



17th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A - 30th July 2023

Parish Details:

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Office Hours:

Monday & Tuesday: 9:30am—4:00pm

Wednesday-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:

Weekdays:

Tuesday - Friday 7.30am
Saturday 9.00am

Weekend:

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 7:30am, 10:30am
Polish 9.00am

Slovene 2nd Sunday of month at 5:00pm

Emmaus Mass Times:

Saturday 6:30pm
Sunday 9:00am

Website: <http://pol.org.au/stalbanssydenham/Home.aspx>

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 or 0413 841 936

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Sacred Heart-Emmaus Parish acknowledges the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin nation, the traditional owners of the land where we gather. We pay our respect to their elders past, present and emerging.

READINGS

This Week: First Reading: 1 Kings 3:5.7-12 Second Reading: Romans 8:28-30 Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52
Next Week: First Reading: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 Second Reading: 2 Peter 1:16-19 Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

REFLECTION

BEING WISE

To name someone as 'wise' – it's not a description we use lightly, and yet it is the gift we are called to develop in today's Word of God. It comes from knowing the ways of God, and shaping our lives on that basis – in the plans we make, the words we use, the attitudes we hold, the things we do. This may mean acting differently sometimes from patterns and customs around us. When acted on, this wisdom will develop more the 'Kingdom of heaven', described today as 'a treasure' to behold!

A PRAYER OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI BEFORE THE CRUCIFIX

Most high, glorious God,
cast your light
into the darkness of my heart.
Give me, Lord,
right faith,
firm hope,
perfect charity,
and profound humility,
with wisdom and perception,
so that I may carry out
what is truly Your holy will.
Amen.



“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found.”

Matthew 13:44



WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

RECENT DEATHS: Dusan Stevic, Doris Coliero, Frank Mladinic, Michael Fielding, Maria Brincat, Michelina Tartaglia, Jan Matusik, Mihaela Jeselnik, Sebastiano Sensiano, Guy D'Cunha

ANNIVERSARIES: Joe Xuereb, Emmanuel & Frank Grech, Cecilia & Frank Cordina, Joseph & Maria Orsini, Joseph Grech, Tessie Farrugia, Lewis, Paul & Joe Psaila, Sam & Luke Cassar, Margaret Borg, Mary Jane Cefai, Joseph Cefai, Prudence Fraser, Linette & Jeffrey Cooper, Galea & Vassalo Family, Bandacchino Mifsud, Maria Mengle, Zita Aruliah, Leo Aruliah, Tony Baracho, Estefania Baracho, Rita Buttigieg, Anthony & Carmen Buttigieg, Paul & Maria Rozario, Benjamin & Anastasia Gomes, Fr. Joshua & Peter Muscat, Joe Muscat, Rita Buttigieg, Anthony & Carmen Buttigieg, John Polotzek, Sam Missif, Lovey Chee, Norman Gatt, Frank Mladinic, Giuseppe Pribaz, Michael & Josephine Piacentini, Paul Aquilina, Pero Kilsanin, Aaron D'Souza, Angela Xuereb, Sam & Kathy Farrugia, Clarrie James, Jenny Margret, Joeanne Martin, Fred Borg, Joyce Borg, David Sacco, Liwanag de Jesus

OUR PASTORAL, SOCIAL & SCHOOL EVENTS

HELP FOR AN UNHAPPY HOME

If your home is unhappy because a loved one drinks too much, **there is help and hope available!** Al-Anon Family Groups offers comfort to families who are struggling with this common problem. Al-Anon began in Australia more than 70 years ago and has assisted many. A voluntary donation is requested to help cover the cost of the room rental and refreshments. **Al-Anon Family Groups** is a Spiritual program. Members are encouraged to find their own understanding of a 'Higher Power' which many refer to as 'God'. They share their experience, strength and hope (for a better future) with each other. New members are invited to attend six meetings to help them decide if Al-Anon is for them.

NEW GROUP in the Sydenham area

Meetings will be held every Wednesday from 1-2:30pm at the Sydenham Neighbourhood House, Level 1. **Directions:** Opp. Watergardens station, enter venue from rear of library, using lift.

Website: al-anon.org.au **Helpline:** 1300 252 666

"It will be alright in the end. If it's not alright, it's not the end" from the Movie: The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel.

Ministry Updates

**** All Volunteers please finalise your Training online this weekend by Sunday 30th July ****

Use this link: upcoming-events/safeguarding-training-modules/
Email the certificate to the parish office on completion

Meetings:

Parish Advisory Group - 2nd August 7pm, Sacred Heart Office
Parish Finance meeting - 8th August 7pm, Sacred Heart Office



RESTAURANT

Midwinter Christmas Dinners at Quatrefoils

Midwinter is here the students of CRC Sydenham are here to

help you warm up and celebrate the climb back to summer-time! We have booking available for our Midwinter Christmas feast. The menu will include roast turkey, glazed ham, pavlova, Christmas pudding and trifle. This special menu is only on for a limited time and is only **\$45pp.**

Bookings are available for 6.30pm on:

Wednesday 2nd of August

Thursday 3rd of August

To RSVP for these evenings please

email quatrefoils@crs.vic.edu.au with:

Your name, The date you are booking for, Phone number, Number of guests & Any dietary requirements.

MENU:

Amuse bouche: Smoked salmon, creme fraiche, lemon, croute, and Chicken and cognac pate, rhubarb

Entree: Celeriac, hazelnut and truffle soup, prosciutto crumb, garlic toast

Main: Roast turkey breast, glazed ham, roast potatoes, pumpkin, cranberry sauce and gravy

Sides to share: Salad from our garden, persian feta, pumpkin seeds, mint

Cleanser: Housemade lemon sorbet

Dessert: Christmas pudding with brandy custard and Pavlova with cream and fresh fruit

Thank you for your ongoing support and we look forward to seeing you in the restaurant as our students build their skills



30 YEAR SCHOOL

REUNION

Catholic Regional College, Sydenham

CLASS OF 1993

Students and teachers of the
Class of 1993 at

Catholic Regional College, Sydenham
(including North Keilor, St. Albans and Melton campuses
from 1988 - 1991)

are invited to attend our
30 Year School Reunion
on **28th October 2023** in Melbourne

Email crsSydenhamClassOf93@gmail.com

for more information

RSVP required by the 28th of August 2023

**VINNIES
DONATION**



The Parish has made
a contribution of \$8537.85 to the Winter Appeal of the St Vincent de Paul Society.



Catholic Regional
College St Albans

CRC St Albans Yr7 Enrolments 2025

Please see pamphlet attached to the newsletter email in regards to enrolments for students who will be in year 7 in 2025. Close off date is 18th August 2023

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St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

May God give to us what is best. Mary MacKillop 26th. Sept 1884