



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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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.

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Year B)

6 / 7 July 2024

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
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6.30pm
(First Friday of each month)

SATURDAY

Mass 5.00pm

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:

Natale Tassone

Sister Judith Ann Peart

(former Principal of St Christopher's)

All anniversaries that occur at this time, especially:

Caterina & Vincenzo Monteleone

FIRST READING*Ezekiel 2:2-5****A reading from the prophet Ezekiel.***

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

The word of the Lord.**RESPONSORIAL PSALM*****Response:***

***Our eyes are fixed on the Lord,
pleading for his mercy.***

To you have I lifted up my eyes,
you who dwell in the heavens;
my eyes, like the eyes of slaves
on the hand of their lords. **R.**

Like the eyes of a servant
on the hand of her mistress,
so our eyes are on the Lord our God
till he shows us his mercy. **R.**

Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.
We are filled with contempt.
Indeed all too full is our soul
with the scorn of the rich,
with the proud man's disdain. **R.**

SECOND READING*2 Corinthians 12:7-10****A Reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.***

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but he has said, 'My grace is enough for you: my power is at its best in weakness.' So I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

The word of the Lord.**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL*Mark 6:1-6****A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.***

Jesus went to his home town and his disciples accompanied him. With the coming of the sabbath he began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted him, and these miracles that are worked through him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country, among his own relations and in his own house'; and he could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people by laying his hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

The word of the Lord.**REFLECTION ON TODAY'S READINGS**

A prophet's job is to open people's eyes to the reality of their situation - pointing out to them the things they would rather forget or ignore. A prophet is a sort of "national conscience", always awake to situations of injustice and always speaking out about them. A prophet is commissioned to do this by God, who sends the prophet on his mission. Jesus is just such a prophet - teaching and preaching about the Kingdom of God and the best way to live. Despite the welcome his message has received elsewhere, when he comes to his hometown he is faced with rejection - such that "he was amazed at their lack of faith." It is curious that they seem to accept his wisdom, and his miracles, but because he grew up among them they cannot accept him as a teacher from God. We should remember that it is often hardest to stand up for the truth among those who know us well.

Archbishop Comensoli: praying the Glory Be

Explaining the word doxology, the Archbishop notes that ‘much of the words in our faith come from the ancient Greek language, which was part of the early Church. And doxology, or doxa, simply means glory.’ So the Glory Be ‘is simply the glorying, the giving praise, to God in the Holy Trinity, Father, Son, Holy Spirit, three persons, one God.’

Although it is a short prayer, he says, ‘we say it often,’ including when we begin praying and make the sign of the cross—as a way of ‘naming the Trinity’—and at Mass, at the end of the Eucharistic Prayer. When we respond in the Mass to this prayer with our acclamation, he says we should ‘always give it a big “Amen”, a very good thing to do’.

He points out that the Glory Be is a prayer that can be said at any time and in any circumstance, along with the Lord’s Prayer and the Hail Mary. These ‘three great devotional prayers’, he says, are ‘part of our lovely tradition’—a ‘wonderful little collection of prayers’ that can be said as we are walking along, doing exercise or just going about our day.

To watch video, please go to:

<https://melbournecatholic.org/news/punctuating-our-day-with-praise-praying-the-glory-be>



Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning,
is now,
and ever shall be,
world without end.
Amen.

WHAT’S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH

Saturday 6 July – **Baptism Welcomes**
5.00pm Mass
(St Christopher’s Church)

Sunday 7 July – **Baptism Welcomes**
9.00am Mass
(St Augustine’s Church)
– **Baptism Welcomes**
10.30am Mass
(St Christopher’s Church)

Wednesday 10 July – **Funeral for Domenico Guglielmo**
Funeral 11.00am
(St Christopher’s Church)

Saturday 13 July – **Baptisms**
11.00am
(St Christopher’s Church)

Sunday 14 July – **Baptisms**
10.30am Mass
(St Christopher’s Church)

Sunday 21 July – **Baptisms**
9.00am Mass
(St Augustine’s Church)

Saturday 27 July – **Baptisms**
11.00am
(St Christopher’s Church)
– **First Communions**
5.00pm
(St Christopher’s Church)

Sunday 28 July – **Baptisms**
10.30am Mass
(St Christopher’s Church)

Friday 2 August – **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**
6.30pm
(St Christopher’s Church)

Saturday 3 August – **First Communions**
5.00pm
(St Christopher’s Church)

Sunday 4 August – **Baptism Welcomes**
9.00am Mass
(St Augustine’s Church)
– **Baptism Welcomes**
10.30am Mass
(St Christopher’s Church)

**** Safeguarding Reminder ****

Working with Children Checks

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

Code of Conduct Declaration

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

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



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

1st Friday of Each Month

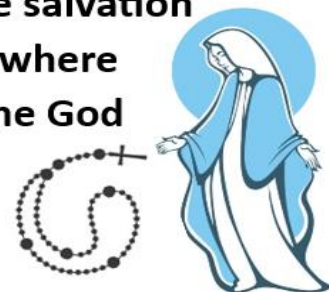
**at St Christopher's Church
34 Roberts Road, Airport West**

Start Time : 6.30pm

**Holy Rosary,
Adoration Prayers
Followed by Benediction**

Celebrant: Rev Fr Peter Hoang

Lord Jesus Christ, you gave us the Eucharist as a memorial of your suffering and death. May our worship of this sacrament of your body and blood help us to experience the salvation you won for us and the peace of the kingdom where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen



PARISH FINANCES (weekending 30 June 2024)

Thanksgiving: \$193.00
Presbytery: \$86.00

Thank You for your Support!!