



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 & 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: Meet every
Wednesdays at 10.30am at parish
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Contact parish office during office
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*5TH/6TH MARCH 2022,
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR 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.*

TEMPTATION UNDER THE GUISE OF GOOD

Lent is a time when we are invited to enter with Jesus into the desert. We go there to share both his conflict and his victory, to feel something of our own weakness and temptations, to increase our capacity to make good decisions (discernment).

The three temptations put to Jesus are subtle. Like all temptations to which good people are vulnerable, they come under the guise of good. Playing upon his status as Messiah and Son of God, the devil makes suggestions that are, in their own way, appropriate.

Jesus is hungry. Just this once let him use his miraculous powers for himself rather than for others. That will strengthen him for his mission.

What about a shortcut to world power? That would save a lot of trouble and suffering. Just a small price. Worship the devil not God.

Get your messianic career off to a flying start with a leap from the Temple. If you're the Messiah angels will see that you come to no harm and it will make a great impression.

Conscious of the true direction of his mission, Jesus dismisses each suggestion instantly. He cannot redeem the world by using the world's own techniques, manipulated by the devil. Son of God though he is, he will tread the ordinary path of human life, entering fully into the pain and evil of the world to transform it from within by the power of divine love. Only this way can he fulfil the Father's will to reclaim it for true humanity.

Fr Brendan Byrne sj



A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE



Loving God, We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen

5/6 March	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader	Pamela Smith	Pietro Sciotto	Robyn Laurie	Mary Kotefski
12/13 March	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader	Peter Penson	Marguerite Ryan	Elizabeth Williamson	Leela Cherubim
MORNING TEA : 6TH MARCH - Francoise & Maria				

MORNING TEA: in the parish hall 6th March, following the 10.30a.m. mass. You are invited to join fellow parishioners for a cuppa and a chat.

GEMS: A fun morning in the Francis Xavier Meeting Room, 10.00 - 12.00 **African Drumming Workshop** - hands on experience. Join us for a fun morning of drumming and song. Group drumming is proven to be beneficial for physical and mental wellbeing. \$10 per person. Inquiries: Elizabeth 0447195553. All welcome.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: each Friday in Lent, starting on 6th March, at 6pm.

PALMS: Thank you to those who were able to bring palms from last year's Palm Sunday for Father Joel to burn to make the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

ST JOHN'S PARISH DINNER: You are invited to join with other parishioners at the Henry Barkly Hotel on Wednesday March 16th (St Patrick's Day Eve) at 6.30p.m. for dinner. Enjoy the company of parishioners in a social setting. Bookings are needed. You can book in the church foyer or by contacting the Parish Office (Tuesday - Friday 9.30a.m. - 2.30p.m.) 94571066 or by emailing, Heidelberg@cam.org.au



PROJECT COMPASSION: Anatercia 12, was struggling to cope with adult responsibilities after her father died. Then she participated in Caritas Australia-supported training and gained access to psychosocial supports. Now, her quality of life has improved and she can focus on school. Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 to help young people succeed in the future and bring stability to vulnerable youth like Anatercia to face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.** Donate through boxes / envelopes / 1800 024 413 / lent.caritas.org.au

LOOKING AHEAD - March

- 6th Morning Tea following 10.30am mass
- 11th Stations of the Cross 6.00p.m.
- 16th Parish Dinner 6.30pm 'Terrace' Henry, Barkly Hotel
- 17th St Patrick's Feast Day
- 18th Stations of the Cross 6.00p.m.
- 25th Stations of the Cross 6.00p.m.



**St John's Catholic Parish
Primary School,
Heidelberg**

An inclusive Catholic community, fostering a commitment to faith and nurturing a love of learning

PREP ENROLMENTS 2023 NOW OPEN

*Some places available in other year levels
If you would like to join us for a School Tour*

Tuesday 15 March at 9:15am

Monday 21 March at 5:00pm

Please contact the school office to make a booking
Phone: 03 9459 2963

Email: office@sjheidelberg.catholic.edu.au
Alternative dates can be arranged by appointment

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?
In the words of Pope Francis

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints; contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness; fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words; be silent and listen.

LENT AND EASTER

Each year, the Church makes its pilgrimage to the cross and beyond—through the refining trials of the wilderness, to the heart-rending breakthrough of Calvary and into the expansive Easter hope that motivates and animates all that we do. This selection of useful and inspiring resources and articles from around the web has been collected to help you enter more deeply into the Lent season: <https://summit.melbournecatholic.org/libraries/2022/lent-and-easter-useful-links/>

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY BAPTISED: Antonino Giovinazzo, Atonio Ardon.

THE SICK: Gertruda Krzysik, Carol Walsh, Sylvia Found, Patricia Wong, Margaret Ryan, Aileen Powell.

ANNIVERSARY: Rachel Gebert, Claude Gebert, Sybille Lingier, Val Lingier.

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

ENTRANCE : PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST

Refrain:

Praise to you, O Christ, our Saviour,
Word of the Father, calling us to life;
Son of God who leads us to freedom:
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

You are the Word who calls us out of darkness;
You are the Word who leads us into light;
You are the Word who brings us through the desert;
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Refrain:

Praise to you, O Christ, our Saviour,
Word of the Father, calling us to life;
Son of God who leads us to freedom:
Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

COMMUNION : COME TO THE WATER

Oh let all who thirst,
Let them come to the water.
And let all who have nothing,
Let them come to the Lord:
Without money, without price.
Why should you pay the price,
Except for the Lord?

And let all who seek,
Let them come to the water.
And let all who have nothing,
Let them come to the Lord:
Without money, without strife.
Why should you spend your life,
Except for the Lord?

And let all who toil,
Let them come to the water.
And let all who are weary,
Let them come to the Lord:
All who labor, without rest,
How can your soul find rest,
Except for the Lord?

And let all the poor,
Let them come to the water.
Bring the ones who are laden,
Bring them all the Lord:
Bring the children without might.
Easy the load and light: come to the Lord.

RECESSIONAL: PRAISE TO THE HOLIEST IN THE HEIGHT

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise
In all His words most wonderful
Most sure in all His ways.

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

HAVE YOU THOUGHT? – THE DEVIL

The personification of 'the devil' is sometimes difficult to contemplate. The one who tempts Jesus in the wilderness is referred to in this passage as 'the devil'. Devil is the English translation of a Greek word, diabolos. As the gospel of Luke was originally written in Greek, we can assume that diabolos was the word used. Diabolos has several meanings: the accuser; the slanderer; the one who separates. It is the purpose of the temptations to 'separate' Jesus from God and from his intended approach to his ministry. The temptations we face are often those that 'separate' us from what we know to be right.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

When he calls on me, I will answer him;
I will deliver him and give him glory,
I will grant him length of days.

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 26:4-10

Moses said to the people: 'The priest shall take the panner from your hand and lay it before the altar of the Lord your God. Then, in the sight of the Lord your God, you must make this pronouncement:

"My father was a wandering Aramaean. He went down into Egypt to find refuge there, few in numbers; but there he became a nation, great, mighty, and strong. The Egyptians ill-treated us, they gave us no peace and inflicted harsh slavery on us. But we called on the Lord, the God of our fathers. The Lord heard our voice and saw our misery, our toil and our oppression; and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with mighty hand and outstretched arm, with great terror, and with signs and wonders. He brought us here and gave us this land, a land where milk and honey flow. Here then I bring the first-fruits of the produce of the soil that you, Lord, have given me." You must then lay them before the Lord your God, and bow down in the sight of the Lord your God.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 90:1-2. 10-15.

Response: Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High
and abides in the shade of the Almighty
says to the Lord: 'My refuge,
my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!'

R./

Upon you no evil shall fall,
no plague approach where you dwell.
For you has he commanded his angels,
to keep you in all your ways.

R./

They shall bear you upon their hands
lest you strike your foot against a stone.
On the lion and the viper you will tread
and trample the young lion and the dragon.

R./

His love he set on me, so I will rescue him;
protect him for he knows my name.
When he calls I shall answer: 'I am with you.'
I will save him in distress and give him glory.

R./

SECOND READING

Romans 10:8-13

Scripture says: The word, that is the faith we proclaim, is very near to you, it is on your lips and in your heart. If your lips confess that Jesus is Lord and if you believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, then you will be saved. By believing from the heart you are made righteous; by confessing with your lips you are saved. When scripture says: those who believe in him will have no cause for shame, it makes no distinction between Jew and Greek: all belong to the same Lord who is rich enough,

however many ask for his help, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

No one lives on bread alone,

but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

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GOSPEL

Luke 4:1-13

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit through the wilderness, being tempted there by the devil for forty days. During that time he ate nothing and at the end he was hungry. Then the devil said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, tell this stone to turn into a loaf.' But Jesus replied, 'Scripture says: Man does not live on bread alone.'

Then leading him to a height, the devil showed him in a moment of time all the kingdoms of the world and said to him, 'I will give you all this power and the glory of these kingdoms, for it has been committed to me and I give it to anyone I choose. Worship me, then, and it shall all be yours.'

But Jesus answered him, 'Scripture says: You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone.'

Then he led him to Jerusalem and made him stand on the parapet of the Temple. 'If you are the Son of God', he said to him 'throw yourself down from here, for scripture says: He will put his angels in charge of you to guard you, and again: They will hold you up on their hands in case you hurt your foot against a stone.'

But Jesus answered him, 'It has been said: You must not put the Lord your God to the test.'

Having exhausted all these ways of tempting him, the devil left him, to return at the appointed time.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes forth
from the mouth of God.



SCRIPTURAL CONTEXT – THE TEMPTATIONS

The three temptations Jesus faces all focus upon the nature of his mission and ministry. The first temptation is to miraculously feed himself – is his ministry to be about himself or others? The second is to take power and authority over all the world – to fulfil the human expectations of what a Messiah ought to be or fulfil God's plan of service, rather than domination? The third temptation is about grandstanding – to make a spectacular declaration of his arrival or to minister to the lowly and reveal himself in that way?