



ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PARISH  
& PRIMARY SCHOOL

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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.*

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### 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.

*2/3 September 2017 - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr A*

Happy  
*Father's*  
Day

We remember and pray for fathers in our community. We also pray for those who would have loved to father children.

We are invited to light a candle in memory of absent fathers.

### *Prayer for Fathers*

*Blessed are you, Lord and Father of all life,  
who has given to us the gift of the father of our family.  
Today, we honour him, and we thank you for the numerous good  
things that are ours because of him.*

*May we, the members of his family, assist him in his  
holy duties as a parent with our respect,  
our obedience and our deep affection.*

*Bless him, Lord, with happiness and good health,  
with peace and with good fortune. This blessing and all graces,  
we pray, descend upon the father of our family:  
in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.*

*Amen.*

Families may like to use the above blessing on Father's Day when they gather together for a meal. Children could extend their right hand towards their father/grandfather as the blessing is prayed.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**THE SICK:** Marie Hankin, Rees Mc Carthy, Ruth Mc Guire, Aileen Powell, Franca Valmorbida.

**ANNIVERSARY:** Joseph Chen, Manuel Sanchez.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Donald Hansen, Luisa De Stefanis.

*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.*

<b>2 Sept/3 Sept</b>	<b>Sat 6:00pm</b>	<b>Sun 8:30am</b>	<b>Sun 10:30am</b>	<b>Sun 5:00pm</b>
1st Reader	Adrian Daly	Mary Harty	Michelle Robertson	Candida Rowlands
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader	Moira Di Cesare	Claire Newsome	Robyn Laurie	Mathew Sanders
Communion	Marco Di Cesare	Christopher Ratnayake	Tim Boyle	Leo Cosio
	Domenica Ashworth	Margaret Bradley	Doris Schembri	Charito Cosio
	Maria Basilone	Fiona Curry	Leonore Giliberto	Tony Rowlands
	Emma Chang	Stanly Devasia	Leo Hernandez	Margaret Hansen
<b>9 Sept/10 Sept</b>	<b>Sat 6:00pm</b>	<b>Sun 8:30am</b>	<b>Sun 10:30am</b>	<b>Sun 5:00pm</b>
1st Reader	Sharon D'Souza	Marguerite Ryan	Elizabeth Williamson	Bernie Zwolak
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader	John James	Pietro Sciotto	Claire Newsome	Kamilla Zwolak
Communion	Margaret Urquhart	Pauline Griffiths	Maureen Howard	Jenny Hollaway
	Noel Micallef	Val Wallis	Yannick Jonas	Philip Johnson
	Jeanette O'Sullivan	Teresa Lincoln	Sue Lew-Kee	Jan McQueen
	Donna Richardson	Peter O'Donoghue	Barbara Lonergan	Sally Tramontana
Counters	<b>3 Sept:</b> Graeme Foote, Michael Tilley, James Watson. & <b>10th Sept:</b> Shane Byrnes, Tim Booth, Nigel Mant.			
<b>Collection Weekly Average for August</b>			<b>Heidelcare Co-Ordinator</b>	
Parish	Presbytery		September 2017: Cath 9459 9420	
Stewardship	\$3515.13	Stewardship	\$737.82	October 2017: Marilyn 9459 1950
Loose	\$743.87	Loose	\$397.50	Morning Tea: 3rd Sept: Kate & Marguerite
<b>Thank you</b> for supporting St John's financially. Please advise if your credit card is lost/stolen or the expiry date has changed.				

**ANNUAL LEAVE:** This month I will be taking my annual leave. I will be away from the parish from the 3rd to the 29th of September. Thanks to Fr Ted Teal and Fr Wayne Edwards who have accepted to celebrate the Sunday Masses in my absence. Thank you for your continued support. Fr Mario.

**MORNING TEA:** available in the parish hall after 10:30am Mass this Sunday. Please join us!

**PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FOUNDATION APPEAL:** This weekend at all Masses. Contributions over \$2.00 are tax deductible; receipts will only be forwarded for donations over \$5.00. Please be generous in helping care for the retired priests in the archdiocese.

**NEW PRIESTS AND DEACONS:** Today we give thanks and pray for our earthly fathers. We also give thanks for our 'spiritual fathers' who minister in our parishes and communities. We also remember and pray for Deacons Toan Nguyen and Anil Mascarenhas who will be ordained as priests on Saturday 9th September at 10:00am at St Patrick's Cathedral. All are welcome to join. Let us continue praying for more vocations from our parishes and communities.

**2017 PARISH SEMINAR:** Thursdays 19th and 26th October and 2nd November. Rev Dr Elio Capra, a Salesian priest, speaks about Pope Francis' letter *Amoris Laetitia*—the Joy of Love. Topics: The structure and the content of *Amoris Laetitia*. Why has *Amoris Laetitia* caused so much controversy? What are the implications for the individual, the family, the parish and the church? 7:30pm to 9:00pm at the Francis Xavier meeting rooms (St John's parish house). Entrance through the meeting room doors at the back of the parish house. All Welcome. RSVP [heidelberg@cam.org.au](mailto:heidelberg@cam.org.au) / 94571066.

**THOMAS BERRY REFLECTIVE SEMINARY:** Sunday 10th September, 2:00 to 5:00pm at St Kevin's Catholic Church Gathering Space, 26 Herlihy Road, Lower Templestowe. Please see notice board for details.

**THIS WEEK WE CELEBRATE NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK.** We pray: Lord, you asked that the little children be welcomed to come to you; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. You entrust them to the care and protection of our communities of faith. Guide us as we work to ensure that our Catholic communities provide a safe and nurturing environment for each and every one of our children. Amen.

**KIMBERLEY CATHOLIC VOLUNTEER SERVICE:** Volunteer workers needed. Broome Diocese, WA, requires volunteers to assist with the work of the local Church in the Kimberley. Placements preferred for a period of 6 months. Currently seeking volunteers for the Balgo, Bidyadanga and Warmun for the wet season. Accommodation and food provided. Contact: Anneliese Rohr 08 9192 1060 / [volunteers@broome-diocese.org](mailto:volunteers@broome-diocese.org) Web: [www.broomediocese.org](http://www.broomediocese.org)

**EUTHANASIA BILL IN THE VICTORIAN PARLIAMENT:** The draft bill will now come before Legislative Assembly (lower house) on 5th September with debate expected to begin two weeks later. This gives us another two weeks to write letters to our elected representatives. 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.

**CATHOLICS AND LUTHERANS:** are jointly commemorating the 5th centenary of the Reformation with an afternoon tea on Sunday 10th September at 2:00pm, hosted by the St Francis Xavier Catholic Parish in Box Hill. This will be an opportunity for Lutherans and Catholics to meet one another and have a conversation around two short presentations. And a formal liturgical event at St John's Lutheran Church Southbank on Saturday 28th October at 7:00pm.