



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.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

15th January 2023

PARISH PERSONNEL

PARISH PRIEST:

Fr Andrzej Madry

Congregation of the Resurrection

PARISH DEACON:

Deacon Neil Daculan

PARISH SECRETARY:

Jeanne Bernard

SAFEGUARDING TEAM

Mai-Ling Sholl

Ophelia D'Souza

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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 49:3. 5-6

The Lord said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I shall be glorified'; I was honoured in the eyes of the Lord, my God was my strength. And now the Lord has spoken, he who formed me in the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him, to gather Israel to him:

'It is not enough for you to be my servant, to restore the tribes of Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

The Word of the Lord,

Response - Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 39:2. 4. 7-10. R. vv.8. 9.

(R.) Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

- I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. (R.)
- You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear. You do not ask for holocaust and victim. Instead, here am I. (R.)
- In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will. My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart. (R.)
- Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly. My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord.

Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1 Cor 1:1-3

I, Paul, appointed by God to be an apostle, together with brother Sosthenes, send greetings to the church of God in Corinth, to the holy people of Jesus Christ, who are called to take their place among all the saints everywhere who pray to our Lord Jesus Christ; for he is their Lord no less than ours. May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace.

The Word of the Lord,

Response - Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

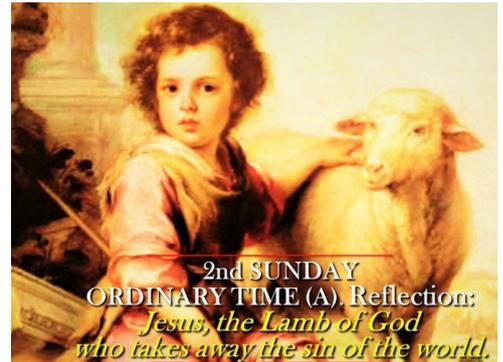
Alleluia, alleluia!

The Word of God became flesh and

dwelt among us. He enabled those who accepted him

to become the children of God.

Alleluia!



Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John Jn 1:29-34

Seeing Jesus coming towards him, John said, 'Look, there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world. This is the one I spoke of when I said: A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me. I did not know him myself, and yet it was to reveal him to Israel that I came baptising with water.' John also declared, 'I saw the Spirit coming down on him from heaven like a dove and resting on him. I did not know him myself, but he who sent me to baptise with water had said to me, "The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and rest is the one who is going to baptise with the Holy Spirit." Yes, I have seen and I am the witness that he is the Chosen One of God.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Response - Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



Next Week's Reading
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 8:23 - 9:3: 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17:
Mt 4:12-23:



We pray for the sick of our Parish:

Carmel Welsh, Francis & Joanne Downs, Fred Clarke, Tiana Mugagulo, David Booth, Maria Macan, Rita, Steven & Georgette Mizher, Annette & Stephen Sachie, Judy Mead, Melissa Fernandes, Pauline Fisher, Celine Tang Willis.

We pray for **Cardinal George Pell, Wilfred Mudalige, Shirani Fernando, Marianna Del Balso, Dudley Ludekens** and all souls who passed away recently, may they rest in peace.

We remember **Emelia Somasundaram**, and all whose death anniversaries that occur at this time.

Thanksgiving Collections

8th January

1st Collection (house)

Presbytery - \$ 718.85
Online - \$ 70.00

2nd Collection (church)

Thanksgiving - \$ 452.50
Loose - \$ 360.15

Thankyou and appreciate for your continuous support given to St Justin's Parish, God Bless,

Sacraments, Classes for 2023

Parents of children who attend schools other than our parish school who wish to enrol their children to prepare to receive their Sacraments,

Please notify the Parish Office by the 7th of February 2023 as enrolment day is the 14th of February 2023 from 4.00 pm - 5.30pm

Email: wheelershill@cam.org.au or
Parish Office 9401 6335

The grade levels for each Sacraments are:

First Holy Communion/Reconciliation Grade 4

Confirmation - Grade 6

(This is so that classes and teachers can be organised for 2023)

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 in February 2023

 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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Calling all Parishioners from St Justin's Parish to come and help to remove all the Christmas Decorations ,

Date - Saturday , 21st January

Time - 9.45am - 10.45am

All are Welcome

REFLECTION,

What does it mean to be 'holy'? It does not mean 100% morally correct, or separate from the great mass of people: 'Holier than thou'! It means being so close to God that God's holiness rubs off.

We are adopted members of the Holy Family, and something rubs off. Each one of us has heard at our baptism 'You are my beloved son/daughter'. We have been adopted into God's family and that brings us into close proximity to God.

So, if St Paul were writing to us today, as he did to the Corinthians, this is how it would run: ' ... to the church of God that is in [your town], made up of those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, called holy.'

But, we are not alone. In a multitude of places there are people who have also been baptised and therefore share a certain family resemblance. How is the 'togetherness' held together? By being in communion with the Bishop of Rome, currently Pope Francis.

We might pause for a moment to thank God that we are amongst the baptised who can receive St Paul's greeting: 'Grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.'

"Vinnies Food Appeal"

We need your help for those in the community less fortunate than ourselves,

Donations of non-perishable food items, such as Coffee, Tea, Jam, Cereal, Canned Tomatoes', Rice, Sugar, Noodles, Peanut Butter, Long-life Full Cream Milk.

These essentials named are in urgent need.

There will be a baskets in the church foyer,

Cash donations can be left in the St Vincent De Paul box at the rear of the church

We will run the collection for four weeks.

Your generosity is much appreciated, Thank you

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 !



All Parish Bulletin requests must be in

by **Wednesday midday.**

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

Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools (MACS) launches new brand and Visual Identity



'MACS was established on 1 January 2021 to bring together nearly 300 Catholic schools from across Melbourne to build on that legacy and forge a new path. That new path is contained in our inaugural strategy, *MACS 2030: Forming Lives to Enrich the World*, which outlines MACS'

purpose: forming lives of faith, hope and love in the light of Jesus Christ.

"This new MACS brand honours the great legacy of those who have gone before us, and symbolises the bright future inherent in our strategy and purpose."

The new logo, with the crucifix at its centre, represents our Catholic faith at the heart of everything we do, surrounded by rays of light symbolising the light of Jesus Christ and drawing on the golden light that streams through the beautiful stained-glass windows at St Patrick's Cathedral, the centre of Catholicism in the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

The pathways between the rays of light create a sense of multiple paths leading forward, symbolising the boundless opportunities that lie ahead for our students.

'We are proud of this new brand and what it symbolises about our community of schools, our mission and our new MACS 2030 strategy', Dr Simons said.

Feast of St Anthony, abbot, 17th January

Saint Anthony the Abbot, also known as Anthony the Great, Anthony of Egypt, Anthony of the Fire, Anthony of the Desert, Anthony the Anchorite was born at Qumans, a village on the left bank of the Nile, approximately 251 AD, and died in the Thebaid Desert on January 17, 357. We know his life fairly well, thanks to the biography written by his disciple Athanasius.

Though he belonged to a rather wealthy family, from an early age he showed little interest in the flattery and luxury of worldly life: to parties and banquets he preferred work and meditation, and on the death of his parents he distributed all his wealth to the poor. He chose to live as a hermit and retired into solitude, to work and pray, at first near his hometown and later in the desert.

Anthony is deeply venerated among country people, since in its earliest centuries the Christian Church absorbed into the feast of this Saint the many agricultural ceremonies connected to the blessing of fields and purification of livestock which used to take place in ancient Rome in January.

Feast of St Agnes, Martyr, 21st January

She is the patron saint of young girls. St. Agnes is one of the most famous early Christian virgin martyrs and is mentioned in one of the Eucharistic prayers of the Mass.

There is no reliable information about Saint Agnes' birth, life, or death. According to legend, she was a beautiful girl, the daughter of a Roman noble. She was raised as a Christian and consecrated herself to Christ through a vow of Chastity. She became a martyr at the age of 12 or 13 during the emperor Diocletian's reign because she refused to marry the prefect's son. As the legend goes, when some men tried to take advantage of young Agnes, her hair grew, covering her up and protecting her virginity. She was reported to the authorities for being a Christian, arrested, and sentenced to death by burning. Tradition says that the flames did not consume Saint Agnes, so she was beheaded. She was buried in a catacomb near Rome, where Constantine's daughter built a basilica in her honor.

Statement from Archbishop Comensoli on the death of Cardinal George Pell

It is with great sadness that I have learned that Cardinal George Pell, the seventh Archbishop of Melbourne, has died overnight from heart complications following hip surgery in Rome, Italy.

Cardinal Pell was a very significant and influential Church leader, both in

Australia and internationally, deeply committed to Christian discipleship.

Cardinal Pell led the local Church of Melbourne from 1996 to 2001 with strong leadership in the Catholic faith and with good governance, before being transferred to Sydney and then to Rome.

At this immediate moment, let our prayers go out to the God of Jesus Christ, whom Cardinal Pell wholeheartedly believed in and followed, that he may be welcomed into eternal life.

Our prayers of comfort and condolence are also with his family, especially his only surviving sibling David Pell.

May eternal light shine upon him, and may he now rest in peace and rise to glory in the Lord.

It was with great sadness that I learned of the unexpected death of Cardinal George Pell in Rome on Tuesday evening (Rome time). Cardinal Pell provided strong and clear leadership within the Catholic Church in Australia, as Archbishop of Melbourne and Archbishop of Sydney and as a member of the Bishops Conference for more than 25 years.

His many strengths were widely recognised, both in Australia and around the world, as his Vatican appointments as Prefect of the Secretariat for the Economy and as a member of the Council of Cardinals, an advisory group to Pope Francis, testify.

Cardinal Pell's impact on the life of the Church in Australia and around the world will continue to be felt for many years. As we remember him and reflect on his legacy, I invite all Catholics and other people of goodwill to join in praying for Cardinal Pell, a man of deep and abiding faith, and for the repose of his soul.



LOURDES DAY MASS

You are invited to attend the annual Lourdes Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral, on Saturday, 18th February 2023 at 10.30am.

This is a special occasion to pray for our sick, infirm and elderly and those who care for them.

The principal celebrant will be Archbishop Peter A Comensoli.

Everybody attending will receive a gift pack containing water from the grotto at Lourdes, rosary beads and prayer resources.

OFFICE OF THE VICAR GENERAL

St Patrick's Centre, 486 Albert Street, East Melbourne VIC 3002

Project Compassion

Get involved, this Project Compassion by watching the stories, hosting a fundraiser, joining a Caritas Q&A, or downloading our school and parish resources. Together, we can make a difference now, and **For All Future Generations.**

projectcompassion@caritas.org.au OR

Contact 1800 024 413



ROSTERS	DATE	ALTAR SERVERS	DATA PROJECTIONIST	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 6.00 pm	14 Jan	Volunteer	Joe Persico	Volunteer	Pabsi Perera
Sun 8.30am	15 Jan	Volunteer	Oswin Antao	Diana Tan	Volunteer
Sun 10.30 am	15 Jan	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Sun 5.00 pm	15 Jan	Volunteer	Ashleigh D'Souza	Natalie Uranie	
NEXT WEEK					
Sat 6.00pm	21 Jan	Volunteer	Jaime Davin	Yvette Esteves	
Sun 8.30am	22 Jan	Volunteer	Khai Vu	Noeline Willenberg	Deacon Neil
Sun 10.30am	22 Jan	Volunteer	Demetrio DeJesus	Rudy Fernandes	Deacon Neil
Sun 5.00 pm	22 Jan	Volunteer	Volunteer	Ashleigh D'Souza	
ROSTERS		COUNTERS	CLEANING	ALTAR	
THIS WEEK	15 Jan	Rudy Fernandes, Yvette Esteves		Diana Tan	
	22 Jan	Claudia Scuteri Peter Corteling		Tamara Corteling	

Use the code key to decipher what John the Baptist knew about Jesus





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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.

If you have any concerns whatsoever - please contact the Parish Office or
Fr Andrew - wheelershill@cam.org.au on 9401 6335. or

Safeguarding group ;
wheelershill.safeguarding@cam.org.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