

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.

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

5th November 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 <u>Wheelershill.safeguarding</u> <u>@cam.org.au</u>

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 Malachi Malachi

Mal 1:14 - 22:2 8-10

I am a great king, says the Lord of hosts, and my name is feared throughout the nations. And now, priests, this warning is for you. If you do not listen, if you do not find it in your heart to glorify my name, says the Lord of hosts, I will send the curse on you and curse your very blessing. You have strayed from the way; you have caused many to stumble by your teaching. You have destroyed the covenant of Levi, says the Lord of hosts. And so I in my turn have made you contemptible and vile in the eyes of the whole people in repayment for the way you have not kept to my paths but have shown partiality in your administration.

Have we not all one Father? Did not one God create us? Why, then, do we break faith with one another, profaning the covenant of our ancestors?

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

Responsorial Psalm

(R.) In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

- O Lord, my heart is not proud nor haughty my eyes. I have not gone after things too great nor marvels beyond me. (R.)
- 2. Truly I have set my soul in silence and peace. A weaned child on its mother's breast, even so is my soul. (R.)
- 3. O Israel, hope in the Lord both now and for ever. (R.)

Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians 1 Thes 2:7-9, 13

Like a mother feeding and looking after her own children, we felt so devoted and protective towards you, and had come to love you so much, that we were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our whole lives as well. Let me remind you, brothers, how hard we used to work, slaving night and day so as not to be a burden on any one of you while we were proclaiming God's Good News to you.

Another reason why we constantly thank God for you is that as soon as you heard the message that we brought you as God's message, you accepted it for what it really is, God's message and not some human thinking; and it is still a living power among you who believe it.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! You have one Father, your Father in heaven; you have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!



Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew Mt 23:1 - 12

Addressing the people and his disciples Jesus said, 'The scribes and the Pharisees occupy the chair of Moses. You must therefore do what they tell you and listen to what they say; but do not be guided by what they do: since they do not practise what they preach. They tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men's shoulders, but will they lift a finger to move them? Not they! Everything they do is done to attract attention, like wearing broader phylacteries and longer tassels, like wanting to take the place of honour at banquets and the front seats in the synagogues, being greeted obsequiously in the market squares and having people call them Rabbi.

'You, however, must not allow yourselves to be called Rabbi, since you have only one Master, and you are all brothers. You must call no one on earth your father, since you have only one Father, and he is in heaven. Nor must you allow yourselves to be called teachers, for you have only one Teacher, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Anyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and anyone who humbles himself will be exalted.'

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

Next Week's Reading

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
Wis 6:12 - 16: 1 Thess 4:13 - 08:
Mt 25:1-13:



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, Fred Clarke, Cathy Faux, June Ferguson, Delani Hakan, Nicolette Thomas, Eileen Doyle, Piroska Tertelyi. Cameron Wales, Alan Sullivan, Melinda Anderson, Marie Rabot, Helena De Costa, Marise Peiris, Jenny Williams, Nigel D'Lima, Troy Eccles, Joan Oorloff.

We pray for all who have died recently,

We pray for those whose death anniversaries occur at this time, including **Catherine Guruge**.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

Thanksgiving Collections 29th October 2023

1st Collection (house)

Presbytery - \$ 987.55 CDF - \$ 52.00

2nd Collection (church)

Thanksgiving - \$ 353.50 Loose - \$ 410.50 CDF - \$ 52.00

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

Church and Parish House Maintenance Team

This is a call for parishioners, both men and women, to join a garden and general maintenance team that is being established for St Justin's. The team's main focus would be to keep the lawns and gardens around the Church and Parish House in good order. In addition, and as needs arose, the team would be involved in other maintenance activities such as window cleaning, minor repairs of fencing/gates, rubbish removal and so on.

This is important work so if you have 1 to 2 hours available once a month, on a week day morning yet to be decided, your help would be greatly appreciated. It's also a great opportunity to involve yourself in Parish life and to meet others.

To volunteer or for more information

please contact Paul on 0402 843 361 or contact the Parish Office on 03 9401 6335.

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

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

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



Dear Parishioners.

By this time today, you will not have seen me in the liturgy as your deacon. It has been 9 years and as Fr. Mick used to tell me, "Neil, look at yourself in the mirror and your grey hair. Being in St. Justin is fun you'll forget your grey hair."

As of 30 October 2023, I decided to take a leave of absence until 23 March 2024. Please pray for me and my family. We needed this - I and my wife - who sacrificed so much for me to serve.

I will all remember you in my prayers...

Deacon Carnilo (Neil) Daculan

SAVE THE DATE

St Justin's Afternoon Tea Fundraiser

Sunday 26th November 2.30pm



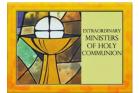
(Parish House) Donation \$20



TRAINING OFFERED!

Do you want to help with distribution of Holy Communion during Holy Mass or visit the sick?

We offer training sessions for new ministers and for anyone who wants a refresher.



If you are interested, please call the parish office on 9401 6335 or email us wheelershill@cam.org.au.

THE QUALIFICATIONS: The service of an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion is essentially connected to the Holy Mass. It is therefore necessary that the Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion be a practicing Catholic, fully initiated. They should also be at least 16 years of age. If married, the Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion should be in a marriage that is recognized by the Church. Ideally, the candidate should also have a deep and obvious love for the Blessed Sacrament and should be known in the community as someone who is committed to the Church's understanding of the Real Presence.

You need the Working with Children Check.

"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."



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

https://form.jotform.com/231941012512846

The Major Raffle

Tickets are available in the parish office and at the sacristy, \$2.00 each

FAIR ON THE HILL- Re. Donations for Christmas Hampers

Thank you all for your continued support of donations to the 'Christmas Hamper Raffle'

It's that time again and we need your help donating goods suitable for the Hampers.

All donations will be collected on the 5th of Nov,

& the hampers to be made during that week, Thank you for your support. Margo

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 8th and 22nd November.

- 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.

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

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

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

MEMORIAL BOOK

If you would like to place the names of your loved ones, who have passed away please enter the names in the Memorial Book.

The forms will be kept in the church foyer,

ROSTERS	DATE	ALTAR SERVERS	DATA PROJECTIONIST	READERS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 6.00pm	04 Nov	Liam F, Eva C	Bernadine Fernando	Yvette Esteves	Volunteer
Sun 8.30am	05 Nov	Volunteer	Ida Tontodonati	Diana Tan	Mai– Ling
Sun 10.30 am	05 Nov	Patrick J, Volunteer	Domenic D'Angelo	John Italiano	Tamara Fonseka
Sun 5.00pm	05 Nov	Volunteer	Volunteer	Youth Group	Volunteer
NEXT WEEK					
Sat 6.00pm	11 Nov	Leanne M, Elyana F	Volunteer	Paul Dunne	Volunteer
Sun 8.30am	12 Nov	Ariana De C	Khai Vu	Oswin Antao	Diana Tan
Sun 10.30am	12 Nov	Xavier & Georgia R	Lolita Briones	Rudy Fernandes	John Italiano
Sun 5.00pm	12 Nov	Joseph B	Anthony Devadass	Volunteer	Volunteer
ROSTERS		COUNTERS	CLEANING	ALTAR	Collectors
THIS WEEK	05 Nov	Ken Franklin, Adeline Sie	Lolita Briones	Diana Tan	
NEXT WEEK	12 Nov	Yvette Esteves, Magda Schwarz		Yvette Esteves	

Christmas Carols Singing at the Aged Care

Following the heart-warming reception of 2022 carol singing, LIFT Youth Ministry and Childrens Ministry are thrilled to announce, we will be singing at aged cares/retirement homes around Mulgrave / Noble Park & Wheelers Hill Area on Saturday, 9 December & Sunday, 10 December from 10.00am -2.00pm.

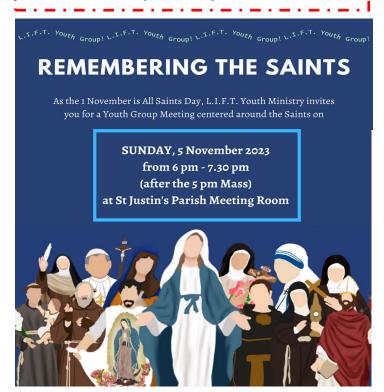
Practices will be held on

Sunday: 19 November 2023 from 6.00pm-7.30pm Sunday: 26 November 2023 from 6.00pm-7.30pm Sunday: 3 December 2023 from 6.00pm-7.30pm

Join us as we spread the Christmas cheer. All are welcome.

Please confirm your attendance by contacting Rehan (0430 089 866)/ Sheena (0466 532 381) or wheelershill@cam.org.au by <u>Wednesday, 15 November 2023</u> with your name and contact details.

Join us as we spread the Christmas cheer. All are welcome to spread the Christmas cheer and goodwill through music.



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

The children's ministry will continue every month, & hope to see more little ones on Sunday the 12th of November,

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

LIFT YOUTH MINISTRY - CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE



The LIFT Youth Ministry invites all parishioners to support our first ever Christmas bake sale. Delicious items including cookies, slices, and cakes, ranging from \$2.50 to \$10.00 will be made available after Mass in November and December.

Funds raised will go directly towards financing the carol singing at local aged cares and the Christmas Eve Nativity Play.

Mark your calendars and come buy these delightful treats. Your support means the world to us as we come together to make this Christmas truly special.