraordinary of being "at home" with God and God's "at home-ness" with them.

Secondly, to compensate for the loss of the teaching, guidance and encouragement under trial given by Jesus, they will have the presence of the Holy Spirit. The description of the Spirit as "Paraclete" or "Counsellor" takes its cue from the sense of a powerful and respected friend who stands by you when you are in trouble or under accusation the sort of person you would like to have in court as both lawyer and character referee.

Finally, Jesus will bequeath to the community the gift of peace. This does not mean that there will never be disputes or disagreements but rather that there will be given a capacity for resolving such disputes in such a way that peace is restored or even more deeply secured.

Brendan Byrne

FR ROB GALEA 'COMING HOME' CONCERT TOUR

Fr Rob Galea is an ordained Catholic Priest, a singer and songwriter who has been featured in national newspapers, magazines & TV shows around the world.

He will be performing songs from his latest album, his eighth music production, 'Coming Home'

The tour will be Catholic music as you have not heard before in a new contemporary style for Fr Rob and his band. A quality and uplifting presentation of Christian music that will have you singing along from the start to the finish.

Sunday 14th July at 5pm at The Clocktower Centre, Moonee Ponds

Tickets available at www.frgministry.com/tickets