

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

Parish Priest:

Fr Peter Hoang

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Emilia Balkan (Tuesday – Friday) **Primary Schools**

St Christopher's Primary School

34 Roberts Road, Airport West

Principal: Adrian Glasby

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St Augustine's Primary School

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

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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.

29^h Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Year A)

21st / 22nd 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:



All anniversaries that occur at this time, especially:

Santina Oreto, Attillio Accaputo, Francesco & Rosina Cappellano, Francesco Cefala, Zaffina Famiglia, Angelo Pino

FIRST READING

Isaiah 45:1,4-6

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whom he has taken by his right hand to subdue nations before him and strip the loins of kings, to force gateways before him that their gates be closed no more: 'It is for the sake of my servant Jacob, of Israel my chosen one, that I have called you by your name, conferring a title though you do not know me. I am the Lord, unrivalled; there is no other God besides me. Though you do not know me, I arm you that men may know from the rising to the setting of the sun that, apart from me, all is nothing.' The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Response:

Give the Lord glory and honour.

O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth.

Tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples. R.

The Lord is great and worthy of praise, to be feared above all gods; the gods of the heathens are naught. It was the Lord who made the heavens. R.

Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power, give the Lord the glory of his name.

Bring an offering and enter his courts. R.

Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king'.
He will judge the peoples in fairness. *R.*

SECOND READING

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.

From Paul, Silvanus and Timothy, to the Church in Thessalonika which is in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; wishing you grace and peace from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

We always mention you in our prayers and thank God for you all, and constantly remember before God our Father how you have shown your faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope, in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We know, brothers, that God loves you and that you have been chosen, because when we brought the Good News to you, it came to you not only as words, but as power and as the Holy Spirit and as utter conviction.

The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life.
Alleluia!

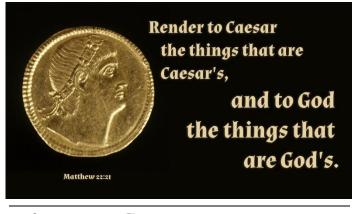
GOSPEL

Matthew 22:15-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

The Pharisees went away to work out between them how to trap Jesus in what he said. And they sent their disciples to him, together with the Herodians, to say, 'Master, we know that you are an honest man and teach the way of God in an honest way, and that you are not afraid of anyone, because a man's rank means nothing to you. Tell us your opinion, then. Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?' But Jesus was aware of their malice and replied, 'You hypocrites! Why do you set this trap for me? Let me see the money you pay the tax with.' They handed him a denarius, and he said, 'Whose head is this? Whose name?' 'Caesar's' they replied. He then said to them, 'Very well, give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar – and to God what belongs to God.'

The word of the Lord.







This week Catholic Mission will offer the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program – The Maria Auxiliadora Clinic.

The Maria Auxiliadora Clinic is a vital project for the Salesian Sisters and the Church in Venilale. Since its establishment, the clinic has provided life-saving treatment for many in need, like Jose*, who became severely malnourished at 8 months old. But, with an increase in the demand for treatment, the Sisters resources can only carry them so far.

Please give generously today to help continue this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/timor, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.

*Name altered to protect identity

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Parish Mass of Remembrance, celebrated every year around the All Souls Day will be held on

Thursday 2nd November at 7.00pm at St Christopher's Church.

Fr Peter invites you to bring a photo of your loved ones to be placed on the sanctuary steps before Mass.

Your 'Mass for the Holy Souls' envelope from your Thanksgiving pack can be placed with your loved ones names and donation in the collection basket. The names of your deceased loved ones listed on the back of the envelope will be placed in a Memorial Book at the front of the altar.

Spare envelopes are available in the foyer and near the Gospel Lectern.

MESSA PER I DEFUNTI

La Messa Parrocchiale per i Defunti: Sarà celebrata <u>Giovedi 2 Novembre alle ore 7.00pm nella Chiesa di</u> <u>St Christopher's.</u>

P. Peter vi invita di portare una foto dei vostri cari defunti e di posarla ai piedi del Santuario prima della Messa.

Usate la busta marcata 'Mass for the Holy Souls' per mettere dentro la vostra donazione e scrivete sulla busta i nomi dei vostri cari defunti.

Se avete bisogno delle buste queste sono ottenibili alla entrata della Chiesa.



Exploring the Word



Everyone on this earth belongs to God. All are made in his image. Therefore it is right that all men and women, 'from the rising to the setting of the sun', should know the God to whom they belong. The only desire of

our God is that all should know and love him, and find in him the fulfilment that they seek. Even a pagan king like Cyrus is used to further this knowledge of God - just as Jesus uses Caesar's head to make the point again: all belong to God, and the mission of all who acknowledge that belonging is to help others to find it. This is exactly what we see Paul, Silvanus and Timothy doing, as they write to the people of Thessalonica, to whom they carried the Good News of Jesus Christ.

All Souls' Day Mass at Keilor

All Souls' Day is a day of prayer and remembrance for the souls of those who have died.

Marking the occasion at a cemetery or memorial park gives families an opportunity to honour loved ones who have departed.

Join us for a Mass service at the Ultima Function Centre, located nearby Keilor Cemetery on the corner of Keilor Park Drive and Ely Court, on Saturday 4 November at 11am.

The service will be led in English.

ALPHA Group

We thank Deacon Royden for attending our Parish on Sunday 1st October to talk to Parishioners about ALPHA.

For anyone interested , please write your name down on the list in the church foyer.

Please support these Australian owned businesses that support our Parish



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Thanksgiving

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 and leaving it in the collection basket or call at the Parish Office.

Full Name:	Do you wish to receive Parish Thanksgiving
	envelopes?
Address:	Yes / No
	Would you like to contribute through direct
	debit?
	Yes / No
Tel:	
	Payment / Frequency Option (Please tick one)
Email:	1. Monthly \$30.00

ase 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 15 October 2023)

Thanksgiving: \$321.80 \$81.00 Presbytery:

