



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.

PARISH PRIEST Fr Vinh Nguyen

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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

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8TH / 9TH, 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YR 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.*

GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD

Last Friday we celebrated the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick within Mass. It was wonderful to see many people present to receive the sacrament. We are reminded that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick touches us in the weakness of our human existence, for the Lord wants to be involved when we are most vulnerable. It recognizes our frailty and assures us that even in our weakest or declining moments, God is right there to strengthen us. He will not leave us on our own. Let us give thanks to God for his love and care for us.

On Sunday, we were blessed with a beautiful sunny day. The weather was perfect as we gathered for our parish lunch in the presbytery garden. I heard some people saying that this is the first time we have had a parish lunch outside at St John's. Many people joined us on the day. Such a gathering hopefully gave us opportunities to share stories in order to get to know each other better. In doing so we can build up our parish community to become a strong one in unity, care and love. On behalf of the parish, I would like to thank Elizabeth Williamson and Mary Peeris our parish secretary, who worked hard both in the planning and on the day. Thanks also to so many of you who helped to set up and clean up afterwards. I am very grateful to all. I understand that some of our parishioners had other commitments and they could not attend. Hopefully, you can make it next time.

In the Gospel of this Sunday's Mass, we are reminded of the gratitude we should have towards God and others for the gifts and blessings we have received. Let us give thanks to God for his love and care for us in numerous ways in life. These blessings we receive from God through our family, friends, the Church and our community.

God bless.

Fr Vinh-Parish Priest



Thank you Parish Family

ENTRANCE HYMN: PRAISE TO THE HOLIEST

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
and in the depth be praise:
in all his words most wonderful,
most sure in all his ways.

O loving wisdom of our God!
When all was sin and shame,
a second Adam to the fight
and to the rescue came.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

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.

FIRST READING

2 Kings 5:14-17

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child.

Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he

went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said, 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 97:1-4.

Response: The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Sing a new song to the Lord
for he has worked wonders.
His right hand and his holy arm
have brought salvation.

R./

The Lord has made known his salvation;
has shown his justice to the nations.
He has remembered his truth and love
for the house of Israel.

R./

All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation of our God.
Shout to the Lord all the earth,
ring out your joy.

R./

SECOND READING

1 Timothy 2:8-13

Remember the Good News that I carry. 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it.

Here is a saying that you can rely on: If we have died with him, then we shall live with him. If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him. If we disown him, then he will disown us. We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful, for he cannot disown his own self.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God,
because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding

himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

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

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup.
We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The rich suffer want and go hungry,
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

COMMUNION HYMN: SOUL OF MY SAVIOUR

Soul of my Saviour sanctify my breast,
Body of Christ, be Thou my saving guest;
Blood of my Saviour bathe me in Thy Tide;
Wash me, ye waters gushing from His Side.

Strength and protection may His Passion be,
O blessed Jesus, hear and answer me;
Deep in Thy Wounds, Lord, hide and shelter me;
So shall I never, never part from Thee.

Guard and defend me from the foe malign;
In death's drear moments make me only Thine;
Call me and bid me come to Thee on high,
Where I may praise Thee with Thy Saints for aye..

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

All hail, adored Trinity;
All praise eternal unity;
O God the Father, God the Son,
And God the Spirit; ever One,

GOSPEL FOCUS – WHERE ARE THEY?

'The other nine, where are they?' asked Jesus. Why would the other nine not have come back to give thanks? It is insufficient to say that the miraculous healing these men experienced changed their lives. Being healed of this disease meant so much to them: they could return to their families; they could return to work; they could touch another person; they could walk among other people; they could join in prayer at the synagogue. As they hurried back toward town they must have been overwhelmed by the possibilities and opportunities that lay before them. But they neglected to acknowledge the source of their great joy!



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| 8 / 9 October | Sat 6:00pm | Sun 8:30am | Sun 10:30am | Sun 5pm |
| Reader | Peter Penson | Pietro Sciotto | Robyn Laurie | Leela Cherubim |
| Collectors | Paul Zebrowski | Colin Ingram | Michael Mathai | - |
| | - | Mary Ingram | Liam Reeves | |
| 15 / 16 October | Sat 6:00pm | Sun 8:30am | Sun 10:30am | Sun 5pm |
| Reader | Vernon Curtis | Michelle LeMaster | Margaret Andrews | Mark Aiello |
| Collectors | Paul Zebrowski | - | Peter Greenham | - |
| | - | | John Griffith | |

COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK ENDED 2ND OCTOBER 2022

| PRESBYTERY - BSB 083-347 A/c 659225267 | | | CHURCH - BSB 083-347 A/c 658806318 | | |
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| Envelopes | Loose Collection | Bank Direct | Envelopes | Loose Collection | Bank Direct |
| 149.00 | 899.15 | 182.50 | 433.00 | 324.85 | 1972.50 |

First Collection is for the support of our parish priest, the Archbishop, the sick and retired priests and priests in less fortunate areas around our Archdiocese of Melbourne (it is taken up after the prayers of the faithful).

Second Collection is for the support of our parish, its welfare and maintenance (it is taken up after Communion).

GEMS 50+: will meet on Tuesday October 11th between 10.00a.m. and 12.00 in the St Francis Xavier Meeting Room at the rear of the parish house. All welcome.

MORNING TEA, CHANGE OF DATE: will not be available this weekend as previously advertised but rather next Sunday, October 16th following the 10.30a.m. Mass in the St Francis Xavier Room at the rear of the Parish House.

THANK YOU: Sylvie would like to thank parishioners for their thoughtfulness and kind wishes to her during her recent illness.

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF CONSECRATION – ST PATRICK’S CATHEDRAL: As we celebrate our 175th Anniversary year as a diocese – we also mark a significant milestone for our Cathedral. Archbishop Comensoli warmly invites you to join him for Mass to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the Consecration of St Patrick’s – **Thursday 27 October 2022 at St Patrick’s Cathedral, commencing at 1pm.** This is a beautiful opportunity to come together in the house of the Lord – built by the faithful and generous people from every part of our Archdiocese, and home for all. Mass will be followed by the Launch of the **Catholic Precinct Walking Tour App, an initiative of the Mary Glowrey Museum.**

A STATEMENT FROM THE ARCHBISHOP OF MELBOURNE

If the Essendon situation is a litmus test of the value and place of people of faith in Victorian society, then we are in big trouble.

It is outrageous that a person of good character has felt that he must choose between a public leadership role and being an active member of a Christian community.

Andrew Thorburn, a dedicated supporter of Essendon since childhood and a known man of faith, was appointed CEO after years of leadership in major Australian organisations that have been inclusive of all people. Why is this now a problem for this football club?

I commend Andrew for his charitable and Christian response to this awful treatment.

Sadly, this situation sends a chilling message to ordinary faith believers in Victoria, that they can’t be trusted to exercise leadership and service in the community. I offer a word of encouragement to them.

This has been a polarising and divisive moment. It has not been about respecting diversity.

I feel for young women and men currently seeking to further their football or other careers, now asking whether their personal faith might hinder their progress.

I think of the families who have long supported their club, now wondering if their beliefs are acceptable to the leadership of the club they belong to or sponsor.

I became a supporter of the Bombers on my first day ‘in the job’ here. But frankly, if Essendon can’t be inclusive and fair to supporters who hold a religious faith, maybe it’s time to find a new club.

Archbishop Peter A Comensoli

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY BAPTISED: Spencer Tacconelli, Rose Cooper.

THE SICK: Rosalie Prince, Aileen Powell, Helen Griffiths, Margaret Thomas, Alice Hyland, Charlie Catujar, Noah Thorley, Joan O’Donoghue, Michael Kemp, Judy Catlow.

ANNIVERSARY: Grace Sciotto.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Brian Paddle, Donald Edmonds.

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