



# 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.

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

3 / 4 August 2024

## WORSHIP TIMETABLE

### St Christopher's Church

#### MONDAY

Holy Rosary 9.00am  
Communion Service 9.30am

#### 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:

Georgette DeBono

Edwina Armato

(07/08 Funeral 11am at St Christopher's Church)

Anna Semen

(07/08 Rosary 7pm, 09/08 Funeral 11am at St Christopher's Church)

### All anniversaries that occur at this time, especially:

Famiglia Cefala, Famiglia Zaffina, Famiglia Cappellano, Inocencia Valdez, Bernabe Valdez, Peter Kenny

**FIRST READING***Exodus 16:2-4,12-15****A reading from the book of Exodus.***

The whole community of the sons of Israel began to complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our heart's content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness to starve this whole company to death!'

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to test them in this way to see whether they will follow my law or not.

'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your heart's content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord, am your God."'

And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening, and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was. 'That,' said Moses to them, 'is the bread the Lord gives you to eat.'

***The word of the Lord.*****RESPONSORIAL PSALM*****Response:******The Lord gave them bread from heaven.***

The things we have heard and understood,  
the things our fathers have told us,  
we will tell to the next generation:  
the glories of the Lord and his might. **R.**

He commanded the clouds above  
and opened the gates of heaven.

He rained down manna for their food,  
and gave them bread from heaven. **R.**

Mere men ate the bread of angels.

He sent them abundance of food.

He brought them to his holy land,  
to the mountain which his right hand had won. **R.**

**SECOND READING***Ephesians 4:17,20-24****A Reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians.***

I want to urge you in the name of the Lord, not to go on living the aimless kind of life that pagans live.

Now that is hardly the way you have learnt from Christ, unless you failed to hear him properly when you were taught what the truth is in Jesus. You must give up your old way of life; you must put aside your old self, which gets corrupted by following illusory desires. Your mind must be renewed by a spiritual revolution so that you can put on the new self that has been created in God's way, in the goodness and holiness of the truth.

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

Alleluia, alleluia!

No one lives on bread alone,

but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Alleluia!

**GOSPEL***John 6:24-35****A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.***

When the people saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they got into boats and crossed to Capernaum to look for Jesus. When they found him on the other side, they said

to him, 'Rabbi, when did you come here?'

Jesus answered:

'I tell you most solemnly,

you are not looking for me because you have seen the signs

but because you had all the bread you wanted to eat.

Do not work for food that cannot last,

but work for food that endures to eternal life,

the kind of food the Son of Man is offering you,

for on him the Father, God himself, has set his seal.'

Then they said to him, 'What must we do if we are to do the works that God wants?' Jesus gave them

this answer, 'This is working for God: you must believe in the one he has sent.' So they said, 'What

sign will you give to show us that we should believe in you? What work will you do? Our fathers had

manna to eat in the desert; as scripture says: He gave them bread from heaven to eat.' Jesus

answered:

'I tell you most solemnly,

it was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven,

it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven,

the true bread;

for the bread of God  
is that which comes down from heaven  
and gives life to the world.  
'Sir,' they said 'give us that bread always.' Jesus  
answered:

'I am the bread of life.

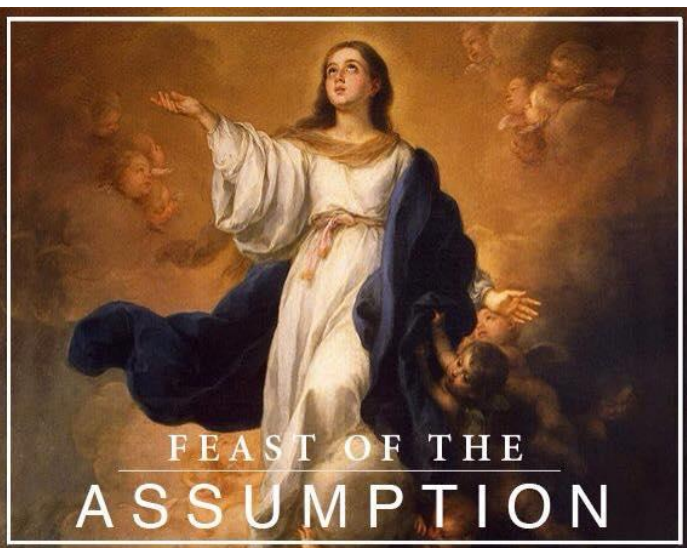
He who comes to me will never be hungry;  
he who believes in me will never thirst.'

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

### **Thanksgiving Envelopes**

New 2024-2025 Thanksgiving envelopes are now  
available to collect in the church foyer.

Thank you for your patience.



### **Morning Mass of the day**

9.30am on Thursday 15th August at  
St Christopher's Church

### **Evening Mass**

7.00pm on Thursday 15th August at  
St Christopher's Church

### **Natural Fertility Awareness Week 2024**

Natural Fertility Awareness Week 2024 (August 19 –  
25) promotes an alternative, healthy option to  
family planning compared with chemical and other  
contraceptive devices.

The theme this year is: "Trust your body's natural  
signs of fertility: Forget about drugs and devices."

You are invited to join the Billings LIFE free webinar  
on Monday 19th August 2024 at 7:30pm AEST  
where you can listen to the conversation about the  
basics of the Billings Ovulation Method® and its  
application, including during times of breastfeeding.  
[https://events.humanitix.com/trust-your-body-s-  
natural-signals-of-fertility-free-webinar](https://events.humanitix.com/trust-your-body-s-natural-signals-of-fertility-free-webinar)

Further info @ ph: 1800 335 860 or website:  
[www.billings.life/en/](http://www.billings.life/en/)

## **WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH**

**Saturday 3 August – First Communions**  
5.00pm Mass  
(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)

**Wed 7 August – Funeral for Edwina Armato**  
Funeral 11.00am  
(St Christopher's Church)  
– **Rosary for Anna Semen**  
7.00pm  
(St Christopher's Church)

**Friday 9 August – Funeral for Anna Semen**  
Funeral 11.00am  
(St Christopher's Church)

**Saturday 10 August – Baptisms**  
11.00am  
(St Christopher's Church)  
– **First Communions**  
5.00pm Mass  
(St Christopher's Church)

**Sunday 11 August – Baptism**  
10.30am Mass  
(St Christopher's Church)

**Thursday 15 August – The Assumption of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary Mass**  
9.30am  
(St Christopher's Church)  
7.00pm  
(St Christopher's Church)

**Saturday 17 August – First Communions**  
5.00pm Mass  
(St Christopher's Church)

**Sunday 18 August – Baptisms**  
9.00am Mass  
(St Augustine's Church)

**Thursday 22 August – First Reconciliations for  
St Augustine's PS students**  
6.00pm  
(St Christopher's Church)

**Friday 23 August – St Helena Mass**  
7.00pm  
(St Christopher's Church followed by refreshments & MMG  
Brass Band entertainment in Hall)

**Saturday 24 August – Baptisms**  
11.00am  
(St Christopher's Church)

**Sunday 25 August – Baptism**  
10.30am Mass  
(St Christopher's Church)  
– **St Helena Mass**  
2.00pm  
(St Christopher's Church followed by Procession &  
entertainment in Hall)

## 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?

Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes / No

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Payment / Frequency Option *(Please tick one)*

1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Monthly	\$30.00
2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarterly	\$90.00
3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Half Yearly	\$180.00
4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yearly	\$360.00
5.	<input type="checkbox"/>	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 28 July 2024)

Thanksgiving: \$180.00  
Presbytery: \$ 88.00

*Thank You for your Support!!*