



# 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

Email: [airportwest@cam.org.au](mailto: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.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

(Year B)

13 / 14 April 2024

## WORSHIP TIMETABLE

### St Christopher's Church

#### **MONDAY**

Italian Charismatic Prayer Group *(after Mass)*

#### **TUESDAY**

Holy Rosary -

Mass -

Italian Rosary -

#### **WEDNESDAY**

Holy Rosary 9.00am

Mass 9.30am

#### **THURSDAY**

Holy Rosary 9.00am

Mass 9.30am

#### **FRIDAY**

Holy Rosary 9.00am

Mass 9.30am

#### **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:

Mario Papile, Sera Trentino, Giuseppe Terrizzi, Angela Arena, Jack Arena

**FIRST READING***Acts 3:13-15,17-19****A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.***

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

***The word of the Lord.*****RESPONSORIAL PSALM*****Response:******Lord, let your face shine on us.***

When I call, answer me, O God of justice;  
from anguish you released me, have mercy and  
hear me! **R.**

It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he  
loves;

the Lord hears me whenever I call him. **R.**

'What can bring us happiness?' many say.  
Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. **R.**

I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once,  
for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. **R.**

**SECOND READING***1 John 2:1-5****A Reading from the first letter of St John.***

I am writing this, my children,  
to stop you sinning;  
but if anyone should sin,  
we have our advocate with the Father,  
Jesus Christ, who is just;  
he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away,  
and not only ours,  
but the whole world's.  
We can be sure that we know God  
only by keeping his commandments.  
Anyone who says, 'I know him',  
and does not keep his commandments,  
is a liar,  
refusing to admit the truth.

But when anyone does obey what he has said,  
God's love comes to perfection in him.

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

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:  
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Alleluia!

**GOSPEL***Luke 24:35-48****A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.***

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they still could not believe it, and they stood there dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

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

### **Parish Visit from Bishop Terry Curtin**

Bishop Terry is currently organising an Open Forum as part of his visit to our Parish.

The Forum will be a great chance for Parishioners to discuss any of the following with Bishop Terry:

- Ideas for our Parish?
- How can we better promote our Parish?
- What is currently working / What is not currently working?
- Any other ideas or concerns.

A Forum has been organised for each Community.

- St Christopher's (Tuesday 16 April 2024, 7pm at St Christopher's Church)
- St Augustine's (Thursday 18 April 2024, 7pm at St Augustine's Church)

All parishioners are invited to attend any Forum.

### **Visita alla Parrocchia di St Christopher's dal Vescovo Terry**

Il Vescovo Terry come parte della sua visita alla nostra Parrocchia, sta organizzando una Assemblea aperta con tutti i Parrocchiani per discutere i seguenti:

1. Idee per la nostra Parrocchia.
2. Cosa possiamo fare per promuovere la nostra Parrocchia.
3. Al momento funziona o no? E se non funziona il motivo.
4. Altri suggerimenti e idee.

Una assemblea sarà organizzata per ciascuna comunità.

- St Christopher's (Assemblea - Martedì 16 Aprile 2024 alle ore 7.00pm nella chiesa di St Christopher's)
- St Augustine's (Assemblea - Giovedì 18 Aprile 2024 alle ore 7.00pm nella chiesa di St Augustine's)

Tutti i Parrocchiani sono invitati a partecipare.

### **Fr Peter on leave**

Please note Fr Peter will be away from Tuesday 16 April until Friday 10 May.

During this time our weekend Parish Masses (Saturday 5pm, Sunday 9am & 10.30am) will be celebrated by Fr Michael Morgan.

There will be no weekday Masses during this time.

### **Funzione Sociale**

La Federazione di Airport West ha organizzato una Serata Sociale per Sabato 27 Aprile 2024 nella sala di St Christopher's alle ore 7pm.

Costo: \$30.00

Musica: feste

Per informazioni o prenotazioni rivolgersi a I membri della Federazione oppure telefonare a

Isabella: 0403 163 121 o

Sam Montalto: 0425 800 085

Grazie

### **Thank You!**

Caritas Australia would like to THANK YOU for supporting Project Compassion 2024. If you still have your Project Compassion box or set of envelopes at home, please bring them back next week or visit [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](http://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) and donate online.

Your generosity will empower the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and lift themselves out of poverty.



**St Vincent de Paul Society**  
*good works*

Sadly, the Airport West Conference of the St Vincent de Paul Society has made the difficult decision to close. This was due to the diminishing number of members and the inability to recruit new volunteers. Thank you for your financial support for the work of the Society over many years. As the Conference is no longer operating it is now unable to accept donations left in the Poor Boxes in the churches.

Please continue to assist in the work of the Society by donating clothing and homewares in good condition to a Vinnies Shop. The Vinnies Shop at 451A Keilor Road, Niddrie is always grateful to receive donated goods. You can drop them off at the loading bay at rear of the store in Hotham Road, Niddrie.

### **Information session for the Permanent Diaconate**

The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men, aged between 30 and 60 years, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers.

An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on 4 May 2024 Saturday, 10:00 -11.45 am at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), 278 Victorian Parade, East Melbourne.

For more information: The Vocations website for the Archdiocese is available. The links below (copy, then paste) are a source of additional information.

Watch: Melbourne's Deacons

<https://youtu.be/q2RhNDbtTS0>

Watch: Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for Deacons and video

<https://youtu.be/NuG99HD1LaY>

Visit: Archdiocese of Melbourne permanent diaconate webpage

<https://vocations.melbournecatholic.org/about/what-is-a-vocation/permanent-diaconate>

Contact: Office of the Permanent Diaconate

(Phone) 03 9412 3357

(Email) [diaconate@cam.org.au](mailto:diaconate@cam.org.au)

## 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 7 April 2024)

Thanksgiving: \$179.00  
Presbytery: \$ 75.00

*Thank You for your Support!!*