



# ST. PAUL PARISH

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"Sometime ago a host was found lying on the floor of the church sacristy. Not knowing whether it was consecrated, we attempted to dispose of it in a dignified way by immersing it in water.

This was not effective in dissolving it, so at the direction of the Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Melbourne, it has now been buried in the ground. This is a traditional and respectful measure the Catholic Church takes in such circumstances."

Tuesday the 20th of June there will be a mass for St Anthony at 10.30am, refreshments to follow, please bring a plate. Everyone welcome.



**Morning Tea:** Tuesday 27th June 10–12pm speaker on help with digital literacy and speaker on weather activity. In the hall foyer, come have a cuppa, it's free and interesting — run by the Elderly Support Group.

A BIG THANK YOU — To all St Paul's Parishioners in supporting our sausage sizzle, raffles, sale items, cakes and biscuits, flower arrangements for mother's day stall, plants .... Our working together has raised money for the St Paul's Catholic Church sign, the billboard with the mass times and car entry signs, the holy water distributor. Our multicultural group consists of many languages, we can work together, anyone who wishes to help in anyway is welcome.

Details of available career positions can be found on the Archdiocese website at: <https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

**WE PRAY FOR:** For Healing: Dianna, Pat Reynold, Marie Edwards, Agnes Bonner, Angela Lasay, Carol McGloughlan, Charlie Zarb, Charlie Bonello, **Recently Deceased:** Maria Arceri, Luizinha Mascharenhas, Joseph Dimech, Juan Contreraf (died in France), Antonia Fenech, **Our Dear Departed:** Iginio Zanni, Joan & Carmelo Micallef, Natu Portelli, Liberata, Carmelo, Mikelina, Cikku, Carmena, Guzeppi, Mathew & Gloria Montebello, Tereza, Guzeppi & Carmenu Mifsud, Nina, Carmenu & Salvu Portelli, Sam & Vicky Cassar, Grace Avellino, Joe Caruana, Emy Saffarese, Patricia Snaize, Snaize, Cleur & Dougherty families, Maria & Vincent Abela, John Galea, and all Souls.



## Church Diary (Week beginning 18th Jun 2023)

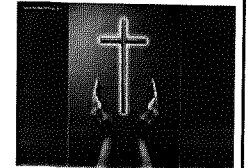
**Saturday 17th/18th Jun** Immaculate heart of Mary **Baptism: Lianna Castro**  
Saturday Mass 8.00am English Mass  
9.00am Vietnamese Mass followed by Rosary till 10.15am  
6.00pm Vigil Mass + Van Thi Le, Michael My Quan Le, Maria Kiem Thi Nguyen  
Sunday Masses (Confession half an hour before all Masses on Sunday)  
8.00 am English Mass + John M Vella  
9.30am English Mass + Joan & Carmelo Micallef, & Felix Camilleri + Cristina & Salvatore Grasso  
11.30am Vietnamese Mass  
1.00pm Spanish Mass  
6.00pm Youth Mass  
7.300pm Rosary for Luizinha Mascharenhas

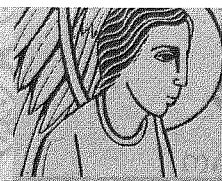


**Monday 19th Jun** 8.00am English Mass +  
9.00am Vietnamese Mass  
11.00am Lady of Knots  
11.00am Funeral for Luizinha Mascharenhas  
7.00pm Choir Practice  
6.00pm Mass  
**Tuesday 20th Jun** 8.00am English Mass +  
9.00am Vietnamese Mass  
10.00am Italian Prayer Group  
10.30am Mass for St Anthony  
5.45pm Benediction, Novena, Adoration  
7.00pm Mass  
**Wednesday 21st Jun** 8.00am English Mass +  
St Aloysius 9.00am Vietnamese Mass  
7.00pm Mass  
7.30pm Legion of Mary (Vietnamese)  
**Thursday 22nd Jun** 8.00am English Mass +  
9.00am Vietnamese Mass  
9.30am Legion of Mary (English)  
10.00am to 10pm Adoration of the Holy Eucharist  
10.15am St Peter & St Paul School Mass  
7.00pm Mass  
7.30pm Spanish Prayer Group  
**Friday 23rd Jun** 8.00am English Mass +  
9.00am Vietnamese Mass  
3.00pm Divine Mercy  
7.00pm Mass



**Saturday 24th/25th Jun** The Nativity of John the Baptist **Baptism:**  
Saturday Mass 8.00am English Mass  
9.00am Vietnamese Mass followed by Rosary till 10.15am  
6.00pm Vigil Mass + Ken Browne, + Van Thi Le, Michael My Quan Le, Maria Kiem Thi Nguyen  
Sunday Masses (Confession half an hour before all Masses on Sunday)  
8.00 am English Mass + John M Vella  
9.30am English Mass + Joan & Carmelo Micallef, & Felix Camilleri + Joseph Saldanha  
11.30am Vietnamese Mass  
1.00pm Spanish Mass  
6.00pm Youth Mass





He summoned his twelve disciples, and gave them authority over unclean spirits with power to cast them out and cure all kinds of diseases and sickness.

These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew; James the son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, the one who was to betray him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them as follows:

‘Do not turn your steps to pagan territory, and do not enter any Samaritan town; go rather to the lost sheep of the House of Israel. And as you go, proclaim that the kingdom of heaven is close at hand. Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out devils. You received without charge, give without charge.’

## ■ The Gospel of the Lord.

### PILGRIMAGE IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST PAUL THROUGH GREECE AND TURKEY

11-23 SEPTEMBER 2023

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## SIGNS OF GOD IN THE TIMES

Reading accurately the signs of the times and then responding appropriately is seldom an easy matter. In coming to Mount Sinai, the people of Israel have arrived at a decisive moment, as today's first reading notes. They are called to remember how God rescued them and to pledge themselves to be faithful to their covenant relationship. By doing this each member will share in the priestly duties of bringing others to encounter the living God. Faced with the needs of so many people Jesus had also arrived at a moment of decision. The people were in desperate need of shepherds to care for them. His response was to appoint the Twelve to share in his ministry of healing and proclaiming the reign of God.

For Paul, the most important sign of the times was not the fact that all humanity deserved to be condemned as falling short of the mark. Rather, it was God's unexpected response to our need and powerlessness. Paul stresses our desperate plight in order to emphasise the marvellous gift we have been given in the saving death of Jesus. No greater proof could be found to show us God's love for all people than Jesus dying for us while we were yet sinners. From Paul's perspective, there was never a question of us meriting such an act of self-sacrifice. The death of Jesus is an invitation to wonder, hope and joyfully trust that whatever has ruptured our relationship with God has been healed.

## FIRST READING

Ex 19: 2-6

A reading from the book of Exodus.

*You will be a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation.*  
From Rephidim the Israelites set out again; and when they reached the wilderness of Sinai, there in the wilderness they pitched their camp; there facing the mountain Israel pitched camp.

Moses then went up to God, and the Lord called to him from the mountain, saying, ‘Say this to the House of Jacob, declare this to the sons of Israel, “You yourselves have seen what I did with the Egyptians, how I carried you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. From this you know that now, if you obey my voice and hold fast to my covenant, you of all the nations shall be my very own, for all the earth is mine. I will count you a kingdom of priests, a consecrated nation.”’

## ■ The word of the Lord.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 99: 2-3, 5. R. v. 3

**R. We are his people: the sheep of his flock.**

1. Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth. / Serve the Lord with gladness. / Come before him, singing for joy. R.

2. Know that he, the Lord, is God. / He made us, we belong to him, / we are his people, the sheep of his flock. R.

3. Indeed, how good is the Lord, / eternal his merciful love. / He is faithful from age to age. R.

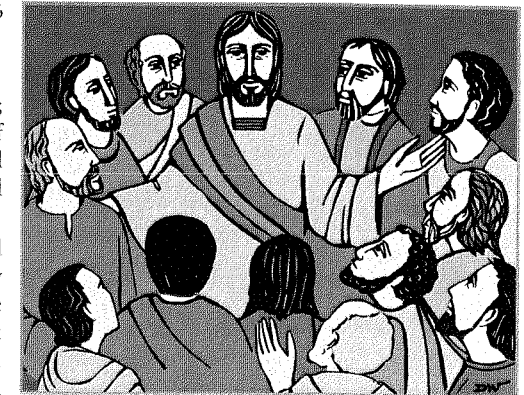
## SECOND READING

Rom 5: 6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

*We have been reconciled to God through the death of his Son; we are saved by his life.*

We were still helpless when at his appointed moment Christ died for sinful men. It is not easy to die even for a good man – though of course for someone really worthy, a man might



be prepared to die – but what proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners. Having died to make us righteous, is it likely that he would now fail to save us from God's anger? When we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, we were still enemies; now that we have been reconciled surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son? Not merely because we have been reconciled but because we are filled with joyful trust in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have already gained our reconciliation.

## ■ The word of the Lord.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mk 1: 15

**Alleluia, alleluia! / The kingdom of God is near; / repent and believe the Good News! / Alleluia!**

## GOSPEL

Mt 9:36—10:8

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

*He summoned his twelve disciples, and sent them out.*

When Jesus saw the crowds he felt sorry for them because they were harassed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, ‘The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest.’