



Parish of St Justin

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St Justin's Parish is committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

23rd July 2023

PARISH PERSONNEL

PARISH PRIEST:

Fr Andrzej Madry

Congregation of the Resurrection

PARISH DEACON:

Deacon Neil Daculan

PARISH SECRETARY:

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ST JUSTIN'S SCHOOL

PRINCIPAL:

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PARISH OFFICE OPEN:

Tuesday 2pm—4pm

Wednesday 10am—4pm

Thursday 10.00am —2pm

Friday 12noon —4pm

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm

Sunday : 8.30am,

10.30am & 5 pm

WEEK DAY MASSES:

Tuesday, Wednesday,

Thursday, Friday 9.15 am,

Saturday 9.15am

RECONCILIATION: BY

APPOINTMENT AND

Saturday after 9.15am

Mass

BAPTISMS, MARRIAGES, PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK:

For details regarding the celebration of these sacraments, please contact the Parish Office or speak directly to Fr Andrzej.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Please contact the Parish Office 9401 6335

First Reading

A reading from the book of Wisdom

Wis 12:13, 16-19

There is no god, other than you, who cares for everything, to whom you might have to prove that you never judged unjustly. Your justice has its source in strength, your sovereignty over all makes you lenient to all. You show your strength when your sovereign power is questioned and you expose the insolence of those who know it; but, disposing of such strength, you are mild in judgement, you govern us with great lenience, for you have only to will, and your power is there. By acting thus you have taught a lesson to your people how the virtuous man must be kindly to his fellow men, and you have given your sons the good hope that after sin you will grant repentance.

The Word of the Lord,

Response - Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 85:5-6. 9-10. 15-16. R. v.5

(R.) Lord, you are good and forgiving.

- 1. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of love to all who call. Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer and attend to the sound of my voice. (R.)*
- 2. All the nations shall come to adore you and glorify your name, O Lord: for you are great and do marvellous deeds, you who alone are God. (R.)*
- 3. But you, God of mercy and compassion, slow to anger, O Lord, abounding in love and truth, turn and take pity on me. (R.)*

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Rom 8:26-27

The Spirit comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

The Word of the Lord,

Response - Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to

Matthew

Mt 13:24-43

Jesus put a parable before the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field. While everybody was asleep his enemy came, sowed darnel all among the wheat, and made off. When the new wheat sprouted and ripened, the darnel appeared as well. The owner's servants went to him and said, "Sir, was it not good seed that you sowed in your field? If so, where does the darnel come from?" "Some enemy has done this" he answered. And the servants said, "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" But he said, "No, because when you weed out the darnel you might pull up the wheat with it. Let them both grow till the harvest; and at harvest time I shall say to the reapers: First collect the darnel and tie it in bundles to be burnt, then gather the wheat into my barn."

He put another parable before them, 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed which a man took and sowed in his field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the biggest shrub of all and becomes a tree so that the birds of the air come and shelter in its branches.'

He told them another parable, 'The kingdom of heaven is like the yeast a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour till it was leavened all through.'

In all this Jesus spoke to the crowds in parables; indeed, he would never speak to them except in parables. This was to fulfill the prophecy:

I will speak to you in parables and expound things hidden since the foundation of the world.

Then, leaving the crowds, he went to the house; and his disciples came to him and said, 'Explain the parable about the darnel in the field to us.' He said in reply, 'The sower of the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world; the good seed is the subjects of the kingdom; the darnel, the subjects of the evil one; the enemy who sowed them, the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; the reapers are the angels. Well then, just as the darnel is gathered up and burnt in the fire, so it will be at the end of time. The Son of Man will send his angels and they will gather out of his kingdom all things that provoke offences and all who do evil, and throw them into the blazing furnace, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth. Then the virtuous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Listen, anyone who has ears!'

The Gospel of the Lord

Response - Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Next Week's Reading

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

1 King 3:5, 7-12 Romans 8:28-30

Mt 13: 44-52



We pray for the sick of our Parish:

Carmel Welsh, Francis & Joanne Downs, Fred Clarke, Tiana Mugagulio, David Booth, Maria Macan, Rita, Steven & Georgette Mizher, Annette & Stephen Sachie. Judy Mead, Celine Tang Willis. Lucy Field, Dilini Abeysekara, Sachini, Ransley Mascurine, Senaka Fernando, Jan Vanderwert, Cathy Faux, Shereen McLeod, June Ferguson, Delani Hakan, Nicolette Thomas, Eileen Ryan, Piroska Tertelyi.

We pray for all who have died recently including Decima Jansz, Theresa Everard.

We pray for those whose death anniversaries occur at this time including Carmellus Rajadurai,
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

Thanksgiving Collections 16th July 2023

1st Collection (house)
Presbytery - \$ 782.10

2nd Collection (church)
Thanksgiving - \$ 505.50
Loose - \$ 259.50

We express our thanks and appreciation for your continued support to St Justin's Parish. God Bless,

ST JUSTIN'S PARISH CRAFT GROUP

All welcome, come along to the Meeting Room in St Justin's Parish House

WEDNESDAYS 1.00pm—3.00pm

2nd & 4th Wed each month (except school holidays)

Next gatherings will be on the 26th July

 Sewing, Knitting, Crochet, Craft Projects

- **Bring along your own project**
- **Learn a new craft**
- **Or just share a cuppa and a chat**

Any queries contact Mai Ling 0412 499 205.

CHILD SAFE PARISH

Here at St Justin's, Wheelers Hill Parish we follow the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian Government and we implement procedures and standards as directed by the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

All Volunteers must have a current Working with Children Check Card.

If you need assistance or for more information- please contact the Parish Office or Fr Andrew -
wheelershill@cam.org.au on 9401 6335.

Safeguarding group ; wheelershill.safeguarding @cam.org.au

Parish Calendar 2023

Tuesday 25th July
Fair on the Hill meeting 7.30 - 8.30pm

Saturday 19th August
Confirmation Commitment Mass 6pm

Sunday 20th August
Confirmation Commitment Mass 8.30 & 10.30am, 5pm

Tuesday 22nd August
Year 6 Confirmation Workshop Mass 5pm - 6pm



JOIN US FOR LIFT YOUTH MINISTRY'S

World Youth Day

TRIVIA NIGHT!



WHEN?

Sunday 6th August 2023

WHAT TIME?

6pm to 7:30pm (after the Mass)

WHERE?

The Parish Meeting Room

Come test your World Youth Day knowledge, win some prizes, have some good food and meet some great people!

"ST. VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL"



As we are now in winter, our St Vincent Winter Appeal has begun!

Once again, we would very much appreciate your support to enable us to continue to help those in need – those families who are hungry, too often cold, and even face the reality of sleeping in cars, sheds or tragically, on the streets. The current increase in cost-of-living issues and the cold weather soon to come, only make things more difficult for many families.

We are hoping you can assist us further by a kind donation – either in the St Vinnies Donation Box at the back of the church – or non-perishable food items may be placed in the baskets in the church foyer.

Non-perishable food items, such as Coffee, Tea, Jam, Cereal, Canned Tomatoes, Rice, Sugar, Noodles, Peanut Butter, Long-life Full Cream Milk are named in urgent need.

We are very blessed to have the support of the parish, our school and generous parishioners.

THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH.

All Parish Bulletin requests must be in by
Wednesday midday.

Please email all requests to Wheelershill@cam.org.au

The Children's Ministry of St Justin's Parish, Wheelers Hill

The children's ministry will continue every month, however due to the school holiday's after a short break it will re-commence in August 2023

The session will commence during the 10.30am Mass on Sunday in August and children will be taken together by the volunteers before the penitential act. Father will invite all the children and give them a blessing prior to leaving the church.

What safeguarding measures are in place?

The Parish of St Justin's, Wheelers Hill is committed to ensure the safety, well-being and inclusion of all children and has policies and procedures in place to maintain a Child Safe environment. All volunteers above the age of 18 will need a Working With Children and Police Check in order to comply with the current regulations for the volunteers in the Parish. All applicable policies and guidelines could be found in the parish website via the link:

<http://www.cam.org.au/wheelershill>

Further Information

If you have any suggestions or queries, please contact the parish office of St Justin's Church on 03 9401 6335 or email wheelershill@cam.org.au

We are excited to announce the commencement of a ReachOut Ministry in our Parish this year.

What is a ReachOut Ministry ?

The vision of this Ministry is to have parishioners of St Justin's involved in a ReachOut community, meet monthly to share life and faith in a small group setting and thereby growing in Spiritual love.

These groups will help us:

- learn to be missionary disciples bringing Jesus Christ to others in the world;
- allow members to know one another and foster a sense of belonging not experienced in a large Parish setting; and
- facilitate quick and effective mobilization of parishioners for important larger events and parish level initiatives.

This ministry is also in keeping with Paul's writings in his epistle to the Hebrews (Hebrews 10:24-25) and the people of Thessaloniki (1 Thessalonians 5:11) wherein he exhorts the Believers to meet together for worship, encourage one another to love and to do good deeds, build up one another and comfort one another.

When will it start and frequency of meetings -

We intend to commence the first meeting in early August, and thereafter once a month.

Where will it be held ?

Groups can meet in a non-formal setting such as at members' homes / Parish meeting room or at a park.

Further Information

If you have any queries, please contact St Justin's Parish office: 03 9401 6335 or e-mail: wheelershill@cam.org.au

BIBLE. STUDY

St Justin's Parish, has ongoing online/zoom weekly Bible Study sessions on Wednesdays at 7.30pm.

You are most welcome to join this study. No previous knowledge is needed and it is free! This is a great opportunity to grow in knowledge and to grow closer to our dear Lord.

The link is as follows:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8975658645?pwd=TXp0TEQzRlRlRkdZRDBDVmpYeTU0UT09>

Meeting ID 897 565 8645 Password 7HgAEz

For more details email: ckasimir888@gmail.com or contact the parish office 03 9401 6335

Reflections - Catholics reminded to preach the Gospel always, everywhere.

Catholics are being urged to 'preach all the Gospel, to all the world, all the time' and to consider encounter, discipleship and mission from their Catholic foundations in a new document from the Bishops Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry.



The document, titled *Evangelisation*, offers a scriptural and theological reflection on the proclamation of the Gospel through the lenses of encounter, discipleship and mission.

It draws on seminal documents on evangelisation from recent decades, including the teachings of Popes Paul VI, John Paul II, Benedict XVI and Francis.

'Almost 50 years ago, St Paul VI urged us to reflect on Christ the Evangeliser, but to also see ourselves as the evangelising Church,' said Archbishop Christopher Prowse, chair of the Bishops Commission for *Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry*.

"In recent years, the task of prophetic witness and convicted proclamation of the Gospel has increasingly been seen as the work of all the baptised, and we invite the faithful to reflect deeply and pray about that in this document."

Evangelisation uses two well-known parables—the Samaritan woman at the well and the disciples on the road to Emmaus—as anchors for the consideration of the themes of encounter, discipleship and mission.

'By unpacking these familiar stories, and by contemplating how we encounter Jesus, how he made disciples and how we are called to be missionary, we can find ourselves challenged to be more and also to do more.'

'The Bishops Commission felt compelled to provide something of a blueprint for evangelisation in our current context, and we commend it to the People of God as part of our journey, walking together.'

The document concludes with a reflection on St John Paul II's legacy as a proponent and practitioner of a spirit of evangelisation.

'There is an expression that could summarise the contribution of St John Paul II concerning evangelisation in general. It pertains to the fact that all the Church, and all the baptised, are to preach all the Gospel, including all Scripture and Tradition, to all the world,' the document states.

'We are a missionary people entering into the cultural worlds of our society and we do this all the time until Jesus comes again.'

"In summary, all the Church, to preach all the Gospel, to all the world, all the time."

The "Stay-at home" pilgrim: shrines to visit in Melbourne this WYD

Just because you're not going to World Youth Day (WYD) doesn't mean you can't go on a little pilgrimage of your own right here in Melbourne. A number of sacred shrines around Melbourne provide the opportunity to spiritually refresh ourselves and pray for Melbourne's WYD pilgrims.

From various national shrines to St Patrick's Cathedral, why not make some time to visit some of Melbourne's beautiful religious sites. Keeping our pilgrims in prayer will be especially important as they head off to experience the Church as they've never experienced it before, and to encounter the Lord in a new and profound way.

Here are just a few of the local sites you could visit on your 'stay-at-home' pilgrimage.

Our Lady of Ta'Pinu Shrine, 15 Flanagans Drive, Merrimu.

National Shrine of Our lady of Mount Carmel, Richardson and Wright streets in Middle Park, and is open daily from 8.30am to 6pm.

National Shrine of St Therese of Lisieux, 94 Stevenson Street, Kew. Shrine of St Anthony, 182 Power Street, Hawthorn, open for private visits from Monday to Friday

St Patrick's Cathedral, The mother church of Melbourne, St Patrick's Cathedral is one of the best examples of Gothic Revival architecture in the southern hemisphere.

ROSTERS	DATE	ALTAR SERVERS	DATA PROJECTIONIST	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 6.00pm	22 July	Leanne M, Elyana F.	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Sun 8.30am	23 July	Ariana De C	Ashleigh D'Souza	Oswin Antao	Mai-Ling Sholl
Sun 10.30 am	23 July	Xavier R, Georgia R	Volunteer	John Italiano	John Italiano
Sun 5.00pm	23 July	Joseph B	Volunteer	Ildiko Kiss	Ophelia D'Souza
NEXT WEEK					
Sat 6.00pm	29 July	Isaac B, Volunteer	Joe Persico	Helen Johnpillai	Volunteer
Sun 8.30am	30 July	Volunteer	Ida Tontodonati	Claudia Scuteri	Deacon Neil
Sun 10.30am	30 July	Patrick J, Volunteer	Lolita Briones	Rudy Fernandes	Deacon Neil
Sun 5.00pm	30 July	Aiden D	Anthony Devadass	Volunteer	Volunteer
ROSTERS					
		COUNTERS	CLEANING	ALTAR	
THIS WEEK	23 July	Peter Corteling, Robin Dragwidge	Lolita Briones	Adeline Sie	
NEXT WEEK	30 July	Ken Franklin, Rohita Wick'ratne		Tamara Corteling	



"Leave Nothing Undared for the Kingdom of God"

College Tours

Wednesday, 2nd August Thursday, 5th October
Year 7, 2025 application close : Friday 18th August 2023

[Book a tour →](#)

Address: 5 Kernot Ave, Mulgrave VIC 3170

Mazenod.vic.edu.au

Contact # 03 9560 0911

MOTHERS PRAYER GROUP

We will never be a perfect parent, but we can be a praying parent.



Wednesday after 9.15am Mass, 2nd & 4th Wed each month
"Your prayers for your children are the greatest legacy you can leave."

For more information : Please contact Yvette on 0435 757 439
Mothers, Aunts & Grandmothers are Welcome !

ADVERTISING IN ST JUSTIN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

We are now able to offer the opportunity for parishioners to advertise their business in our weekly newsletter.

The cost will be \$5.00 per week. Funds will assist the cost of printing our parish newsletter. Advertisements will appear on the back page of the newsletter with the disclaimer below.

If you wish to place an advertisement please contact the Parish Office call 9401 6335 or email wheelershill@cam.org.au

A Parish Endeavour - St Kevin's Hampton Park

Melbourne's World Youth Day journey officially gets underway this week, with the first pilgrimage group—the Footsteps of Jesus—scheduled to fly out on Wednesday 19 July. Fr Anil Mascherenhas, Assistant Parish Priest of St Kevin's Hampton Park, is one of the bus leaders on the pilgrimage, and has more than 30 parishioners from St Kevin's in tow. It's one of the largest parish groups to attend an overseas World Youth Day from the Archdiocese.

'We are blessed to have a parish filled with many young families, and we had more than a year's preparation for this WYD pilgrimage,' Fr Anil shares. While 33 pilgrims are attending as part of the Archdiocese's pilgrimage, a few more are travelling as part of other national groups such as Jesus Youth.

Fr Anil said he and the pilgrims have been overwhelmed by the support shown by their parish community. 'Over the last year we have had spiritual, social and fundraising events for the youth, where our parish community came together as one family to enable them to embark on this great opportunity,' he said. The pilgrimage to World Youth Day was seen as a whole-parish endeavour, with families assisting the youth to raise more than \$90,000 to go towards pilgrimage costs through fundraising events like dances, trivia nights, bake sales and more.

'This whole preparation not only brought our young people closer to their faith and the Church but also brought our parish families together, which enriched the vibrancy of our parish,' Fr Anil explains. And the pilgrims played their part, he says, committing to a series of spiritual preparation sessions over the past year, attending retreats, youth gatherings and regular Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and participating in the Pentecost Vigil.

The Footsteps of Jesus pilgrimage group will fly into Israel and head to Bethlehem, from where they will begin their exploration of the places that were central to Jesus' life and ministry. One of the St Kevin's pilgrims said she is looking forward to visiting the Holy Land for the first time and seeing the gospels come to life.

'I thought that visiting the Holy Land would be something I would do when I'm retired, but now is a great opportunity with a big group of my friends from St Kevin's Parish. When I return home and in church, I can visualise and connect more with the gospel readings because I will have been there!'

Fr Anil said he's looking forward to supporting the pilgrims as they deepen their understanding of their faith. 'I am excited to be their fellow pilgrim and to accompany them on their journey of faith in this Footsteps of Jesus pilgrimage. Our young people made attending World Youth Day their priority, and so I am excited to witness how they will encounter Jesus in various ways.' He hopes that the World Youth Day experience will 'boost their love for the faith, and in particular their relationship with Jesus'.

'World Youth Day offers young people a lively and joyful experience of faith and communion,' he says. 'It offers a space to experience the beauty of the face of God. And as their bus leader, I am humbled by this opportunity to serve our young people on this pilgrimage in whatever way I can.'