



ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PARISH  
& PRIMARY SCHOOL

# ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PARISH

52 Yarra Street  
HEIDELBERG



We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which our parish stands, the Wurundjeri-Balluk clan of the Woi wurrung people in the Kulin Nation.

Central to the mission of St John's Parish is an unequivocal commitment to fostering the dignity and integrity of children and young people and providing them with a safe and supportive environment in which to flourish.

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**OFFICE HOURS:**

Tues—Fri 9:30am to 2:30pm

**MASS TIMES:** Tues to Sat: 9:15am &

Sat Vigil 6pm, Sun: 8:30am, &

10:30am & Sunday 5pm.

**RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):**

Sat 9:45-10:30am & 5:30-6pm

**WEDDINGS:** By appointment

**FIRST RECONCILIATION,**

**FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION:**

Parish Secretary (9457 1066)

**LEGION OF MARY:** Weekly meeting

Tue 7:30pm at Francis Xavier

Meeting room, Parish House.

Pilgrim statue of Mary:, Contact

Sue 0449260206

**ST JOHN'S WALKING GROUP:** regular

Monday morning walks leaving

from outside the Church in Yarra

Street at 9.30am. To register

please contact Jan on

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hours.

**26TH/27TH JUNE, 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YR B**

### 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.*

### SS JOHN FISHER AND THOMAS MORE

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This past week, on Tuesday June 22, we celebrated the feast day of Ss John Fisher and Thomas More. They are 15th Century martyrs of Reformation England, at the time of King Henry VIII. Perhaps it's just me, but I believe the cult and devotion towards them has grown in recent times. With More the patron saint of politicians and John Fisher being a bishop who stood up to civil authority, their story is resonating ever more strongly with us living at a time when the Church and state are increasingly at odds with one another. In honour of their feast, I include an excerpt here from one of my favourite Catholic writers, Monsignor Ronald Knox, on Fisher and More. It's from a book first printed in 1950 that is a collection of sermons titled *The Gospel in Slow Motion*. It goes as such:

*"I want to seize on one splendid quality about them; their utter independence of mind. You see, the really curious thing about the English martyrs is that there are so few of them. Here you have a completely Catholic country which in a matter of twenty years or so goes Protestant, and nobody seems to mind very much. Why weren't all the other people martyrs too? And the answer to that question you can give in four words: MOST MEN ARE SHEEP. You can get them to accept anything, by bluffing them, by bullying them, by applying soft soap when it's needed. But there are a few of the important people in any generation who can't do that. They are not stupid enough to be hoodwinked by propaganda. They are too honest to be bribed by preferment. And they have just that touch of hardness about their minds which won't consent to sacrifice principle for the sake of general peace and calm. You can do nothing with such people, except martyr them. Such were St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More."*

Knox goes on in this sermon to encourage his hearers to adopt a similar independent mindset to that of Fisher and More. To learn to distrust yourself the moment you find yourself saying things and thinking things merely because other people around you are saying them. A rather sobering line I'll leave you with from the end of Knox's sermon: *"If you become a yes-man you likely won't lose the faith, but you'll be a passenger; you'll be no use to the Church, when she wants you."*

God preserve us from being useless passengers when it comes to our Catholic faith.

In Christ,  
Fr Joel.

26/27 June	<b>Sat 6:00pm</b>	<b>Sun 8:30am</b>	<b>Sun 10:30am</b>	<b>Sun 5:00pm</b>
1st Reader	Pamela Smith	John McGrath	Michelle Robertson	Leela Cherubim
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader	Michael Leonard	Ronnie Maloney	Robyn Laurie	TBA
Communion	Emma Chang	Bobbie Bartkus	Time Boyle	Leela Cherubim
3/4 July	<b>Sat 6:00pm</b>	<b>Sun 8:30am</b>	<b>Sun 10:30am</b>	<b>Sun 5:00pm</b>
1st Reader	Adrian Daly	TBA	Claire Newsome	Peter Penson
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader	Leela Cherubim	Marguerite Ryan	Elizabeth Williamson	TBA
Communion	Donna Richardson	Margaret Bradley	Leo Hernandez	Michelle Penson

**VINNIES WINTER APPEAL:** Collection next weekend 3rd/4th July at all masses. We also need donations of non-perishable food items to the StVdP winter appeal. Your donations will be distributed to needy families by your local StVdP conference. Preferred food items are soups, packaged meals, breakfast cereals, tea, and coffee. Please place the items in the basket located in the foyer of the church, the basket will remain there throughout winter or you are welcome to drop it off at the parish office during office hours i.e Tuesday to Friday, 9:30am to 2:30pm. Thank you for your generosity.

**GEMS 50+:** Due to COVID restrictions no gatherings planned until further notice.

**VOLUNTEERS FOR SUNDAY MASSES:** At each Sunday Mass volunteers to support parishioners in entering their information into the QR system, clean the seats after each Mass. Any help will be very much appreciated - we are all in this together. To volunteer please contact during office hours Tuesday to Friday, 9:30am to 2:30pm the Parish office on 94571066 or email at [heidelberg@cam.org.au](mailto:heidelberg@cam.org.au)

**MINDFULNESS & MEDITATION VIA ZOOM:** 1hr x 4 Tuesday nights, 7.30pm-8.30pm, 6-27 July 2021'. This is an evening series on the practice of contemplative mindfulness and meditation. It provides input and guidance, encouraging regular practice within a supportive group. The series is led by Paola Cheng, a qualified meditation teacher, spiritual director and social worker, who brings an inclusive and gentle approach to her sessions. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Cost \$50. Book and pay via [website www.heartoflife.melbourne](http://www.heartoflife.melbourne), email [info@heartoflife.melbourne](mailto:info@heartoflife.melbourne) or tel 9890 1101.

#### QR SCAN CHURCH ATTENDANCE



CAN'T SCAN?

Download the Service Victoria app or visit:  
[go.vic.gov.au/check-in](http://go.vic.gov.au/check-in)

Open the app and enter: St John's Catholic Church,  
Heidelberg

52 Yarra St HEIDELBERG, Location code GS6 2SF

No booking-in required but you must check in via QR code upon arrival. We are required to undertake electronic record keeping by using the Victorian Government QR Code Service through the Service Victoria app. It will be even more important to come to Mass a little earlier to avoid delaying Mass.

Please do not attend if you are unwell or awaiting a COVID-19 test verification (even without presenting symptoms) or closely connected to people who are awaiting test results or who have tested positive.

Density quotient of 1person per 4 sqm applies.



Face Masks must be worn inside the church except when an exception applies.

Please remember to sanitize the pew before you leave.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION**

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**THE SICK:** Joan Geoghegan, Marie Caldwell, Nancy Kennedy, Jacob Draper, Mary Teresa Wright, James Artinopoulos, Philomena Misale and Brett Ralph, Elizabeth Finn, Pauline Hewatt, Giovanni Mirabella.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Laura Foote, Bruno Scopece.

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

### ENTRANCE : BLESSED JESUS, AT YOUR WORD

Blessed Jesus, at your word  
we are gathered all to hear you;  
let our hearts and minds be stirred  
now to seek and love and fear you;  
by your gospel pure and holy teach us,  
Lord, to love you solely.

### COMMUNION: THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want.  
He makes me down to lie in pastures green:  
he leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again,  
and me to walk doth make within the paths of  
righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,  
yet will I fear none ill: for thou art with me,  
and thy rod and staff me comfort still.

### RECESSIONAL: LORD CHRIST, TRUE PEACE OF ALL ABOVE

Lord Christ, true peace of all above  
sure hope of all below,  
establish in your grace and love,  
your people as we go.

Your blessing Lord, who bless us all,  
abide with us today;  
your mercy, peace and watchful care,  
surround us on our way.

### GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God,  
Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

### CONFITEOR

I confess to almighty God and to you,  
my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,  
*(And, striking their breast, they say:)*  
through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
*(Then they continue:)*

therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints, and you,  
my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

### NICENE CREED

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,

*(At the words that follow, up to and including and  
became man, all bow.)*

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin  
Mary, and became man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.



## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All peoples, clap your hands.  
Cry to God with shouts of joy!

**FIRST READING** Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

Death was not God's doing, he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living. To be – for this he created all; the world's created things have health in them, in them no fatal poison can be found, and Hades holds no power on earth; for virtue is undying. Yet God did make man imperishable, he made him in the image of his own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world, as those who are his partners will discover.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13.

**RESPONSE:** I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me  
and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.  
O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,  
restored me to life from those who sink into the  
grave. R./

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him,  
give thanks to his holy name.  
His anger lasts but a moment: his favour through life.  
At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn.  
R./

The Lord listened and had pity.  
The Lord came to my help.  
For me you have changed my mourning into dancing,  
O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. R./

**SECOND READING** 2 Corinthians 8:7. 9. 13-15

You always have the most of everything – of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death  
and brought us life through his gospel.  
Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

Mark 5:21-43

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him.

Now there was a woman who had suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years; after long and painful treatment under various doctors, she had spent all she had without being any the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse. She had heard about Jesus, and she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his cloak. 'If I can touch even his clothes,' she had told herself 'I will be well again.' And the source of the bleeding dried up instantly, and she felt in herself that she was cured of her complaint. Immediately aware that power had gone out from him, Jesus turned round in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples said to him, 'You see how the crowd is pressing round you and yet you say, "Who touched me?"' But he continued to look all round to see who had done it. Then the woman came forward, frightened and trembling because she knew what had happened to her, and she fell at his feet and told him the whole truth. 'My daughter,' he said 'your faith has restored you to health; go in peace and be free from your complaint.'

While he was still speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
and all within me, his holy name.

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KINDLY TAKE THE NEWSLETTER WITH YOU AFTER USING IT  
AT MASS. THANK YOU