



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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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 7:00pm, 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.

28/29 Oct 2017 - 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr A

Dear parishioners, visitors and friends,

This week we start the month of November, a month during which we remember in a special way all those who have gone before us and an opportunity for us to reflect on the end of our own life. The month start off with two special feast days: All Saints and All Souls, two very distinct but closely related celebrations.

God created all women and men in his own image and likeness and we can only reach our fulfilment when we live his life in its fullness. As Christians we live this journey as members of the Church, sharing our faith with other believers and forming the Body of Christ, with Christ himself at the head. Here on earth we walk along this pilgrim journey and respond in faith to God's call as we come to know God and learn to see him with the eyes of faith.

Jesus tells his disciples to 'be holy as your Father in heaven is holy!' We achieve this holiness when we die in Christ and rise again with him in God. On the 1st day of November we celebrate all our sisters and brothers who have walked this way before us and have reached their perfection in God. Some of these are officially recognised by the Church and placed before us as role models; but many others, among them our own relatives and friends, are also counted among the saints as they have loved and believed in God.

Sinfulness is part of our weak human nature, and we can only reach God after a period of purification which we call purgatory. On the 2nd of November we remember and pray for those who have gone before us and are still in this state of purification; we pray that their sins are forgiven and they can join the fullness of life in God.

The Eucharist is the moment when we join in one great celebration together with our sisters and brothers who celebrate in God. It is a moment when we thank God for all the gifts he showered on these sisters and brothers who have gone before us.

Fr Mario

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY MARRIED: Hayden Leadbetter with Elise Nolan.

THE SICK: Patricia Mulholland, Ruth Mc Guire, Aileen Powell.

ANNIVERSARY: Jason Glenn Marsi.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Carl Tamassy, Franca Valmorbida.

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.*

28 Oct/29 Oct	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5:00pm
1st Reader	Michael Leonard	Ronnie Maloney	Claire Newsome	Giuseppe Amoroso
2 nd Reader	John James	Garry Sproules	Anita Metcalf	Catie Nesbitt
Communion	Emma Chang	Christopher Ratnayake	Yannick Jonas	Jenny Hollaway
	Donna Richardson	Margaret Bradley	Sue Lew-Kee	Margaret Hansen
	TBA	Stanly Devasia	Geraldine Manuel	Philip Johnson
	TBA	Teresa Lincoln	Doris Schembri	Jan McQueen
4 Nov/ 5 Nov	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5:00pm
1st Reader	Sharon D'Souza	Claire Newsome	Robyn Laurie	Margaret Andrews
2 nd Reader	John James	Marguerite Ryan	Michelle Robertson	Giuseppe Amoroso
Communion	Domenica Ashworth	Margaret Bradley	Tim Boyle	Leo Cosio
	Emma Chang	Stanly Devasia	Leonore Giliberto	Charito Cosio
	Noel Micallef	Karen Frost	Leo Hernandez	Leela Cherubim
	TBA	Pauline Griffiths	Maureen Howard	Margaret Hansen
Counters	29 Oct: Shane Byrnes, Tim Booth, Nigel Mant & 5 Nov: Vincent Chung, Bill Barnes, Peter O'Donoghue.			
Collection Weekly Average for September				Heidelcare Co-Ordinator
Parish		Presbytery		November 2017: Joan 9459 3889
Stewardship	\$4257.00	Stewardship	\$877.19	December 2017: Elaine 9459 6721
Loose	\$636.44	Loose	\$323.15	5th November Morning Tea: Tina & Sina
Thank you for supporting St John's financially. Please advise if your credit card is lost/stolen or the expiry date has changed.				

MORNING TEA: available in the parish hall after 10:30am Mass next Sunday 5th November. Please join us!

2017 PARISH SEMINAR: THIRD AND FINAL TALK THIS THURSDAY 2ND NOVEMBER by Rev Dr Elio Capra, a Salesian priest, speaks about Pope Francis' letter Amoris Laetitia—the Joy of Love. Topics: 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 / 94571066.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: Northern Central Council festival Mass. At St John's on Thursday 9th November, 7:30pm. Please join as we thank God for the good work carried out by our local Vinnies Conferences and celebrate our St John's Conference 90th anniversary. Des Madden, the new Northern Central Council president, will be commissioned on this occasion. RSVP by 2nd November on support.services@svdp-vic.org.au

NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: a seminar to prepare new Ministers of Communion will be held at Our Lady of Mercy College on Thursday 9th November at 3:30pm. Anyone who would like to become a Minister of Communion is welcome to attend. Please contact the parish office on 94571066.

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS: our Year 12 students who will be sitting for their VCE exams. As a community we journey with you in prayer.

2017 RERUM NOVARUM ORATION: by Fr Frank Brennan on The Legacy of Justice Higgins—Seeking a True New Start for all Job Seekers and Workers. Wednesday 8th November, 7:30pm at 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne. RSVP 99265727 / justice@cam.org.au

FR MARIO: is available to visit and spend time with your family on the following days in November: 3, 4, 5, 10, 11 and 12. Please ring the parish office (94571066) for an appointment.

NOVEMBER MASSES: As the month of November approaches, we remember our loved ones who have died. November Mass envelopes are available in the porch of the church. Envelopes can be dropped off at the parish office, sacristy or in the Sunday collections. You may also wish to write the names of your loved ones in the register next to the baptism font. Name of our departed loved ones will be placed on the altar and remembered at all Masses during the month of November.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: an elderly parishioner from Yallambie is seeking transport to Sunday Mass at St John's at least once a month. Please contact the parish office for further details.

UNUSED LAPTOPS AND TABLETS: Our Lady of the Pines parish representatives are collecting unused laptops and tablets to send to India. If you can help please contact the Donvale parish on 98418354. (Laptops and tablets can also be dropped off at our parish office and we will forward them to the Donvale parish.) Thank you for your generosity.

2018 SCHOOL FETE GARDEN STORE: A call out to any parishioners with a green thumb who might like to start some plantings to donate to the garden store for next year's school fete on 3rd March.

CAR BOOT SALE: at St Pius X Parish on Sunday 3rd December, from 10:00am to 2:00pm. Enquiries: 94975319 / edwmargaret@yahoo.com.au

ST MARTIN OF TOURS COMMUNITY TWILIGHT FETE: Friday 24th November, 3:30pm to 8:30pm, Silk Street, Rosanna. Rides, Food, Crafts, Raffles, Games and Stalls. Bring your family and enjoy the fun!