



# 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.

**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A**

**27th August 2023**

## PARISH PERSONNEL

### PARISH PRIEST:

**Fr Andrzej Madry**

Congregation of the Resurrection

### PARISH DEACON:

Deacon Neil Daculan

### PARISH SECRETARY:

Jeanne Bernard

### PARISH PASTORAL

#### COUNCIL CHAIR:

Jamie Davin

### SAFEGUARDING TEAM

Mai-Ling Sholl

Ophelia D'Souza

[Wheelershill.safeguarding@cam.org.au](mailto:Wheelershill.safeguarding@cam.org.au)

### ST JUSTIN'S SCHOOL

#### PRINCIPAL:

Patrick Torpey

9561 7644

### NAZARETH COLLEGE

#### PRINCIPAL:

Sam Consentino

9795 8100

### 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 prophet*

*Isaiah*

*Isaiah 22:19-23*

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:

I dismiss you from your office, I remove you from your post, and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiyah. I invest him with your robe, gird him with your sash, entrust him with your authority; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah. I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open. I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father's house.

## The Word of the Lord,

Response - Thanks be to God

## Responsorial Psalm

*Ps 137:1-3. 6. 8. R. v.8*

(R.) Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. (R.)
2. thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. (R.)
3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. (R.)

## Second Reading

*A reading from the letter of St Paul*

*to the Romans*

*Romans 11:13-15. 29-32*

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

## The Word of the Lord,

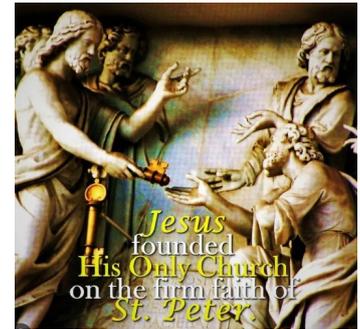
Response - Thanks be to God

## Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it.*

*Alleluia!*



## Gospel

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to*

*Matthew*

*Mt 15:21-28*

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.'

Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

## The Gospel of the Lord

Response - Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



**Next Week's Reading**

**22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A**

**Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2:**

**Mt 16: 21-27:**



## 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, Pirooska Tertelyi. Patsy Wareham, Cameron Wales, Alan Sullivan, Patricia Fawkner, Melinda Anderson, Marie Rabot, Noel Rosario, Helena De Costa

We pray for all who have died recently

We pray for those whose death anniversaries occur at this time

**MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.**

## Thanksgiving Collections 20th August 2023

### 1st Collection (house)

Presbytery - \$ 890.95

### 2nd Collection (church)

Thanksgiving - \$ 378.50

Loose - \$ 465.60

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 13th September

 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.

## 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 !

## Parish Calendar 2023



Thursday 31st August  
Reflection Day (confirmation students)

Saturday & Sunday 2nd & 3rd September  
Confirmation Medal Mass  
**Happy Fathers Day**

Wednesday 6th September  
Confirmation Day

Thursday 7th September  
Mazenod info night 7.30 pm - 8.30pm

Thursday 14th September  
**ARE YOU OK? DAY**

## 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**

## Retirement Priests Foundation collection next week

Care for our Retired Priests of the Archdiocese of Melbourne.  
Please donate using the envelopes on the pews or electronically by logging on to:

[www.melbournecatholic.org.au/foundation](http://www.melbournecatholic.org.au/foundation)

and make your donation through Paypal.

Thank you for your generous support of the Retired Priests.

CALLING L.I.F.T YOUTHS

## CHURCH CLEANING



After 9.15 am mass on  
Saturday, 2 September

Meeting in the  
Church Foyer

Food and Drinks  
PROVIDED

Please note that there will be no Youth Meeting after 5pm Mass .



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

The children's ministry will continue every month, next gathering will be on the 10th September .



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.

Safeguarding Measures are in place & St Justin's 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..

#### 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](mailto: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=TXp0TEQzRlFIRkdZRDZDVmpYeTU0UT09>

Meeting ID 897 565 8645 Password 7HgAEz

For more details email: [ckasimir888@gmail.com](mailto:ckasimir888@gmail.com) or contact the parish office 03 9401 6335

### Reflection -

Jesus had a sense of humour! Simon, son of Jonah, was far from being a rock solid supporter of Jesus. So Jesus gave him the nickname 'Rocky' which in the Greek is Petros.

Jesus puns with the nickname: 'You are Rocky and upon this rock I will build my church.' The natural personality of shifting sands was being transformed by the blessing just given (the only blessing bestowed upon an apostle by Jesus).

Notice that Jesus only makes promises about 'my church', not a church shaped by human imagination, e.g. modes of Roman Imperial rule or with a Eurocentric mindset.

Fortunately, we have a successor of St Peter responding to our Risen Lord's command to St Francis of Assisi, 'Rebuild my church'.

We could pause for a moment to pray that the Risen Lord showers the 265th successor of St Peter with every blessing so that the Church of Jesus the Christ continues to prevail over the forces of death which threaten humanity.

### Online Launch to Celebrate the Season of Creation 2023.

To celebrate the Season of Creation, Caritas Australia invites Catholic communities nationwide to attend an online launch, offering participants an enriching and informative experience through its Catholic Earthcare program.

With this year's theme being 'Let Justice and Peace Flow', participants at the launch event will have the opportunity to learn about creating a *Laudato Si'* Action Plan and to join a community of mutual support. They will also gain access to the *Australian Guide to Laudato Si' Action Planning*, designed to help users initiate practical, meaningful change within their own parish, school, household or organisation.

**On Monday 4th September from 6pm—7pm**

**Venue—Online**

For further information, email [aline.peres@caritas.org.au](mailto:aline.peres@caritas.org.au).



**Social justice Sunday** is observed every year on the final Sunday of August. This year's commemoration falls on August 27.

The Catholic Church in Australia has a long tradition of commemorating Social Justice Sunday. The Catholic Bishops have issued an annual Social Justice Statement practically every year since 1940. The social justice remarks are made on behalf of the entire bishops' conference in time for Social Justice Sunday.

These declarations are issued with the hopes of provoking thought and action throughout the year.'

All Parish Bulletin requests must be in by  
**Wednesday midday.**

Please email all requests to [Wheelershill@cam.org.au](mailto:Wheelershill@cam.org.au)

ROSTERS	DATE	ALTAR SERVERS	DATA PROJECTIONIST	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 6.00pm	26 Aug	Isaac B, Volunteer	Joe Persico	Jamie Davin	Volunteer
Sun 8.30am	27 Aug	Volunteer	Ashleigh D'Souza	Oswin Antao	Deacon Neil
Sun 10.30 am	27 Aug	Patrick J, Volunteer	Lolita Briones	Volunteer	Deacon Neil
Sun 5.00pm	27 Aug	Volunteer	Ophelia D'Souza	Natalie Uranie	Volunteer
<b>NEXT WEEK</b>		<b>FATHERS DAY</b>			
Sat 6.00pm	02 Sept	Jalon & Joel P	Melissa Fernandes	Paul Dunne	Raymond Coyle
Sun 8.30am	03 Sept	Ariana De C	Oswin Antao	Noeline Willenberg	Deacon Neil
Sun 10.30am	03 Sept	Xavier & Georgia R	Lolita Briones	Volunteer	Deacon Neil
Sun 5.00pm	03 Sept	Joseph B, Elyana F	Volunteer	Youth Group	Volunteer
<b>ROSTERS</b>		<b>COUNTERS</b>	<b>CLEANING</b>	<b>ALTAR</b>	
<b>THIS WEEK</b>	27 Aug	Peter Corteling, Robin Dragwidge	Diana Tan	Adeline Sie	
<b>NEXT WEEK</b>	03 Sept	Adeline Sie, Theresa Bell		Natalie Uranie	

### "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 are in urgent need.**

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

**THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH.**

We would be grateful for any assistance you can give. Thank you.

### Freedom to Live for Refugees and People Seeking Asylum: CAPSA Webinar, National Week of Prayer and Action

The Catholic Alliance for People Seeking Asylum (CAPSA), co-convened by Jesuit Social Services and Jesuit Refugee Service (Australia), will host a webinar on 5 September from 4.30pm as part of its annual National Week of Prayer and Action (4 - 8 September).

The webinar will explore the theme 'freedom to live for refugees and people seeking asylum,' inspired by Pope Francis' theme for the 109th World Day of Migrants and Refugees held on 24 September 2023:

'Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay.

See more information in the link below: <https://capsa.org.au/>

**Aid to the Church in Need** is running an emergency campaign for Pakistan. Recently up to 24 churches, hundreds of Christian homes and a Christian cemetery were targeted in an attack in Pakistan which was sparked by reports of blasphemy allegations against two Christians accused of desecrating the Qur'an. ACN is working with project partners on the ground to aid the current needs of the Christian people. To learn more and to make an offering visit [www.aidtochurch.org/pakistanappeal](http://www.aidtochurch.org/pakistanappeal)

### A Coming together of different worlds: Cathedral to Host Music Festival

From 15 to 17 September, St Patrick's Cathedral is hosting a special weekend music festival that will feature a range of genres, from medieval plainchant to extravagant choral pieces, First Nations songs, folk music and organ classics. Director of Music Dr Philip Matthias sees the weekend as an opportunity for people



to come together and to celebrate the role that music plays in creating a space for meaningful dialogue and goodwill in the community. 'We want the festival to have breadth ... There's something for everyone.'

#### The Land Concert—16th Sept at 8pm—9.15pm

A program that seeks to find 'the threads that bind us together', through music, culture, spirituality and community. John Wayne Parsons and friends present traditional and new First Nations songs with deep connections to place, Country and people. International Sri Lankan artists Saman Lenin and Nilakshi Helapitiya add to this event via multi-faith connections through music, linking *This Land* across boundaries and peoples. Joined by Troy Kuhl (didgeridoo), Sherry Balcombe (narrator) and the St Patrick's Cathedral Schola and Gregorian Schola

*Tickets \$30, Concession \$25/ book online or pay at the door.*

*For more information, please check the link below*

*<https://melbournecatholic.org/events/cathedral-music-festival-weekend>*

### 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](mailto:wheelershill@cam.org.au)**