



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

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All Welcome. Fatima Statue

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12th /13th NOVEMBER, 33rd 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.*

Dear Friends, I have requested Deacon Vinh to share his thoughts with you given below, reflecting on his up coming ordination.

Fr Vinh-Parish Priest

Dear parishioners,

This weekend is the first time that I am writing to share a few words with you. I want to share with you a little bit about my motto. It is a phrase taken by the candidates for Holy Orders by which they intend to live their lives after Ordination. What a great tradition that we have!

After much reflection and looking deep inside my heart for what I desired, I have chosen the following motto for my Ordination, a phrase from Saint Mark's gospel (6:34): "He had compassion for them."

This describes the person of our Lord Jesus according to saint Mark, that Jesus seeing the crowd who follow him to listen to him, "had compassion for them" (Mk 6:34).

Depending on which particular translation you use, the word "compassion" means "to suffer with" or in Greek – splagnizomai- so rich and beautiful, means a "gut-wrenching, emotional response that is so strong that we are physically moved to action." It is a dynamic word that attracts me as a person who is called into the service of others.

Firstly, I have been shown, felt and seen the compassion of the Lord Jesus in my own life. Because of his love for me, he came into the world to save me. He does not look at my lowly and earthly status, but looks at me as a lovable son of God, and shares with me his ministry of healing and saving others for the glory of God.

Secondly, upon receiving such graces in my life and no less, the grace of Ordination, Jesus strengthens me in my conviction of love and serve others with all my talents and strength. I have to carry out his great commandment which is for the Church, her ministers and for all the faithful, "just as I have loved you, so you also should love one another" (Jn 13:34).

Ordination is not an end, but a new beginning, a new chapter in my life. I pray that God will always remind me of this grace that I will receive at my Ordination so that I can live according to the example of Our Lord. It is because "he had compassion for them."

May I ask you, friends, to pray with and for myself and my fellow ordinands, and in return we will always keep you in our hearts as we journey together on this pilgrimage.

Take care and God bless you all.

Yours sincerely,

Vinh DO

ENTRANCE HYMN: BE THOU MY VISION

Be though 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.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction.

You will call upon me, and I will answer you,
and I will lead back your captives from every place.

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

Malachi 3: 19-20

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 97: 5-9

Response: The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp
with the sound of music.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn
acclaim the King, the Lord.

R./

Let the sea and all within it, thunder;
the world, and all its peoples.
Let the rivers clap their hands
and the hills ring out their joy
at the presence of the Lord.

R./

For the Lord comes,
he comes to rule the earth.
He will rule the world with justice
and the peoples with fairness.

R./

SECOND READING

2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow.

We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 21:5-19

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master,' they said, 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?'

'Take care not to be deceived,' he said, 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven.

'But before all this happens, men will seize you

and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name – and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'

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

To be near God is my happiness,
to place my hope in God the Lord.

COMMUNION HYMN: CHRIST BE OUR LIGHT

Longing for light, we wait in darkness
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Refrain

Christ be our light, shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness,
Christ be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice.

Ref.

Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed.

Ref.

RECESSIONAL HYMN: FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

For the beauty of the earth,
For the glory of the skies;
For the love which from our birth,
Over and around us lies;
Lord of all, to you we raise
This, our gift of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child;
Friends on Earth and friends above,
For all gentle thoughts and mild;
Lord of all, to you we raise
This, our gift of grateful praise.



LIVING THE GOSPEL – COMFORT

We must remember that the gospel of Luke was written 50-plus years after the death of Jesus. Whilst Jesus may have said something like what is ascribed to him in this passage, we have to accept that the words are influenced to a great extent by the gospel writer. The gospel is not written as a biography but as a means of conveying a message about Jesus. To this end, the writer seeks to give comfort to his audience by having Jesus 'predict' all the things that have indeed come to pass in their community. The message to a struggling community is to 'keep going.'

12/13 November	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader	Vernon Curtis	John McGrath	Margaret Andrews	Mark Aiello
Collectors	Paul Zebrowski	-	Francis Seymon	-
	Zen Zebrowski		Stan Jernejcic	
19/20 November	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader	Pamela Smith	Pietro Sciotto	Peter Greenham	Mary Kotefski
Collectors	Paul Zebrowski	-	Michael Mathai	
	Zen Zebrowski		Liam Reeves	

COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK ENDED 6TH NOVEMBER 2022

ST JOHN'S PRESBYTERY CHEQUE- BSB 083-347 A/c 659225267			ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH - BSB 083-347 A/c 658806318		
Envelopes	Loose Collection	Bank Direct	Envelopes	Loose Collection	Bank Direct
83.80	991.65	215.00	780.00	415.05	2060.00

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).

SPECIAL COLLECTION IN SUPPORT OF MINISTRY AMONG THE DEAF: This weekend 12th and 13th of November, we will be having the Catholic Deaf Appeal at all Masses. Thank you for your support.

FR VINH ON RETREAT: from 14th to 18th November. Thank you to Fr Trac Nguyen who will celebrate daily Mass from Tuesday to Friday this week in Fr Vinh's absence.

NO MORNING MASS ON SATURDAY NOVEMBER 19TH: Due to the ordination of Deacon Vinh on Saturday November 19th at 10.00a.m. in the cathedral there will be no 9.15a.m. Mass on this day.

GIFT CONTRIBUTION: If you would like to contribute to Deacon Vinh' ordination gift from St John's Parish please use the envelope provided put it in the collection bag or leave it at the presbytery. The gift will be presented to him when he returns to St John's on November 20th at 10.30a.m. to celebrate his first Mass. A card for him is also available to be signed in the foyer of the church.

THE ORDINATION MASS: to the priesthood of transitional deacons Vinh Do, Huy Nguyen and An Le, and the ordination Mass to transitional diaconate of Thomas Christie, Tien Tran and Peter (Ngoc) Nguyen at St Patrick's Cathedral will take place on Saturday, November 19, 2022 10:00am – 11:30am at St Patrick's Cathedral. The Mass will be broadcasted live on our YouTube channel: <http://www.youtube.com/archmelb>

GEMS 50+: will meet on Tuesday November 15th at 10.00a.m. in the St Francis Xavier Parish Room.

SAFEGUARDING: All volunteers are asked to undertake Safeguarding training either by attending one of the two sessions to be held in Francis Xavier Meeting room at St John's Presbytery on 29th November 7-8pm or on Wednesday 30th November 10am-11am

or online at

www.safeguarding.melbournecatholic.org/s/login/

You will need your WWCC number from your WWCC card to login. Please contact parish office on 94571066 during office hours or email heidelberg@cam.org.au for enquiries or assistance. Thank you volunteers.

FLOOD APPEAL - THE SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL: The Archbishop has asked to commend to the you Society of St Vincent de Paul's Flood Appeal for those who have been effected by these devastating floods particularly in the north of the State. Contributions can be made by calling 13 18 12 or at <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/appeals-vic/vinnies-vic-flood-appeal-2022> or making a monetary donation through any Vinnies Shops at point of purchase or via your local IGA where the purchase of a token supports the recovery of Victorians devastated by these recent floods.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE: This month you are invited to enter the names of your loved one who have died in the Book of Remembrance found on the sanctuary.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY BAPTISED: Hazel Tuong, Claudia Mihaljevic, Ananya & Anaiya Mariampillai.

THE SICK: Alan Briges, Mary Stella, Margaret Thomas, Alice Hyland, Rosalie Prince, Aileen Powell, Helen Griffiths, Charlie Catujar, Noah Thorley, Michael Kemp, Judy Catlow.

ANNIVERSARY: Repose of the Souls of all deceased members of the Legion of Mary.

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