



# 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.*

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A**

**5th February 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

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[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*

*Is 58:7-10*

Thus says the Lord:

Share your bread with the hungry, and shelter the homeless poor, clothe the man you see to be naked and turn not from your own kin. Then will your light shine like the dawn and your wound be quickly healed over.

Your integrity will go before you and the glory of the Lord behind you. Cry, and the Lord will answer; call, and he will say, 'I am here.'

If you do away with the yoke, the clenched fist, the wicked word, if you give your bread to the hungry, and relief to the oppressed, your light will rise in the darkness, and your shadows become like noon.

The Word of the Lord,

Response - Thanks be to God

## Responsorial Psalm

*Ps 111:4-9. R. v.4*

*(R.) A light rises in the darkness for the upright.*

1. He is a light in the darkness for the upright: he is generous, merciful and just. The good man takes pity and lends, he conducts his affairs with honour (R.)
2. The just man will never waver: he will be remembered for ever. He has no fear of evil news; with a firm heart he trusts in the Lord. (R.)
3. With a steadfast heart he will not fear; open-handed, he gives to the poor; his justice stands firm for ever. His head will be raised in glory. (R.)

## Second Reading

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

*Corinthians*

*1 Cor 2:1-5*

When I came to you, brothers, it was not with any show of oratory or philosophy, but simply to tell you what God had guaranteed. During my stay with you, the only knowledge I claimed to have was about Jesus, and only about him as the crucified Christ. Far from relying on any power of my own, I came among you in great 'fear and trembling' and in my speeches and the sermons that I gave, there were none of the arguments that belong to philosophy; only a demonstration of the power of the Spirit. And I did this so that your faith should not depend on human philosophy but on the power of God.

The Word of the Lord,

Response - Thanks be to God

## Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

*I am the light of the world, says the Lord; the man who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!*



## Gospel

*A reading from the holy Gospel according to*

*Matthew*

*Mt 5:13-16*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You are the salt of the earth. But if salt becomes tasteless, what can make it salty again? It is good for nothing, and can only be thrown out to be trampled underfoot by men.

'You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill-top cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp to put it under a tub; they put it on the lamp-stand where it shines for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine in the sight of men, so that, seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord

Response - Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ



**Next Week's Reading**  
**6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A**  
**Sir 15:15-20: 1 Cor 2:6-10:**  
**Mt 5:17-37:**



### 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, Melissa Fernandes, Pauline Fisher, Celine Tang Willis. Lucy Field, Dilini. Abeysekara.*

*We pray for and all souls who passed away recently, may they rest in peace.*

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

### Thanksgiving Collections

29th January

#### 1st Collection (house)

Presbytery - \$ 727.90  
CDF - \$ 52.00

#### 2nd Collection (church)

Thanksgiving - \$ 370.00  
Loose - \$ 293.15

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

## BAPTISM



We welcome and pray this weekend for **Noah Eugene Ruffolo** as he receive his sacrament of Baptism.

### 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 8th 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.

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

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

### Parish Calendar 2023



#### Thursday 9th February

Beginning of the School Year Mass at 12noon.  
Parish Pastoral Council at 5pm

#### Wednesday 22nd February

Ash Wednesday Mass at 9.15am & 7pm

## YOUTH MASS



**SUNDAY,  
5 FEBRUARY**

MASS: 5.00 pm to 6 pm  
YOUTH MEETING: 6 pm to 7.30 pm

ST JUSTIN'S PARISH  
MEETING ROOM

**FIRST MEETING  
OF 2023**

Discussions of future meetings. Games. Prayer.



PIZZA WILL BE SERVED!

### YOUTH MASS & 2023 YOUTH MEETING – 5 FEBRUARY 2023

Calling all youths (Grade 6 – 25 years) to join the Parish for a Youth Mass on

Date: 5 February 2023 (SUNDAY)

Time: 5.00pm – 6.00pm

Venue: St Justin Down Under Room

The youths will be actively involved in the Liturgy from the Choir, Commentator, Offertory, Reader, Altar Serves and Collectors.



**All are welcome**

After the mass, all youths are invited to gather at **St Justin Meeting Room (from 6.00pm)** for the first Youth Meeting for 2023 to plan activities for the year, followed by pizza.

For catering purposes, please text 0466 532 381 to let me know if your child/youth /you will be attending and of any food allergies/restrictions.

***At the heart of who we are is not all the buildings but the person of Jesus Christ, who enters into our lives and who we then share with others.***

**- Archbishop Peter A Comensoli**

## 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](mailto:wheelershill@cam.org.au) on 9401 6335. or

**Safeguarding group ;**

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

## Sacraments Preparation Classes

St Justin's Parish provides preparation for the Sacraments for children who attend schools other than our parish school.

If you wish for your child to attend these lessons, please notify the Parish Office by the 7th of February 2023:

Email: [wheelershill@cam.org.au](mailto:wheelershill@cam.org.au) or

Parish Office 9401 6335

**Information and enrolment session is the 14th of February 2023 from 4.00 pm - 5.30pm**

**The grade levels for each Sacraments are:**

**First Holy Communion/Reconciliation Grade 4**

**Confirmation - Grade**

## Reflection - Did you know?

Points of interest and Catholic lore

- In the ancient world, salt was absolutely essential. It was used not simply to season food or to add to its taste, but also as a preservative, enabling food to be stored and kept.
- At the time of Jesus, the main source of oil for lamps was the olive. A saucer-shaped lamp held the oil, and a wick, made of flax or a similar material, burned from a small opening on the rim. Such lamps were often placed in a niche in the walls of rooms.
- Lamp oil was a precious commodity. Once lit, a lamp was often placed high to give maximum illumination.

**Ancient cities were often built on hilltops so that they were easily defended against invaders and were visible for many miles around.**

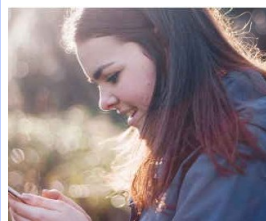
## Symbols and Images

The people of Israel often described the Law of God as 'salt' because it gave zest and flavour to life and it preserved them as the people of God. Similarly, the Law was often compared to a light that showed them the path to God: 'Your word is a light to my feet and a lamp to my path' (Psalm 119:105). Jerusalem, the city on the hill, was a focal point and reminder of God's presence.

Jesus gives a new focus to all these images when he applies them to those who hear his word and put it into practice.

All Christians are called to be 'salt' and 'light', a 'city on the hill' giving witness to God's presence.

## Safer Internet Day: connect, reflect, protect



The world is more digitally connected than it's ever been, which means vigilance about online safety is more important than ever before. **Tuesday 7 February 2023 marks the 20th Safer Internet Day**, an initiative that started in 2004 and is now recognised by countries around the world.

The day provides an opportunity to reflect on how we might create safer online environments for the children and young people under our care.

The theme for **this year's Safer Internet Day** is *Connect. Reflect. Protect.*

- **Connect** safely and with purpose—keeping apps and devices secure and using social media in positive ways.
- **Reflect** before we act—take a moment to consider how what we do and say online may affect others.
- **Protect** ourselves and others by taking action—tell family, friends or colleagues about eSafety and how they can help. Children and young people spend approximately 7.5 hours per day online, which means half their year is spent on the internet. The potential risks of increased online usage and the severity of these risks are sometimes overlooked.

It's difficult for parents, organisations and even the police to monitor the internet, so to assist the community, the Australian Childhood Foundation has released a new resource—***It's Never Too Late***.

Through real stories and practical advice, the resource informs parents and carers about how they can better protect their children online and shows them how to recognise signs of online abuse and manipulation. As part of this resource, *Clare's story*—a YouTube video based on a true story—illustrates some of the dangers that exist for children and young people online, helping them and their parents and carers to consider how they might best respond.

**ThinkUKnow** is another great resource and has been developed by the Australian Federal Police to educate the community about issues of online safety. It includes materials about child abuse, online grooming and sexual extortion, and an education program encouraging the cultivation of help-seeking behaviour in young people.

The site's resource section has some great material for organisations, parents and carers to help facilitate discussions about how to navigate the internet safely and confidently.

The eSafety Commissioner is also conducting a range of parent webinars during Term 1, which you may wish to promote to your community. Some of the topics include:

- eSafety 101
- setting your child up for success online
- getting the most out of gaming
- navigating online friendships.

For more information follow the link below:

**<https://melbournecatholic.org/news/safer-internet-day-connect-reflect-protect>**



**Contact - 1800 024 413**

**[www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au) | [questions@caritas.org.au](mailto:questions@caritas.org.au)**

ROSTERS	DATE	ALTAR SERVERS	DATA PROJECTIONIST	READERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 6.00 pm	04 Feb	Volunteer	Melissa Fernandes	Shenelle Fernandes	Pabsi Perera
Sun 8.30am	05 Feb	Volunteer	Khai Vu	Oswin Antao	Deacon Neil
Sun 10.30 am	05 Feb	Volunteer	Demetrio Dejesus	Lolita Briones	Deacon Neil
Sun 5.00 pm	05 Feb	Gavin R, Aiden D	Lucas Yap	Isabelle Devadass	
<b>NEXT WEEK</b>					
Sat 6.00pm	11 Feb	Volunteer	Joe Persico	Chris Brodie	Marian Coyle
Sun 8.30am	12 Feb	Volunteer	Ida Tontodonati	Mai-Ling Sholl	Deacon Neil
Sun 10.30am	12 Feb	Volunteer	Lolita Briones	Volunteer	Deacon Neil
Sun 5.00 pm	12 Feb	Volunteer	Anthony Devadass	Isabelle Devadass	
<b>ROSTERS</b>		<b>COUNTERS</b>	<b>CLEANING</b>	<b>ALTAR</b>	
<b>THIS WEEK</b>	05 Feb	Ken Franklin, Rohitha Wick'ratne		Natalie Uranie	
	12 Feb	Yvette Esteves, Donald D'Cruz		Yvette Esteves	

### 2023 Lenten Daily Readings And Reflections

Ash Wednesday 22nd February to Easter.

Triumph booklets are now for sale at \$6.50 in the church foyer.

You are also welcome to online group sharing/discussion of Lenten Sundays Gospel Readings.

For more details and for online link please contact

Paul Dunne 0402 843 361 or Kasimir Clement :ckasimir888@gmail.com

### 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 !



### ST SIMON'S RCIA PROGRAM Starting in February 2023

Are you or a friend interested in becoming a Catholic? RCIA is for: Adults who are not baptised. Adults baptised in another Christian church. Non-practising Catholics wishing to renew their faith.

Phone the Parish office on 9764 4058 or Reg on 9790 5616.

### 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)

### "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 one more week.

Your generosity is much appreciated, Thank you

### Pastoral Care Appeal

Next weekend is the Pastoral Care Appeal in the Archdiocese of Melbourne, Each year a special collection is conducted in all parishes, so that the vital work of the Catholic Chaplains can continue. The Chaplains support thousands of Victorians every year in hospitals, prisons and youth justice centres.

Your gift can help people find comfort and hope as they go through some of their darkest times of their life. **Please give generously.**

You can donate using the envelopes available, or online at [www.catholiccarevic.org.au](http://www.catholiccarevic.org.au) or call 03 9287 5513



### NEED TO DISPOSE OF A VEHICLE?

If you need to dispose of a vehicle either from a deceased estate or which is no longer required, please consider gifting it to the "Lifeboat Geelong Foundation", a registered charity with tax deductible status which for nine years has been providing pastoral and practical support to nearly 150 victims / survivors of church-related sexual abuse.

Many of these suffer post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and have limited or no employment. A donated vehicle could vastly improve their quality of life.

**If you would like to explore the possibility of gifting a potentially suitable vehicle to "Lifeboat", please contact Fr. Kevin Dillon (0421 777 360, or [frkdillon@outlook.com.au](mailto:frkdillon@outlook.com.au)) or Adam Kaali (0411 486 605, or [adam-kaali@hotmail.com](mailto:adam-kaali@hotmail.com)).**