



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.*

PARISH PRIEST: Fr Mario Zammit
PARISH SECRETARY: Mary Peeris
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OFFICE: Mo, Tu, Th, Fr, 9:30am-2:30pm

MASS TIMES:
WEEKEND : Saturday: 6:00pm
Sunday: 8:30am, 10:30am, 5:00pm
AUSTIN HOSPITAL:
3rd Sunday of the Month at 9:30am.
WEEKDAYS: 9:15am

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):
Saturdays at 9:45am & 5:30pm
or by appointment

BAPTISMS: 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

ROSARY: Monday to Saturday after Mass.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:
Wednesday: 7:30pm - 9:00pm;
Thursday: 9:40am - 11:00am,
Friday: 8:00am - 9:00am

LECTIO DIVINA: Every second and fourth Monday of the month at 7:00pm, in the parish house

LEGION OF MARY: Tuesday night at 7:00pm in the parish house. Info: Sue 9459 8604

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.

PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL:

PRINCIPAL: Maureen Stella
ADDRESS: 55 Cape St Heidelberg 3084
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HALL HIRE: Fran mob: 0417972317
10:00am-5:00pm (Mon-Fri only)

NEW PARISHIONERS WELCOME:

Please contact parish office to introduce yourself.

16th / 17th June— 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr B

A CASE STUDY BY ST VINCENT DE PAUL

JENNY'S STORY

Escaping domestic violence, Jenny was faced with impossible choices at every turn. With two small children to think of, getting out of her situation was far from easy. Not only was Jenny's husband routinely violent towards her, he even attacked her while she was pregnant.

Jenny had no illusions as to what a tough choice it would be to leave.

"I didn't have a roof over my head," she says, "I didn't have anything to eat, I didn't know anyone."

But she found her courage, and took the impossible choice. "A wife would have stepped back, but a mother has to step forward," she says. Despite the risks Jenny decided to literally fight her way out for the sake of her children.

"It took me a lot of time, she says. But it's never too late, as they say, to take control of your life. I just hope that no one else has faced the situation that I have: but if they have, they should say 'no' straight away."

It became unbearable for Jenny when her little girl became ill. She needed cough medicine but Jenny barely had enough money to put food on the table. This is when Jenny reached out to Vinnies for help.

Vinnies provided Jenny with food hampers that included some small treats to brighten her children's day. We were able to give her vouchers that helped her purchase suitable clothes and school shoes for her son. But most importantly we provided Jenny with the stability and support she so desperately needed with accommodation assistance while she rebuilt her life.

Vinnies allowed Jenny to find a safe place to live and face the challenges of living in poverty with more security and confidence. It made all the difference on her road to recovery.

"I am blessed!" Jenny said. "Because of you I am safe and, I am strong."

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY BAPTISED: Alessandro De Oliveira.

THE SICK: M. Cooke, John Pikines, Aurette Ferriere, Max Chester, Elizabeth Larkin, Catherine Livera, Erin Nevill, Patricia Mulholland, Patricia Wong.

ANNIVERSARY: Joan Cannuli, Concetta Merlino.

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.

16 June/17 June	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5:00pm
1st Reader	Michael Leonard	Jan Mc Caffery	Michelle Robertson	Margaret Andrews
2 nd Reader	Brian Garrone	Pietro Sciotto	Claire Newsome	Matthew Sanders
Communion	Domenica Ashworth	Teresa Lincoln	Beena Dilip	Charito Cosio
	Emma Chang	Peter O'Donoghue	Leo Hernandez	Leo Cosio
	Leela Cherubim	Elizabeth Williamson	Marni Mant	Jenny Hollaway
	Adrian Daly	TBA	Nigel Mant	TBA
23 June/24 June	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5:00pm
1st Reader	Zen Zebrowski	Marguerite Ryan	Elizabeth Williamson	Leela Cherubim
2 nd Reader	Barbara Barnes	Garry Sproules	Grace Lew-Kee	Mary Kotefski
Communion	Domenica Ashworth	Margaret Bradley	Leo Hernandez	Margaret Hansen
	Bill Barnes	Chris Ratnayake	Yannick Jonas	Catie Nesbitt
	Lorraine Mascarenhas	Val Wallis	Sue Lew-Kee	Grace Nesbitt
	Noel Micallef	Alice Wong	Doris Schembri	Joanna Nesbitt
Counters	17 June: Peter Symes, Paul De Stefanis & 24 June: Graeme Foote, Michael Tilley.			
Collection Weekly Average for May		Heidelcare Co-Ordinator		
Parish	Presbytery	June : Jenny 9459 7174		
Stewardship	\$2957.13	Stewardship	\$302.59	July : Jenny 9459 7174
Loose	\$658.34	Loose	\$333.44	
Thank you for supporting St John's financially. Please advise if your credit card is lost/stolen or the expiry date has changed.				

AUSTIN HOSPITAL MASS: this Sunday 17th June. Volunteers please meet at 8:30am for 9:30am Mass at the chapel. Parishioners are invited to participate in this Mass to minister to the sick by their presence.

PHILIPPINES JANUARY 2019 MISSION IMMERSION TRIP: A meeting was held yesterday giving more details about the planned mission immersion trip. Thank you to all who participated. Some parishioners told me they could not make the meeting. Thanks! Next stage is to apply to be part of the group. Applications close on Saturday 30th June. I am happy to discuss this further. Please contact me on 94571066 or heidelberg@cam.org.

ST JOHN'S GEMS: invites you to an introduction to Christian Meditation followed by morning tea on Tuesday 19th June at 10:15am in Francis Xavier Meeting Room (Please enter at the back of the parish house). Christian Meditation is the prayer of silence and listening; part of the ancient but on-going tradition of contemplative prayer. Meditation is a way of silent prayer that is imageless and wordless.

St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal: is being held in our parish during the month of June. Please place donations of long-life food, clothing and blankets in the basket in the porch. A collection will be taken on 23/24 June at all Masses. Envelopes are available at the church entrances.

PARISH CENSUS: over the past few weekends we have had the opportunity to fill in our parish census cards again. It is very important that we have updated details of all our current parishioners. If you have missed out on this opportunity, please pick up and fill in a census card from the porch and return to the parish office. Thank you.

CONGRATULATIONS: To parishioners Dr Renato Vecchies OAM, for service to the Italian community of Victoria and to medicine and Mrs Rosemary Vecchies OAM for service to the community through a range of organisations. Recipients of Queen's Birthday honours awards.

PARISH RAFFLE: LAST CHANCE: 11 keys left to be sold (\$10.00 each).

VOLUNTEERS AT THE AUSTIN HOSPITAL: As a parish we have a very old history of doing voluntary work at the Austin Hospital. This ministry takes different forms. Some volunteers offer to visit the hospital during the week, offering prayer, support and Communion to the Catholic patients. Others help once a month checking which patients would like to attend Mass at the hospital chapel, while other volunteers help wheel the patients to and from the chapel. Some parishioners support this ministry by being present at this Mass. Mass at the Austin Hospital is on the third Sunday of the month at 9:30am. (There is also Mass at the Repatriation Hospital chapel on the fourth Sunday of each month at 11:00am.) All volunteers working at the hospital need to be registered. If you would like to participate in this ministry, please contact the parish office (94571066 / heidelberg@cam.org.au).

HEALING MASS: Thursday 21st June at Our Lady Help of Christians, Henry Street, Eltham. Evening starts at 7:30pm with praise and worship, with Mass at 8:00pm. Prayer ministry and supper available. Information: Rose (9434 3962).

DON BOSCO CAMP, SAFETY BEACH: A Catholic winter holiday program for young people, 9-13yo (Junior) and 13-16yo (Senior), during the upcoming school holidays. A fun, exciting holiday for all, regardless of financial circumstances, in a safe and supportive environment. Information: 03 5987 2692 / www.donboscocamp.org.au

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