



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:** 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 0423478504.

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**HALL HIRE:**

Contact parish office during

**24<sup>TH</sup>/25<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 17<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YR B**

## Guardians of the Tradition

Dear brothers and sisters,

On July 16, the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, the Holy Father issued a *Motu Proprio* (literally translated to "of his own impulse") to the Catholic faithful. This document titled *Traditionis Custodes* aims at regulating in our church the celebration of the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite, also known as the Traditional Latin Mass. Archbishop Peter Comensoli has asked that we priests share this information with you over the weekend, so here we are.

In effect, the document revokes the freedom granted by Pope Benedict XVI in 2007 that allowed any priest anywhere the right to offer mass according to the 1962 Missal. Permission to do so now may only be granted by a Bishop and only in rare circumstances. The decision is aimed at ensuring what the Vatican II Council aimed at in its constitution on the Sacred Liturgy: the full, conscious and active participation of the whole People of God in the mass and to be uniform in that worship. It is also aimed at ridding the church of a division that Pope Francis believes has emerged between those who regularly attend the TLM and the rest of Christ's faithful.

In reality, the document impacts very few of us personally. Outside of the parish of St John Henry Newman in Caulfield, there are less than 10 parishes in our Archdiocese that offer one, maybe two TLMs in a week. There are, however, a small but strong number of faithful in our diocese who do appreciate the solemnity and the nod to antiquity that the celebration of these mysteries carry. Many of them are young adults and families.

The lockdowns and restrictions of the past year have given us all a taste as to what it is like to have the mass taken away from us: it can be very saddening and even traumatizing. All of us should be conscious of and keep in prayer those members of the Body of Christ who have been greatly dispirited by this decision. You would forgive these folks asking the question: why this and why now? With everything that should be on the Holy Father's table including clerical abuse scandals, Vatican corruption charges, German Bishops threatening schism, Coronavirus etc. (all of which has contributed to a bleeding of numbers in the Western Church), we've all of a sudden got serious concerns about the way people are praying? As our Archbishop himself has written, for many this document will be met with bewilderment.

How *Traditionis Custodes* will be implemented is yet to be determined locally. Whatever the impact, the desire for ever greater communion in the church is a noble one, and one in which we should all pray for.

With every blessing,

Fr Joel.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**THE SICK:** Robert Sciacca, Concetta Molinaro, Joan Geoghegan, Marie Caldwell, Nancy Kennedy, Jacob Draper.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Brian Thomas.

Please submit any items for the newsletter, including sick, recently deceased and anniversaries, by **Thursday**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

God is in his holy place,  
 God who unites those who dwell in his house;  
 he himself gives might and strength to his people.

**FIRST READING**

2 Kgs 4:42-44

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. 'Give it to the people to eat,' Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted 'for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some left over."' He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Ps 144:10-11, 15-18.

**RESPONSE:** The hand of the Lord feeds us;  
 he answers all our needs.

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord,  
 and your friends shall repeat their blessing.  
 They shall speak of the glory of your reign  
 and declare your might, O God.

R./

The eyes of all creatures look to you  
 and you give them their food in due time.  
 You open wide your hand,  
 grant the desires of all who live.

R./

The Lord is just in all his ways  
 and loving in all his deeds.  
 He is close to all who call him,  
 who call on him from their hearts.

R./

**SECOND READING**

Ephesians 4 1-6

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us;  
 God has visited his people.

Alleluia!

**GOSPEL**

John 6:1-15

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee – or of Tiberias – and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.

Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
 and never forget all his benefits.

**SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already here, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

**SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR ONLINE MASS**

<https://www.youtube.com/c/StJamestheApostlehc>  
<https://www.stsimonsparish.com.au/mass-videos2021>  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/archmelb>

31 July-1 Aug	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5:00pm
1st Reader	Sue Lew-kee	Michelle LeMaster	Michelle Robertson	Mary Kotefski
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader	Grace Lew-Kee	Ronnie Maloney	TBA	TBA
Communion	Domenica Ashworth	Jerzy Kmita	Geraldine Manuel	TBA