



ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PARISH  
& PRIMARY SCHOOL

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52 Yarra Street

HEIDELBERG

## PARISH PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we the parishioners of St John's are grateful for all we have received from the men, women and children of our past. Help us to cherish and maintain our parish heritage.

Most of all, enable us to be people who welcome the stranger, the needy, the sick and the lonely.  
Like St John, our patron saint, may we be people who love others, as your Son Jesus, asked us to do.  
We make this prayer, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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10:00am-5:00pm (Mon-Fri only)

### **WEEKEND MASS TIMES:**

Saturday: 6:00pm

Sunday: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm

### **AUSTIN HOSPITAL MASS:**

3rd Sunday of the Month at 9:30am.

**WEEKDAY MASS:** 9:15am

**ROSARY:** Monday to Saturday after Mass.

**LECTIO DIVINA:** Every second and fourth  
Monday of the month at 7:30pm, in the  
parish house.

**LEGION OF MARY:** Tuesday night at 7:30pm  
in the parish house. Info: Sue 9459 8604

### **EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

Wednesday: 7:30pm - 9:00pm;

Thursday: 9:40am - 11:00am,

Friday: 8:00am - 9:00am

### **RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):**

Saturday at 9:45am & 5:30pm  
or by appointment

**BAPTISMS:** On Sundays at 11:45am, by  
appointment.

### **BAPTISM INFORMATION EVENING:**

Last Thursday of each month at 7:30pm  
in the parish house, except Dec and Jan.

**WEDDINGS:** By appointment (9457 1066).

**PARISH PILGRIM STATUE OF MARY:** In order  
to have the statue of Mary in your home  
for one week please contact Marj  
McBroom on 0414 289 304.

*29th / 30th July 2017 - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr A*

*Mid-term Stewardship Campaign Renewal*

*Dear parishioners, visitors and friends.*

*In August 2015 we celebrated our last Thanksgiving / Stewardship Campaign. As we are past the mid-way mark of the three-year term, it is time for us to take a look at our achievements.*

*One may say that parish life has two main pillars: the pastoral activities and the material aspects, of which both are equally important. From time to time during the year we remind ourselves of the various pastoral needs: Vinnies, the Austin, Heidelbergcare, Serve the Servers nights, and other ministries.*

*As parish priest it is also my duty to ensure that our buildings are maintained and enhanced. This requires continuous financial support. This year we have looked at the needs of the parish house meeting rooms and also general maintenance of the house. In the coming five years we will need to pay serious attention to some essential maintenance in our church.*

*Where does your money go? The money that is put in the parish side of the envelope goes to pay wages and current maintenance works. The money that goes in the priests' side is money for my living expenses. Part of that money is also forwarded to the bishop (5%) and to other priests (25%). The loose money is divided two thirds to the parish and one third to the priests.*

*We ask you to pledge / promise / budget the amount of money you can give to the parish on a weekly or monthly basis. This helps us to draw up our own plans and budgets. It is not enough for the parish to have enough money to cover current expenses, this way there will be no money for bigger projects that need to be undertaken. Also, wages and cost of living is always rising.*

*I kindly ask you to be generous and pledge to our thanksgiving / stewardship programme.*

*Thank you*

*Fr Mario*

### **PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

**THE SICK:** Sally Burton, Sally Hodgson, Teresita Idquival, David Kemp, Paul Kemp, Aileen Powell, Michael Saveriades (Jr), Franca Valmorbida, Marie Hankin.

**ANNIVERSARY:** Pat Heywood, John Lanagan, Kay Radzikowski, Joseph Nguyen, John Francis Ward, Henrietta Lewis.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Josephine Deguara, Antonietta Di-Paola, Betty Lloyd.

*Names on the sick list remain for six weeks, unless otherwise advised.*

*Please submit any items for the newsletter, including sick, recently deceased and anniversaries, by Thursday morning latest. Thank you.*

29 July/30 July	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5:00pm
1st Reader	Zen Zebrowski	Claire Newsome	Elizabeth Williamson	Johanna Nesbitt
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader	Guisepppe Amoroso	Garry Sproules	Michelle Robertson	Rosemary Vecchies
Communion	Christopher Ratnayake	Teresa Lincoln	Tim Boyle	Jan McQueen
	Maria Basilone	Peter O'Donoghue	Doris Schembri	Tony Rowlands
	Domenica Ashworth	Ngoc Thi Minh Tran	Leo Hernandez	Catie Nesbitt
	Emma Chang	Alice Wong	TBA	Philip Johnson
5 Aug/6 Aug	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5:00pm
1st Reader	Sue Lew-Kee	Bernadette Nzenza	Claire Newsome	Margaret Andrews
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader	Maddy Lew-Kee	Elizabeth Williamson	Harsha Dilip	Mary Kotefski
Communion	Donna Richardson	Val Wallis	Maureen Howard	Sally Tramontana
	Adrian Daly	Margaret Bradley	Kate Mathai	Leo Cosio
	Leonore Giliberto	Stanly Devasia	Beena Dilip	Charito Cosio
	Lorraine Mascarenhas	Jim Gray	Yannick Jonas	Leela Cherubim
Counters	<b>30 July:</b> Vincent Chung, Bill Barnes, Peter O'Donoghue & <b>6 Aug:</b> Stephen Devenish, Nicole Pelizzaro, Thomas Bechelli.			
Collection Weekly Average for June			Heidelcare Co-Ordinator	
Parish	Presbytery		July 2017: Jenny 9459 7174	
Stewardship	\$3303.13	Stewardship	August 2017: Marilyn 9459 1950	
Loose	\$777.77	Loose	\$406.25	
<b>Thank you</b> for supporting St John's financially. Please advise if your credit card is lost/stolen or the expiry date has changed.				

**ALL WELCOME:** to join us as we celebrate Fr Ted's 50th Anniversary of the Priesthood. This Sunday 6th August during 10:30am Mass followed by special morning tea in the hall. *PS. If you would like to bring along a plate please write your name and what you would like to bring on the clipboard in the porch. Thank you.*

**GOLD COIN COLLECTION:** This weekend at all Masses.

**THANKSGIVING / STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN:** This weekend at all Masses we will be given the opportunity to revisit our commitment to our parish community. How can I better share in the life of my parish? How can I better support my parish community financially? Stewardship campaign forms will be distributed after the homily.

**MASS WITH THE SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** 3rd August at 9:15am and 11:30am. Light lunch at St Monica's Hall after the 11:30 Mass. All welcome. Parishioners who require transport, please contact the parish office on 94571066.

**ANNUAL PARISH MEETING:** 17th August 7:30pm to 9:00pm in St Monica's Hall (next to the parish hall). This year we will be discussing a vision for our parish: what is the aim of what we do as a parish? We will also share about creating a Child Safe Environment in our parish and present the 2016 financial report. The annual meeting gives us a chance to talk about the life and the future of our parish community.

**THE SEASONS FOR GROWTH SEMINAR UNDERSTANDING CHANGE, LOSS AND GRIEF:** will be held in St John's Parish House this Thursday 3rd August, from 6:00pm to 9:00pm. The seminar is an education program that equips us to manage in times of change. For further information and to book into the session, please contact Julie on [julie@changesinbetween.com](mailto:julie@changesinbetween.com) or on 0411 241005.

**EUTHANASIA BILL IN THE VICTORIAN PARLIAMENT:** As you are aware a draft bill has now been prepared and is expected to come before parliament between 22nd and 24th August with debate expected to begin two weeks later. We are strongly encouraged to write to our members of parliament expressing our opinion about this bill. Letters need to be received before the debate starts. Members of parliament will be at their electoral office on the week starting Monday 28th August. This is the best time for the letters to reach them. At the parish office we have some guidelines that can be used to help write these letters, please contact the office by phone or by email to be given a copy of these guidelines.

**FR MARIO:** is available to visit and spend time with your family on the following evenings in August 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13. Contact the parish office to book.

**PROBLEMS WITH GAMBLING:** can happen to anyone. Gambler's Help North and North Western offers confidential and free counselling for anyone experiencing problems with gambling. Counselling, advice and support is also available to affected others. Financial counselling is also offered, along with our Peer Connection Program (telephone support service). To make a referral to Gambler's Help, please call the intake team on 1300 133 445 or email [ghnintake@bchs.org.au](mailto:ghnintake@bchs.org.au). After an initial phone screening, an appointment is offered. All services are free of charge.

**ELVIS NIGHT FUNDRAISER:** Saturday 12th August at 7:30pm in St John's Parish Hall. Come with friends to enjoy a night out with an Elvis impersonator to raise funds to assist Paschal, a Nigerian Seminarian to be ordained for the Hobart Archdiocese this September. Cost \$25.00 per head. BYO food, drink and glasses. Tea & Coffee provided. Contact Trish or Francis Seymon on 9459 7413 / 0410407042 ASAP for bookings. Raffle tickets available this week.