

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 - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

24th September 2023

PARISH PERSONNEL

Parish Priest: Fr Andrzej Madry

Congregation of the Resurrection

PARISH DEACON: Deacon Neil Daculan

Parish secretary: Jeanne Bernard

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SAFEGUARDING TEAM

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ST JUSTIN'S SCHOOL PRINCIPAL:

Patrick Torpey 9561 7644

NAZARETH COLLEGE 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 prophet Isaiah Is 55: 6– 9

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near. Let the wicked man abandon his way, the evil man his thoughts.

Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him, to our God who is rich in forgiving; for my thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks.

Yes, the heavens are as high above earth as my ways are above your ways, my thoughts above your thoughts.

The Word of the Lord, Response - Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 144:2-3. 8-9. 17-18. R. v.18 (R.) The Lord is near to all who call him

- I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever. the Lord is great, highly to be praised, his greatness cannot be measured. (R.)
- 2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)
- 3. The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds. He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts. (R.)

Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians Phil 1:20-24, 27

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results – I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake.

Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

The Word of the Lord, Response - Thanks be to God

> Next Week's Reading 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A Ezek 18:25 –28: Phil 2:1-11: Mt 21:28-32:

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.
Alleluia!



Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew Mt 20:1-16

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

The Gospel of the Lord Response - Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



We pray for the sick of our Parish:

Carmel Welsh, Francis & Joanne Downs, Tiana Mugagulio, David Booth, Maria Macan, Rita, Steven & Georgette Mizher, Annette & Stephen Sachie. Dilini Abeysekara, Senaka Fernando, Cathy Faux, June Ferguson, Delani Hakan, Nicolette Thomas, Eileen Doyle, Piroska Tertelyi. Cameron Wales, Alan Sullivan, Melinda Anderson, Marie Rabot, Helena De Costa

We pray for all who have died recently including **Maxwell Mortimer**, **Athal Joachim**, **Giacinta Mauro**.

We pray for those whose death anniversaries occur at this time including **Shanti Perera**,

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

Thanksgiving Collections 17th September 2023

1st Collection (house)

Presbytery - \$ 914.00 CDF Online - \$ 20.00

2nd Collection (church)

Thanksgiving - \$ 652.50 Loose - \$ 420.80

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

God Bless,

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

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=TXp0TEQzRIFiRkdZRDBDVmpYeTU0UT09

Meeting ID 897 565 8645 Password 7HgAEz

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

Parish Calendar 2023

Thursday 5th October Parish Pastoral Council 5pm - 6pm

Saturday 11th November Fair on the Hill 11am - 4pm

Sunday 26th November St Justin's Afternoon Tea (Fundraiser)



'SAVE THE DATE'

St Justin's Afternoon Tea Fundraiser

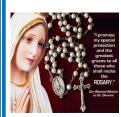


Sunday 26th November at 2.30 pm

Downunder Room

(Parish House)

SATURDAY EVENING ROASEY DEVOTION FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER



By tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates each month of the year to certain devotion. The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, one of the best known of all Catholic devotions. The best way to celebrate the month is, of course, to pray the Rosary.

Join us EVERY SATURDAY in OCTOBER after the 6pm Mass as we pray together as a Parish community.

Week 1 (7 Oct 2023) - Joyful Mysteries Week 2 (14 Oct 2023) - Sorrowful Mysteries Week 3 (21 Oct 2023) - Glorious Mysteries

Week 4 (28 Oct 2023) - Luminous Mysteries (followed by light refreshments)

Columban Calendar for 2024

We are taking orders for the Columban Calendars



If you are interested please contact the Parish office on 9401 6335 or email: wheelershill@cam.org.au

Please order before the 30th Nov 2023, \$10.50 per calendar

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 8th of October.

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.



Saturday, 11th November 11:00am - 4:00pm

42-48 Whalley Drive, Wheelers Hill VIC 3150

FOOD & DRINK | RIDES | GAMES | RAFFLES | AND MORE!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Register to help us at Fair on the Hill Saturday the 11th of November 2023 11:00am—4:00pm

https://form.jotform.com/231941012512846

Rosary devotion to Our Lady Followed by 'Come with Haste' WYD2023 Youth Talk

Calling all youths and parishioners to unite in prayer and reflection as we come together to say the Rosary on 1 October 2023



Why join?

Spiritual Growth: Deepen your faith and connection with God Community: Bond with like-minded youth on a meaningful journey Peace & Focus: Find inner peace and clarity amidst life's challenges

What to expect:

- Guided Rosary sessions for all experience levels
- · Vibrant discussions on faith and life
- A chance to make lasting friendships



Date: 1 October 2023

Time: 6.00 pm (Immediately after the

5 pm Youth Mass)

Location: St Justin Parish **Bring:** Rosary and yourself

After the Rosary, there will be a talk & presentation by the Youths and a SPECIAL GUEST on World Youth Day 2023



TAKE THE WAY OF THE GOSPEL

Re-imagining our Local Church as Mission Communities

Some time ago our Archbishop, Peter Comensoli, met with the clergy and lay leaders from around the Archdiocese of Melbourne to begin discussing what the local Church in Melbourne might look like in the future. The discussions focused on:

- The mission of the Gospel being at the heart of our life, worship and outreach
- How might local faith communities be arranged to allow for them to flourish
- How might our faith communities be effectively resourced spiritually, ministerially and materially

This re-imagining of the local Church is known as **Take the Way of the Gospel**. It's a process of renewal. At its heart is that parish life becomes more vital and vibrant through a focus on evangelisation, worship, formation and outreach.

In this context, and guided by the Holy Spirit, each parish was invited to hold conversations that look closely into itself to discern its strengths, its needs and how it can better proclaim and live out the Good News of the teachings of the Gospel.

At a different level, Take the Way of the Gospel also envisages nearby local parishes coming together, or partnering, to form families of communities of Mission. The parishes within a Mission work collaboratively on renewal, learn from each other and share resources. The arrangement of parishes to form a Mission is something to be determined by the local parishes themselves in consultation with the Archdiocese and, as always, prayerfully guided by the Holy Spirit.

Part of sharing resources within a Mission may involve that of priests. The parish structure in some parts of the Archdiocese reflects an earlier age with a surplus of clergy. The number of priests now is vastly different. This is the reality that needs to be addressed with the future in mind.

Sharing priests could mean, for example, that one priest ministers to a Mission of three parishes. A practical outcome of this is that scheduling of masses would need to be rationalized across those parishes. There may not always be a particular weekday or weekend mass available at a parishioner's usual parish so this may mean attending another parish within that Mission.

The Mission structure will require greater involvement from parishioners at all levels of parish life to ensure our priests are able to manage the extra responsibilities and workload that comes from working across multiple parishes. This is our chance to step up!

The intention of Take the Way of the Gospel is that churches not be closed down. Each church would maintain its identity, functionality and character but within the context of a Mission community.

Take the Way of the Gospel is a journey that will evolve over time, there may be various steps along the way. Parishioners of St Justin's will be kept informed of developments and will be involved in meetings/discussions to discern our future.

Further information on can be found on the Archdiocese website.

https://melbournecatholic.org/about/take-the-way-of-the-gospel

All Parish Bulletin requests must be in by Wednesday midday.

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

ROSTERS	DATE	ALTAR SERVERS	DATA PROJECTIONIST	READERS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 6.00pm	23 Sept	Isaac B, Volunteer	Joe Persico	Volunteer	Ray Coyle
Sun 8.30am	24 Sept	Volunteer	Khai Vu	Diana Tan	Deacon Neil
Sun 10.30 am	24 Sept	Patrick J, Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	Deacon Neil
Sun 5.00pm	24 Sept	Aiden D	Ophelia D'Souza	Volunteer	Volunteer
NEXT WEEK					
Sat 6.00pm	30 Sept	Jalon & Joel P	Melissa Fernandes	Chris Brodie	Volunteer
Sun 8.30am	01 Oct	Ariana De C	Oswin Antao	Mai-Ling Sholl	Deacon Neil
Sun 10.30am	01 Oct	Xavier & Georgia R	Volunteer	John Italiano	Deacon Neil
Sun 5.00pm	01 Oct	Joseph B, Elyana F	Youth Group	Youth Group	Volunteer
ROSTERS		COUNTERS	CLEANING	ALTAR	
THIS WEEK	24 Sept	Rudy Fernandes, Donald D'Cruz		Diana Tan	
NEXT WEEK	01 Oct	Rohitha Wick'ratne Theresa Bell		Tamara Corteling	

To Migrate or to Stay

This Sunday is World Day of Migrants and Refugees, the theme of which is, "Free to choose whether to migrate or to stay, it's an opportunity to honour those who have come to Australia seeking a new life and to tell their stories.

Deacon George Piech Meat is from South Sudan and has recently been appointed Chair of the South Sudanese Youth Justice Advisory Group. He shares with us some of his story and how he hopes to help his local migrant community.

Follow the link below

: https://melbournecatholic.org/news/deacon-george-piech-meat-supporting-south-sudanese-youth

On Sunday 24 September, the 2023 Migrant and Refugee Sunday Mass will be celebrated at 3pm at St Patricks Cathedral by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli and the migrant chaplains, preceded by a Rosary at 2pm in various languages. People will also be able to experience the richness of the South Sudanese choir, who will be singing during Mass.

Aid to the Church in Need invites all parishes, schools and families to take part in our annual "One million children praying the Rosary," on 18 October 2023. Last year 40,000 Australian children participated. Free resources can be found online including reflections for children and a prayer of consecration for children to the Mother of God. To learn more and to register visit www.aidtochurch.org/onemillionchildren.

"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.

RCIA - A Journey of Faith at St Simon's Parish in Rowville

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults—RCIA Are you or a friend thinking of becoming a Catholic?

Information night on TUE, 3 Oct 2023 from 7.30 pm at the Parish Centre. Ring the Parish Office on 9764 4058 or Phillip on 0437 343 022 or just come along on the night. "Come and see."

ReachOut Ministry at St Justin's Parish commenced in the month of August 2023 and will continue once every month on an ongoing basis.

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.

Frequency of meetings - Cell groups meet 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: dgdcruz@yahoo.com.au

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