



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.

*9/10 September 2017 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr A*

Dear parishioners, visitors and friends,

### WINNING PEOPLE BACK

*In the gospel for today we hear a short extract from an instruction Jesus gives his disciples on community life within the Church. Jesus recognises that the Church is not going to be a community of the perfect. Allowance has to be made for dealing with moral lapses and dissensions that inevitably occur in a community still on the way to the Kingdom.*

*The procedure that Jesus lays down reveals his sense of the Church as the family of God. Correction should as far as possible be carried out in private. Only if that proves unsuccessful should a carefully staged progression of increasingly public procedures be set in place. The goal is not simply to win, but to "win back" the "brother or sister," to preserve as far as possible the dignity of the errant person and enhance everyone's sense of being a respected member of the "family."*

*If, despite all, the process fails, there is nothing to be done but to treat the person as an outsider to the community. There comes a point beyond which a community can no longer tolerate members who consistently defy its core values.*

*To set someone outside the community is no light matter. The Church needs to know that its decisions in this regard enjoy heavenly sanction. Hence Jesus' assurance that the "binding and loosing" authority conferred personally upon Peter in regard to interpretations of the law (16:19), is also enjoyed by the local community with respect to the exclusion or non-exclusion of errant members. As risen Lord, Jesus remains "Emmanuel," "God with us" (1:23).*

*Fr Brendan Byrne sj*

**THE EUCHARISTIC FAST:** Those who receive holy Communion are to abstain for one hour beforehand from all food and drink with the exception of water and medicine. This does not apply to the elderly, the sick and those who care for them. It is most strongly recommended that the faithful receive holy Communion in the course of a Eucharistic celebration of the Mass.

*Code of Canon Law #918-919*

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**THE SICK:** Marie Hankin, Ruth Mc Guire, Aileen Powell, Franca Valmorbidia.

**ANNIVERSARY:** Maria Monteleone, Sereno Pellizzaro, Vincent Cannuli, Tomas Garaghy, Norman Collier, Len Garner, Mary Collier, Therese Browne, Paul Byrne, John Whelan.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Rees Mc Carthy, Paul Kemp.

*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.*

<b>9 Sept/10 Sept</b>	<b>Sat 6:00pm</b>	<b>Sun 8:30am</b>	<b>Sun 10:30am</b>	<b>Sun 5:00pm</b>
1st Reader	Sharon D'Souza	Marguerite Ryan	Elizabeth Williamson	Bernie Zwolak
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader	John James	Pietro Sciotto	Claire Newsome	Kamilla Zwolak
Communion	Margaret Urquhart	Pauline Griffiths	Maureen Howard	Jenny Hollaway
	Noel Micallef	Val Wallis	Yannick Jonas	Philip Johnson
	Jeanette O'Sullivan	Teresa Lincoln	Sue Lew-Kee	Jan McQueen
	Donna Richardson	Peter O'Donoghue	TBA	TBA
<b>16 Sept/17 Sept</b>	<b>Sat 6:00pm</b>	<b>Sun 8:30am</b>	<b>Sun 10:30am</b>	<b>Sun 5:00pm</b>
1st Reader	Sue Lew-Kee	Bernadette Nzenza	Anita Metcalf	Guisepppe Amoroso
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader	Maddy Lew-Kee	Ronnie Maloney	Michael Leonard	Margaret Andrews
Communion	Donna Richardson	Ngoc Thi Minh Tran	Geraldine Manuel	Joanna Nesbitt
	Adrian Daly	Mary Harty	Erin Manuel	Catie Nesbitt
	Maria Basilone	Elizabeth Williamson	Kate Mathai	Des O'Brien
	Emma Chang	Alice Wong	Doris Schembri	Margaret Hansen
Counters	<b>10th Sept:</b> Shane Byrnes, Tim Booth, Nigel Mant & <b>17 Sept:</b> Vincent Chung, Bill Barnes, Peter O'Donoghue.			
<b>Collection Weekly Average for August</b>			<b>Heidelcare Co-Ordinator</b>	
Parish	Presbytery		September 2017: Cath 9459 9420	
Stewardship	\$3515.13	Stewardship	\$737.82	October 2017: Marilyn 9459 1950
Loose	\$743.87	Loose	\$397.50	
<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.				

**AUSTIN MASS:** will be celebrated next Sunday 17th September. Volunteers please meet at 8:30am for 9:30am Mass at the chapel. Parishioners are also invited to participate in this Mass to minister to the sick by their presence. Thank you.

**NEW PRIESTS AND DEACONS:** This weekend the Church in Melbourne welcomes two new priests. Fathers Toan Nguyen and Anil Mascarenhas were ordained on Saturday morning at St Patrick's Cathedral. Please pray for our new priests and for many more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life from our parishes and communities in Melbourne.

**2017 PARISH SEMINAR:** Thursdays 19th and 26th October and 2nd November. Rev Dr Elio Capra, a Salesian priest, speaks about Pope Francis' letter *Amoris Laetitia*—the Joy of Love. Topics: The structure and the content of *Amoris Laetitia*. Why has *Amoris Laetitia* caused so much controversy? What are the implications for the individual, the family, the parish and the church? 7:30pm to 9:00pm at the Francis Xavier meeting rooms (St John's parish house). Entrance through the meeting room doors at the back of the parish house. All Welcome. RSVP [heidelberg@cam.org.au](mailto:heidelberg@cam.org.au) / 94571066.

**THE NEXT ARCHBISHOP'S CATHOLIC MAN BREAKFAST SERIES:** on the 14th September 2017, features Daniel Wells, current Collingwood and former North Melbourne star, discussing "faith, family and football" with John Canavan. Venue is the CQ Club, 113 – 123 Queen St Melbourne from 7 am to 9 am. Come along and here Daniel talk about his faith journey and hear his message for young Catholic men. It is an opportunity for men to gather and to be encouraged and inspired in their faith. Don't miss it. Enquiries Michael Bohan 0439 172 465 [michael.bohan@menalive.org.au](mailto:michael.bohan@menalive.org.au)

**THANK YOU:** to Fr Mario, Fr Ted for celebrating the Rosary & Mass for the remembrance of Vincent, he would have been stoked by the attendance of so many. This gives me the opportunity to thank St John's parishioners for the prayers being offered for me during my illness, they appear to be working as my medication is heading me in the right direction & am feeling much better. Aileen Powell & family

**KIMBERLEY CATHOLIC VOLUNTEER SERVICE:** Volunteer workers needed. Broome Diocese, WA, requires volunteers to assist with the work of the local Church in the Kimberley. Placements preferred for a period of 6 months. Currently seeking volunteers for the Balgo, Bidyadanga and Warmun for the wet season. Accommodation and food provided. Contact: Anneliese Rohr 08 9192 1060 / [volunteers@broome.diocese.org](mailto:volunteers@broome.diocese.org) Web: [www.broomediocese.org](http://www.broomediocese.org)

**ASSUMPTION COLLEGE KILMORE 125TH ANNIVERSARY:** Are you a former student of Assumption College Kilmore? If so, Alumni Development Officer Maria Cleve would love to hear from you. ACK will celebrate its 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2018 and there are many events are planned during 2018 for former students. Please phone Maria Cleve in our Alumni office on (03) 57835 343 or email [maria.cleve@assumption.vic.edu.au](mailto:maria.cleve@assumption.vic.edu.au)

**THOMAS BERRY REFLECTIVE SEMINARY:** Sunday 10th September, 2:00 to 5:00pm at St Kevin's Catholic Church Gathering Space, 26 Herlihy's Road, Lower Templestowe. Please see notice board for details.

**EMAIL ADDRESSES:** Emails are a very important means of communications in our world. The parish newsletter and various other communications are regularly sent out by email to all parishioners. Please contact the parish office to update your email address if you are not presently receiving communication from the parish.