

ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC **PARISH**

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 house in the Francis Xavier Room. All Welcome. Fatima Statue Enquires, Contact Sue 0449260206

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17TH/18TH SEPTEMBER, 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, VR 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.

Dear Friends,

In this past week, the world has mourned and continues to mourn, the loss of Queen Elizabeth II, who died after a reign of more than 70 years. For many people, she was the only monarch they ever knew, but Queen Elizabeth II was more than a monarch. In one of the articles from Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne, "Called to serve and bear witness to Christ" it is described that Queen Elizabeth II was "an important public figure as well as a devout Christian and a model of grace and dignity. Her selfless commitment to service and her public Christian witness are two aspects of remarkable life for which people of faith can be particularly thankful."

Responding to the announcement of the death of Queen Elizabeth II, Archbishop Peter A Comensoli said, "It is with sadness and deep respect that we mourn the death and honour the life of her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II." He continued, "Her Majesty drew deeply on her faith at all times, and often referred to the reconciliation, service and love which flows from Christian commitment. A model of grace and dignity for us all."

In a telegram offering his heartfelt condolences to King Charles III for the death of his mother, and commending her 'noble soul' to the mercy of God the Father, Pope Francis also expressed his sadness:

"I willingly join all who mourn her loss in praying for the late Queen's eternal rest, and in paying tribute to her life of unstinting service to the good of the Nation and the Commonwealth, her example of devotion to duty, her steadfast witness of faith in Jesus Christ and her firm hope in his promises."

Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Her Majesty. We do so with confidence because the Christian faith marked every day of her life and

Dear parishioners of St John's, Heidelberg! Like the late Queen, we are called to devote our whole lives to selfless commitment to service and Christian witness in our parish community here in Heidelberg and in the wider community and throughout the world.

May God bless you all,

Fr Vinh-Parish Priest

17/18 Sept	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader	Peter Penson	Michelle LeMaster Margaret Andrews		Annaliza
Collectors	Paul Zebrowski	Colin Ingram	John Griffith	-
	Zen Zebrowski	Mary Ingram	Stan Jernejcic	-
24 / 25 Sept	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader	Vernon Curtis	Claire Newsome	Elizabeth Williamson	Mary Kotefski
Collectors	-	Colin Ingram	Michael Mathai -	
		Mary Ingram	Peter Greenham	

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GEMS: The GEMS will take a short break and resume on Tuesday October 4th.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK: On Friday September 30th Father Vinh will celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing at the 9.15a.m. mass. Father Vinh will hear confession from 8.30a.m. prior to Mass. Anointing of the Sick is a source of healing for the sick rather than the final act of the church for the dying. It is a sacrament of the Church for those whose health is impaired by illness (physical, mental) or by advancing years. The Sacrament enables the ill or aged person to be anointed with the oil of the sick, to experience the healing and strength of Jesus Christ and to be supported by a praying community. Following the Mass all are invited to the Francis Xavier Room for Morning Tea.

PARISH LUNCH SUNDAY OCTOBER 2ND: All parishioners and friends are invited to attend our Parish Lunch on Sunday October 2nd following 10.30a.m. Mass. We will gather on the grass outside the Parish House. Food, tea, coffee and soft drinks will be provided. If you wish you may like to BYO drinks. Seating provided. For catering purposes please let us know if you can come by indicating on the sheet in the porch of the church. Hope to see you there.

If you are able to set up tables and chairs on the lawn on Sunday October 2nd following the 8.30a.m. Mass would you please contact Elizabeth on 0447195553.

RCIA (Rites for Christian Initiation of Adults) programme at St John's: if you or someone you know would like to know more about becoming Catholic or who would like to discover their faith more deeply or who are willing to become fully in communion with the Catholic Church, please let us know so we can together help them. You can approach Fr Vinh directly to discuss and find out more about the programme. Or contact Parish

Office during office hours on 9457 1066, Tuesday to Friday, 9.30 to 2.30 or email at heidelberg@cam.org.au



GOSPEL FOCUS - USING MONEY

Jesus tells his audience to use money to win friends so that when your money fails you your friends will welcome you. This sounds a bit like buying friendship. But what Jesus was saying was to share your riches with those in need and not be boastful and greedy of your wealth. He is calling his audience back to the commands of God to take care of the needy and to make sure that no one is left without enough to live. So the friendship Jesus is encouraging the people to make through their money is a friendship with the poor and the needy.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY BAPTISED: Hugh Fekete, Cleo Esnouf.

THE SICK: Rosalie Prince, Aileen Powell, Helen Griffiths, Margaret Thomas, Alice Hyland, Charlie Catujar,

Noah Thorley, Joan O'Donoghue, Michael Kemp, Judy Catlow.

ANNIVERSARY: Vincent Cannuli, Marta & Peter Brejta.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Peggy Cahill.

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

ENTRANCE: BE THOU MY VISION

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that thou art. Thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me Lord; Thou and thou only, first in my heart, Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.

COMMUNION: THE LORD HEARS THE CRY OF THE POOR

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Refrain:

The Lord hears the cry of the poor. Blessed be the Lord.

I will bless the Lord at all times, with praise ever in my mouth. Let my soul glory in the Lord, who will hear the cry of the poor.

Let the lowly hear and be glad: the Lord listens to their pleas; and to hearts broken, God is near, who will hear the cry of the poor.

Ev'ry spirit crushed, God will save; will be ransom for their lives; will be safe shelter for their fears, and will hear the cry of the poor.

We proclaim your greatness, O God, your praise ever in our mouth; ev'ry face brightened in your light, for you hear the cry of the poor.

RECESSIONAL: ON EAGLE'S WINGS

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in His shadow for life, say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

Refrain:

And He will raise you up on eagles' wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of His hand.

The snare of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear: under His wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield.

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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

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess you Resurrection until you come again.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

FIRST READING Amos 8:4-7

Listen to this, you who trample on the needy and try to suppress the poor people of the country, you who say, 'When will New Moon be over so that we can sell our corn, and sabbath, so that we can market our wheat? Then by lowering the bushel, raising the shekel, by swindling and tampering with the scales, we can buy up the poor for money, and the needy for a pair of sandals, and get a price even for the sweepings of the wheat.' The Lord swears it by the pride of Jacob, 'Never will I forget a single thing you have done.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 112:1-2.4-8

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RESPONSE: Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

Praise, O servants of the Lord, praise the name of the Lord!
May the name of the Lord be blessed both now and for evermore!

High above all nations is the Lord, above the heavens his glory.
Who is like the Lord, our God, who has risen on high to his throne yet stoops from the heights to look down, to look down upon heaven and earth?

From the dust he lifts up the lowly, from the dungheap he raises the poor to set him in the company of princes, yes, with the princes of his people.

SECOND READING 1 Timothy 2:1-8

My advice is that, first of all, there should be prayers everyone intercessions and thanksgiving - and especially for kings and others in authority, so that we may be able to live religious and reverent lives in peace and quiet. To do this is right, and will please God our saviour: he wants everyone to be saved and reach full knowledge of the truth. For there is only one God, and there is only one mediator between God and mankind, himself a man, Christ Jesus, who sacrificed himself as a ransom for them all. He is the evidence of this, sent at the appointed time, and I have been named a herald and apostle of it and – I am telling the truth and no lie – a teacher of the faith and the truth to the pagans.

In every place, then, I want the men to lift their hands up reverently in prayer, with no anger or argument.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia!

DSPEL Luke 16:1-13

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There was a rich man and he had a steward who was denounced to him for being wasteful with his property. He called for the man and said, "What is this I hear about you? Draw me up an account of your stewardship because you are not to be my steward any longer." Then the steward said to himself, "Now that my master is taking the stewardship from me, what am I to do? Dig? I am not strong enough. Go begging? I should be too ashamed. Ah, I know what I will do to make sure that when I am dismissed from office there will be some to welcome me into their homes."

'Then he called his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, "How much do you owe my master?" "One hundred measures of oil," was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond; sit down straight away and write fifty." To another he said, "And you, sir, how much do you owe?" "One hundred measures of wheat," was the reply. The steward said, "Here, take your bond and write eighty."

'The master praised the dishonest steward for his astuteness. For the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.

'And so I tell you this: use money, tainted as it is, to win you friends, and thus make sure that when it fails you, they will welcome you into the tents of eternity. The man who can be trusted in little things can be trusted in great; the man who is dishonest in little things will be dishonest in great. If then you cannot be trusted with money, that tainted thing, who will trust you with genuine riches? And if you cannot be trusted with what is not yours, who will give you what is your very own?

'No servant can be the slave of two masters: he will either hate the first and love the second, or treat the first with respect and the second with scorn. You cannot be the slave both of God and of money.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.



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