


<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 8.30am St Joseph's Church</p> <p>Wednesday 1pm St Joseph's Parish Centre 15 Decade-Rosary Mary Untier of Knots</p> 
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St Joseph's Parish is committed to the Safe-guarding 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

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

Recently Deceased
Mary Dumbrell, Nola Finocchiaro,
Father Julian Cavarzan SDB (In Italy
16/05/2023)

Prayers for the Sick
Mary Caderamanpulle, Margot Coghlan, Helen Guest, Christopher Larkins, Malcolm Russell, Danielle Spencer

Anniversaries
Francis Bartosy Senior, Mary Joseph, Matthew Joseph, Catherine Schoots

Birthday Remembrance
Dimitri Tretiakov

Anniversaries of the Deceased
Didacus (Dina) Caderamanpulle,
Gwen Clement, Ruby Kandasamy

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21st May; The Ascension of The Lord A
1st R: Acts 1:1-11
2nd R: Eph 1:17 –23
Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

28th May; Pentecost Sunday A
1st R: Gen 11:1-9
2nd R: Rom 8:22-27
Gospel: John 7:37-39

PARISH OF ST JOSEPH CHELSEA

The Ascension of the Lord A 21 May 2023

The Ascension completes the Paschal Mystery

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord commemorates the bodily ascension of Christ into heaven which is recounted in Acts 1:1-11, which is our first reading this Sunday. We are told that Jesus appeared to the disciples “during forty days” (Acts 1:3) after his resurrection and then He ascended into heaven before them.



This feast was one of three important feasts; Easter, followed forty days later by the Ascension, and then fifty days later by Pentecost. The feast falls on the Thursday exactly 40 days after the Resurrection of Christ on Easter Sunday, and it is a Holy Day of Obligation observed in the universal Church. In countries like Australia, this feast has been transferred to the nearest available Sunday (7th Sunday of Easter, which falls this year on the 21st May).

The lectionary prayers for this feast emphasize our hope. Since Christ has gone before for us He has prepared us a place to follow him. The prayer after communion admonishes us to “kindle in our hearts a longing for the heavenly homeland and cause us to press forward, following in the Saviour’s footsteps” (The Roman Missal, Vigil Mass). While the Collect of the day time Mass calls us to rejoice because the Ascension of Christ is our exaltation, “where the Head has gone before in glory, the Body is called to follow in hope” (The Roman Missal).

God has chosen to join His saving initiative to physical bodily existence in the Incarnation and has further chosen to make parts of the physical world the means of his grace. The waters of Baptism, the laying on of hands for Confirmation and bread and wine for the Holy Eucharist all confer grace through physical elements.

Each of these Sacraments is connected to the Paschal mystery. As the Catechism notes the Paschal mystery is fully understood as Christ’s passion, crucifixion, death, burial, descent into hell, resurrection and ascension (CCC 512). Thus the ascension is the culmination of the Paschal mystery.

Christ’s bodily ascension allowed him to give the Church gifts of the Spirit “for building up the body of Christ” (Ephesians 4:12). The fullness of our participation in the Paschal mystery is made present in the Church through Christ’s ascension and glorification in heaven. By our sacramental communion with Christ we become partakers in his divine life.

Scott McKellar is associate director of the Bishop Helmsing Institute.

<https://catholickey.org/2015/05/15/the-ascension-completes-the-paschal-mystery/#:~:text=As%20the%20Catechism%20notes%20the,Paschal%20mystery%20in%20the%20Sacraments.>

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.

National Volunteers Week 15-21 May 2023

 Thank you to all of our amazing volunteers in the Parish. You truly are the heartbeat of St Joseph's!!

PARISH CALENDAR

SATURDAY 20 MAY

9:30am Why are we still here? 2 day retreat with Father John O'Connor Day 1— Hall
4:30pm Our Lady Star of the Sea Junior Legion of Mary—any enquiries or information please contact June Pereira on 0403 095 627

SUNDAY 21 MAY

Ascension of the Lord
9:30am Why are we still here? 2 day retreat with Father John O'Connor Day 2— Hall
3:00pm Baptisms

MONDAY 22 MAY

10:00am Divine Mercy Prayer Grp—Chapel

TUESDAY 23 MAY

International GM1 Gangliosidosis Awareness Day
10:00am New Life In God's Spirit—4th of 7 weekly Seminars—The Gift of God's Spirit—Parish Centre
7:30pm Knights of the Southern Cross Executive meeting—Parish Centre

WEDNESDAY 24 MAY

Our Lady Help of Christians
6:30pm Legion of Mary Chelsea—Parish Centre

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Pledge \$ 2,737
Weekly average \$ 2,555.20
Thank you for your ongoing support



We welcome Audrey May Edwards as she is baptised into the Catholic Church on the 21st of May 2023

MEN'S HOUR

Saturday 27th May 7am
St Joseph's Parish Centre Chapel.

QUARTERLY MEN'S BBQ BREAKFAST

Saturday 27th May 8am
St Joseph's Hall \$10
Register: Church Narthex or - Mike on 0418 122 966



New Life in God's Spirit - 7 week seminar
Sacred Heart Prayer Group
St Joseph's Parish Centre
- Tuesdays 10:00am - 2

May to 13 June 2023

Did you know that dreams are recorded 21 times in the Bible? 6 of these dreamers are kings, one is a woman & 2 different men named Joseph are mentioned. The Book of Genesis references dreams 11 times, while Matthew speaks of 6.



St Joseph's Care and Concern

Single Men's Movie and Lunch - Wednesday 7th June 2023 at 10:00am in the Parish Centre. Please place your name on the clipboard in the narthex if you wish to attend or contact Maria Fiumara on 03 9772 5426

St Vincent de Paul Society

Week 2 - Breakfast cereals, long-life milk, Vegemite, jams, tomato sauce etc. Please leave your donations in the Vinnies bin in the Church narthex. **St Vincent De Paul urgently requires more volunteers. Please contact Carole on 0404 335 419.**



In three weeks' time, Catholic Mission will share an opportunity for you to partner with the Sr Carolina and the Salesian Sisters in Timor-Leste as they continue to provide an essential community project that addresses the gaps in care and well-being in rural communities like Venilale. This work simply will not be possible without your support. We hope you will accept this invitation to make a real and lasting impact for those in need.



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Catholic Theological College

Online unit presented over 4 Saturdays
17, 24 June; 7, 14 October

Teaching Meditation and Prayer

Lecturer: Dr Christopher Morris
To enrol or for further information:
Dr Christopher Knauf, Registrar:
registrar@ctc.edu.au

Australia Visit 2023: Understanding Divine Mercy

Come join Fr. Chris Alar MIC on his 1st visit to Australia as he gives presentations on the devotion of Divine Mercy.

Friday 2 June (Afternoon talk) St Dominic's Catholic Church 816 Riversdale Rd, East Camberwell VIC 11.30am Rosary 12.00pm Holy Mass followed by Talk and concluding with Benediction
Friday 2 June (Evening talk) St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church 290 Childs Rd, Mill Park VIC 7.00pm Holy Mass 8.00pm Talk

Saturday 3 June 11.00am to 4.00pm (BYO Lunch) Divine Mercy Shrine 343-337 Greens Rd, Keysborough VIC 11.30am Holy Mass; Talks 3.00pm Hour of Mercy



Chelsea and District Interchurch Council—Ecumenical Service

St Chad's Longbeach Anglican Church 12-14 Thames Promenade Chelsea

Sunday 28th May 2023 at 2:30pm

All Welcome. Fellowship and refreshments follow on from the service. Please bring a plate to share.

The Sisters of Saint Joseph have prepared an Australian Pilgrimage, "**In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop**" commencing in Melbourne on 17 October, journeying through Victoria and South Australia, and ending at Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney on 28 October 2023. During the pilgrimage we visit many places associated with Mary MacKillop's life and ministry. For questions, an itinerary and application form, please contact Sr Annie Bond at national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au or on 89124818

Readers & Ministers of Holy Communion

Rosters are now being prepared for the next quarter.
Contact Chris Bennetts 0402 823 040
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by Friday 2nd June
if you are unavailable during this time.

