



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-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

19th November 2023

PARISH PERSONNEL

PARISH PRIEST:

Fr Andrzej Madry CR

Congregation of the Resurrection

PERMANENT DEACON:

Deacon Neil Daculan

PARISH SECRETARY:

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ST JUSTIN'S

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

GOOD SHEPHERD

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm

Sunday: 9.00am & 11.00am

WEEK DAY MASSES:

MONDAY, Tuesday,

Wednesday, Thursday,

9.15 am,

Saturday 10.00am

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

First Reading

A reading from the book of Proverbs

31:10-13. 19-20. 30-31

A perfect wife – who can find her? She is far beyond the price of pearls. Her husband's heart has confidence in her, from her he will derive no little profit. Advantage and not hurt she brings him all the days of her life. She is always busy with wool and with flax, she does her work with eager hands. She sets her hands to the distaff, her fingers grasp the spindle. She holds out her hand to the poor, she opens her arms to the needy. Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty; the woman who is wise is the one to praise. Give her a share in what her hands have worked for, and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

The Word of the Lord,

Response - Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 127:1-5. R. v.1

(R.) *Happy are those who fear the Lord*

1. O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways! By the labour of your hands you shall eat. You will be happy and prosper. (R.)
2. Your wife like a fruitful vine in the heart of your house; your children like shoots of the olive, around your table. (R.)
3. Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord. May the Lord bless you from Zion in a happy Jerusalem all the days of your life. (R.)

Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

1 Thes 5:1-6

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons', since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it. But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

The Word of the Lord,

Response - Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!



Gospel

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Mt 25:14-30

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."

The Gospel of the Lord

Response - Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Next Week's Reading

Our Lord JESUS CHRIST, KING of the UNIVERSE

Ezek 34:11-12, 15-17

1 Cor 15:20-26,28: Mt 25:31-46:



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, Pirooska Tertelyi. Cameron Wales, Alan Sullivan, Melinda Anderson, Marie Rabot, Helena De Costa, Marise Peiris, Jenny Williams, Nigel D'Lima, Troy Eccles, Joan Oorloff, Ondie & Robert Goold.

We pray for all who have died recently

We pray for those whose death anniversaries occur at this time including **Elvira & Giovanni, Louis Macky.**

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

MEMORIAL MASS

Our annual Memorial Mass for deceased relatives and friends will be celebrated on:

TUESDAY, 21 NOVEMBER AT 7:30PM ST JUSTIN'S WHEELERS HILL.

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

Thanksgiving Collections 12th November 2023

1st Collection (house)

Presbytery - \$ 742.35
CDF - \$ 20.00

2nd Collection (church)

Thanksgiving - \$ 337.50
Loose - \$ 535.00

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.

Parish Calendar 2023

Tuesday 21st November
Memorial Mass 7.30pm

Sunday 26th November
St Justin's Afternoon Tea (Fundraiser) at 2.30pm

Tuesday 28th November ,
Level Mass—Year 1 & Year 6 (Buddies) - 9.15am

Tuesday 28th November
School Advisory Council - 7.30pm

Wednesday 29th November at 9.15am
Level Mass—Year 2



St Justin's Afternoon Tea Fundraiser Sunday 26th November at 2.30pm

Downunder Room

(Parish House)

Donation \$20 per person

(discounted for families more than 3 members)



Delicious finger food,
Tea & Coffee + Music

(To upgrade the flooring in the meeting room,
cash donations accepted)

Bookings open now,
"All are Welcome"

St Justin's Lunch



Wednesday
13 December
12.30pm



Mulgrave Country Club

Al La Carte

(choose your own meal)

All Welcome

Come along to share a meal with
Parishioners & Friends

Booking essential by

Texting Mai Ling 0412 499 205

or

Phone Parish Office 9401 6335

ORDINATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD,

St Patrick's Cathedral

On Saturday 25 November, three deacons will be ordained to the priesthood:



Rev Tien Van Tran, Rev Doan Ngoc (Peter) Nguyen and Rev Thomas William Christie.

Jean-Sébastien Géry will be ordained to the transitional diaconate.

Please pray for them as they embark on their priestly ministry in the service of God's people in the Archdiocese,

Martyrs, witnesses, the stories behind this year's



NIGHT of the WITNESSES.

On Wednesday 22 November 2023 at St Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne will host the second annual Night of the Witnesses, presided over by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli.

An initiative of Aid to the Church Need (ACN), the Night of the Witnesses is an evening of testimony, prayer and song that honours the martyrs of today, those people who continue to lose their lives for the Christian faith around the world.

It is an opportunity to hear their stories, be inspired by their faith and pray before the Blessed Sacrament for the persecuted Church everywhere.

Every year a number of martyrs are selected, and their names, faces and stories highlighted on the evening. This year, three groups will be featured.

Here is a snapshot of their stories.

Fr José Martín Guzmán Vega, Mexico

Fr José Martín Guzmán Vega was 55 years old when he was stabbed several times in his sacristy on 22 August 2019, dying a few hours later in hospital.

Br Diego Bedoya, Venezuela

Br Diego Bedoya was 35 years old when he was stabbed to death in his office on 10 April 2017 in La Victoria, northern Venezuela.

Fr René Bayang Regalado, Philippines

Fr René Bayang Regalado was 42 years old when he was shot dead by gunmen on Sunday 24 January 2021 on the island of Mindanao in the Philippines.

Fr Samaan Shehata, Egypt

Fr Samaan Shehata was 51 years old when he was stabbed to death by an Islamist terrorist on 12 October 2017 in Cairo, Egypt.

Martyrs of Iraq

In Iraq, violence against Christians has risen since 2003, with many incidences of abduction, torture and killings. Numerous attacks on Christian churches have taken place, including the 2010 attack on Our Lady of Deliverance Church, where two priests and 44 worshippers were killed.

Fr Hovsep Hanna Bedoyan, Syria

Srs Marguerite, Reginette, Judith and Anselm, Yemen

Four Missionaries of Charity sisters—Sr Marguerite, 44, and Sr Reginette, 32, both from Rwanda; Sr Judith, 41, from Kenya; and Sr Anselm, 57, from India—were all murdered on 4 March 2016 in Aden, Yemen

Sr Ruvadiki Kamundiya, Zimbabwe

Sr Ruvadiki Kamundiya was 49 years old when she was raped and murdered on 22 October 2017 in Mutoko, eastern Zimbabwe, while she was meditating at the shrine of the Glorious Cross.

Therese Kapangala, Democratic Republic of Congo

Michael Nnadi, Nigeria

Sr Mary Daniel Abut and Sr Regina Roba Luate, South Sudan
Sr Mary Daniel Abut and Sr Regina Roba Luate were killed on 16 August 2021 in South Sudan, during an ambush by armed men.

Click the link below for more information:

<https://melbournecatholic.org/news/martyrs-witnesses-the-stories-behind-this-years-night-of-the-witnesses>

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 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.

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

The children's ministry will continue next year in 2024 February



The session will commence during the 10.30am Mass on 2nd Sunday of the month 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

BIBLE STUDY

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

The link is as follows:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8975658645?pwd=TXp0TEQzRlFiRkdZRDBDVmpYeTU0UT09>, Meeting ID 897 565 8645, Password 7HgAEz

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

ROSTERS	DATE	ALTAR SERVERS	DATA PROJECTIONIST	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 6.00pm	18 Nov	Isaac B, Volunteer	Joe Persico	Paul Dunne	Volunteer
Sun 8.30am	19 Nov	Volunteer	Volunteer	Diana Tan	Mai-Ling Sholl
Sun 10.30 am	19 Nov	Patrick J , Volunteer	John Italiano	Volunteer	Anthony Phey
Sun 5.00pm	19 Nov	Volunteer	Joyce Sim	Ophelia D'Souza	Volunteer
NEXT WEEK					
Sat 6.00pm	25 Nov	Jalon & Joel P	Melissa Fernandes	Yvette Esteves	Volunteer
Sun 8.30am	26 Nov	Ariana De C	Oswin Antao	Noeline Willenberg	Diana Tan
Sun 10.30am	26 Nov	Xavier & Georgia R	Dominic D'Angelo	Volunteer	John Italiano
Sun 5.00pm	26 Nov	Joseph B, Elyana F	Ophelia D'Souza	Sheena Devadass	Volunteer
ROSTERS		COUNTERS	CLEANING	ALTAR	COLLECTORS
THIS WEEK	19 Nov	Adeline Sie, Theresa Bell		Tamara Corteling	
NEXT WEEK	26 Nov	Rudy Fernandes, Donald D'Cruz		Natalie Uranie	

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.

“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. “

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 Wednesday, 15 November 2023 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.

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