



ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PARISH
& PRIMARY SCHOOL

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52 Yarra Street
HEIDELBERG



We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which our parish stands, the Wurundjeri-Balluk clan of the Woi wurrung people in the Kulin Nation.

Central to the mission of St John's Parish is an unequivocal commitment to fostering the dignity and integrity of children and young people and providing them with a safe and supportive environment in which to flourish.

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OFFICE HOURS:
Tues—Fri 9:30am to 2:30pm

MASS TIMES:
Tues to Sat: 9:15am & Sat Vigil
6pm, Sun: 8:30am, 10:30am &
5pm

ADORATION: After Friday morning
mass with Benediction.

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):
Friday during Adoration, Sat 9:45
am & 5:30pm

**WEDDING, BAPTISM, FIRST
RECONCILIATION, FIRST COMMUNION,
CONFIRMATION:**
Parish Secretary (9457 1066)

LEGION OF MARY: Meet every
Wednesdays at 10.30am at parish
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9TH / 10TH JULY 2022
15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

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.*



ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

Every day at Vinnies, we see that ordinary people are able to make an extraordinary difference in their local communities. We are inspired by the joy of the gospels and our Catholic social teachings to do things that matter. The spirit to feed, heal, shelter, nurture, and inspire – the power to change lives – is in everyone.

The St John's Conference of St Vincent De Paul will hold our annual winter appeal on the weekend of **23rd/24th July**.

Envelopes: SVDP envelopes will be available in church pews and at the back of church. Receipts can be issued by simply completing your name and address on the envelope.

On Line: vinnies.org.au. In terms of directing funds back to the Heidelberg Conference, we request that you state Heidelberg in the "Comments/Conference Name box" which is just after the postal address box.

By Phone: by calling 13 18 12 and again stating your donation is for the Heidelberg conference.

Direct Credit: BSB 063000 Account 103 17778 with a reference W22 and Heidelberg 911. In this way moneys will be credited to the Heidelberg Conference account and stay within our community.

LEARNING TO LOVE : POPE FRANCIS PRAISES THE BEAUTY OF FAMILY

On Sunday 26 June, the 10th World Meeting of Families concluded in Rome. The theme for this year was 'Family Love: a Vocation and a Path to Holiness'. The previous night, Pope Francis gave the homily during a Mass of thanksgiving for the five-day event, praising families for their courage, sacrifice and service.

'How important it is for parents to reflect on God's way of acting ... God loves young people, but that does not mean that He preserves them from all risk, from every challenge and from all suffering ... God is not anxious and overprotective; on the contrary, He trusts young people and He calls each of them to scale the heights of life and of mission.' (Pope Francis)

9/10 July	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader	Domenica Ashworth	Marguerite Ryan	Margaret Andrews	TBA
Communion	Michelle Penson	Margaret Bradley	Liz Sier	Elizabeth Williamson
16/17 July	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader	Peter Penson	Michelle LeMaster	Robyn Laurie	Mark Aiello
Communion	Domenica Ashworth	Chris Ratnayake	Tim Boyle	TBC

THANK YOU: to all who were able to attend Morning Tea following the 10.30a.m. mass last Sunday to welcome Father Vinh as our newly appointed Parish Priest. John McGrath formally welcomed Father Vinh on behalf of our community and Father Vinh shared some of his life journey. Thank you also to those who provided food for the morning tea.



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EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Now that the numbers at weekend masses are returning to near normal we would like to reintroduce Eucharistic Ministers. If you are interested in this ministry please contact Mary at the parish office: Tuesday - Friday 9.30a.m. - 2.30a.m. or email Heidelberg@cam.org.au Also let us know which mass you would like to be rostered on and any dates that you are unavailable. Training provided.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are wanting to offer Morning Tea each fortnight after the Sunday 10.30a.m. mass. To enable this to happen we need some more volunteers to join the Morning Tea roster. If you feel you would like to join this hospitality ministry please contact Mary in the Parish Office, Tuesday to Friday, 9.30 - 2.30 or by email Heidelberg@cam.org.au Thank you.

GEMS 50+: will be back together next Tuesday, July 12th after a short break. We are celebrating, 'Christmas in July' at the Old England Hotel at 12.30p.m. This outing is fully booked.

HOLY COMMUNION: If anyone would like to have Holy Communion at home because they are housebound or not yet comfortable to return to Mass at the moment please contact Elizabeth, 0447195553 and we can organise a time and day that suits you.

REMOVING THE LABEL

Centuries of familiarity with the phrase 'Good Samaritan' have dulled us to the shock involved in putting together the two terms—'good' and 'Samaritan'—in the time of Jesus. For Jews at that time Samaritans were not 'good' but 'bad' (see John 4:9). Equivalent today would be 'good terrorist' or 'good people smuggler.' So we can ask, as Jesus tells the parable, what would his Jewish audience have expected when they learn that the third traveller on the road is a Samaritan? Surely in contrast to the priest and Levite, he would not just pass by. He will see if there are any more valuables to rob and perhaps finish the man off once and for all! But—surprise! surprise! when this alien approaches the wounded man, it is not to injure or exploit him but to exercise practical compassion in a most extreme degree.

The Samaritan does not see a conventional ethnic label—'Jew'—hanging round his neck but simply a fellow human being in need of help. His 'goodness' smashes through the label that we so readily put upon the stranger as a way of coping with difference. Before urging any action the parable challenges *attitude* and *vision*. How do I see another person? Do I see primarily an ethnic, cultural, social or occupational tag? Or do I penetrate through all these surface things and see a fellow human being who needs me to *be* neighbour? The Samaritan is exemplary ('good') not only in what he does, but, before that, in the way he *sees* other people, sees through the label.

Fr Brendan Byrne sj

SCRIPTURAL CONTEXT – THE 'RULE OF THREE'

Jesus was a good storyteller. He used a lot of the 'tricks of the trade' of good storytellers. Using a rule of three remains a common device to help storytellers remember the story. (Think of the number of times fairy tales use this device.) In the rule of three, the third repetition of an event or action always holds the key. Jesus used this device to great effect in his parables because he invariably broke the rule! He used the rule to lull his audience into a predictable story and then turned things upside down by having the unexpected occur.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY BAPTISED: Jasmine Carew, Adriana La Porta.

THE SICK: Noah Thorley, Bill Barnes, Joan O'Donoghue, Telana O'Toole, Aileen Powell, Michael Kemp, Judy Catlow.

ANNIVERSARY: Tom Dennis.

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

ENTRANCE : PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST

Refrain:

Praise to you, O Christ, our Saviour,
Word of the Father, calling us to life;
Son of God who leads us to freedom:
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

You are the Word who calls us out of darkness;
You are the Word who leads us into light;
You are the Word who brings us through the desert;
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

R.

COMMUNION: BE STILL

Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
The holy One, is here;
Come bow before him now
With reverence and fear
In him no sin is found
We stand on holy ground.
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,
The holy One, is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord
Is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire,
With splendour he is crowned:
How awesome is the sight
Our radiant king of light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
Is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place:
He comes to cleanse and heal,
To minister his grace -
No work too hard for him.
In faith receive from him.
Be still, for the power of the Lord
Is moving in this place.

RECESSIONAL: I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Refrain:

"I am the light of the world", says the Lord,
"They who follow me will have the light of life."

"Arise," says the Lord, "Have no fear within you;
For in my presence there will be no darkness.
I am the light of the world.

R.

CONFITEOR

I confess to almighty God and to you,
my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned,
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,
(*And, striking their breast, they say:*)
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
(*Then they continue:*)
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints, and you,
my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to
people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of
God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven, (*At the words that follow, up
to and including and became man, all bow.*)
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come.
Amen

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and
Resurrection you have set us free.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face;
I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

FIRST READING Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 68:14.17.30-31.33-34.36-37

RESPONSE: Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

This is my prayer to you, my prayer for your favour.
In your great love, answer me, O God,
with your help that never fails:
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;
in your compassion, turn towards me. R./

As for me in my poverty and pain
let your help, O God, lift me up.
I will praise God's name with a song;
I will glorify him with thanksgiving. R./

The poor when they see it will be glad
and God-seeking hearts will revive;
for the Lord listens to the needy
and does not spurn his servants in their chains. R./

For God will bring help to Zion
and rebuild the cities of Judah.
The sons of his servants shall inherit it;
those who love his name shall dwell there. R./

SECOND READING Colossians 1: 15-20

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God and the first-born of all creation, for in him were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and everything invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers all things were created through him and for him. Before anything was created, he existed, and he holds all things in unity. Now the Church is his body, he is its head. As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead, so that he should be first in every way; because God wanted all perfection to be found in him and all things to be reconciled through him and for him,

everything in heaven and everything on earth, when he made peace by his death on the cross.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life; you have the words of everlasting life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 10: 25-37

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him,' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same yourself.'



COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for her young:
by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they who dwell in your house,
for ever singing your praise.