



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 &

5pm

ADORATION: After Friday morning
Mass with Benediction.

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):

Friday during Adoration, Sat 9:45
am & 5:30pm

WEDDING, BAPTISM, FIRST

RECONCILIATION, FIRST COMMUNION,
CONFIRMATION:

Parish Secretary (9457 1066)

LEGION OF MARY: Meet every

Wednesdays at 10.30am at parish
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All Welcome. Fatima Statue

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1ST / 2ND OCTOBER, 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YR C

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.*

Dear Friends,

In reflecting on the Gospel of this Sunday's Mass when the disciples of Jesus asked him to "Increase our faith" the Lord spoke to them and advised them that they should be like the faithful servant who is faithful to his master and fulfilled the duty which was entrusted to him. Like that faithful servant, then the task has been done, in their manner, not certainly to take pride in, but say, "we are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty."

"Lord, increase our faith" is a request that we also make. We know, in fact, that salvation comes from faith. By faith Abraham left his land, by faith Moses led the people of God free from slavery and by faith he brought them to the Promised Land. But faith is not a static reality that one owns like an object. Nor is it adherence to abstract truths. Faith is above all a gift which we receive and which must be kept and cultivated. It is, as St Paul says, born of hearing. Every day therefore it must be nourished from the Scriptures and must manifest itself in prayer and charity. Jesus, in the Gospel of this Sunday's Mass, says to the disciples and to us that when faith is strong, it is enough to have it as a tiny mustard seed in order to be able to uproot a tree and transplant it in the sea. It is this power that the disciples of Jesus have received from God.

It is this power that we too have received from God. When we live out that faith in our daily living by a life of prayer, worship of our God and a life of charity in service towards our brothers and sisters. There are many tasks for volunteers in our parish of St John's that need many hands to help. May I encourage you all to take part actively in building up our parish community so as our faith community becomes even stronger in unity, love and service. Let us ask the Lord that same question as the disciples asked, "Lord, increase our faith", so that we may become faithful servants to God in order to transform the hearts and lives of others in our family, in our parish community here at St John's Heidelberg and in the wider community.

With every blessing,

Fr Vinh-Parish Priest

ENTRANCE HYMN: HOLY, HOLY, HOLY!

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song of praise shall be:
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore you,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before you,
you were and are, and evermore shall be.

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.

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.

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.

FIRST READING

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help while you
will not listen; to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear and
you will not save? Why do you set injustice before
me, why do you look on where there is tyranny?
Outrage and violence, this is all I see, all is
contention, and discord flourishes. Then the Lord
answered and said, 'Write the vision down, inscribe

it on tablets to be easily read, since this vision is for its
own time only: eager for its own fulfilment, it does
not deceive; if it comes slowly, wait, for come it will,
without fail. See how he flags, he whose soul is not at
rights, but the upright man will live by his
faithfulness.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 94:1-2. 6-9

Response: If today you hear his voice, harden not your
hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.

Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord.

R./

Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand.

R./

O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.'

R./

SECOND READING

1Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift
that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's
gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power,
and love, and self-control. So you are never to be
ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me
for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the
hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on
the power of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you
have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in
Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after
something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy
Spirit who lives in us.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The word of the Lord stands for ever;
it is the word given to you, the Good News.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our
faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a
mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be
uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey
you.

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or
minding sheep, would say to him when he returned
from the fields, "Come and have your meal
immediately"? Would he not be more likely to say,
"Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on
me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink
yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the

servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty."

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

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup.
We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

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

COMMUNION HYMN: OUR SUPPER INVITATION

Take of my bread and eat, drink my new wine.
Take of my life and live, branch of my vine.
Let me befriend you now; eat take your fill.
Don't be afraid to dream; love has its will.

Take up your burden now, walk 'til you find
Just what the journey means; walk while there's time.
Food for the journey will answer your need.
Don't be afraid to walk; love, my love will lead.

Take of my bread and eat, drink my new wine.
Be a sweet nourishment to good friends of mine.
Let me befriend you now; eat, take your fill.
Share with your people, that love has its will.

Take of my bread and eat, drink my new wine.
Take of my life and live, branch of my vine.

RECESSIONAL HYMN: THOUGH THE MOUNTAINS MAY FALL

Refrain

Though the mountains may fall and the hills turn to dust,
Yet the love of the Lord will stand
As a shelter for all who will call on His name.
Sing the praise and the glory of God!

Could the Lord ever leave you?
Could the Lord forget His love?
Though a mother forsake her child,
He will not abandon you.

Ref.

Should you turn and forsake Him,
He will gently call your name.
Should you wander away from Him,
He will always take you back.

Ref.

GOSPEL FOCUS – FAITH

The disciples ask Jesus to increase their faith, but their question – and the reply given by Jesus – does not make clear the faith that they want increased. Is it their faith in God; their faith in themselves; or their faith in the people they are called to serve? The response by Jesus suggests that, in fact, it is faith in all these things. Faith in God and faith in self are intrinsically linked and Jesus makes plain to the disciples that this faith must find its expression in selfless service to others.



1 / 2 October	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader	Domenica Ashworth	Claire Newsome	Robyn Laurie	Annaliza
Collectors	Vernon Curtis	Colin Ingram	Francis Seymon	-
		Mary Ingram	Stan Jernejcic	
8 / 9 October	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader	Peter Penson	Pietro Sciotto	Robyn Laurie	Leela Cherubim
Collectors	Paul Zebrowski	-	Michael Mathai	-
	Zen Zebrowski		Liam Reeves	

COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK ENDED 25TH SEPTEMBER 2022

CHURCH - BSB 083-347 A/c 658806318

PRESBYTERY - BSB 083-347 A/c 659225267

Envelopes	Loose Collection	Bank Direct	Envelopes	Loose Collection	Bank Direct
445.00	473.60	430.00	70.30	771.65	350.00

First Collection is for the support of our parish priest, the Archbishop, the sick and retired priests and priests in less fortunate areas around our Archdiocese of Melbourne (it is taken up after the prayers of the faithful).

Second Collection is for the support of our parish, its welfare and maintenance (it is taken up after Communion).

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS: a reminder to turn your clocks FORWARD one hour for the start of 2022-2023 daylight saving period on Sunday October 2nd.

PARISH LUNCH SUNDAY OCTOBER 2ND: All parishioners and friends are invited to attend the Parish Lunch on Sunday October 2nd following 10.30a.m. mass. We will gather on the grass outside the Parish House. Food, tea, coffee, soft drinks, tables and chairs will be provided. If you wish you may like to BYO drinks.

If you are able to set up tables and chairs on the lawn on Sunday October 2nd following the 8.30a.m. mass would you please contact Elizabeth on 0447195553.

125TH ANNIVERSARY OF CONSECRATION – ST PATRICK’S CATHEDRAL: As we celebrate our 175th Anniversary year as a diocese – we also mark a significant milestone for our Cathedral. Archbishop Comensoli warmly invites you to join him for Mass to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the Consecration of St Patrick’s – **Thursday 27 October 2022 at St Patrick’s Cathedral, commencing at 1pm.** This is a beautiful opportunity to come together in the house of the Lord – built by the faithful and generous people from every part of our Archdiocese, and home for all. Mass will be followed by the Launch of the **Catholic Precinct Walking Tour App**, an initiative of the Mary Glowrey Museum.

GEMS 50+: The GEMS will resume on Tuesday October 4th at the 'Old England' for lunch at 12.30p.m. We have a few places available if you would like to join us. Please contact Elizabeth 0447195553.

MORNING TEA: will be available following the 10.30a.m. mass next Sunday, October 9th in the Francis Xavier Room at the rear of the Parish House.

RCIA (Rites for Christian Initiation of Adults) programme at St John’s: Are you someone or do you know someone who



- Just wants to know more about the Catholic faith?
- Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- May have experienced 'stirrings of the heart'?
- Was baptised Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

RCIA is a 'journey' designed for those who feel a call to know more about Jesus Christ and the Catholic faith. You are most welcome to participate in the RCIA with your questions, your insights and your faith story.

You can approach Fr Vinh directly to discuss and find out more about the programme. Or contact Parish Office during office hours on 9457 1066, Tuesday to Friday, 9.30 to 2.30 or email at heidelberg@cam.org.au

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

THE SICK: Rosalie Prince, Aileen Powell, Helen Griffiths, Margaret Thomas, Alice Hyland, Charlie Catujar, Noah Thorley, Joan O’Donoghue, Michael Kemp, Judy Catlow.

ANNIVERSARY: Loretta Roberts, Bill Galbraith.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Fr Lawrie Moate SDB, Bishop Emeritus Hilton Deakin.

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