

**SUNDAY MASS**

Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm  
 Sunday 9 am, 11 am

**WEEKDAY MASS**

Monday 9am  
 Tuesday 9 am  
 Wednesday 9 am  
 Thursday 9 am  
 Friday 9 am  
 Saturday 9 am

**SATURDAY**

8.30 am Divine Mercy  
 8.30 am Reconciliation  
 9.00 am Mass

**1st Saturday of every month**

8.00 am Rosary  
 8.30 am Divine Mercy  
 9.00 am Mass

**HOLY ROSARY**

Tuesday—Friday 8.35am  
 St Joseph's Church

Wednesday 1pm  
 St Joseph's Parish Centre  
*15 Decade-Rosary  
 Mary Untier of Knots*

The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** is available 30 minutes before each Mass or by appointment.

**PARISH OF ST JOSEPH CHELSEA***2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time 15 January 2023*

*This week, the Gospel of John tells us of John the Baptist witnessing the Holy Spirit come down upon Jesus, the Lamb of God—who takes away our sins. Jesus forgives us when we reconcile and confess for our wrongdoings. He allows us to have a part in the work of God through the gifts he has given us.*

**A Statement from the Catholic Archbishop of Sydney, Most Rev. Anthony Fisher OP—11 January 2023**

Today we have lost a Cardinal of the Church, a former Archbishop of Sydney, a fine priest, a good Christian soul.

The Church in Australia and around the world is deeply saddened at the sudden passing of Cardinal George Pell, the former Archbishop of Sydney and of Melbourne. Cardinal Pell's episcopal motto was 'Be Not Afraid' and through good days and bad, he lived up to these words as a man of courage and with a big heart, who trusted in divine providence.

He fearlessly proclaimed the Gospel and worked to explain the teachings of the Church. He spoke truth as he found it, however difficult or unpopular. He was also a man of prayer, of deep Christian faith and a loving shepherd to his flock in parishes, schools, hospitals and throughout his dioceses.

I was in Rome last week for the funeral of another great churchman and close friend of Cardinal Pell, Pope Benedict XVI. The Cardinal and I did not know it would be the last time we would see each other in this life, but he was in good spirits and his regular, witty self, and I am thankful that we shared this time together.

Cardinal Pell was a proud Australian who loved this country and its people and he was awarded a Companion of the Order of Australia in 2005.

The Archdiocese of Sydney thrived under his leadership. He saw great promise in youth, and his vision in bringing World Youth Day 2008 to Sydney saw a whole generation of young Catholics respond to Christ's call. Our community as a whole was uplifted by this colossal event and moved by the testimony it offered. His Eminence was an author of books and a regular newspaper columnist, a lecturer and leader in Catholic education, and a scholar in his own right. He served the broader Church as a member of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, the Vox Clara Commission, the Pontifical Council for the Family and the Congregation of Bishops.

As Prefect for the Secretariat of the Economy, member of Pope Francis' Council of Cardinal Advisors and one of the highest-ranking church officials in the world, the Cardinal's work for openness in Church affairs was hugely important.

His final years were marked by his wrongful conviction and imprisonment, but he bore this with grace and goodwill and gave us all an example of how to accept suffering with dignity and peace. His words of reconciliation with his detractors and concern for survivors increased in authenticity as he steadfastly and successfully maintained his innocence.

He will be remembered as a courageous leader who inspired so many clergy and lay faithful around the world to proclaim Christ crucified, risen and with us still.

**PARISH PRIEST**

Rev Kevin Williams

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**ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL**

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*St Joseph's Parish is committed to the Safeguarding of Children and Young People in all aspects of Parish life.*



*To subscribe to St Joseph's Parish emailing list please email [chelsea@cam.org.au](mailto:chelsea@cam.org.au)*

*The solemn obligation for baptised Catholics to attend regular Sunday Mass has been restored throughout the Archdiocese of Melbourne.*

**Recently Deceased**

Bernard Barnes  
 Katherine Chater  
 Alvin Abbott  
 Cardinal George Pell

**Prayers for the Sick**

Danielle Spencer (Nee Garing)

**15th January; 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time A**

1st R: Is 49:3, 5-6

2nd R: 1 Cor 1:1-3

Gospel: John 1:29-34

**22nd January; 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time A**

1st R: Is 8:23—9:3

2nd R: 1 Cor 1:10-13,17

Gospel: Matthew 4:12-23



Please do not attend Mass if you are unwell.

There are no numbers restrictions on attendees at church.

Face masks are no longer mandatory inside the church, but their use has been strongly encouraged by the Archbishop.

Please use the hand sanitiser provided.

# PARISH CALENDAR

## SATURDAY 14 JANUARY

Special 9am Mass  
Requiem Mass for the Repose of the Soul of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

## MONDAY 16 JANUARY

Special 9am Mass  
Requiem Mass for the Repose of the Soul of Cardinal George Pell

7.30pm Men's Ministry Focus Group  
Parish Centre

## TUESDAY 17 JANUARY

Mass Intention at 9am Mass—50th Anniversary of Religious Profession for Sister Phyllis Morris (Sister of Ann Morris)

## FRIDAY 20 JANUARY

Feast Day of St Sebastian  
Please note—Requiem Mass for the Repose of the Soul of Katherine Chater (Mother of Vivian Chater—PPC) will be held on Friday 20/01 at 11.00 at Holy Family Church Doveton. Live streaming details will be sent electronically upon reception.

## SATURDAY 21 JANUARY

Feast Day of St Agnes



## St Vincent de Paul Society

### Week 4

Washing powder, dishwashing liquid, household cleaning items.

Please leave your donations in the Vinnies bin in the church narthex.

Thank you for your donations.



*New volunteers for St Vincent de Paul Chelsea Conference are warmly welcome. Please contact Carole if you are available to help. 0404 335 419*



## ST JOSEPH'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Pledge \$ 2,737

Weekly average : 2,279



## Month's Mind Mass, St Patrick's Cathedral

A memorial Mass for Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI will be celebrated by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli at St Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday 29 January at 6.30pm—approximately one month after his death. All are welcome.



**Made for More: Visions of the Promised Land** creatively blends **live music, media and sacred art** for an evening of **beauty and reflection on the meaning of life, love and human destiny**. Join Christopher West and team as they offer a vision of the Gospel through the lens of St John Paul II's *Theology of the Body*.

**Tuesday 24 January 2023, St Francis of Assisi Parish Hall, 290 Childs Rd, Mill Park**

**Or Wednesday 25 January 2023, St Mary's Community Centre, 26 New Street, Dandenong**

Schedule:

**6pm - food for purchase, 7pm start, 9.30pm finish**

Open to all. *All children under 18 years must be supervised by an adult.*

Tickets: \$25 general, \$10 concession/student, free for children 10 and under.

Register: [www.trybooking.com/CETXQ](http://www.trybooking.com/CETXQ)

**Youth Group** have grown and flourished over the last year and is looking with great enthusiasm to start meeting again in the New Year! We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Parish and Fr Kevin for their love and support through the last couple of years and look forward to continued support! There will be a holiday gathering on Sunday the 22nd of January after the 11am mass to adjourn to General Public in Mordialloc, for lunch and bowling. Please bring \$10 to contribute towards activities.

We resume our fortnightly meetings on the 11th of February with a start of the year Mass at the Saturday Vigil Mass and a plate to share! We gather at the Parish Centre each fortnight between 7 and 8.30! All children between 11 and 16 are welcome! Please feel free to call Linda on 0422990127 or Bella on 0422377833 if you have any queries

There is a Young Adults group that is starting to meet in the New Year starting in February if there are people above 16 years old who are interested in meeting- please call Bella for more information!



## Our Lady of Lourdes Centenary

Sunday February 12 2023 11.15am—1.15pm.

Our Lady of Lourdes Church 631 High Street Prahan East

All past students and staff of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Primary School, Prahan East, are invited to celebrate their centenary with a Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, followed by an open school, morning tea and memorabilia display.

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