



ST CHRISTOPHER'S PARISH

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Our Churches:

St Christopher's Church

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Parish Priest:

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Primary Schools

St Christopher's Primary School

34 Roberts Road, Airport West

Principal: Gavin Brennan

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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.

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

14 / 15 September 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:

Matteo Ramunno

Enza Accaputo

All anniversaries that occur at this time, especially:

Val Oreto Black, Vito Oreto, Lia & Aldo Roat, Ireneo Valdez Senior, Bernabe Valdez

FIRST READING*Isaiah 50:5-9****A reading from the prophet Isaiah.***

The Lord has opened my ear.
 For my part, I made no resistance,
 neither did I turn away.
 I offered my back to those who struck me,
 my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;
 I did not cover my face
 against insult and spittle.
 The Lord comes to my help,
 so that I am untouched by the insults.
 So, too, I set my face like flint;
 I know I shall not be shamed.
 My vindicator is here at hand. Does anyone start
 proceedings against me?
 Then let us go to court together.
 Who thinks he has a case against me?
 Let him approach me.
 The Lord is coming to my help,
 who will dare to condemn me?

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

***I will walk in the presence of the Lord
 in the land of the living.***

I love the Lord for he has heard
 the cry of my appeal;
 for he turned his ear to me
 in the day when I called him. **R.**

They surrounded me, the snares of death,
 with the anguish of the tomb;
 they caught me, sorrow and distress.

I called on the Lord's name.

O Lord my God, deliver me! **R.**

How gracious is the Lord, and just;
 our God has compassion.

The Lord protects the simple hearts;
 I was helpless so he saved me. **R.**

He has kept my soul from death,
 my eyes from tears
 and my feet from stumbling.

I will walk in the presence of the Lord
 in the land of the living.

SECOND READING*James 2:14-18****A reading from the letter of St James.***

Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not

enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty', without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead.

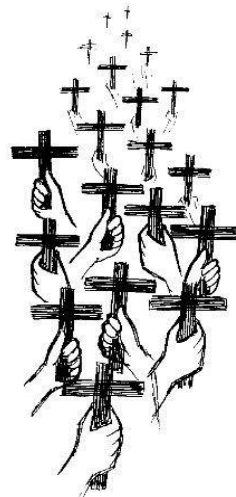
This is the way to talk to people of that kind: 'You say you have faith and I have good deeds; I will prove to you that I have faith by showing you my good deeds – now you prove to me that you have faith without any good deeds to show.'

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

Alleluia, alleluia!

My only glory is the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,
 which crucifies the world to me and me to the world.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL*Mark 8:27-35****A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.***

Jesus and his disciples left for the villages round Caesarea Philippi. On the way he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say I am?' And they told him. 'John the Baptist,' they said 'others Elijah; others again, one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he asked 'who do you say I am?' Peter spoke up and said to him, 'You are the Christ.' And he gave them strict orders not to tell anyone about him.

And he began to teach them that the Son of Man was destined to suffer grievously, to be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and to be put to death, and after three days to rise again; and he said all this quite openly. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. But, turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said to him, 'Get behind me, Satan! Because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

He called the people and his disciples to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.'

The word of the Lord.

FARWELL TO FR PETER HOANG

Recently on the 3rd of September 2024, Archbishop Peter Comensoli appointed Fr Peter to be an Assistant Priest at Sunshine Parish.

The Archbishop has appointed Fr Ananda Prasad Maddineni MSFS to be Administrator of St Christopher's Parish.

Fr Peter will leave this Parish for Sunshine on 24th September 2024 and Fr Ananda will come to our Parish to take up his appointment on the same day. We thank Fr Peter for his commitment to this Parish for nearly 8 years.

Archbishop Comensoli:

Blessing prayers before meals

As we travel deeper into this Year of Prayer—and following on from his video reflections on the Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be—Archbishop Peter A Comensoli reflects on perhaps the oldest prayer form of all: blessing prayers before meals.

Jesus himself practised this form of prayer with his friends as they gathered with him at the table, Archbishop Comensoli says, and from the time of the ancient Israelites right up to today, these humble prayers of gratitude have drawn us closer to each other and to God.

As well as the most common form of blessing prayer, so familiar to many of us, Archbishop Comensoli points out that there is a Eucharistic form of this prayer, which we pray every time we celebrate the Mass: 'Blessed be the Lord, the God of all creation, for through your goodness, we have received the bread and wine we offer to you.'

'A blessing prayer,' he says, 'can be quite a good teaching and learning experience for our young ones and for families more generally, to give expression to the blessing of God in our lives', and he gives a few examples of some creative ways families and individuals can incorporate these prayers into their mealtimes.

Blessing prayers, he concludes, open us up 'to the great gift of God, who comes to us in the gift of our meals'.

<https://melbournecatholic.org/news/archbishop-comensoli-blessing-prayers-before-meals>

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR PARISH

Saturday 14 Sept	–	Baptism 11.00am (St Christopher's Church)
Sunday 15 Sept	–	Baptism 10.30am Mass (St Christopher's Church)
Sunday 22 Sept	–	Baptism 10.30am Mass (St Christopher's Church)
Monday 23 Sept	–	1 month Anniversary Mass for Frank Murdaca 7.00pm (St Christopher's Church)
Saturday 28 Sept	–	Baptism 11.00am (St Christopher's Church)
Sunday 29 Sept	–	Baptism 10.30am Mass (St Christopher's Church)
Saturday 5 Oct	–	Baptism Welcomes 5.00pm Mass (St Christopher's Church)
Sunday 6 Oct	–	Baptism Welcomes 9.00am Mass (St Augustine's Church) – Baptism Welcomes 10.30am Mass (St Christopher's Church)
Tuesday 8 Oct	–	Sacramental Program Class 1 4.15pm (St Christopher's Church)
Wednesday 9 Oct	–	Holy Mass in honour of Our Lady (in Italian) 7.30pm (St Christopher's Church)
Saturday 12 Oct	–	Baptism 11.00am (St Christopher's Church)
Sunday 13 Oct	–	Baptism 10.30am Mass (St Christopher's Church)
Tuesday 14 Oct	–	Sacramental Program Class 2 4.15pm (St Christopher's Church)
Saturday 19 Oct	–	First Communions for Parish Sacramental Program 5.00pm (St Christopher's Church)
Sunday 20 Oct	–	Baptism 9.00am Mass (St Augustine's Church)
Saturday 26 Oct	–	First Communions for Parish Sacramental Program 5.00pm (St Christopher's Church)

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	\$
2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarterly	\$
3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Half Yearly	\$
4.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yearly	\$
5.	<input type="checkbox"/>		

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 8 September 2024)

Thanksgiving: \$159.00
Presbytery: \$90.40

Thank You for your Support!!