



# ST CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH

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## Our Churches:

### St Christopher's Church

34 Roberts Road, Airport West

### St Augustine's Church

100 Harrick Road, Keilor Park

## Parish Priest:

Fr Peter Hoang

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## Parish Secretary:

Emilia Balkan

## Safeguarding Officer:

Alexandra Hickman

## Primary Schools

### St Christopher's Primary School

34 Roberts Road, Airport West

**Principal:** Gavin Brennan

**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.

## 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

20 / 21 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:



All anniversaries that occur at this time, especially:

Teresa Degori, Giacomo Degori, Ludvik Gec

**FIRST READING***Jeremiah 23:1-6****A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.***

'Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them.

Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks!

'See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks –

when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence.

And this is the name he will be called:

The-Lord-our-integrity.'

***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 our 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.**

**SECOND READING***Ephesians 2:13-18****A Reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians.***

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far apart from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God: in his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

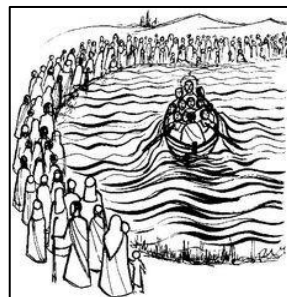
***The word of the Lord.***

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;  
I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

**GOSPEL***Mark 6:30-34****A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.***

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, 'You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while'; for there were so many coming and

going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.

***The word of the Lord.***

## Sea Sunday

This week we celebrate Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them, we would not have most of the items we rely on for daily living. Even during a pandemic, seafarers continue to bring into our ports products that sustain our population and economy. The Appeal today is for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually.

We will hold an extra collection during all weekend Masses, or you may send your donations directly to: <https://stellamarisaustralia.org/sea-sunday-appeal/>



## Anointing Mass

St Vincent De Paul previously organised the Anointing Mass for our Parish. Now that St Vincent De Paul no longer serves in our area and Parish, therefore we have decided to continue the Anointing Mass for our Parishioners.

The Anointing Mass will be on Friday 2 August 2024 at 9.30am.

Another Mass will be organised before Christmas. We encourage all Parishioners to attend to receive the anointing.

## Messa di Unzione

Nel passato quando ancora in questa Parrocchia esisteva la Societa' di St Vincent de Paul, durante l'anno si usava celebrare una Messa di Unzione per gli anziani e gli ammalati.

La Societa' di St Vincent de Paul non serve piu' Airport West, ma e' stato deciso di riprendere questa iniziativa.

La data della prossima Messa e': Venerdi' 2 Agosto alle 9.30am Non solo gli ammalati e gli anziani, ma tutti i parrocchiani sono invitati a partecipare.

Un'altra Messa sara' organizzata prima di Natale! Grazie.

## Electrical works at St Augustine's Church

A switchboard upgrade (new main switch and switchboard enclosure) was completed by a qualified Electrician at St Augustine's Church on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2024. The upgrade cost \$2960.65.

*Please note that all 6 heaters can now be used at the same time.*

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH

<b>Sunday 21 July</b>	– <b>Baptisms</b> 9.00am Mass (St Augustine's Church)
<b>Saturday 27 July</b>	– <b>Baptisms</b> 11.00am (St Christopher's Church) – <b>First Communions</b> 5.00pm Mass (St Christopher's Church)
<b>Sunday 28 July</b>	– <b>Baptisms</b> 10.30am Mass (St Christopher's Church)
<b>Friday 2 August</b>	– <b>Anointing Mass</b> 9.30am Mass (St Christopher's Church) – <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b> 6.30pm (St Christopher's Church)
<b>Saturday 3 August</b>	– <b>First Communions</b> 5.00pm Mass (St Christopher's Church)
<b>Sunday 4 August</b>	– <b>Baptism Welcomes</b> 9.00am Mass (St Augustine's Church) – <b>Baptism Welcomes</b> 10.30am Mass (St Christopher's Church)
<b>Saturday 10 August</b>	– <b>Baptisms</b> 11.00am (St Christopher's Church) – <b>First Communions</b> 5.00pm Mass (St Christopher's Church)
<b>Thursday 15 August</b>	– <b>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass</b> 9.30am (St Christopher's Church) 7.00pm (St Christopher's Church)
<b>Saturday 17 August</b>	– <b>First Communions</b> 5.00pm Mass (St Christopher's Church)
<b>Sunday 18 August</b>	– <b>Baptisms</b> 9.00am Mass (St Augustine's Church)
<b>Thursday 22 August</b>	– <b>First Reconciliations for St Augustine's PS students</b> 6.00pm (St Christopher's Church)
<b>Friday 23 August</b>	– <b>St Helena Mass</b> 7.00pm (St Christopher's Church followed by refreshments & MMG Brass Band entertainment in Hall)
<b>Sunday 25 August</b>	– <b>St Helena Mass</b> 2.00pm (St Christopher's Church followed by Procession & entertainment in Hall)



# 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 14 July 2024)

<u>Thanksgiving:</u>	\$249.50
<u>Presbytery:</u>	\$ 84.50
<u>Catholic Mission:</u>	\$510.55
<u>Peter's Pence:</u>	\$641.85

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