

# ST CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH

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St Christopher's Church **Our Churches:** 

34 Roberts Road, Airport West

St Augustine's Church

100 Harrick Road, Keilor Park

**St Augustine's Primary School** 

Augustine's Way, Keilor

**Principal:** Catherine Steere

**Parish Priest:** 

Fr Peter Hoang

Email: airportwest@cam.org.au

**Parish Secretary:** Emilia Balkan

(Tuesday – Friday)

**Primary Schools** 

St Christopher's Primary School

34 Roberts Road, Airport West

**Principal:** Adrian Glasby

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May our children flourish

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

# 28<sup>h</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Year A)

14th / 15th October 2023

## **WORSHIP TIMETABLE**

### St Christopher's Church

#### **MONDAY**

9.00am Holy Rosary **Communion Service** 9.30am Italian Charismatic Prayer Group (after Mass)

#### **TUESDAY**

Holy Rosary 9.00am Mass 9.30am (after Mass) Italian Rosary

#### WEDNESDAY

Holy Rosary 9.00am Mass 9.30am

## **THURSDAY**

9.00am **Holy Rosary** 9.30am Mass

#### **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** 

9.00am Mass

#### 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: Angela Armonio

All anniversaries that occur at this time, especially:

Giovanni & Carmelo Ravaneschi, Antonio & Giovanni Accaputo, Alex Scarpa

# A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

On this mountain,

the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame

he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God

in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped.

We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

The word of the Lord.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

#### Response:

# I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

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 shall 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.

# A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.

The word of the Lord.

SECOND READING

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our heart
that we might see how great is the hope
to which we are called.
Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL**

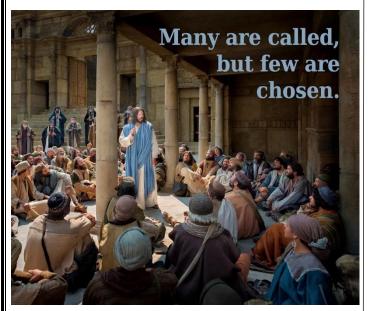
Matthew 22:1-14

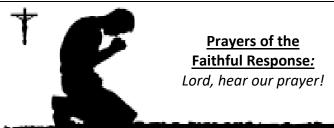
# A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Jesus began to speak to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants,

"Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'

The word of the Lord.





#### **Exploring the Word**

The Church's year is drawing to a close: in a few weeks we will be thinking very clearly about the end of time - but here we have a preview. The parable of the banquet is a link between the Gospels of recent weeks (which have as their theme: 'Just who is going to be saved?') and the looking forward to the end times which will follow. The big danger is complacency: we are baptised, we go to Church, we've got our invites to the wedding. But when the big day comes, will we be ready for it? Or will our thoughts be on the other things of life? Jesus speaks of himself as the Bridegroom, and today points out to the chosen people that they are in danger of missing the celebration. Our faith is that the Bridegroom will come again; let us be careful that the same parable is not addressed to us.

#### **ALPHA Group**

We thank Deacon Royden for attending our Parish last weekend to talk to Parishioners about ALPHA. For anyone interested , please write your name down on the list in the church foyer.

#### **Catholic Mission Church Appeal**



In the smallest villages around the world even there, you will find local missionaries who live to serve their communities.

Missionaries who, led by the Holy

Spirit, walk with those in most need. Missionaries like Sr Carolina.

Next week Catholic Mission will offer you the opportunity to partner with Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters in Venilale, Timor-Leste, where your gift can help continue a life-saving program to help address the health and well-being of this community.

We hope you will take next week's opportunity to make an incredible impact for those in need.

\*Name altered to protect identity

#### **Marriage Anniversary Mass**



Sunday, October 22, 2023 11:00am – 12:00pm St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne

Couples and families are invited to join us as we celebrate our annual Anniversary Mass.

Couples who register and are celebrating the following anniversaries—5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th or 40 years and above—will receive a commemorative certificate.

Register by Sunday 15 October at trybooking.com/CLKRB.

For all enquiries, please contact Proclaim on 9926 5721 or email proclaim@cam.org.au.

#### **Funzione Sociale**

La Federazione di Airport West ha organizzato una Serata Sociale per Sabato 21 Ottobre 2023 nella sala di St Christopher's alle ore 7pm.

Costo: \$25.00 musica: fieste

Per informazioni o prenotazioni rivolgersi a I membri

della Federazione oppure telefonare a

Isabella: 0403163121 o

Sam Montalto: 0425800085. Grazie

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#### **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** 

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

Full Name:	Do you wish to receive Parish envelopes?
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1.	Monthly	\$30.00
2.	Quarterly	\$90.00
3.	Half Yearly	\$180.00
4.	Yearly	\$360.00
5.	other amount	

#### PARISH FINANCES (weekending 8 October 2023)

**Thanksgiving:** \$249.00 \$112.00 Presbytery:

