

ST CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH

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Our Churches: St Christopher's Church

34 Roberts Road, Airport West

St Augustine's Church

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Parish Priest: Fr Peter Hoang

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Parish Secretary: Emilia Balkan

(Tuesday – Friday)

Primary Schools

St Christopher's Primary School 34 Roberts Road, Airport West

Principal: Adrian Glasby

Phone: 9338 3591

St Augustine's Primary School

Augustine's Way, Keilor **Principal:** Catherine Steere

Phone: 9336 4294

May our children flourish

St Christopher's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.



4th Sunday of Easter

(Year A)

29 / 30 April 2023



WORSHIP TIMETABLE

St Christopher's Church

MONDAY

Holy Rosary 9.00am

Communion Service 9.30am

Italian Charismatic Prayer Group (after Mass)

TUESDAY

Holy Rosary 9.00am

Mass 9.30am

Italian Rosary (after Mass)

WEDNESDAY

Holy Rosary 9.00am Mass 9.30am

THURSDAY

Holy Rosary 9.00am Mass 9.30am

FRIDAY

Holy Rosary 9.00am Mass 9.30am

SATURDAY

Mass 5.00pm

SUNDAY

Mass (Italian) 8.30am Mass (English) 10.30am

St Augustine's Church

SUNDAY

Mass 9.00am

Baptisms (bookings only)

- Every second and fourth Saturday at 11.00am at St Christopher's Church
- Every second and fourth Sunday at St Christopher's Church
- Every third Sunday at St Augustine's Church
- Baptism Welcomes every first Sunday.

Parish Sacramental Program

For school aged children attending a non - catholic school. Please contact the Parish Office for further information.

Weddings (at least 6 months in advance)

Please contact parish office.

Reconciliations

Every Friday after 9.30am Mass.

Anointing of the sick

As requested.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:



Recently deceased:

Dora Boncristiano
Vincent Tartaglia
Maria Cinelle Quattrucci
(sister inlaw of Assunta & Ida Germani)

All anniversaries that occur at this time, especially:

Cristofero Campione, Jose Santos, Profeta Rosello, Antonio Osvaldo Cesare Prestia, Maria Grazia Murdaca, Domenico Murdaca, Giuseppe Murdaca

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear.

You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort. **R.**

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.

My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **R.**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **R.**

<u>SECOND READING</u> 1 Pet A reading from the first letter of St Peter.

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty.

This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 10:1-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. Jesus said:

'I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.'

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them.

So Jesus spoke to them again:

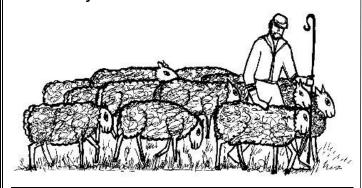
'I tell you most solemnly,
I am the gate of the sheepfold.
All others who have come
are thieves and brigands;
but the sheep took no notice of them.
I am the gate.

Anyone who enters through me will be safe: he will go freely in and out and be sure of finding pasture.
The thief comes

only to steal and kill and destroy.

I have come

so that they may have life and have it to the full.' **The word of the Lord.**





Exploring the Word

This Sunday is traditionally called 'Good Shepherd Sunday', because of the Gospel references to Jesus as the Good Shepherd. It is also the day of prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood. On this Sunday we hear one of the great 'I am' statements of Jesus from Saint John's Gospel today 'I am the gate of the sheepfold'.

Through Jesus we enter into life and safety, and we go through Jesus, the gate by baptism. This image is implied in all today's readings: the people listening to Peter find this gateway and enter through it: Peter writes to remind us that we have come back to the Good Shepherd, who heals us by his wounds.

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<u>INFORMATION SESSION FOR THE PERMANENT</u> DIACONATE

DO YOU FEEL LIKE BEING CALLED TO SERVE?

The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers.

COME & SEE!

An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on Saturday 3 June 2023, 10:00 -11.45 am at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), 278 Victorian Parade, East Melbourne.

For more information:

Vocations website for the Archdiocese is now available. The links below are a source of additional information.

Watch:

Melbourne's Deacons

https://youtu.be/q2RhNDbtTS0

Watch:

Pope Francis' 2020 Prayer Intention for Deacons and video

https://youtu.be/NuG99HD1LaY

Visit:

Archdiocese of Melbourne permanent diaconate webpage

https://vocations.melbournecatholic.org/about/what-is-a-vocation/permanent-diaconate

Read More:

Brochure https://www.cam1.org.au/permanent-diaconate

Contact:

Office of the Permanent Diaconate
Ph. 03 9412 3357 / Email diaconate@cam.org.au



Corpus Christi College & Catholic Theological College

'Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal

Support the training of priests for tomorrow's Church.

Your tax-deductible donation will support the costs of Corpus Christi College seminarians.

https://ctc.edu.au/community/good-shepherdsunday-appeal/



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Underground bursts
Bathroom/Kitchen plumbing
services & renovations

All general plumbing

BANK TRANSFERS

We encourage all Parishioners to contribute Thanksgiving through bank transfers. If you choose this method please ensure that in the description you put your surname and envelope number. (eg: Smith 1234) St Christopher Parish account numbers are as follows:

Church Account

CDF Bank (NAB) BSB 083 347 Account 716 209 715

To pay our Parish operating costs; Pastoral Care and Sacraments; Maintenance

Presbytery Account

CDF Bank (NAB) BSB 083 347 Account 666 212 720

To support the Priest of our Parish; sick and retired Priests; Priests in needy Parishes; the Archbishops

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you to our Parish and ask that you make yourself known to us by completing this form an	ıd
leaving it in the collection basket or call at the Parish Office.	

Full Name:	
Address:	
Tel:	
Email:	

Do you wish to receive Parish Thanksgiving envelopes?

Yes / No

Payment / Frequency Option (Please tick one)

1.	Monthly	\$30.00
2.	Quarterly	\$90.00
3.	Half Yearly	\$180.00
4.	Yearly	\$360.00
5.	other amount	

PARISH FINANCES (weekending 23 April 2023)

Thanksgiving: \$294.50 Presbytery: \$137.00

