



ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PARISH
& PRIMARY SCHOOL

ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PARISH

52 Yarra Street

HEIDELBERG

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.*

PARISH OFFICE:

52 Yarra Street Heidelberg 3084
t: 9457 1066
e: heidelberg@cam.org.au
w: cam.org.au/heidelberg
facebook/stjohnheidelberg

PARISH PRIEST: Fr Mario Zammit

SACRAMENT COORDINATOR:

Sr Loreto Lynch RSM

PARISH SECRETARY: Mary Peeris

CHILD SAFETY OFFICER:

Michelle Robertson t:0409 533 100

OFFICE: 9:30am-2:30pm, Mo, Tu, Th, Fr

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL: Maureen Hegarty

PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL:

55 Cape St Heidelberg 3084
t: 9459 2963;
e: office@sjheidelberg.catholic.edu.au
PRINCIPAL: Maureen Stella

HALL HIRE: Fran mob: 0417972317
10:00am-5:00pm (Mon-Fri only)

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday: 6:00pm
Sunday: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm

AUSTIN HOSPITAL MASS:

3rd Sunday of the Month at 9:30am.

WEEKDAY MASS: 9:15am

ROSARY: Monday to Saturday after Mass.

LECTIO DIVINA: Every second and fourth Monday of the month at 7:30pm, in the parish house.

LEGION OF MARY: Tuesday night at 7:30pm in the parish house. Info: Sue 9459 8604

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Wednesday: 7:30pm - 9:00pm;
Thursday: 9:40am - 11:00am,
Friday: 8:00am - 9:00am

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):

Saturday at 9:45am & 5:30pm
or by appointment

BAPTISMS: On Sundays at 11:45am, by appointment.

BAPTISM INFORMATION EVENING:

Last Thursday of each month at 7:30pm in the parish house, except Dec and Jan.

WEDDINGS: By appointment (9457 1066).

PARISH PILGRIM STATUE OF MARY: In order to have the statue of Mary in your home for one week please contact Marj McBroom on 0414 289 304.

12th / 13th August 2017 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr A

Thank you!

Dear parishioners, visitors and friends.

Over the past few Sundays we re-visited our Thanksgiving / Stewardship campaign. Our parish community works best when we are all committed to share our time, gifts and talents with the other members of the community. As our prayer reminds us, we have inherited a great heritage in our parish. Over the past 165 years our predecessors have generously contributed in order to set up the pastoral ministry and the property we now enjoy.

It is our duty to take up the torch and continue running with it. We regularly need parishioners to commit to the various ministries in our parish; the ministries that help us in our Sunday liturgies and the ministries of outreach that we carry out. Once again I invite all of us to consider where we can share our gifts and our time so our ministries can continue.

Financial support is very important to pay the wages of our parish staff, our monthly bills and maintain the buildings we inherited. As I shared before, in the near future we will need to look into the maintenance of the church. My suggestion is that over the coming years we continue putting money aside so that when the time comes, we have some money to rely upon for this project.

Thank you for your generosity. The annual pledge amount on 30th July was of \$185,400; after our mini Thanksgiving / Stewardship Campaign this has gone up to \$208,148. Your pledges help us to budget and plan for the future of our parish. Our annual expenditure is in excess of \$200,000 annually; the 2016 financial report will be presented at next week's Annual Parish Meeting on Thursday 17th August.

Thank you.

Fr Mario

Through its yearly cycle, the Church unfolds the entire mystery of Christ and keeps the anniversaries of the saints. Ordinary Time is devoted to celebrating the mystery of Christ in all its aspects.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY BAPTISED: Kai Stewart, Liam Raso, Everly Kirsz.

THE SICK: Aileen Powell, Marie Hankin, Helen Mc Guinness.

ANNIVERSARY: Giovanni Giangiuilli, Tom Hansen, Veronica Hansen, Barry Sullivan, Simon Soares.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Kevin Kennedy.

Names on the sick list remain for six weeks, unless otherwise advised.

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

12 Aug/13 Aug	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5:00pm
1st Reader	Domenica Ashworth	Karen Frost	Bob Dowling	Margaret Andrews
2 nd Reader	John James	Marguerite Ryan	Michael Leonard	Peter Penson
Communion	Jeanette O'Sullivan	Pauline Griffiths	Nigel Mant	Michelle Penson
	Noel Micallef	Mary Harty	Marni Mant	Joanna Nesbitt
	Christopher Ratnayake	Teresa Lincoln	Sue Lew Kee	Jenny Hollaway
	Maria Basilone	Peter O'Donoghue	Doris Schembri	Philip Johnson
19 Aug/20 Aug	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5:00pm
1st Reader	Anita Metcalf	Mary Harty	Robyn Laurie	Leela Cherubim
2 nd Reader	Sharon D'Souza	Pietro Sciotto	Michelle Robertson	Catie Nesbitt
Communion	Donna Richardson	Ngoc Thi Minh Tran	Yannick Jonas	Jan McQueen
	Emma Chang	Alice Wong	Geraldine Manuel	Des O'Brien
	Domenica Ashworth	Margaret Bradley	Erin Manuel	Tony Rowlands
	Leonore Giliberto	Stanly Devasia	Tim Boyle	Sally Tramontana
Counters	13 Aug: Des O'Brien, Peter Peyton, Jim Cross, Percival Makin & 20 Aug: Garry Sproules, Janice McGrath, Giuseppe Amoroso.			
Collection Weekly Average for July			Heidelcare Co-Ordinator	
Parish		Presbytery		August 2017: Marilyn 9459 1950
Stewardship	\$2998.13	Stewardship	\$543.63	September 2017: Cath 9459 9420
Loose	\$707.48	Loose	\$340.00	
Thank you for supporting St John's financially. Please advise if your credit card is lost/stolen or the expiry date has changed.				

CATHOLICCARE SUNDAY APPEAL: at all Masses this weekend. Our contribution helps care for the most vulnerable families in our community. Please use envelopes at the church entrances.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY: Tuesday 15th August, Holy Day of Obligation. Vigil Mass on Monday at 7:30pm, Tuesday Masses at 9:15am and 12 noon (primary school).

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING: 17th August 7:30pm to 9:00pm in St Monica's Hall (next to the parish hall). This year we will be discussing a vision for our parish: what is the aim of what we do as a parish? We will also share about creating a Child Safe Environment in our parish and present the 2016 financial report. The annual meeting gives us a chance to talk about the life and the future of our parish community.

AUSTIN MASS: will be celebrated next Sunday 20th August. Volunteers please meet at 8:30am for 9:30am Mass at the chapel. Parishioners are also invited to participate in this Mass to minister to the sick by their presence. Thank you.

HEALING MASS: Thursday 17th August at Our Lady Help of Christians, Henry Str, Eltham. 7:30pm Praise & Worship, followed by Mass with the sacrament of anointing. Prayer ministry and supper available. Contact Emilia 9435 7475/ Rose 9434 3962.

THANKSGIVING / STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES: the next installment (September—December) is available in the church porch. A tax receipt for the 2016/7 financial year has been included. Parishioners who contribute by credit card or direct debit and require a tax receipt, please contact the parish office (94571066 / heidelberg@cam.org.au). Thank you.

FAMILY VISITS: Fr Mario is available to visit and spend time with your family on the following evenings: August 16, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 27 & 30. Please contact parish office to book.

SERVE THE SERVERS GATHERING: Saturday 26th August after 6:00pm Mass. This is another opportunity for us as a parish to thank and celebrate our young people who offer their service as altar servers, readers and on the computer. The evening includes a movie, pizza and popcorn. Our servers are invited to bring friends along. Year 5 and year 6 students welcome. RSVP: stjohneyouth@hotmail.com or parish office on 94571066.

EUTHANASIA BILL IN THE VICTORIAN PARLIAMENT: As you are aware a draft bill has now been prepared and is expected to come before parliament between 22nd and 24th August with debate expected to begin two weeks later. We are strongly encouraged to write to our members of parliament expressing our opinion about this bill. Letters need to be received before the debate starts. Members of parliament will be at their electoral office on the week starting Monday 28th August. This is the best time for the letters to reach them. At the parish office we have some guidelines that can be used to help write these letters, please contact the office by phone or by email to be given a copy of these guidelines.

EYRIE ISSUE 2: Please take a copy. Feedback is welcome; let us know your thoughts and ideas or content for future: heidelberg.eyrie@cam.org.au

THANKSGIVING / STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN: How can I better share in the life of my parish? How can I better support my parish community financially? Please fill in a stewardship campaign forms.

ANNUAL MASS OF ALL NATIONS: on Sunday, 27th August at St Patrick's Cathedral. Rosary at 2:00pm and Mass at 3:00pm celebrated by Archbishop Denis Hart. All welcome.

THE DIOCESE OF BROOME, WA: invites volunteers to assist with the work of the local Church in the Kimberley. Email: volunteers@broomedioocese.org