



ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PARISH  
& PRIMARY SCHOOL

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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  
hours.

2ND/3RD OCTOBER 2021

*TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B*

## LOCKDOWN LIGHT- BRINGING 'LIGHT' TO THIS TIME OF LOCKDOWN ...

### PODCASTS FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING: HOW TO KEEP OUR KIDS CATHOLIC

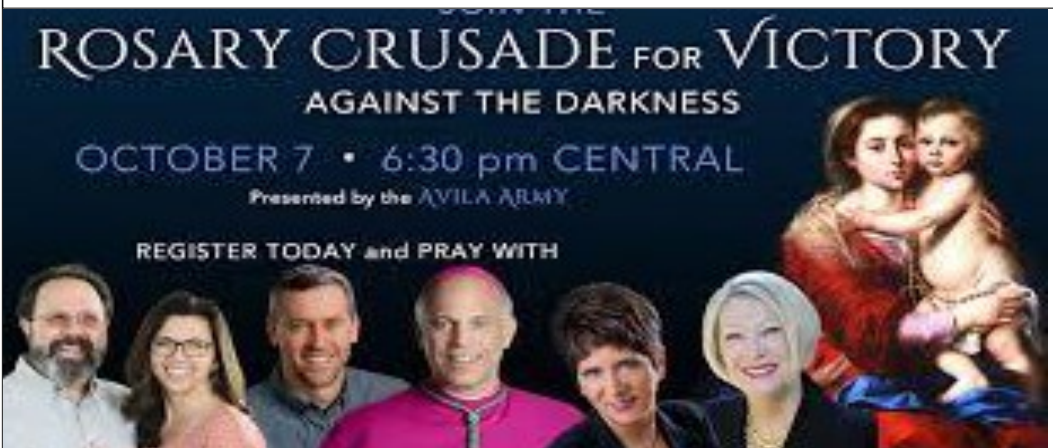
In this episode of The Word on Fire show, Bishop Robert Barron and Brandon Vogt discuss what helps children retain their faith into young adulthood. Listen at [www.bit.ly/ChristianLiving5](http://www.bit.ly/ChristianLiving5)

### GETTING TO KNOW YOUR BIBLE: SCIENCE AND THE BIBLE: ARE THEY OPPOSED?

Getting Started: In this video, Bishop Robert Barron firmly debunks the common claim that science and religion are diametrically opposed. Watch at [www.bit.ly/BibleGettingStarted5a](http://www.bit.ly/BibleGettingStarted5a) and visit [www.reasonfaithscience.com](http://www.reasonfaithscience.com) for further resources.

Going Deeper: This video skilfully explores a Catholic understanding of the Book of Genesis' account of creation through a tapestry of voices. View here [www.bit.ly/BibleGoingDeeper5](http://www.bit.ly/BibleGoingDeeper5)

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Invitation to gather to pray the rosary with other believers around the world as Ralph Martin, Lila Rose, Kimberly Hahn, Sr. Miriam James Heidland, Fr. Donald Calloway, Fr. Boniface Hicks, Fr. Josh Johnson, Chris Stefanick, and many other Catholic teachers and influencers lead us through the sacred mysteries.

This will be a live, worldwide, virtual event at 6:30 pm central on October 7, 2021—yes, that's right, the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary! You will need to register in advance to receive the link to join in. As there is a time difference for various countries all around the world wanting to participate, you may also pray the Rosary at your local time wherever you are in the world on this special feast day. Here's where to sign up:

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/avilafoundation/568089#>.

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established,  
and there is none that can resist your will.  
For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth,  
and all that is held within the circle of heaven;  
you are the Lord of all.

## FIRST READING

Genesis 2:18-24

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them, each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed: 'This at last is bone from my bones, and flesh from my flesh! This is to be called woman, for this was taken from man.' This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 127.

**Response:** May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

O blessed are those who fear the Lord  
and walk in his ways!  
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.  
You will be happy and prosper.

R./

Your wife will be like a fruitful vine  
in the heart of your house;  
your children like shoots of the olive,  
around your table.

R./

Indeed thus shall be blessed  
the man who fears the Lord.  
May the Lord bless you from Zion  
in a happy Jerusalem  
all the days of your life!  
May you see your children's children.  
On Israel, peace!

R./

## SECOND READING

Hebrews 2:9-11

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind. As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for

whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!  
If we love one another,  
God will live in us in perfect love.  
Alleluia!



## GOSPEL

Mark 10:2-16

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.' People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord is good to those who hope in him,  
to the soul that seeks him.

## 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.

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**THE SICK:** Jerzy Baczkowicz, Brett Ralph, Margaret Ralph, Jim Artinopoulos, George Cassamity, Elizabeth Finn.

**ANNIVERSARY:** Brendan Sullivan.

Please keep in your prayers all those individuals and businesses severely affected by this ongoing lockdown, those suffering from isolation and those suffering financially.

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