

# 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.

PARISH PRIEST: Fr Vinh Nguyen

**ASSISTANT PRIEST:** 

Fr. Kishore Reddy Gade Msfs

**PARISH SECRETARY: Mary Peeris** 

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#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**

Tuesday to Friday 9:30am to 2:30pm

#### **MASS TIMES:**

Weekdays: Tuesday to Saturday: 9:15am

Weekend: Saturday Vigil 6pm Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am & 5pm

**ADORATION:** After Friday morning Mass with Benediction.

**EXPOSITION** 

Wednesday 7.30pm

## **RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):**

Wednesday 7.30pm-8.30pm Friday during Adoration, Sat 9:45 am & 5:30pm.

WEDDING, BAPTISM, FIRST RECONCILIATION.

FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION:

Parish Secretary (9457 1066)

## ST JOHN'S HALL HIRE:

Contact parish office.

**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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# 3RD / 4TH JUNE 2023, HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY, YEAR A

#### 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 Parishioners

This Sunday, we celebrate the Great Solemnity of the Holy Trinity. The Dogma of the Blessed Trinity is indeed the most fundamental, yet the most baffling and confusing mystery of the Christian Faith. However, we are encouraged by a great truth about this mystery...

- The mystery of the Trinity is more to be lived, than merely be understood
- The mystery of the Trinity is more to be encountered, than merely be grasped
- The mystery of the Trinity is more to be experienced, than merely be comprehended.

The disciples, as we know, were Jews. Jews believed in strict monotheism – One

They professed this belief in One God, daily, by the 'Shema Israel': "Hear O Israel, the Lord your God is one God...." (Deut 6:4). However, in Jesus the disciples, on Pentecost Day, encountered a deep Divine experience in the Holy Spirit. This tremendous experience, along with the Grace of God, helped them to reflect on the many words and sayings of Jesus..... that pointed to the dimension of Three Persons in the One nature of God. Thus, with gradual and deeper reflection on the words of the Lord, and the power of the Holy Spirit, the disciples – strict monotheists – began to understand the mystery of God in a new light...

- God is one
- There are three Persons the Father is God, the Son is God, the Spirit is God
- The Father is not the Son and the Spirit; the Son is not the Father and the Spirit; the Spirit is not the Son and the Father.

This Triune invocation was the way the Lord exhorted to Baptize disciples in all the nations, "Go therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them, in the name of the FATHER and of the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Let us become greatly aware of the many invocations we make to the Blessed Trinity (Sign of the Cross, in our daily prayers etc...) and perform those actions with greater meaning and significance!

May the Blessed Trinity – the Father, Son and Holy Spirit- helps us to grow in our intimacy and union, and in turn, help to reflect His image to all people in our

Happy Feast of the Blessed Trinity!

Fr. Kishore

CHILD SAFETY: St John's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all our children, young people and vulnerable adults. Children are to be supervised by a parent/quardian at all times in the church and when leaving the church for any reason.

# ENTRANCE: HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD ALMIGHTY

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty! Early in the morning our song of praise shall be: Holy holy, holy! merciful and mighty, God in three Persons blessed Trinity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God almighty! All your works shall praise your name in earth and sky and sea: Holy holy, holy! merciful and mighty, God in three Persons blessed Trinity.

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Blest be God the Father, and the Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

#### **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

Exodus 34:4-6.8-9

With the two tablets of stone in his hands, Moses went up the mountain of Sinai in the early morning as the Lord had commanded him. And the Lord descended in the form of a cloud, and Moses stood with him there.

He called on the name of the Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed, 'Lord, Lord, a God of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, rich in kindness and faithfulness.' And Moses bowed down to the ground at once and worshipped. 'If I have indeed won your favour, Lord,' he said, 'let my Lord come with us, I beg. True, they are a headstrong people, but forgive us our faults and our sins, and adopt us as your heritage."

The word of the Lord.

*All reply:* Thanks be to God.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Dn 3:52-56.

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**Response:** Glory and praise for ever!

You are blest, Lord God of our fathers.

Blest your glorious holy name. R./

You are blest in the temple of your glory.

You are blest on the throne of your kingdom. R./

You are blest who gaze into the depths. R./

You are blest in the firmament of heaven.

## SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 13: 11-13

Brothers, we wish you happiness; try to grow perfect; help one another. Be united; live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with you.

Greet one another with the holy kiss. All the saints send you greetings. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

The word of the Lord.

*All reply:* Thanks be to God.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL** John 3: 16-18

Jesus said to Nicodemus, 'God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life. For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved. No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

*All reply:* Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

## 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

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

and his kingdom will have no end.

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

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

COMMUNION: COME TO ME

#### Refrain

Come to me all who labour and are heavy burdened, And I shall give you rest. Take up my yoke and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart. And you'll find rest for your souls, Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden is light.

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall never be in need, Fresh and green are the meadows where he gives me rest.

Ref.

#### A NEW COMMANDMENT

A new commandment I give unto you: that you love one another as I have loved you, that you love one another as I have loved you. By this shall all know that you are my disciples: if you have love one for another. By this shall all know that you are my disciples: if you have love one for another.

**RECESSIONAL: HOLY IS GOD** 

#### Refrain

Holy is God, holy and strong! God ever living, alleluia.

Sing the Lord's praise, every nation, Give him all honor and glory. Strong is his love for his people, His faithfulness is eternal.

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Praise to the Father almighty, Praise to his son, Christ the Lord; Praise to the life giving Spirit; Both now and forever, Amen

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#### PRAYER TO THE HOLY TRINITY

Glory be to the Father,

Who by His almighty power and love created me, making me in the image and likeness of God.

Glory be to the Son,

Who by His Precious Blood opened for me the gates of heaven.

Glory be to the Holy Spirit,

Who has sanctified me in the sacrament of Baptism, and continues to sanctify me by the graces I receive daily from His goodness.

Glory be to the Three Persons of the Holy Trinity, now and forever.

Amen.



3 / 4 June	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader	Peter Penson	Claire Newsome	Jacqueline Lewis	Annaliza
Communion	Michelle Penson	Marni Mant	Marni Mant Brian McIntosh	
10 / 11 June	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader	Domenica Ashworth	Marguerite Ryan	Pietro Sciotto	Leela Cherubim
Communion	-	-	-	-

## MORNING TEA, 4TH JUNE: MARIA & FRANCOISE

## COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK ENDED 28TH MAY 2023

First Collection is for the support of our Parish Priest, Asst Priest, the Archbishop, the sick & retired priests, priests in less fortunate areas around Archdiocese of Melbourne (it is taken up after the Prayers of the faithful)

ST JOHN'S PRESBYTERY CHEQUE- BSB 083-347 A/c 659225267

Second Collection is for the support of our Church, its operating expenses Gas, electricity, water, insurance, rates, staff wages, Church & ground maintenance just to name a few. (it is taken up after Communion)

ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH - BSB 083-347 A/c 658806318

Envelopes	Loose Collection	Bank Direct	Envelopes	Loose Collection	Bank Direct
\$114.25	\$1,201.75	\$290.00	\$375.00	\$485.40	\$5635.00

MORNING TEA AND SAUSAGE SIZZLE: This Sunday 4th June following the 10.30am Mass will be available in the Parish Hall. All our welcome.

Volunteers Needed: Volunteering during Mass is a beautiful way to share your faith and gifts. Volunteers are the lifeblood of our parish. Their generosity of time and talents allows us to be the physical presence of Christ in our world today. The various roles as to how you can get involved are: Lectors (readers), Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Welcomers, Collectors and Sacristans. Training will be provided. We invite you to take the first step in this journey of volunteering by talking to Father Vinh after mass at the weekend or by contacting the Parish Office 94571066.

ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS IN ST JOHN'S PARISH MAGAZINE: Advertising space available in the quarterly parish magazine THE EYRIE. You can advertise your business and support the parish at the same time. This magazine goes out online to all parishioners and school families and hard copy is printed and given out at masses on Sundays.

Contact Michelle on 0499891101 or email parish office: heidelberg@cam.org.au

FIRST COMMUNICANTS AT ALL PARISH MASSES NEXT WEEKEND: Some of the younger members of the parish will make their First Communion next weekend, June 10th/11th. There will be First Communicants and their families at each parish mass. Please keep these children in your prayers.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL 2023:** We'll have our SVDP annual winter appeal, on the **17th/18th of June** at all Masses. Each year, our Winter Appeal plays a vital role in enabling the good works of the Society and, with your support, we hope to achieve a strong result so we can continue serving the community.



Over the past six months, the Society has provided over \$5 million in material assistance, including food, clothing, furniture and financial support, to families and households in need throughout Victoria. With the current homelessness crisis, the assistance we provide for people experiencing hardship this Winter will be needed more than ever. Please donate generously to help continue the Society's work.

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.

# PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**THE SICK:** Michael Spence, Joan O'Donoghue, Graham Foote, Wendy Wales, Anne Caswell, Aileen Powell, Sue Lew-Kee, Lou Farinotti, Val Wallis, David Morck, Sonia Robinson, Paula Staples, Marie Hankin.

**ANNIVERSARY:** Italo Alves De Araujo.

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

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