



**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 21st August 2022**

**PARISH DETAILS**

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**Office Hours:**  
**Monday— Wednesday:** 9:30am—4:00pm  
**Thursday & Friday:** 9:30am—2:30pm  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
 Sacred Heart English Saturday 10.30am  
 Maltese every 4th Saturday 4.00pm  
**Baptism:** Eight weeks notice is required  
**Marriage:** Six months noticed required

**Sacred Heart Mass Times:**

Tuesday—Friday 7.30am  
 Saturday 9.00am  
 Sunday Saturday 5:00pm  
 Sunday 7:30am,10:30am  
 Polish 9.00am  
 Slovene 2nd Sunday of month at 5.00pm

**Emmaus Mass Times**

Sunday Saturday 6:30pm  
 Sunday 9:00am

If you would like to receive the weekly 'Parish Update' emailed to you, please send your email address to the Parish: [stalbans@cam.org.au](mailto:stalbans@cam.org.au)

**SAFEGUARDING 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. To report issues and concerns, contact: [stalbans.csc@cam.org.au](mailto:stalbans.csc@cam.org.au) or 0413 841 936

**READINGS**

This week:	First Reading: Is 66:18-21	Second Reading: Heb 12:5-7, 11-13	Gospel: Lk 13:22-30
Next week:	First Reading: Sir 3:17-20, 28-29	Second Reading: Heb 12:18-19, 22-24	Gospel: Lk 14:1. 7-14

**REFLECTION**

**"From east and west, from north and south ..."**

This is a quote from today's Word of God which speaks about 'a gathering of all nations', – for all are part of God's creation. Pope Francis expanded on this by saying "It is not just about migrants" in a statement a few years ago: *Faith assures us that in a mysterious way the Kingdom of God is already present here on earth. Yet in our own time, we are saddened to see the obstacles and opposition it encounters. Violent conflicts and all-out wars continue to rear humanity apart; injustices and discrimination follow one upon the other; economic and social imbalances on a local or global scale prove difficult to overcome. And above all it is the poorest of the poor and the most disadvantaged who pay the price.*

*The most economically advanced societies are witnessing a growing trend towards extreme individualism which, combined with a utilitarian mentality and reinforced by the media, is producing a "globalisation of indifference". In this scenario, migrants, refugees, displaced persons and victims of trafficking have become emblems of exclusion. In addition to the hardships that their condition entails, they are often looked down upon and considered the source of all society's ills. That attitude is an alarm bell warning of the moral decline we will face if we continue to give ground to the 'throw-away culture'. In fact, if it continues, anyone who does not fall within the accepted norms of physical, mental and social well-being, is at risk of marginalisation and exclusion. For this reason, the presence of migrants and refugees – and of vulnerable people in general – is an invitation to recover some of those essential dimensions of our Christian existence and our humanity that risk being overlooked in a prosperous society. That is why it is not just about migrants. When we show concern for them, we also show concern for ourselves, for everyone; in taking care of them, we all grow; in listening to them, we also give voice to a part of ourselves that we may keep hidden because it is not well-regarded nowadays*



**St Vincent de Paul - THANKYOU**

The society of St. Vincent de Paul (VINNIES) is so grateful for our recent donations of \$3154. WELL DONE ALL!



## WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

**RECENT DEATHS:** Fidela Villaflores, Mona Xavier, Wayne Fraser, Prudence Fraser, Paul Lek Nov, Angelo Cassar, John Borg, Maria Beller, Nikolle Sokolaj

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Michael & Josephine Piacentini, Aaron D'Souza, Pero Klisanin, Charlie Dingli, Carmel & Coneccta Cohen, Rod Bonnici, Anglea Xuereb, Paul Aquilina, Antonia Demicoli, Family Shepherd - Baldacchin, Caruna & Barbara, Corey Azzopardi, Jorge & Felicia Attard, Lewis, Paul & Joe Psaila, Sam & Luke Cassar, Margaret Borg, Emmanuel & Jessie Mifsud, Marianne Zammit, Charlie Camillari & Lilly Zamath, Tommy Zarafa, John Coloerico, Joe Giaccotto, Joe & Paula Muscat, Father Joshua & Peter Muscat, Giuseppe Del Casale, Mary Mifsud & Mifsud Family, Plaxedez Demsey, Gregorio Arcuino, Sulpicia Arcuino, Daniel Arcuino, Esmundo Arcuino

## OUR PASTORAL, SOCIAL & SCHOOL EVENTS

### CatholicCare Donations

We have forwarded \$5000 to CatholicCare: a combination of some individual donations and from the Parish—your Thanksgiving contribution at work again. Contact details for services of CatholicCare are :

3 Wingfield St, Footscray VIC 3011 ,T (03) 9689 3888

Monday – Friday | 9:00am – 5:00pm

CatholicCare offers child, family and youth services, family relationship services, school counselling and pastoral care services, social housing, homelessness services (crisis, transitional and outreach), employment and advocacy services. Support services are available to all individuals or groups regardless of race, religious beliefs or economic status.

### RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process by which those who are part of other faith traditions, and those whose Baptism into the Catholic Church has not been developed come into full communion with the Catholic Church. This process culminates in the liturgies of Easter in the following year after the process began. A new RCIA group journey in our Parish has commenced on 19 July 2022, and registrations are open. If you or anyone you know, would like to take this journey to share in the Sacraments of the Church and join in full communion with the Catholic Church, please contact the Parish Office for more information.

### RECENT CHANGES TO COVID-SAFETY REGULATIONS FOR CHURCHES

**As of Midday 20 July 2022 VICTORIA**

- **COVID-19 Diagnosis** - It is an essential requirement to isolate for seven days following a COVID-19 diagnosis. Individuals must notify their workplace, in addition to informing their social contacts. Workplaces, however, are not required to individually identify and notify each potentially exposed worker/contact.
- **Face Coverings** - The Chief Health Officer has strongly recommended the use of face coverings in indoor and crowd settings during this winter period (from July 2022 onwards).

Face coverings remain optional within Places of Worship. However, parishioners should be encouraged (via signage and bulletin reminders) to be sensitive to the well-being of others when in close proximity.

Clergy and Extraordinary Ministers are also strongly encouraged to wear face coverings for the distribution of communion. Face coverings should also be worn when visiting parishioners.

Face coverings are still required in sensitive settings such as hospitals and care facilities, and must be worn on public transport, taxis, ride shares, and planes – but will no longer be required at airports.

### ENROLMENT FOR YEAR 7, 2024—St Albans

Families in the St Albans part of our Parish may apply to CRC St Albans for enrolment for Year 7, 2024 now open. Parents of current Year 5 students who are zoned to CRC St Albans have until 19 August 2022 to submit their applications for enrolment for Year 7 in 2024. This is the final date of acceptance for applications. Parents who have children attending the College and have siblings in Year 5 will still need to complete an enrolment form. You can download the application form from our College website.

### ENROLMENT FOR YEAR 7, 2024—Caroline Springs

Families in the Hillside-Plumpton, part of our Parish may apply to CRC Caroline Springs for enrolment for Year 7, 2024 is now open. All parents of current Year 5 students who are zoned to CRC Caroline Springs have until 19 August 2022 to submit their applications for enrolment for Year 7 in 2024. This is the final date of acceptance for applications. Parents who have children attending the College and have siblings in Year 5 will still need to complete an enrolment form. You can download the application form from our College website.

<https://www.crcs.vic.edu.au/enrolment-1/enrolment-procedures>

**St Mary of the Cross MacKillop**

I beg that he will guard and comfort you all

Mary MacKillop 21st August 1867 (Check out Mary MacKillop noticeboard outside on the veranda)