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**St Martin de Porres Parish**

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**Weekend Masses** Saturday Vigil 6:30pm  
Sunday 7:30am & 9:00am  
Vietnamese 11:00am

**Weekday Services**

**Mass** Wednesday & Thursday 9:15am  
Friday - Beginning of School Term 9:15am  
**Communion Service** Tuesday 9:15am  
**Benediction** Wednesday after Mass  
**Reconciliation** Wednesday 9:45am

**St. John Bosco's Parish**

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**Weekend Masses** Saturday Vigil 5:00pm  
Sunday 10:30am

**Weekday Services**

**Mass** Tuesday 9:00am  
Friday - Beginning of School Term 11:45am  
**Communion Service** Wednesday & Thursday 9:00am  
**Reconciliation** Saturday 4:30pm

**The Augustinian Sisters**

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**IN OUR PRAYERS**

**Sick:** Carl Pinto; Inez Jansz; Patrick & Norma Moore; Helen Borg; Mary Jones; Milvia Cutajar; Frank Logha; Peter Falzon; Pino Statamghalia.

**Recently Deceased:**

Joyce Bazzarelli; Sr Battistina Ceccarelli (Italy); Perla Dando; Rolando Paza & Romeo Roldan (Philippines); Rosie Pinpin (Philippines); Val Sawyer; Giuseppe Morizzi; Josephine Vella; Theresa Buckley (Ireland); Libarale Cendron; Magdalen Borg; Gino Barzetti; Joseph Xuereb; Eugenia Dela Cruz; Marita Dizon; Fr Brendan Dillon PE.

**Anniversaries and Remembrances:**

Pauline Camilleri (1st); Laurie Carn; Sam Moi Li; Seu Tchong Um; I Cho Lay; Joseph Nguyen Van Nguyet; Sr Elizabeth Dwyer; Sr Margaret Dwyer; Francis, Bernarda, Joseph & Maria Consiglia Grima; Emmanuel, Teresa, Filomenu Sammut; Carmelo & Rita Debono; Emmanuel & Nazzarena Farrugia; Charlie Sciberras; Tonina Darmanin; Dominic Cumbo; Victor Micallef; Victor Apap.

**ST JOHN BOSCO'S INFORMATION**

**Collections:**

**Thanksgiving:** \$1,244      **Presbytery:** \$242  
Loose: \$536

**Bible Study Group**

Exploring the wonders of God's word through the guidance of the Holy Spirit will truly enlighten and uplift our hearts. Join us Saturday at 4pm in the Presbytery for our next meetings 27 July; 24 August.

**Communion to the Sick and Elderly**

Please ring the office on 9337 9994 if you could take Communion to those unable to attend Mass.

**Statue of Our Lady**

Please contact the office if you wish to have the Statue of Our Lady in your home for one week.

**ST MARTIN DE PORRES' INFORMATION**

**Collections:**

**Parish Support Programme:**  
Pledge: \$2,588    Received: \$2,083    Shortfall: \$505  
Loose: \$718      **Presbytery:** \$1,360



**Devotion to Divine Mercy**

Mondays 2:30pm in the church.  
All Welcome!



**Bible Sharing with Sr Mayla & Deacon Cuong**

Wednesdays 10am in St Martin's Pastoral Centre. Please bring your own Bible.  
Reference Matthew 11:25-27 Everyone welcome.

**New SMdeP's Parish Office Hours**

From Monday 8th July  
Monday & Thursday: Closed  
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday:  
9.30 am - 5.30 pm



**CELEBRATION THIS WEEKEND**

**Baptism:** Penelope Anderson

**SMdeP & SJB INFORMATION**



**2024 Appeal NEXT WEEK**

During World Mission Sunday, we are called to "Invite others to the banquet", and we invite you to share the warmth of God's love with our brothers and sisters who need it most in Mongolia. Next week Catholic Mission will offer you the opportunity to partner with the Church in Mongolia to help deliver essential services to people who need it most. Lack of access and social stigma mean that some of the most vulnerable people are not getting the support they require.

Please take next week's opportunity to make an incredible impact for those in need.



**Live Your Best Life in Love...**

**A Marriage Encounter weekend is for you...**

Every married couple deserves this very special weekend. Time-out to nurture your most precious relationship away from daily distractions. The two of you will come away from your weekend feeling more deeply connected and with tools to help keep the passion alive. No group sharing required. The weekend is based around Catholic values. Couples of all faiths are welcome.

**Our next weekend is: 4 - 6 October** at St Paul's Retreat Centre, Wantirna South.  
Starts Friday 7pm finishes Sunday about 4:30pm.  
Please check our website for more details and to book your special weekend: [www.wvme.org.au](http://www.wvme.org.au)  
or Phone: Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or  
Email: [vicbookings@wvme.org.au](mailto:vicbookings@wvme.org.au)

**Prayer to Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

Feast 16 July

**O** most beautiful Flower of Mount Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendour of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me this my necessity.

O Star of the Sea, help me and show me you are my Mother.

O Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly ask you from the bottom of my heart,

to assist me in this necessity.....; there are none that can withstand your power.

O, show me herein you are my Mother, O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who come to you Sweet Mother,

I place this cause in your hands.

*Amen*

Source: Missionary Society of St. Columban

**Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility.**

The Parishes of St Martin de Porres and St John Bosco, and the Archdiocese of Melbourne are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community. Child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of everyone.

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

We welcome you and ask that you make yourself known to us by completing this form and leaving it in the collection basket.

Parish of: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

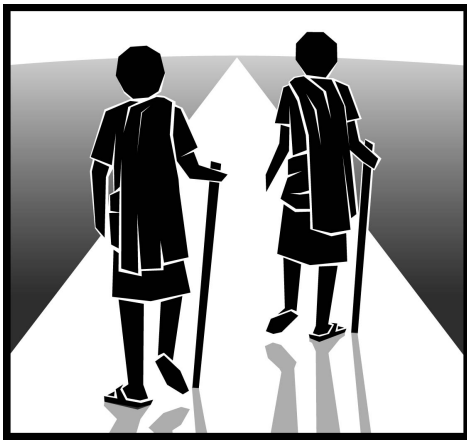
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**PARISH SUPPORT PROGRAMME**

We encourage you to join our programme. Please ring the Parish Office or visit our website.



## Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

God chooses ordinary people and confers on them an extraordinary responsibility. Amos was a shepherd and a dresser of sycamores. Most of the apostles were fishermen. Paul was a tentmaker. Christians today are mechanics and clerks, teachers and engineers, doctors and housekeepers. These are all people following ordinary trades or professions, but what they do in them is truly remarkable. They touch minds and hearts and souls, and they heal them. They instruct and comfort people, and they help to drive out the demons that possess them. They participate in very ordinary ways in the extraordinary establishment of the reign of God.

Jesus inaugurated the reign of God on earth. He chose disciples and sent them out to continue the work that he had begun, to preach his gospel and, through healings and exorcisms, to conquer the forces of evil that threatened that reign. And now we have been called; in him we have been chosen, in all of our brokenness and vulnerability. The task to which we have been called is awe-inspiring; and every spiritual blessing in the heavens has been bestowed upon us so that we will be able to accomplish it. If we allow Christ's saving power to take possession of us, we too will further his prophetic ministry. We will bring the saving grace of God to the world that is terrified and that writhes in pain; we will bring it to those places where healing is needed and where demons still hold sway. We will bring all things under the headship of Christ.

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## Gospel Acclamation See Eph 1:17-18

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.*

*Alleluia!*

## Gospel Mark 6:7-13

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

*He called the Twelve, and began to send them out. Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, ‘Do not take a spare tunic.’ And he said to them, ‘If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.’ So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.*

*The Gospel of the Lord.*

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**



## ST MARTIN DE PORRES & ST JOHN BOSCO

Catholic Parishes

Avondale Heights & Niddrie



**15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B**

**14 July 2024**

## First Reading Amos 7:12-15

### A reading from the book of Amos

*Go, prophesy to my people.*

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, ‘Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.’ ‘I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets.’ Amos replied to Amaziah, ‘I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, “Go, prophesy to my people Israel.”’

**The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**

## Responsorial Psalm Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8

**(R.) Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.**

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace, peace for his people. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. (R.)
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. (R.)
3. The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. (R.)

## Second Reading Ephesians 1:3-14

### A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

*Before the world was made, he chose us in Christ.*

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ.

Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight.

He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth. And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own, chosen from the beginning, under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things as he decides by his own will; chosen to be, for his greater glory, the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came. Now you too, in him, have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation, and have believed it: and you have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise, the pledge of our inheritance which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own, to make his glory praised.

**The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.**