

# 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

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

Phone: 9338 3591

**St Augustine's Primary School** 

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

Phone: 9336 4294

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

# 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Year B)

15/16 June 2024

# **WORSHIP TIMETABLE**

# St Christopher's Church

#### **MONDAY**

9.00am Holy Rosary 9.30am Mass

Italian Charismatic Prayer Group (after Mass)

#### **TUESDAY**

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

#### **WEDNESDAY**

9.00am **Holy Rosary** 9.30am Mass

# **THURSDAY**

9.00am **Holy Rosary** 9.30am Mass

#### **FRIDAY**

9.00am Holy Rosary Mass 9.30am

#### **SATURDAY**

5.00pm Mass

#### **SUNDAY**

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

#### St Augustine's Church

**SUNDAY** 

Mass 9.00am

# **Baptisms** (bookings only)

- Twice a month on Saturday at 11.00am at St Christopher's Church
- Twice a month on Sunday at St Christopher's Church
- Once a month on Sunday at St Augustine's Church
- Baptism Welcomes generally every first Sunday.

#### 2024 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:**

Maureen Hassett (St Augustine's Church, Friday 21/06 Funeral 10.00am)

# All anniversaries that occur at this time, especially:

Francesco Merlino, Teodoro Raco, Giuseppe Pitisano (1year Anniversary), Vincenzo & Caterina Pitisano, Pietro Pitisano, Albano Famiglia, Bruno Costa, Maria Rosa Costa, Raffaele Timpano

#### FIRST READING

Ezekiel 17:22-24

# A reading from the prophet Ezekiel.

The Lord says this:

'From the top of the cedar,

from the highest branch I will take a shoot and plant it myself on a very high mountain.

I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel.

It will sprout branches and bear fruit,

and become a noble cedar.

Every kind of bird will live beneath it,

every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches.

And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one

who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow, who withers green trees and makes the withered green.

I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.'

The word of the Lord.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

#### Response:

# Lord it is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night. *R.* 

The just will flourish like the palm tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar. **R.** 

Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong. **R.** 

# SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:6-10

# A Reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight — we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

The word of the Lord.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ the sower; all who come to him will live for ever.

Alleluia!

#### **GOSPEL**

Mark 4:26-34

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark. Jesus said to the crowds: 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time: he starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

#### The word of the Lord.



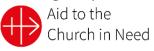
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# <u>Together we can keep the faith alive - Aid to the</u> Church in Need (ACN)

Did you know that across the world tens of millions of Christian families are in exile following persecution because of their faith?

Aid to the Church in Need is a spiritual and pastoral charity which seeks to keep the flame of faith alive in those places where it is at risk of extinction.

This weekend we welcome to our parish an ACN speaker who will share with us about the work of Aid to the Church in Need and how we can help our suffering and persecuted brothers and sisters.





ACN AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND

# \*\* Safeguarding Reminder \*\*

# **Working with Children Checks**

All clergy, employees and volunteers over the age of 18 are required to maintain a current WWCC.

Aswell as clergy and employees, this also means <u>all</u> volunteers such as:

- Sacristans
- Readers
- Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
- Ministers of Communion to the Sick
- Musicians & Choir Members
- Church Cleaners

If you are unsure or require assistance, please contact the Parish Office.

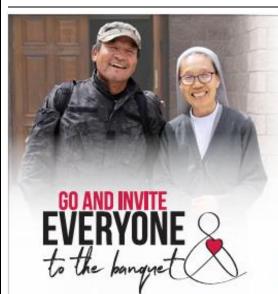
## **Code of Conduct Declaration**

<u>All volunteers</u> are required to read and sign a Code of Conduct Declaration. Again, this is a requirement of all volunteers.

Please contact the Parish Office to get a copy.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH

| Saturday 15 June | _ | Baptism Welcomes &                 |
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|                  | _ | Aid to the Church in Need          |
|                  |   | Presentation                       |
|                  |   | 5.00pm Mass                        |
|                  |   | (St Christopher's Church)          |
| Sunday 16 June   | _ | Baptism Welcomes                   |
|                  |   | 9.00am Mass                        |
|                  |   | (St Augustine's Church)            |
|                  | _ | Baptism Welcomes &                 |
|                  | _ | Aid to the Church in Need          |
|                  |   | Presentation                       |
|                  |   | 10.30am Mass                       |
|                  |   | (St Christopher's Church)          |
| Monday 17 June   | _ | Funeral for Gaetana Maugeri        |
|                  |   | 10.30am                            |
|                  |   | (St Christopher's Church)          |
| Thursday 20 June | _ | Funeral for Elina Alessandri       |
|                  |   | 10.45am                            |
|                  |   | (St Christopher's Church)          |
|                  | _ | <b>Reconciliation Ceremony for</b> |
|                  |   | St Christopher's PS Students       |
|                  |   | 6.00pm & 7.30pm                    |
|                  |   | (St Christopher's Church)          |
| Friday 21 June   | _ | Funeral for Maureen Hassett        |
|                  |   | 10.00am                            |
|                  |   | (St Augustine's Church)            |
| Saturday 22 June | _ | Baptisms                           |
|                  |   | 11.00am                            |
|                  |   | (St Christopher's Church)          |
| Sunday 23 June   | _ | Baptisms                           |
|                  |   | 9.00am Mass                        |
|                  |   | (St Augustine's Church)            |
| Tuesday 25 June  | _ | Funeral for Hector Trapani         |
|                  |   | 1.00pm                             |
| -                |   | (St Augustine's Church)            |
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In Mongolia, Chuluunbaatar suffered a life-altering injury while trying to rescue a submerged vehicle, leaving him unable to work and reliant on scarce support services for basic needs. Without shelter and food, Chuluunbaatar faces the real risk of freezing to death.

Resources are limited, but the Church in Mongolia is working hard to provide essential services to people in need.

This World Mission Month, we invite you to extend your generosity to help enhance these vital services. Your support can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope and tangible assistance to individuals like Chuluunbaatar.



Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/mongolia



## **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? |
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| Address:   | Yes / No                                              |
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| 1.                                          |  | Monthly      | \$30.00  |  |  |  |
| 2.                                          |  | Quarterly    | \$90.00  |  |  |  |
| 3.                                          |  | Half Yearly  | \$180.00 |  |  |  |
| 4.                                          |  | Yearly       | \$360.00 |  |  |  |
| 5.                                          |  | other amount |          |  |  |  |

# **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

# St Augustine's Church Maintenance Account

CDF Bank (NAB) BSB 083 347 Account 448 864 907

To contribute towards maintenance costs for St Augustine's Church

# PARISH FINANCES (weekending 9 June 2024)

 Thanksgiving:
 \$439.00

 Presbytery:
 \$160.50

