

St. Joseph's Parish, Northcote

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Weekday Mass Times:

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

Weekend Mass Times:

6.30pm: Saturday—Vigil Mass.

8.45am: Sunday—Italian/English Mass.

10.30am: Sunday—Family Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays: 10.00am - 11.00am & 6.00pm
or feel free to phone Fr Minh.

First Wednesday of the Month:

7.00pm: Baptism Preparation Meeting in
the Parish House. 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 6/10: 6.30pm

Commentator: Lucy Han.

Reader: Sr Therese Denny.

Communion Minister: Licia Marchese.

Musician in charge: Peter Jordan.

SUNDAY 7/10: 8.45am

Commentator: Jill Ryan.

Reader: Jill Ryan (E) & Cesarina Zampieri (I).

Communion Minister: Mirella Morlin.

SUNDAY 7/10: 10.30am

Commentator: Naomi Brammer.

Reader: Alexandra Gunaratnam.

Communion Ministers: Winston Van Haltren &
Iris Avery.

Musician in charge: Nick McKinnon.

CHURCH CLEANING (8th Oct—13th Oct)

Carmel Hurley.

**Thank you for your generous support of our
parish:**

1st Collection: House: \$ 493.00

2nd Collection: Thanksgiving: \$ 947.00

2018 Fundraising Appeal

Funds raised this past week: \$ 1,000.00

Total funds raised so far: \$ 12,310.00

Recently Deceased: Mark Loft.

Death Anniversaries: Sami Khalil, Wilfred Podbury, Antonio Bramato and
Fr. Edmond Ryan.

Pray for the Soul of: Sr. Eleanor Kennealy.

Sick: Antoun Tannous Raffoul, Simon Fakhry, Leila Taylor and Eddie Fakhry.

Diary Reminders:

Wed 3rd Oct: 7.00pm—Baptism Preparation Meeting, in the parish house.

Sat 6th Oct: 9.00am-12noon—Church Working Bee (bring your broom and
bucket and stay as long or as little as you can).

Next Weekend: Observance of St Vincent de Paul Society.

: Daylight Savings starts, please move
clock forward one hour at 2am.




Please Remember: On Sunday 14th October—there will
be no 10.30am Mass, due to the 2.00pm
125th Anniversary Mass and Celebration.

Child safety matters: What is a Working with Children Check?

The Working with Children Check, or WWCC, is a screening tool provided by the Victorian Department of Justice that helps organisations like our Parish protect children from harm and abuse. The WWCC checks whether a person can work in a role that involves contact with children by screening their criminal records and professional conduct reports for any offences or findings related to child safety. Unlike a Police Check, which only provides an historical record of offences, the WWCC continues to monitor a person's conduct for five years. If the person is charged with a relevant offence during that time, their ability to work with children will be reassessed. If they're no longer able to work with children, all organisations linked to their WWCC will be notified. The WWCC is available for both paid staff and volunteers in any role and organisation, and is an important part of creating and maintaining a child-safe environment.

Naomi Brammer

 Thank you to
Kevin, Moses
and Mrs Tuyet,
who donated
plants. Also,
thank you to
Ray, Habib,
Moses and Noelle,
who helped with
the gardening,
to get those plants
in at the front of
the Church.
You've all done a wonderful job!



Nursing Home Visitation Team

Volunteers needed to go on a roster to pray and to bring communion to residents of Rucker's Hill and Westgarth Nursing Homes.

Once per month on Thursdays: at 10am Rucker's Hill, or 11am Westgarth.
If you are interested to help, please contact the Parish Office to leave your details. Thank you.

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time / Year B (30th September 2018)

First reading: Nm 11:25-29

Second reading: Jas 5:1-6

GOSPEL

Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. 'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward.

'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

Reflection on the Gospel

"REJOICE IN GOODNESS WHEREVER IT BE"

The disciples are disturbed when they see someone using Jesus' name—and hence his authority—to cast out demons. They try to curtail his activity because, they explain, he is "not one of us".

This over-zealous action on the part of the disciples earns rebuke rather than approval from Jesus. He does not mind his name being used for good. The main thing is that, whatever the means, human beings are set free from the power of Satan and reclaimed for the fullness of life. The disciples, on the other hand, are less focused upon the objective good done and more upon an outsiders use of what they see as their own prerogative and possession.

Jesus drives home the point by speaking about outsiders who give members of the community (possibly travelling missionaries) a cup of water to drink because they belong to Christ. Such outsiders show the kind of service to others that ought be a hallmark of Jesus followers. What determines the reward one will receive (at the judgment) is not whether one is inside or outside the community but whether one has performed the service to fellow human beings expected of the community.

Both instructions, taken together, show remarkable openness on Jesus part to goodness and effective ministry outside the community of believers, strictly defined.

The second part of the Gospel takes up what really *is* to be feared and addressed: scandal *inside* the community. In language of prophetic exaggeration, not to be taken literally, Jesus makes clear the need for vigorous action in this regard.

Brendan Byrne

Social Justice Sunday—Sunday 30th September 2018

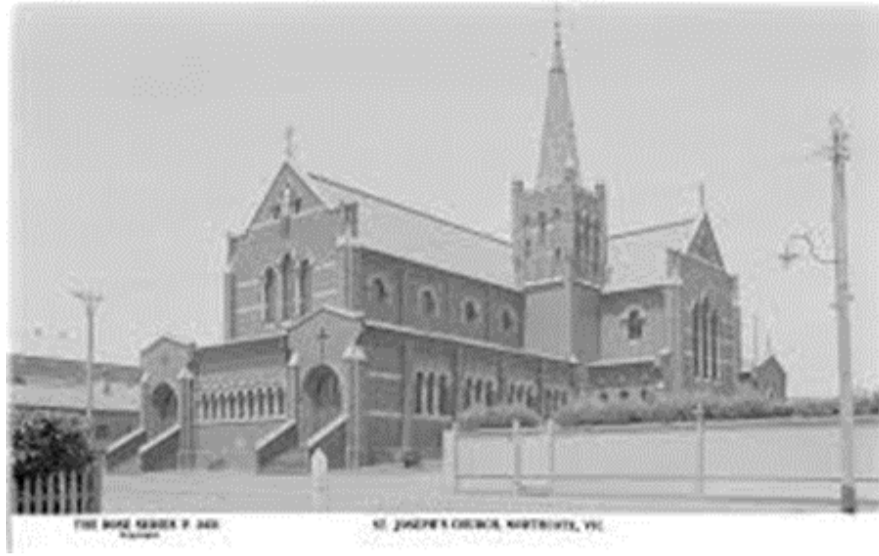


This year's Social Justice Statement—issued by the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference, is called: 'A Place to Call Home: Making a home for everyone in our land'. This statement focuses on homelessness and housing.

This is an extract from the Letter from Archbishop Mark Coleridge (President, of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference):
"The 2018–2019 Statement, titled *A Place to Call Home: Making a home for everyone in our land*, is a response to the growing problem of homelessness in Australia. It seems hard to believe that in a rich nation such as ours, the latest Census figures show that the number of Australians who are homeless has grown to more than 116,000. House prices and even rents are spiralling out of reach of too many families and placing huge financial stress on ordinary people, even when they are employed. For those living on pensions or allowances, finding secure housing can be a far greater challenge – one that often takes a terrible toll on social wellbeing and mental health."

Copies of the Statement, flyers and Prayer Cards, are available in the church foyer, or the Statement can be downloaded at: <http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au/publications/social-justice-statements> .

A FAITHFUL PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE...



Help needed to get our lovely church spic and span for the 125 so come along to a working bee on Saturday 6th October between 9 -12am (bring your broom and bucket and stay as long or as little as you can)

SOME MORE OF OUR PAST...



Fr J.J. Gallivan 1923-1939

John Gallivan was born in 1855 in County Kerry, ordained in 1880 and arrived in Melbourne that same year. He was appointed to St Joseph's after 43 years of work in country Victoria and quickly endeared himself to the people in a city parish.

He is remembered as “a man of singular personal charm – quaint, different, spiritual – a great character in the true sense of the word. He always wore his soutane and biretta (and overcoat in wintery weather). He loved fresh air. His bedroom window was always open whenever he went to morning Mass – fog, hail, rain, or shine”.

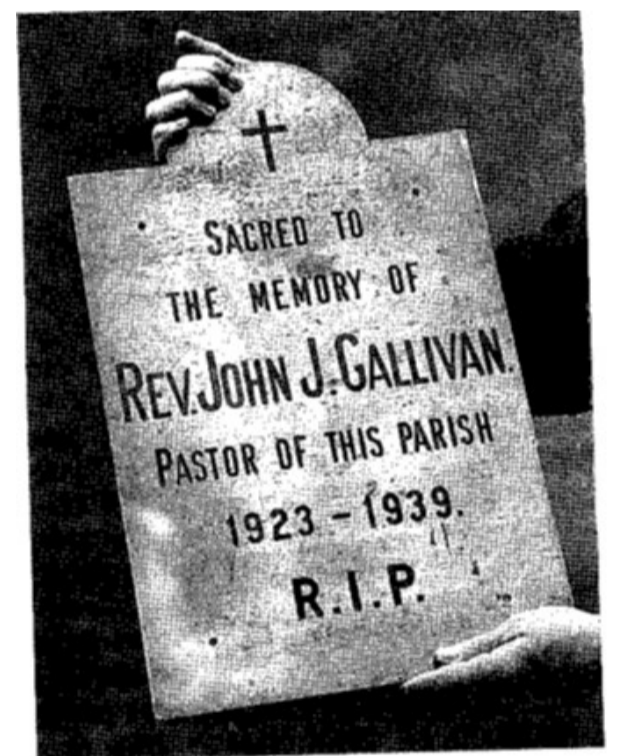
A story is told of Fr Gallivan and how he dealt with a man who had not been to church for years. “My mother, who was a convert, told Father we had a relation staying at our place who had given the faith away. Father said he would come down to see Mick. As he entered the house, mother said, ‘Mick’s out the back.’ As Mick was coming in the front door, Father said, ‘Stay there, Mick, stay there.’ And with that he produced a small bottle of Holy Water and, in a throwing action, sprinkled Mick. Mick covered up as though he had been hit and Father said, ‘Don’t come in Mick. I have to get the “devil” out of you first.’

For ten years, Fr Gallivan’s curate was Fr Tim Fitzpatrick. The two priests must have made a great partnership, both Irish, both kindly and caring men. A parishioner recalled “Fr Fitz bought himself a T Model Ford. It had the roof down and we could see the two priests going along in the car, Fr Gallivan with his stick in hand. They would chug along, and they would come to a corner; Fr Fitz would put his hand out on one side and Fr Gallivan would put his hand out on the other. The difference between the two men was in their voices, Fr Fitz was very gentle and quietly spoken; Fr Gallivan boomed and fulminated.”



Fr Gallivan with Parishioners at a Parish Ball

One year short of his diamond jubilee, Fr Gallivan died. "On Friday evening the wide-flung doors and burning lights at the church, where the coffin was resting, told with depressing certainty that something was amiss. Throughout the night, a constant vigil was kept by the men of the parish beside the body lying before the altar upon which the late priest had so often offered up the living Sacrifice to his Creator".
(*The Ambassador, July 1939*).



Extracts from: 'St Joseph's Northcote, Celebrating 100 years, 1893-1993'

At the back of the church is a flyer for donations of food for the afternoon tea, and an RSVP slip. If you are attending the afternoon tea please fill in the RSVP and any help with plates of food (cakes, slices, biscuits, sausage rolls) will be greatly appreciated. Thank you to those who have volunteered to help out on the day – the sign-up sheets remain at the back of the church – *many hands make light work!!*