



Sacred Heart / Emmaus Parish St Albans/Sydenham Western Plains Deanery



Parish Priest: Fr. Maurie Cooney

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER —YEAR C 15th MAY, 2022

DETAILS

PARISH	
Address:	4 Winifred Street, St Albans 3021
Phone:	9366 2146
Email:	stalbens@cam.org.au
Website:	pol.org.au/stalbanssydenham
Admin/Finance:	
Lorraine Stafford	
Office Hours:	
Monday—Thursday	9:30am—4:00pm
Mass Times:	
Sacred Heart	
Tuesday—Friday	7.30am
Saturday	9.00am, 5.00pm
Sunday	7.30am, 10.30am
Sunday	Polish 9.00am
	Slovene 2nd Sunday of month at 5.00pm
Emmaus Church	
Saturday	6.30pm
Sunday	9.00am
Sacrament of Reconciliation:	
Sacred Heart	
English	Saturday 10.30am
Maltese	every 4th Saturday 4.00pm
Baptism:	
Eight weeks notice is required.	
Marriage:	
Four months noticed required.	
Appointments:	
Please call the Parish Office on 93662146 if you wish to speak to the Priest.	

COME BACK TO MASS!! WE'RE OPEN - NO RESTRICTIONS!!

- **Australian Catholic Bishops' election statement**, can be found at: <https://bit.ly/BishopsElection2022>
- See page 3 for
- **A new RCIA group journey will commence on Tuesday, 19 July 2022, at 7:30pm.**
- **Sacrament of Confirmation in our Parish this weekend**
- **Our Parish and Safeguarding Parish Fair update**
- **Archbishop's Mass for those who have died during the DIVID pandemic**
- The **next set of Thanksgiving Envelopes** has been sent out—for commencement on this weekend of 14-15 May. If you have not received yours, contact the Parish Office.
- See Page 4 for ways to view **Mass on TV, online and via YouTube**

READINGS

This week: First Reading:	Acts 14:21-27	Second Reading:	Rev 21:1-5	Gospel: Jn 13:31-35
Next Week: First Reading:	Acts 15:1-2,22-29	Second Reading:	Rev 21:10-14,22-3	Gospel: Jn 14:23-29

REFLECTION

LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS I HAVE LOVED YOU


Persevering, putting yourself out for others, always hoping, bringing life into others' lives, supporting others in sadness, rejoicing, and always loving others, always loving the others. All this is included in the Word of God today as the early Church – and we – are challenged to live the life of Christ. Is it possible? It has to be for “just as I have loved you, you also must love one another,” says the gospel. “By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

“I always think that the best way to love God is to love many things. Love a friend, a wife, a husband, something, whatever you like, but one must love with a lofty and serious intimate sympathy, with strength, with intelligence, and one must always try to love deeper, better, and more.” [Vincent van Gogh]

“Love is eager, sincere and kind; it is glad and lovely; it is strong, patient and faithful; wise, long-suffering and resolute; and it never seeks its own ends.” [Thomas a Kempis]

Thank you for loving us, O God. Thank you for all who love us.

— Mary MacKillop —



Whatever troubles may be before you, accept them bravely, remembering Whom you are trying to follow. Do not be afraid. Love one another, bear with one another, and let charity guide you all your life. God will reward you as only He can.

— AZ QUOTES —

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

If you would like to receive the weekly 'Parish Update' emailed to you, please send your email address to the Parish: stalbens@cam.org.au

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

“Love one another, each one always, in good and bad, but minding how things seem..”

Mary MacKillop 25th September 1873

(Check out Mary MacKillop noticeboard outside on the verandah)

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

RECENT DEATHS: Paul Min Tien; Susan Amintuan;

ANNIVERSARIES: Sandy Imrie; Eva Sabo; Emmanuel & Joseph Mifsud; Andrew, Doris, Joseph & Vincent Mifsud; Neil Snooks; Theresa & Bill Saliba; Claudette Xavier; Natty Rodrigues; Eva Sabo; Andrew, Doris, Joseph & Vincent Mifsud; Neil Snooks; Theresa & Bill Saliba; Aaron D'Souza; Rita Siomos; Charlie Spiteri; Pjeter Lize Colin Dajcaj; Spiradiona Buttigieg; Sonja Vella; Marianna Ciantar; Eva Sabo; Andrew, Doris, Joseph & Vincent Mifsud; Neil Snooks; Theresa & Bill Saliba; Alonzyata Deguara; John Michael Camilleri; Teresa Attard; Clara Parnis; John Colerio; Joe Giacotto; Antoinetta Lasano; Benjamin & Anastasia Gomes; Paul & Maria D'Rozario; Leli Bugeja; Charlie Camilleri; Claudette Xavier; Natty Rodrigues; Eva Sabo; Andrew, Doris, Joseph & Vincent Mifsud; Neil Snooks; Theresa & Bill Saliba; Aaron D'Souza; Charlie Agius; Sonja Vella; Clifton Coates; Eva Sabo; Andrew, Doris, Joseph & Vincent Mifsud; Neil Snooks; Theresa & Bill Saliba; Pero Klisanin

OUR PASTORAL, SOCIAL & SCHOOL EVENTS

THANKSGIVING CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you to all who are continuing to support our Parish's financial commitments: the bills keep coming in!

For Parishioners who contribute to the Parish with Envelopes, there is a new way for you to continue your contribution directly:

- Payments can be made online using a computer
- Payments require a Credit Card or Debit Card with VISA or MASTERCARD

All these contributions will go directly into our Parish account. To get started:

- go to our Parish website: <http://pol.org.au/stalbanssydenham/Home.aspx>
- click on the link **THANKSGIVING SACRED HEART/EMMAUS** on the left of the home page
- select the amount you want to contribute to keep up your regular contribution
- in the "Comment" section, enter your name and envelope number

We continue to thank our Debit/Credit card contributors who are so important to our Parish.

- **OR You can also deliver your Thanksgiving Envelopes to the letterbox at Sacred Heart church—it's secure and cleared frequently.**

FLOOD APPEAL ST VINCENT DE PAUL

The floods in Queensland & New South Wales are having a devastating effect on the people living in these regions of Australia. For those wishing to support the long term recovery work to be undertaken by St Vincent de Paul Society in Queensland & NSW, financial donations can be made either directly to either state through:

www.vinnies.org.au—**Flood Appeal—St Vincent de Paul Society—Good works (vinnies.org.au)** or by calling Queensland (07) 3010 1000 or NSW (02) 9568 0262

Project Compassion



TIME TO BRING YOUR PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES BACK—to any Mass you are part of over the next few

weeks.

You can continue to contribute by visiting lent.caritas.org.au, or by calling 1800 024 413.

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Catholic Regional College— St Albans Enrolments



Catholic Regional College St Albans is now accepting enrolment applications for Year 7 in 2024 and limited places for Year 7, 2023

Scan the QR Code to book a school tour and enrolment information. Application forms can be downloaded from our website www.crcstalbens.catholic.edu.au You can also email echalmers@crcstalbens.com.au or contact us on 9366 2544.



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CHILD SAFETY POLICY

Sacred Heart/Emmaus Parish is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. The Parish takes a zero-tolerance approach to child abuse and upholds that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult.

PARISH UPDATE

This weekend (14-15 May) young Parishioners of our Cana and Emmaus Parish Schools have the **Sacrament of Confirmation** conferred on them in four gatherings by our Regional Bishop Martin Ashe 14/15 May. Give some room in your prayers for them and their families!

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Members of our **Parish's Safeguarding Committee** will speak at Masses this weekend. This Committee oversees, monitors and implements our compliance with Government and Church requirements. This compliance requires all involved in Ministry to have a Working With Children Check.

On Sunday 22nd May at 11.00am, Archbishop Comensoli will celebrate **Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral commemorating those who have died during the COVID pandemic**, especially when there were restrictions on visiting and numbers at funerals. To have a person's name included, go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GZKP7QF>. The names will be placed in a basket at the base of the altar, to be prayed for during all Masses over the weekend of 21-22 May.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY DINNERS: at QUATREFOILS RESTAURANT – Catholic Regional College, Sydenham - 380 Sydenham Road, Sydenham 3037: enter via Gate 10 on Pecks Road.

Tuesday 19 July • Wednesday 20 July • Tuesday 26 July • Thursday 28 July : 6:00pm arrival • \$40pp – 3 course Christmas Feast: For bookings Email: Quatrefoils@crcc.vic.edu.au

A **new RCIA group** journey will commence on Tuesday, 19 July 2022, at 7:30pm at Sacred Heart Church. If you or anyone you know, would like to join in full communion with the Catholic Church, and share in the Sacraments: please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for your interest in our **Parish Fair**.

This year it has been decided that each of the schools will have their own mini fair. The COVID restrictions have made it difficult to plan in advance and we are still unsure how winter will affect us. For the safety of our students and teachers we will be holding these fairs with our own communities.

The Parish Fair members have offered their assistance at each of the mini fairs and we are very grateful for this offer. All fair committee members will need to be triple vaccinated and have a working with children check.

As the mini fair will be more directed to children and their interests we will not need to grow plants to sell this year or provide activities directed to adults.

The Parish Fair committee continues to organise the Bunnings Sausage Sizzle to support the schools in our Parish. If you would like to help them out you would be most welcome.

We are always very grateful to the support our Parishioners offer us.

Kind regards,

Dianne, Carmen and Jackie
Principals

Options/alternatives to view Mass

Mass for You at Home, (MFYAH), which up till now had been produced in the studios of Channel Ten, now has a new base in the Diocese of Wollongong (NSW). The Mass is celebrated in St John Vianney Co-Cathedral, Wollongong. It shows at 6.00am Sundays on Channel Ten and is repeated multiple times a day on Foxtel's Aurora channel.

Importantly for those who have become used to Mass being 'streamed', this Sunday Mass is also available on demand on Channel Ten's platform www.tenplay.com.au/mfyah.

Mass is also available on Wollongong's YouTube channel which can be accessed on www.massforyou.com.au as well as the Diocesan website, www.dow.org.au. There are also links to it on the Diocesan Facebook page and the MFYA Facebook page.

Channel 31 (usually found at '44' on digital TV's) 11.00am Sundays from St Patrick's Cathedral or **online at: <https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass>** at 1.00pm on weekdays, and at 11.00am on Sundays **online at: <http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand>** (continuous daily from Lavender Bay Parish, Sydney)