



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.

25/26 November 2017

## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

*Dear parishioners, visitors and friends,*

*This Sunday brings us to the conclusion of the Church Liturgical Year, we celebrate this with the feast of Jesus Christ as Lord of the Universe, a very appropriate way to end another year.*

*Life is a journey and our Christian life is a pilgrimage. Our role in life is to continue to grow in our faith and trust in Jesus Christ. As we listen to the stories in the gospels and reflect on them year after year, like true disciples, we are invited to develop our personal relationship with Christ. At the end of our journey we are expected to be able to declare Jesus as the one and only Lord of our life.*

*Through our Church liturgical celebrations, each year we repeat this same pilgrimage and journey until we come to the moment when we have to face Jesus face to face. That is the most important moment of our life and at that moment we are invited to stand in front of our king and declare him to be truly our Lord and our God. Our liturgical year is our training ground in preparation for this moment.*

*In today's gospel Jesus reminds us of our need to reach out to the poor and needy in our midst. Pope Francis tells us that the surest way of meeting Christ is in the poor. Jesus calls blessed those who have fed the hungry, clothed the naked and visited the sick and those in prison and invites them into his happiness. Do I find time to reach out to those who need me?*

*In our parish community our St Vincent de Paul conference members regularly visit the poor, our Heidelbergcare volunteers offer assistance to the elderly and the Austin visitors support the sick in our hospitals. These are opportunities for all of us to help.*

*Fr Mario*

We pray for departed members of our parish community, departed relatives and friends, and for priests and religious who ministered to our community.  
***Eternal rest grant to them O Lord, and perpetual light shine upon them!***

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**THE SICK:** Patricia Mulholland, Ruth Mc Guire, Aileen Powell, Brendan Okane, Patricia Wong.

**ANNIVERSARY:** Rev Fr John Greene, Mary Rockford, Rita Kenna, Kay Dennis .

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Sr Carmel Pascoe, Samantha Wearne.

*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.*

25 Nov/ 26 Nov	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5:00pm
1st Reader	Zen Zebrowski	Elizabeth Williamson	Karen Frost	Leela Cherubim
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader	Giuseppe Amoroso	Garry Sproules	Robyn Laurie	Rosemary Vecchies
Communion	Maria Basilone	Stanly Devasia	Tim Boyle	Margaret Hansen
	Sue Lew-kee	Pauline Griffiths	Leonore Giliberto	Jenny Hollaway
	TBA	Peter O'Donoghue	Leo Hernandez	Philip Johnson
	TBA	Ngoc Thi Minh Tran	Geraldine Manuel	Johana Nesbitt
2 Dec/ 3 Dec	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5:00pm
1st Reader	Sue Lew-Kee	Max Chester	Elizabeth Williamson	Candida Rowlands
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader	Maddy Lew-Kee	Claire Newsome	Peter Penson	Jack Naden
Communion	Domenica Ashworth	Fiona Curry	Adrian Daly	Leo Cosio
	Emma Chang	Margaret Bradley	Nigel Mant	Charito Cosio
	Noel Micallef	Karen Frost	Marni Mant	Leela Cherubim
	TBA	Pauline Griffiths	Yannick Jonas	Sally Tramontana
Counters	<b>26 Nov:</b> Garry Sproules, Janice McGrath, Giuseppe Amoroso & <b>3 Dec:</b> Mark Mc Carthy, Peter Symes, Paul De Stefanis.			
Collection Weekly Average for October			Heidelcare Co-Ordinator	
Parish		Presbytery		November 2017: Joan 9459 3889
Stewardship	\$3348.55	Stewardship	\$659.95	December 2017: Elaine 9459 6721
Loose	\$737.41	Loose	\$376.00	Morning Tea 3rd Dec: Carmel & Heather
Thank you for supporting St John's financially. Please advise if your credit card is lost/stolen or the expiry date has changed.				

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

**GOLD COIN COLLECTION:** This weekend at all Masses.

**BEREAVEMENT MASS:** On Friday 1st December we invite parishioners and friends who have lost loved ones in the past year to join us in prayer: Mass at 7:30pm followed by light supper in Francis Xavier meeting room in the parish house. Kindly contact the office with numbers attending. Please bring a photo of your loved one for the celebration.

**BEREAVEMENT COUNSELLING:** Julie is a bereavement counsellor in private practice and the Australian Centre for Grief and Bereavement. She holds qualifications in psychology and post-graduate in counselling, psychotherapy, with specialisation in bereavement counselling. She provides counselling at St John's by appointment. Julie can be contacted on 0411 241 005 or [julie@changesinbetween.com](mailto:julie@changesinbetween.com)

**ANOINTING MASS:** we invite the sick and elderly members in our parish for Mass with the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick on Thursday 7th December at 11:30am, followed by a light lunch at St Monica's Hall, hosted by St John's Primary year 6 students. Kindly ring the office with numbers attending. The sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will also be celebrated during the 9:15am Mass.

**LEGION OF MARY:** is seeking donations of used or new clothes, toys and educational items, for children 3-15 years old (no consumables); these will be sent to poor children in the Philippines Please place your donations in the Vinnies box in the porch. Enquiries: Sr Loreto (94571066).

**HEIDELCARE CHRISTMAS BREAKUP:** Short meeting 7.30pm Monday 4th December in the Francis Xavier meeting room at the Parish House, followed by supper. Entry via the back door. All most welcome.



**St Vincent de Paul Society**  
VICTORIA  
*good works*

**VINNIES CHRISTMAS APPEAL:** As Christmas approaches St John's Vinnies group will be preparing to assist those less fortunate in our area. It is customary to give hampers to these families. Over the coming weeks we will be collecting non-perishable food items for the hampers. A basket with names of items required is in the church porch. Kindly donate the items requested so that we can organise balanced hampers. Please bring your donations by Monday 11th December, latest. A collection will also held on the weekend of 16/17 December. Thank you.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS AND CALENDARS:** Members of our Vinnies Conference will be selling Christmas Cards and 2018 calendars. Proceeds support the work of the conference. The Christmas cards feature two stained glass windows in our parish church.

**YARRA DEANERY ADVENT GATHERING:** Wednesday 6th December 7:30pm at St Kevin's church, 22-44 Herlihys Road, Lower Templestowe. Join us for a brief time of simple worship and a lovely supper with friends. Pizzas provided; contact Fr Wayne (9457 5794) or Merle (9497 1691) with numbers attending. Please bring sweets to share and BYO drinks.

**CHRISTMAS SINGING GROUPS:** We need more people to join us at the Sunday 10:30am and the 5pm masses. If you would like to help us prepare for Christmas by joining one of these groups you are most welcome.

**ST JOHN'S CHRISTMAS CAROLS:** hosted by the parish primary school on Wednesday 13th December at the school oval. 6:00pm BYO picnic dinner and drinks. Carols 7:00pm.

**THE GOSPEL OF MARK:** Wednesday 29th November 7:30pm by Fr Chris Monaghan at St Kevin's Church Gathering Space, 22 Herlihys Rd, Lower Templestowe.