



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.

**PARISH PRIEST** Fr Vinh Nguyen

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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 house in the Francis Xavier Room.

All Welcome. Fatima Statue

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Contact parish office during office hours.

*20TH / 21ST AUGUST, 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 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.*

Dear Friends,

Last Friday 12 August a large congregation of parents, grandparents, siblings and friends gathered at the Mass of Confirmation for our young people at this special point in their spiritual lives. Congratulations to the newly Confirmed, and to their families!

It reminds me of the time of my childhood when my parents and grandparents usually took me to daily and weekend Masses and the community's gatherings. Maybe each of us have experienced in many different ways being nurtured in our faith by our parents and grandparents. I think it is very important that with the support and good example of these people our children would be well helped in sowing the seeds of faith and thus a strong and firm foundation for them that they may grow and keep their faith aflame.

Let us keep our young people in our prayers and pray that they may be nurtured and inspired by our good example of practicing our Catholic faith. Pray that they may grow in that faith, and live out the gifts of the Holy Spirit they have received at Confirmation to be witnesses for the Gospel of Jesus in their daily living in families, schools and communities.

On Monday 15 August, together with the universal Church we celebrated the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. I was very impressed that such great number our parishioners and others attended Masses at St John's at 9:15am and at 7pm. After the 7pm Mass, many people came up to receive Scapulars of Our Lady as a sign of our personal devotion to our Mother, Blessed Mary. Such a gesture of love and honour to Our Lady and of course, in many other ways, show that we want to learn from her as a great example of being follower of Jesus; that is, to ponder God's words in deeper prayer and put them into practice in our daily lives as Mary did.

Mary hastened to go to visit and share with Elizabeth the Good News of bearing the Son of God, the Saviour of the world. We too, are called to bring Jesus, his love, mercy and compassion to those we encounter in our daily living. This is a burning "fire" which the Lord Jesus talked to us about in last Sunday's Gospel, that he wished would burn aflame in every human heart throughout the whole world.

May each of us have that burning flame of the heart of Jesus and of Our Lady grow in our heart always, so that we may show that love in service of our brothers and sisters in our parish community here in St John's and in the broader community.

May God through intercession Our Lady grant you and your family many blessings.

Fr Vinh-Parish Priest

20 / 21 August	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm	
Reader	Pamela Smith	Marguerite Ryan	Robyn Laurie	Mary Kotefski	
27 / 28 August	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm	
Reader	Peter Penson	Claire Newsome	Margaret Andrews	TBA	
<b>COLLECTIONS FOR THE WEEK ENDED 14TH AUGUST 2022</b>					
<b>CHURCH - BSB 083-347 A/c 658806318</b>			<b>PRESBYTERY - BSB 083-347 A/c 659225267</b>		
Envelopes	Loose Collection	Bank Direct	Envelopes	Loose Collection	Bank Direct
675.90	944.60	565.00	133.00	1132.00	160.00

**VERY SORRY:** if your calls and emails went unanswered on the 17th and 18th of August as there was a major disruption of NBN connection to the parish office's internet and phone lines.

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED:** on Thursday the 25th of August as Fr Vinh and Mary are needed to attend a Administration Forum at the Archdiocese. Thank you

**TWO COLLECTIONS:** From last weekend in our parish at St John's there are two separate collections at all Weekend Masses and Holy Days of Obligation.

**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).

**CATHOLIC CARE VICTORIA APPEAL:** Collection held last week was \$380.85. Thank you for your generosity.

**GEMS:** We will be meeting in the St Francis Xavier Meeting Room next Tuesday, August 23rd at 10.00a.m. for conversation, games and morning tea. New members always welcome.

**STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES:** The next instalment is ready to be picked up from the porch of the church. The envelopes are in alphabetical order. It also includes the monthly, quarterly and yearly envelopes for next year. Please do let us know if yours is not present or you do want to start contributing by envelopes by contacting parish office. Thank you for your generosity.

**END OF FINANCIAL YEAR TAX RECEIPTS:** for parishioners contributing by credit card and direct debit are available upon request from the parish office. Please call 94571066 or email on heidelberg@cam.org.au. Donations to the parish are not tax-deductible. Thank you for your support.

#### PARISH MAGAZINE – THE EYRIE :

**Advertising:** Thank you to each of our current advertisers – please support them as they support us. We have a space vacant for anyone who wishes to advertise their business. The magazine comes out quarterly and goes out on-line to all parishioners and school families. Hard copies are also printed and available for all in the church porch.

**Content for the magazine:** We would love some input from parishioners so if you wish to write an opinion piece or tell us your story-Please ring the parish office 03 94571066 or Michelle on 0499891101 if you are interested in advertising or writing an article for us.

**PERMANENT DIACONATE:** an Information session will be held on Saturday, 3rd September, 10:00 - 11.45 at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), East Melbourne for single or married men who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. More information contact 94123357, diaconate@cam.org.aute@cam.org.au

#### LIVING THE GOSPEL – CONSEQUENCES

To be Christian is more than a name; more than a title. If we put our hand up and claim the title of Christian, then there are consequences that flow from that. Those who are disillusioned by religion frequently name hypocrisy as the major reason for their disillusionment. Sometimes, that's an easy out. We can't all live like Jesus all of the time. However, we are called to take Jesus as our model of the Christian life and to use his example as a guiding beacon. To call ourselves Christian is to try to be Christ-like in all our actions.

## HAPPY 80TH BIRTHDAY TO VAL WALLIS

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**RECENTLY BAPTISED:** Nathan Adolfo, Annabelle & Thomas Payne.

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

**ANNIVERSARY:** Herman Langen, Barry Plant, Jeremy Morck.

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Veronica Ryan.

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

**ENTRANCE : HERE I AM LORD**

I, the Lord of sea and sky,  
I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
My hand will save.  
I, who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

**Refrain**

Here I am, Lord.  
Is it I, Lord?  
I have heard you calling in the night.  
I will go, Lord,  
if you lead me.  
I will hold your people in my heart.

**COMMUNION: COME AS YOU ARE**

Come as you are, that's how I want you  
Come as you are, feel quite at home  
Close to my heart, loved and forgiven  
Come as you are, why stand alone?  
No need to fear, love sets no limits  
No need to fear, love never ends  
Don't run away, shamed and disheartened  
Rest in my love, trust me again  
I came to call sinners, not just the virtuous  
I came to bring peace, not to condemn  
Each time you fail, to live by my promise  
Why do you think, I'd love you the less?  
Come as you are, that's how I love you  
Come as you are, trust me again  
Nothing can change, the love that I bear you  
All will be well, just come as you are.

**BE STILL AND KNOW**

Be still and know that I am God. ( x 3)  
I am the Lord that healeth thee ( x 3)  
In you O Lord I put my trust ( x 3)

**RECESSIONAL: GO NOW YOU ARE SENT FORTH**

Go now, you are sent forth to  
live what you proclaim; to show the world you  
follow Christ in fact, not just in name.  
Go now, you are sent forth to  
walk this troubled earth, to share your faith with  
other men and prove your real worth.

**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**

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess you  
Resurrection until you come again.

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;  
save the servant who trusts in you, my God.  
Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day  
long.

**FIRST READING**

Isaiah 66:18-21

The Lord says this: I am coming to gather the nations of every language. They shall come to witness my glory. I will give them a sign and send some of their survivors to the nations: to Tarshish, Put, Lud, Moshech, Rosh, Tubal, and Javan, to the distant islands that have never heard of me or seen my glory. They will proclaim my glory to the nations. As an offering to the Lord they will bring all your brothers, on horses, in chariots, in litters, on mules, on dromedaries, from all the nations to my holy mountain in Jerusalem, says the Lord, like Israelites bringing oblations in clean vessels to the Temple of the Lord. And of some of them I will make priests and Levites, says the Lord.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Psalm 116

**RESPONSE:** Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

O praise the Lord, all you nations,  
acclaim him all you peoples!

R./

Strong is his love for us;  
he is faithful for ever.

R./

**SECOND READING**

Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13

Have you forgotten that encouraging text in which you are addressed as sons? My son, when the Lord corrects you, do not treat it lightly; but do not get discouraged when he reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves and he punishes all those that he acknowledges as his sons. Suffering is part of your training; God is treating you as his sons. Has there ever been any son whose father did not train him? Of course, any punishment is most painful at the time, and far from pleasant; but later, in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness. So hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you tread; then the injured limb will not be wrenched, it will grow strong again.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord; no one comes to the Father, except through me.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL**

Luke 13:22-30

Through towns and villages Jesus went teaching, making his way to Jerusalem. Someone said to him, 'Sir, will there be only a few saved?' He said to them,

'Try your best to enter by the narrow door, because, I tell you, many will try to enter and will not succeed.

'Once the master of the house has got up and locked the door, you may find yourself knocking on the door, saying, "Lord, open to us" but he will answer, "I do not know where you come from." Then you will find yourself saying, "We once ate and drank in your company; you taught in our streets" but he will reply, "I do not know where you come from. Away from me, all you wicked men!"

'Then there will be weeping and grinding of teeth, when you see Abraham and Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, and yourselves turned outside. And men from east and west, from north and south, will come to take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God.

'Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.'

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.



**PRAYER TO MARY**



O Mary, You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your faith.

'Protectress of the Roman people,' you know our needs, and we know that you will provide, so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

*We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.*