



# St. John Vianney's Catholic Parish



Under the Pastoral Care of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**21 April 2024**

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**Parish Office Hours**

Monday - Friday: 9am - 3pm

Closed from 12.30pm - 1.00pm

**Mass Times**

Monday & Tuesday 9.00am

Wednesday 9.00am & 7.30pm

Thursday & Friday 9.00am

Saturday 9.30am & 6.00pm (Vigil)

Sunday 8.30am, 10.00am & 5.30pm

**Reconciliation**

Saturday 10.00am - 10.30am

**Baptisms**

By Appointment

2nd & 3rd Sundays of the month  
at 11.15am

**Marriages**

By Appointment Only

**NO Funerals on Friday, Saturday  
& Sunday**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, the Fourth Sunday of Easter has been traditionally known as the "Good Shepherd Sunday". One of the most favoured images of Christ in the early Church was that of the "Good Shepherd". There are many depictions of the Good Shepherd in our



Churches and homes. Sometimes he is a tender figure holding a young lamb close to his breast. Also, we celebrate it as a Day of Prayer for Vocations. So, as it has always been, the gospel brings us a very familiar section of the scripture, but it is quite normal that we stop listening when well-known words and stories come to our ears, and no longer hear what it is saying. But I am inviting you to look closely at it with a renewed spirit.

Today Jesus tells us exactly who he is, because the most important thing we need to know is who is taking care of us, whose voice we have to listen to for our protection. Remember that at the time the scriptures were documented, raising sheep and fishing were everyday livelihoods. People understood stories with these contexts.

Again, the Church today **insists that vocations are a responsibility of the Christian family.** To foster vocations, the family must foster the Christian life. The family must live its faith in Christ on a daily basis in unity and prayer. The Church of Jesus fosters a living faith in the Christian family. Through such families, the grace of God is manifested and vocations flourish to ensure that the needs of the Church are all met. Today let us pray for vocations to the priesthood and religious life, that many will be inspired to show true love, to the point of sacrificing many other attractive options to become priests of Jesus, to follow him in religious life.

**SJV 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS**

**THANKSGIVING MASS WITH ARCHBISHOP COMENSOLI**

**SUNDAY 28 APRIL AT 10AM**

Followed by morning tea in the parish hall.

Please bring a plate of food to share.

**DINNER AT FRECCIA AZZURRA CLUB,**

**BRAESIDE—FRIDAY 3 MAY 2024 AT 6.30PM**

**TICKETS ARE \$70 PP, CHILDREN UNDER 12YRS - \$30, UNDER  
2YRS - FREE**

**Last weekend for ticket sales as we have to give final numbers on  
Monday. Payment by Cash or Credit Card**

Fr David Francis OMI



### FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

**Friday 26 April**—St Mark, evangelist.

Died about the year 74. Usually identified with the John Mark whose mother's house in Jerusalem was a meeting place for the apostles, and with the young man who followed Christ after his arrest. Accompanied St. Paul on his first missionary journey and later followed him to Rome. A companion of St Peter and traditionally credited with the gospel which reflects Peter's teaching and memoirs. Honoured as the founder of the Church in Alexandria.



### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

If your child is in Grade 6 this year or if you missed out the previous year, please attend an information day on **Tuesday 14 May** at either **10am or 7pm** in the church. Enrolments will be open then and will close on Friday 31 May 2024. Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday 28 July at 2pm.

### ST JOHN VIANNEY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

**COME AND SEE US IN ACTION!**

**OPEN DAY TOURS**  
**9.15AM & 10.15 AM**

#### TERM 2

Monday 22 April, Tuesday 30 April & Thursday 9 May.  
If these times don't suit please contact the school to make an appointment.  
Ph. 8543 4444



### THANKSGIVING

Weekly Pledged Amount - \$3,091.73  
First Collection - \$1,348.45  
Second Collection - \$1,169.00  
(envelopes only)

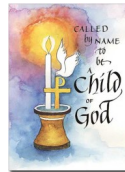


### CUPPA & CHAT AFTER MASS

**There will be no cuppa next weekend 27/28 April due to the 60th Anniversary celebrations.**

**Please join us for a cuppa on Sunday 28 April after the 10 am Mass in the Hall. Please bring a plate of food to share**

Cuppa organiser - Events team



### BAPTISMS

We welcome Archie Louise Hird, Kiara Natalina Hird, Lucy Denise Peagram and Lara Grace Peagram into the Catholic Church through the community of St John Vianney's Parish.



*"Often it is better simply to slow down, to put aside our eagerness in order to see and listen to others, to stop rushing from one thing to another and to remain with someone who has faltered along the way. "*

Pope Francis



**Please turn off your mobile phone before Mass begins. Thank you.**

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS OUR SICK

*Contact Parish Office for names to be included in this list.*

*Names will be taken off after a short time unless otherwise instructed.*



Llewelyn Fernandez, Tony Buordolone, Anna Visini, Janet Badwal, Otto Schrey, John & Sandra Marshall, Joe Psaila, Olivia Leonard, Layla Wilson, Mary Thomas, Lizzie & Tamara.

### ANNIVERSARIES AT THIS TIME

Tammy McGrady (3yr)  
Irma Baratta (1 mth)  
Helen Pabst  
Agnes Knight  
Gerard O'Sughrue (11yr)

### RECENTLY DECEASED

### FUNERALS

Wednesday 24 April at 11am—Francesca Cerra.

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK COMMENCING

**22 April 2024**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>9.00am</b> - For the sick
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9.00am</b> - For peace in the world
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9.00am</b> - Vocations <b>7.30pm</b> - For all Parishioners
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>9.00am</b> - Tammy McGrady (R.I.P.) Irma Baratta (R.I.P.)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>9.00am</b> - Helen Pabst (R.I.P.) Agnes Knight (R.I.P.)
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9.30am</b> - Gerard O'Sughrue (R.I.P.) <b>6.00pm</b> - James & Ralph Cassar (R.I.P.)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8.30am</b> - For all Parishioners <b>10.00am</b> - For all Parishioners <b>5.30pm</b> - For all Parishioners

### CHURCH CLEANING

**Monday 22 April: Team B**—Theresa Gilson, Paul Ho Fi & Samantha Rosario.

### COUNTING TEAM

**Monday 22 April: Team 4**—Pia Eichenberger, Kevin Fennelly, Rita Santucci & Marlene Shillong.



### BINGO THURSDAY AT 7.30PM FRIDAY AT 11.45AM

**Thursday 25 April: Team A**  
Trudy Coleman, Milka Arevalo, Marie Conyers, Maria Conte & James Dobieli.

**CANTEEN:** Marion Marshall & Judy Wilkinson.

**Friday 26 April: Team A**  
Trudy Coleman, Loraine Browning, Cath McAdam & Clare Monea.

**CANTEEN:** Hazel Bates & Sandie Aguiar.



### CARITAS AUSTRALIA'S SUDAN CRISIS APPEAL

Following the outbreak of conflict in Sudan a year ago, 25 million people— including 14 million children now need humanitarian assistance and support. Damage and infrastructure has impacted access to food, water, healthcare services and even banking. Sudan now teeters on the edge of famine. Please donate to the Caritas Australia's appeal by donating online at [www.caritas.org.au/sudan](http://www.caritas.org.au/sudan) or phone 1800 024 413.



### menALIVE PARISH MEN'S WEEKEND AT ST. ANTHONY'S PARISH, NOBLE PARK

The menALIVE Men's Weekend on the 25th and 26th of May 2024 is an opportunity for men from St. Anthony's, Resurrection and neighbouring parishes to explore what makes them feel fully alive. During the weekend, the menALIVE team will share about their lives, the challenges they face and the hope they have discovered in seeking to walk this journey with God. Perhaps the most important thing the weekend offers is space for men to reflect and opportunities to share about themselves and their lives.

If you are a man over 18 years of age, register now via [www.reconnectevents.au](http://www.reconnectevents.au) to attend this weekend! \$35 per person. Includes workshops, lunch, & BBQ dinner. If not, share the news with the men in your lives! RSVP 18 May. Enquiries to Glen 0422 892 541.

### FETE 2024 MEETING

The Fete meeting will be held on **Tuesday 7 May at 7pm** in the **Felix Gavin Room**. If you are interested in joining the Fete Committee or if you would like to coordinate and run a stall please attend this meeting.

### NO MASS

**No Mass on Sunday 28 April at 8.30am due to the 60th Anniversary Mass at 10am with Archbishop Peter Comensoli.**

### 60TH ANNIVERSARY SOUVENIR

From next weekend we will be selling a commemorative 60th Anniversary coaster. They come in a set on 4 for \$20.



### PARISH OFFICE HOURS 6 MAY UNTIL 16 JUNE

Please note that Deslene will be away on long service leave during this time and the office will be attended by volunteers during the time stated below. Please be patient with the volunteers.

**MONDAY—CLOSED**  
**TUESDAY—9.30 AM TILL 12.30 PM**  
**WEDNESDAY—9.30 AM TILL 3.00 PM**  
**THURSDAY—9.30 AM TILL 12.30 PM**  
**FRIDAY—9.30 AM TILL 3.00 PM**

**CLOSED FOR LUNCH FROM 12.30 PM TO 1.00 PM ON WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY**

### PYX & POUCHES

Ministers of Holy Communion to the sick please return the pyx and pouches to the sacristy as soon as possible.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Please do not put your Mass intention into the collection bags. Please ring the office to book your Mass. You can also email us or come into the office.



# Devotions



**Wednesday - 7.00pm Marian Devotion (Novena), Exposition & Benediction.**

**1st Saturday of the Month - 9.00am Eucharistic Adoration, Marian Devotion followed by Mass.**

**3rd Thursday of the Month - Mass at 9.00am followed by Eucharistic Adoration till 10.00am.**

**Psalm:** The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

**Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia!  
I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep and mine know me  
Alleluia!

**Readings for next week: Year B**

Acts 9: 26-31  
Psalm 21  
1 St John 3: 18-24  
John 15: 1-8

## NEED TO DISPOSE OF A VEHICLE?

Disposal of a car from a deceased estate, or when a family member has had to relinquish their licence or go into residential care, can be a challenging process. Getting a roadworthy, taking photos to advertise on the internet, cleaning and polishing, taking calls (if they come), even finding a garage until a prospective buyer turns up (if indeed they do!).

If you need to dispose of a vehicle from a deceased estate or which is no longer required, could you consider gifting it to the "Lifeboat Foundation", a registered charity with tax deductible status, which for ten years has been providing pastoral and practical support to nearly 150 victims / survivors across Australia of church-related sexual abuse. Many of these suffer Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and have had limited or no employment. A donated vehicle could vastly improve their quality of life and / or generate much-needed funds to assist personal, medical and accommodation needs.

If you would like to explore the possibility of gifting a potentially suitable vehicle to "Lifeboat", contact Fr. Kevin Dillon (frkdillon@outlook.com.au or 0421 777 360) or Adam Kaali (0411 486 605 or adam-kaali@hotmail.com).

## INFORMATION SESSION PERMANENT DIACONATE

On Saturday 4 May at 10.00am at the University of Divinity, Catholic Theological College, 278 Victoria Parade East Melbourne, there will be an information session on the Permanent Diaconate. Perhaps there are some male parishioners, married or single, between the age of 30 to 60 years, whom you could speak with concerning this call to ministry.



## CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Sign up for one of 9 online sessions. Engaging Your Faith May 2024 Theology, Scripture, Meditation, Spirituality, Science & Faith. Choose what interests you from \$25 per session. For more information and to register: [ctc.edu.au/engaging-your-faith/](http://ctc.edu.au/engaging-your-faith/)

On 10 May 2024 from 10am—4.30pm, Catholic Theological College will host a symposium in honour of Rev. Professor Austin Cooper OMI AM (1931-2023) founding Master of CTC, historian, formator, and ecumenical friend. The symposium will feature speakers exploring Fr Austin's various contributions to Christian scholarship and formation, and as spiritual friend to so many. Attendance will be both in person or via videostream.

Registration: Face-to-face \$60 (Lunch included) Online: \$30 Bookings close 3 May 2024 at 5.00pm. Enquiries: 9412 3333 email: [vi.panganiban@ctc.edu.au](mailto:vi.panganiban@ctc.edu.au)

Humour....

**a scammer called my grandma  
and said he had all her  
passwords**

**she got a pen and paper and said  
'thank god for that, what are  
they' 😂**

## ST JOHN VIANNEY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL



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