


PARISH OF ST JOSEPH CHELSEA

32ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

12TH NOVEMBER 2023

<p>SUNDAY MASS Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm Sunday 9 am, 11 am</p> <p>WEEKDAY MASS Monday (Springvale) 9:30 am Tuesday 9 am Wednesday 9 am Thursday 9 am Friday 9 am Saturday 9 am</p>	<p>The Sacrament of Reconciliation Is available 30 minutes before each Mass, between 9:30-10:30 am Saturday morning, or by appointment.</p> <p>Eucharist Adoration Saturday 8:00-8:55am St Joseph's Church</p>	<p>HOLY ROSARY Tuesday—Friday 8.35am St Joseph's Church</p> <p>Wednesday 1pm St Joseph's Parish Centre <i>15 Decade-Rosary Mary Untier of Knots</i></p> 
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PARISH PRIEST
Rev Kevin Williams

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78 Argyle Avenue, Chelsea Tel 9773 9295

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL
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www.sjchelsea.catholic.edu.au



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 email list please email 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
Jim Healy, Juliana Mardjetko

Prayers for the Sick
Judy Bartosy Snr, Mary Caderamanpulle, Margot Coghlan, Dennis Gallagher, Beverley Garing, Helen Guest, Siu Kiang Lay, Sister Anita LeClercq, Danielle Spencer, Jacqui Williams

Anniversaries
Vlentine Henricus, Catherine Henricus, Clement Henricus, Bridget Esther Michael, Massimo Mazzeo. Tony Roche, Belagy Roche, Rebecca Roche, Monica Roche, Margaret Stonehouse, Cath Tokeley

12th November; 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time A
1st R: Wis 6:12-16
2nd R: 1 Thess 4:13-18
Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

19th November; 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time A
1st R: Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
2nd R: 1 Thess 5:1-6
Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

St Martin of Tours – the soldier who became a man of peace.

The 11th November falls this year on Saturday. In Australia, the 11th November is called “Armistice Day” or “Remembrance Day” ... a day in which we remember the signing of the peace treaty in Versailles, France which (officially) put an end to the Great War ... the so-called “War to end all wars” (oh! if only that title could have been true!)

The 11th November was apparently chosen not just for the convenient mnemonic aid (the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month), but because of the connection with one of France’s oldest and well-loved Saints – St Martin of Tours; the former soldier who laid down his arms and became a man of peace.

Bearing in mind that in the Northern Hemisphere the seasons are the opposite of what they are here in Australia, St Martin’s feast day (also called “Martinmas”) is a time in Europe of the autumn agricultural festivals; for testing the new vintage of wine, and for the slaughter of geese, cattle, and (in Spain) of hogs.


St Martin was born of pagan parents in 316 AD in what is now Hungary and raised in Italy. It was during his time in Italy where he became a catechumen ... learning about the Catholic faith in preparation for baptism. His father was a veteran, and St Martin was forced to follow in his father’s footsteps in a military career.



The most famous story about St Martin comes from when he was serving as a soldier in Gaul. As he was approaching the gates of Amiens he met a beggar and was moved with compassion to cut his cloak in half, sharing the cloak with the poor man. That night, St Martin received a vision of Jesus wearing the portion of his cloak and saying to the angels: “Martin, who is still only a catechumen, has clothed me in his robe.”

Following his baptism, St Martin renounced his military career, finding it incompatible with his Christian calling. St Martin pursued the vocation of a hermit for some years until he was called, very much against his will, to become the Bishop of Tours.


It is incredibly appropriate that the Catholic Church remembers and prays for the souls of the faithful departed throughout the entire month of November – including those who have died in defence of their countries.
Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord,
And may perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.

 **FEELING SICK? PLEASE STAY HOME**

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. Please use the hand sanitiser provided.

“And let us continue to pray for the populations who suffer due to today’s wars. Let us not forget tormented Ukraine, let us not forget Palestine, let us not forget Israel and let us not forget the many other regions where war still rages.”

Pope Francis St Peter’s Square 1/11/2023



PARISH CALENDAR

SATURDAY 11 NOVEMBER

Remembrance Day
4:30pm Our Lady Star of the Sea Junior Legion of Mary—enquiries 0403 095 627
6:00pm Men's Choir - St Josephs Church



SUNDAY 12 NOVEMBER

Catholic Deaf Appeal

MONDAY 13 NOVEMBER

10:00am Divine Mercy PG—Chapel

TUESDAY 14 NOVEMBER

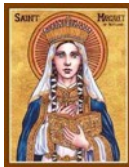
10:00am Sacred Heart PG—PC
7:30pm Knights of the Southern Cross Branch Meeting—PC

WEDNESDAY 15 NOVEMBER

12:30pm Longbeach Parishioner luncheon—The Cove Hotel
6:30pm Legion of Mary Chelsea—PC

THURSDAY 16 NOVEMBER

Feast Day of St Margaret of Scotland
10:00am Film and Light Lunch—PC. Please bring a plate to share



FRIDAY 17 NOVEMBER

11:30am St Pio PG—Parish Centre

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Pledge \$ 2,737
Weekly average \$ 2,486.54



Saturday 25th - Sunday 26th November
St Anne's Parish
Seaford

A weekend featuring talks, personal testimonies, opportunities for discussion & space to reflect. Since menALIVE commenced in 2003, thousands of Catholic men have been encouraged & inspired at weekends across Australia & New Zealand. Come along & be inspired, encouraged & rediscover God's purpose for your life. Inquiries Allan Sleddon on 0403 016 869/ Ashley Middleton on 0432 653 589. Registration brochures are in the Church narthex. Registration completion is required by Saturday 18th November 2023.

QUARTERLY MEN'S HOUR

Saturday 18th November 7am
St Joseph's Parish Centre Chapel
Register: Mike 0418 122 966
mikeshawau@gmail.com

QUARTERLY MEN'S BBQ BREAKFAST

Saturday 18th November 8am
St Joseph's Hall \$10
Register: Church Narthex or Mike 0418 122 966
mikeshawau@gmail.com

The month of November is a time in which we remember and pray for those who have died. The names of deceased family and friends may be added to the St Joseph's Memorial Book (located in the narthex). Envelopes for November Mass Offerings are also in the narthex. These offerings will be sent to Aid to the Church in need, where priests serving in countries that persecute those of our faith will offer masses.



CHELSEA COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS LUNCH 2023

Are you alone on Christmas Day?

Join us at St Joseph's Hall Chelsea 11:45am to 2:00pm on Christmas Day for lunch, Carols, give-aways and Community!



To register, please call 03 9772 2211 or www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1135987

The next Longbeach Parishioner Luncheon will be held on Wednesday 15th November at 12:30pm at The Cove Hotel Patterson Lakes. For bookings ring either Patricia Adams on mobile [0448-866-020](tel:0448-866-020) or Keith on [0417-350-733](tel:0417-350-733), alternatively leave a message on Keith's landline [9772-7292](tel:9772-7292).

St Joseph's Care and Concern Christmas Lunch for Single Men and Women
Wednesday 29th November 11:30am
St Joseph's Hall
Inquiries Sue Hyde 0408 547 791 or sign up sheet in the Narthex.



St Joseph's Anima Christmas Lunch Wednesday 6th December 2023

12:00 noon to 3:00pm
Chelsea RSL Thames Prom
Festive 2 course meal, plus soft drinks & tea/coffee station
\$40.00 per person
Bookings will be available after all Masses in the Church narthex.
Book early – limit of 60 persons! Any enquiries – Daphne on 03 9772 6312



St Vincent de Paul Week 3 –
Toiletries personal, toilet rolls, disinfectant, hand lotion, etc Please leave your donations in the Vinnies bin in the Church Narthex.
St Vincent De Paul urgently need more volunteers. If you can help, please phone Carole on 0404 335 419.



KSC Melbourne Cup Sweep

Sincere thanks to everyone who supported this year's Sweep which raised crucial funds for our annual school bursaries.

This year's lucky winners are:
1st \$350 M Vardy Ticket No: 1736
2nd \$100 Mary Norman Ticket No: 1500
3rd \$50 Tony Rus Ticket No: 2389

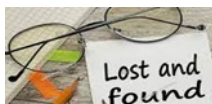
A list of all ticket holders allocated a horse in the Sweep is displayed on the Noticeboard in the narthex!

Thank You

Dear Parishioners,
This year, PAF celebrated fifteen years of operation in Frankston, and we wish to acknowledge your generous support of finances, goods and prayers since 2008.



We are looking for new people to join our team of volunteers next year, so please get in touch with us if you'd like to know more about this rewarding outreach for supporting pregnant women.
PAF's volunteers share an understanding that all life is God-given and precious, and that difficulties can be overcome when a burden is shared and support offered.
Ring 0397706226 between 10am -2pm Mondays to Fridays, or pay us a visit within these hours to learn more about us. We look forward to meeting you. Elizabeth and PAF Team



A pair of prescription glasses were left in the Hall after the concert on the 4th of November,

Please contact Maree in the Parish Office if these belong to you!