



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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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

**WEDDING, BAPTISM, FIRST
RECONCILIATION, FIRST COMMUNION,
CONFIRMATION:**
Parish Secretary (9457 1066)

LEGION OF MARY: Meet every
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18TH/19TH JUNE 2022, BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

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.*

CELEBRATING THE HOSPITALITY OF GOD

The gospel for today's feast very appropriately tells of the divine hospitality Jesus provided for thousands of people, multiplying loaves and fishes to feed them (Luke 9:11-17).

The twelve apostles, genuinely concerned, for the crowd, make a practical suggestion. Send the people away to find food and lodging for the night. Jesus throws back the challenge: 'You provide them with food.' They are aghast. In human terms hospitality on such a scale is impossible. But Jesus is going to make them ministers of the hospitality of God.

The people are made to sit down in groups—a clear signal that they are about to be fed. Then, invoking heaven (to show the divine source), blessing and breaking the loaves and fishes (the language has clear Eucharistic echoes), Jesus miraculously makes it possible for the Twelve to feed the entire crowd—not merely adequately but so abundantly that even after all had eaten each of the Twelve has a full basket of broken pieces left over. God is never niggardly in hospitality; on the contrary, overflowing abundance is its mark.

It is significant that in the supply of food Jesus himself does not deal directly with the crowd. He leaves the distribution entirely to the disciples. He is apprenticing them to be ministers of God's hospitality themselves when, after his ascension, he is physically removed from the scene. In this way the episode foreshadows the Christian Eucharist, the rite in which the Church will experience and celebrate God's hospitality as a foretaste of the banquet of the Kingdom.

Fr Brendan Byrne sj

HAVE YOU THOUGHT – TWELVE BASKETS?

The gospel passage tells us that after the five thousand people had eaten as much as they wanted, the remaining scraps filled twelve baskets. What is significant about twelve baskets of left-overs? Twelve was an important number – it represented the twelve tribes of Israel. Whenever the gospels mention twelve things they are symbolically talking about the nation of Israel. In this case, the message is that no matter how many people feast on the message of Jesus and accept the reign of God, there will still be enough to 'feed' the twelve tribes of Israel. No one need be left out!

18/ 19 June	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader	Peter Penson	Michelle LeMaster	Elizabeth Williamson	Mary Kotefski
25/26 June	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader	Domenica Ashworth	Pietro Sciotto	Robyn Laurie	Leela Cherubim

FATHER JOEL'S FAREWELL: All are invited to farewell Father Joel at the 10.30a.m. mass and afterwards in the St John's Parish Hall on Sunday June 26th. Please bring a plate of food to share and leave it in the hall prior to 10.30a.m. mass. If you would like to contribute towards a parting gift for Father Joel leave your contribution at the Parish House (Tuesday to Friday 9.30a.m. to 2.30p.m). A group card to sign will be available from this weekend and onwards in the church foyer. Enquiries please contact Elizabeth on 0447195553.

GEMS 50+: The next gathering of the GEMS will be on Tuesday June 21st at 10.00a.m in the Francis Xavier Meeting Room. Join us for games and Devonshire Tea. New members are always welcome. The GEMS will then take a short break resuming again on Tuesday July 12th.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY ASSISTING REFUGEE STUDENTS: Mercy Connect Melbourne is currently recruiting volunteers to academically support Refugee and Asylum Seekers in Primary and Secondary schools across the Melbourne Archdiocese and also adult centres. Experience working in an educational setting is preferred but not limited to. Please contact Sr. Mary Lewis RSM for an application form and further information. The training day is in July. Email: somml@bigpond.com (preferred for contact) Website: www.mercyworks.org.au Tel: 9326 1895

REFUGEE WEEK: Catholics across Australia are being invited to participate in a special Refugee Week prayer service that will be streamed online at 6pm on Monday, June 20. The prayer service is being jointly hosted by the Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office (ACMRO) and the Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace (OJEP) – both agencies of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference. The theme for Refugee Week 2022 is healing. As the Refugee Council of Australia explains, "healing can occur through storytelling, through community and also through realisation of our intrinsic interconnectedness as individuals". Zoom link

<https://bit.ly/RefugeeWeek2022Prayers>

CATHOLIC MISSIONS APPEAL:

This weekend, 18th/19th June.

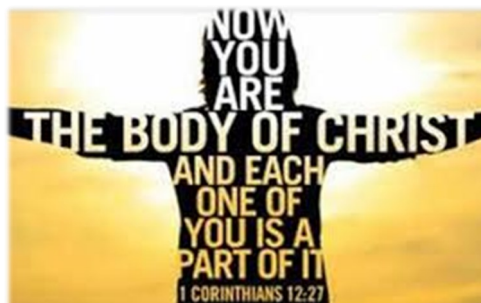
Many families in Emdibir are subsistence farmers, and distressingly, many are unable to put enough food on the table each day. Catholic Missions offers us the opportunity to partner with the Church and community in Emdibir, Ethiopia. Our gift can help build a life changing program from the ground up to help address this urgent need. We hope we will take this opportunity to make an incredible impact for those in need. Thank you.



ST JOHN'S SOCIAL NIGHT: Tues, 21st June 2022 at St Xavier Room; everyone welcome. Join us cards, board games, chess or for a chat or for a tea/coffee. Each fortnight on Tuesdays from 7 - 8.30 pm.

CELEBRATING OUR FAMILY OF FAITH : This year marks 175 years since the Diocese of Melbourne was established. Our family of faith has much to celebrate since our beginnings in 1847! Archbishop Peter A Comensoli is inviting everyone to come together on Sunday 26 June 2022 at 11am for a special Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral, which will feature specially commissioned music performed by our various ethnic communities. That weekend also marks the conclusion of the 10th World Meeting of Families, and so following the Mass, make sure to stick around for lots of food, fun and festivities around the Cathedral grounds!

<https://melbournecatholic.org/news/celebrating-our-family-of-faith>



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

RECENTLY BAPTISED: Chloe Wisdom, Mila Gazeas.

THE SICK: Stanislaw Dabal, Aileen Powell, Patricia Wong, Michael Kemp, Judy Catlow, Gertruda Krzysik.

ANNIVERSARY: Joan Cannuli, Frank & Concetta Merlino.

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

ENTRANCE : I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE

I am the bread of life.
You who comes to me shall not hunger;
You who believe in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me
unless the Father beckons.

And I will raise you up,
And I will raise you up
And I will raise you up on the last day.

COMMUNION: BREAD OF LIFE

Refrain:

Bread of life, hope of the world,
Jesus Christ, our brother;
feed us now, give us life,
lead us to one another.

As we proclaim your death as we recall your life,
We remember your promise to return again. **Ref..**

The bread we break and share was
scattered once as grain:
Just as now it is gathered, make your people one. **Ref..**

We eat this living bread, we drink this saving cup:
Sign of hope in our broken world,
source of lasting love. **Ref..**

Hold us unity, in love for all to see;
That the world may believe in you,
God of all who live. **Ref..**

You are the bread of peace,
you are the wine of joy,
Broken now for your people,
poured in endless love. **Ref..**

RECESSIONAL: 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..**

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.

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

Save us Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and
Resurrection you have set us free.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

He fed them with the finest wheat
and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

FIRST READING

Genesis 14:18-20

Melchizedek king of Salem brought bread and wine;
he was a priest of God Most High. He pronounced
this blessing:

‘Blessed be Abraham by God Most High,
creator of heaven and earth, and blessed be God
Most High for handing over your enemies to you.’
And Abraham gave him a tithe of everything.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 109:1-4

RESPONSE: You are a priest for ever, in the line of
Melchizedek.

The Lord’s revelation to my Master:
‘Sit on my right:
I will put your foes beneath your feet.’

R./

The Lord will send from Zion
your sceptre of power:
rule in the midst of all your foes.

R./

A prince from the day of your birth
on the holy mountains;
from the womb before the daybreak I begot you.

R./

The Lord has sworn an oath he will not change.
‘You are a priest for ever,
a priest like Melchizedek of old.’

R./

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

This is what I received from the Lord, and in turn
passed on to you: that on the same night that he was
betrayed, the Lord Jesus took some bread, and
thanked God for it and broke it, and he said, ‘This is
my body, which is for you; do this as a memorial of
me.’ In the same way he took the cup after supper,
and said, ‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood.
Whenever you drink it, do this as a memorial of me.’
Until the Lord comes, therefore, every time you eat
this bread and drink this cup, you are proclaiming to
his death.

SEQUENCE

Behold the bread of angels, sent
For pilgrims in their banishment,
The bread for God’s true children meant,
That may not unto dogs be given:
Oft in the olden types foreshowed;
In Isaac on the altar bowed,
And in the ancient paschal food,
And in the manna sent from heaven.

Come then, good shepherd, bread divine,
Still show to us thy mercy sign;

Oh, feed us still, still keep us thine;
So may we see thy glories shine
In fields of immortality;

O thou, the wisest, mightiest, best,
Our present food, our future rest,
Come, make us each thy chosen guest,
Co-heirs of thine, and comrades blest
With saints whose dwelling is with thee.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord;
whoever eats this bread will live for ever.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 9: 11-17

Jesus made the crowds welcome and talked to
them about the kingdom of God; and he cured those
who were in need of healing.

It was late afternoon when the Twelve came to
him and said, ‘Send the people away, and they can go
to the villages and farms round about to find lodging
and food; for we are in a lonely place here.’ He
replied, ‘Give them something to eat yourselves.’ But
they said, ‘We have no more than five loaves and two
fish, unless we are to go ourselves and buy food for
all these people.’ For there were about five thousand
men. But he said to his disciples, ‘Get them to sit
down in parties of about fifty.’ They did so and made
them all sit down. Then he took the five loaves and
the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven, and said the
blessing over them; then he broke them and handed
them to his disciples to distribute among the crowd.
They all ate as much as they wanted, and when the
scraps remaining were collected they filled twelve
baskets.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

