



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 7:00pm, 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.

21/22 Oct 2017 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Yr A

Mission Sunday

Dear parishioners, *visitors and friends,*

This week the Church remembers and offers prayers for people who are working to spread the Good News of the gospel. The gospel according to Matthew concludes with the words of the great commission: 'Go, therefore, make disciples of all nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teach them to observe all the commands I gave you. And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.'

Our role as Christians is to continually spread this good news story of God who came to live in our midst in order to speak to us of a God who is love and full of mercy. We are aware that not all peoples have heard this message; in some countries the good news of Jesus is still being preached for the first time, while in some other countries there is the need for us to re-plant the seeds of the gospel.

As Church we take this mission very seriously and a number of people are regularly sent out to fulfil this mission. These people require our prayerful and financial support. This weekend the Church invites us to remember in our prayers those 'missionaries' who are on the front line of this mission of evangelising. The special collection taken up this weekend supports their different initiatives in this field.

While we remember that we are all missionaries and we all are required to witness to the good news of the gospel, let us pray especially for those who have dedicated their lives to this important ministry.

God bless you.

Fr Mario

Christ himself is present in his word, since it is he who speaks when Scripture is read in Church. Indeed, the liturgical celebration becomes the continuing, complete and effective proclamation of God's word. The word of God, constantly proclaimed in the liturgy, is always a living and effective word through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Verbum Domini (2010) para 52

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

THE SICK: Patricia Mulholland, Ruth Mc Guire, Aileen Powell, Franca Valmorbidia.

ANNIVERSARY: Filomene Farinotti.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Sr Philomena Likiard, Jack Moorthy.

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.

21 Oct/22 Oct	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5:00pm
1 st Reader	Sue Lew-Kee	Claire Newsome	Robyn Laurie	Johanna Nesbitt
2 nd Reader	Maddy Lew-Kee	Mary Harty	Michelle Robertson	Matthew Sanders
Communion	Noel Micallef	Val Wallis	Tim Boyle	Leela Cherubim
	Donna Richardson	Elizabeth Williamson	Doris Schembri	Sally Tramontana
	Margaret Urquhart	Alice Wong	Leonore Giliberto	Michelle Penson
	Maria Basilone	Pauline Griffiths	Leo Hernandez	Catie Nesbitt
28 Oct/29 Oct	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5:00pm
1 st Reader	Michael Leonard	Ronnie Maloney	Claire Newsome	Guiseppa Amoroso
2 nd Reader	John James	Garry Sproules	Anita Metcalf	Catie Nesbitt
Communion	Emma Chang	Christopher Ratnayake	Yannick Jonas	Jenny Hollaway
	Donna Richardson	Margaret Bradley	Sue Lew-Kee	Margaret Hansen
	TBA	Stanly Devasia	Geraldine Manuel	Philip Johnson
	TBA	Teresa Lincoln	Doris Schembri	Jan McQueen
Counters	22 Oct: Graeme Foote, Michael Tilley, James Watson. & 29 Oct: Shane Byrnes, Tim Booth, Nigel Mant.			
Collection Weekly Average for September			Heidelcare Co-Ordinator	
Parish	Presbytery		October 2017: Marilyn 9459 1950	
Stewardship	\$4257.00	Stewardship	November 2017: Joan 9459 3889	
Loose	\$636.44	Loose	\$323.15	
Thank you for supporting St John's financially. Please advise if your credit card is lost/stolen or the expiry date has changed.				

ANNUAL CATHOLIC MISSION WORLD MISSION APPEAL: next weekend. This year we are invited to share our support for the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Nha Trang, Vietnam as they work tirelessly to provide critical community resources such as clean drinking water and medical care to the country's 12 million forgotten farming families, living in the coastal mountain regions. To donate please use envelopes at each entrance.

2017 PARISH SEMINAR: Thursdays 26th October and 2nd November. Rev Dr Elio Capra, a Salesian priest, speaks about Pope Francis' letter *Amoris Laetitia*—the Joy of Love. Topics: 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 / 94571066.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: Northern Central Council festival Mass. At St John's on Thursday 9th November, 7:30pm. Please join as we thank God for the good work carried out by our local Vinnies Conferences and celebrate our St John's Conference 90th anniversary. Des Madden, the new Northern Central Council president, will be commissioned on this occasion. RSVP by 2nd November on support.services@svdp-vic.org.au

NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: a seminar to prepare new Ministers of Communion will be held at Our Lady of Mercy College on Thursday 9th November at 3:30pm. Anyone who would like to become a Minister of Communion is welcome to attend. Please contact the parish office on 94571066.

PRAYING THE SUNDAY GOSPEL: every second and fourth Monday of the month, at the parish house at 7:00pm. All welcome.

FR MARIO: is available to visit and spend time with your family on the 27, 28 and 29 of October. Please ring the parish office (94571066) for an appointment.

NOVEMBER MASSES: As the month of November approaches, we remember our loved ones who have died. November Mass envelopes are available in the porch of the church. Envelopes can be dropped off at the parish office, sacristy or in the Sunday collections. You may also wish to write the names of your loved ones in the register next to the baptism font. Name of our departed loved ones will be placed on the altar and remembered at all Masses during the month of November.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: an elderly parishioner from Yallambie is seeking transport to Sunday Mass at St John's at least once a month. Please contact the parish office for further details.

UNUSED LAPTOPS AND TABLETS: Our Lady of the Pines parish representatives are collecting unused laptops and tablets to send to India. If you can help please contact the Donvale parish on 98418354. (Laptops and tablets can also be dropped off at our parish office and we will forward them to the Donvale parish.) Thank you for your generosity.

VOLUNTEER INTERPRETER ASSISTANCE NEEDED: CatholicCare is looking for people who can speak Hakha Chin—Burmese, Swahili, French, Farsi and Arabic, for a full weekend (free of charge) includes two nights accommodation and all meals, at Lake Dewar Lodge, Myrniong from Friday 27th October at 1:00pm to Sunday 29th October 3:00pm. Contact Matt Walton (Volunteer Coordinator) 9926 5699 or matthew.walton@ccam.org.au. A valid working with children card and police check required.

WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS: Please make yourself known by introducing yourself to Fr Mario and to the parish office. Thank you.