

SUNDAY MASS Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm Sunday 9 am, 11 am	The Sacrament of Reconciliation Is available 30 minutes before each Mass, between 9:30-10:30 am Saturday morning, or by appointment.	HOLY ROSARY Tuesday—Friday 8.30am St Joseph's Church Wednesday 1pm St Joseph's Parish Centre 15 Decade-Rosary Mary Untier of Knots
WEEKDAY MASS Monday (Springvale) 9:30 am Tuesday 9 am Wednesday 9 am Thursday 9 am Friday 9 am Saturday 9 am	Eucharist Adoration Half an hour before each weekday Mass St Joseph's Church	

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St Joseph's Parish is committed to the Safeguarding of Children and Young People in all aspects of Parish life.

*To subscribe to St Joseph's Parish email list please email chelsea@cam.org.au
The solemn obligation for baptised Catholics to attend regular Sunday Mass has been restored throughout the Archdiocese of Melbourne.*

Recently Deceased
Pope Francis, Robert Paul Grasso

Prayers for the Sick
Lina Blake, Bishop Terry Curtin, Henfi Chun, Dennis Gallagher, Rick Hayes, Jessie Jackson, Pam Jansz, Sheila Joseph, Christine Riddle, Juliette Ronald, Danielle Spencer, Brian Wilson, Toni (Marie) Wilton, Baby Area Maria (Cathy Meehan's Great Granddaughter), Jacqui Williams

Anniversaries
Robert Bant, Violet Brooks, Shirley Carns, Lenny (Magdalena) Tumale

Special Intentions
Thanksgiving for a special gift received,
Thanksgiving for June P



**27th April; 2nd Sunday of Easter C;
Divine Mercy Sunday**
1st R: Acts 5:12-16
2nd R: Rev 1:9-13, 17-19
Gospel: John 20:19-31

4th May; 3rd Sunday of Easter C
1st R: Acts 5:27-32, 40-41
2nd R: Rev 5:11-14
Gospel: John 21:1-19

PARISH OF ST JOSEPH CHELSEA 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER—DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY—27 APRIL 2025



Franciscus
Jorge Mario Bergoglio
13.III.2013
21.IV.2025

21 April 2025

My dear sisters and brothers in Christ,
It is with great sadness we mourn the passing of Pope Francis. The Holy Father passed away at Casa Santa Marta at 7:35am local Rome time.

A prophetic leader, Pope Francis served as the Bishop of Rome and shepherd of the world's 1.4 billion Catholics since 2013 following the resignation of Pope Benedict XVI.

Born in Buenos Aires, Argentina, Jorge Mario Bergoglio became Archbishop of Buenos Aires in 1997 before Pope John Paul II made him cardinal in 2001. During his years in Argentina, and later in Rome, his lifestyle was simple and humble, living in a small apartment, using public transport and working with the homeless and poor. Even when elected Pope on 13 March 2013, he chose not to live in the official papal residence in the Apostolic Palace but instead in the Vatican guest house.

Pope Francis was the first Jesuit pope, the first from the Americas and the first from the Southern Hemisphere. His parents and grandparents were from northern Italy. He convoked synods on the family (2014) and youth (2018), however the Synod on Synodality in 2023/2024 is seen by many as the culmination of his papacy, and one of the most important events in the Church since the Second Vatican Council.

As we grieve the passing of Pope Francis, let us remember in our prayers his commitment and unwavering dedication to justice, peace, and hope.

A courageous leader, his papacy will be remembered for its call to reform, to embrace mercy, and to build bridges of understanding.

May we find strength in his papal teaching as we continue the journey of faith in this Holy Year that Pope Francis dedicated to hope, asking us all to be Pilgrims of Hope. Since we are in the Easter Octave, it is not permitted to offer Votive Masses for the Dead. From Monday 28 April, I would ask all priests to offer Votive Masses for a dead Pope, the texts for which can be found in the Roman Missal.

The Holy See is expected to announce details of the funeral to be held at St Peter's in the Vatican shortly (Saturday 26th April 10am in Rome - 6pm AEST), Pray for our dear Holy Father who has fallen asleep in the Lord. Pray that Jesus, the Good Shepherd may receive him into the green pastures in Paradise.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

Requiescat in pace.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Bishop Anthony Randazzo DD JCL
Bishop of Broken Bay



FEELING SICK?
PLEASE STAY HOME

Please do not attend Mass if you are unwell.
There are no numbers restrictions on attendees at church.
Face masks are no longer mandatory inside the church.
Please use the hand sanitiser provided.

PARISH CALENDAR

SATURDAY 26 APRIL

8:30am Divine Mercy Chaplet—Church
4:30pm Junior Legion of Mary—PC
6:00pm Funeral of Pope Francis—10am in Rome

SUNDAY 27 APRIL

From 1:30pm Divine Mercy Sunday including Mass at 3:20pm—St Joseph's Church

MONDAY 28 APRIL

10:00am Divine Mercy PG—Parish Centre
7:00pm Men's Focus Group—PC

TUESDAY 29 APRIL

10:00am Sacred Heart PG—Parish Centre
7:30pm KSC Exec Meeting—PC

WEDNESDAY 30 APRIL

6:30pm Legion of Mary Chelsea—PC

THURSDAY 1 MAY

7:00pm ALPHA—Parish Centre



ST JOSEPH'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Pledge \$ 2,705
Weekly average \$ 2,866.74
Holy Places \$1,595.40



St Vincent de Paul Society

Donations to Vinnies are gratefully accepted in the Blue Vinnie's Bin in the narthex.

Week 4 Washing powder, dishwashing liquid, household cleaning items



Please consider if you can donate some of your time to help our St Vincent De Paul team with distribution of food and home visits to those in need. Please contact Carole on 0404 335 419 if you can assist in any way! Thank you



Caritas AUSTRALIA

PROJECT COMPASSION

THANK YOU!

Caritas Australia would like to express our heartfelt thanks for your incredible support of Project Compassion this Lent.

If you still have your Project Compassion box at home, please return them next week at Mass.

Your generosity is helping to empower the world's most vulnerable communities, enabling them to overcome challenges and lift themselves out of poverty. Together, we are creating a better tomorrow, helping vulnerable communities build stronger futures for themselves and empowering them to break free from the cycle of poverty. Thank you for standing with us!



CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

Next weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal (previously held during the month of August). As the Catholic Church's mission in action, CatholicCare Victoria delivers programs and services to support families, children, young people and individuals to help everyone reach their full potential. The services include counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, pastoral care, support for separating families, social housing and homelessness support. Donations from our parish community help CatholicCare Victoria support the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community and empower everyone to live life to the full. Please donate to the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Your support and generosity will help provide caring and compassionate support for struggling individuals and families in our community. You can donate using the appeal envelope available in our parish, donate online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9967 2515.



Divine Mercy Sunday 27th April 2025

Come and Celebrate the 25th official worldwide Divine Mercy Sunday at St Joseph's Church Chelsea



1:30pm Adoration and Confessions
2:00pm Divine Mercy Rosary with Jesus and St Faustina.
3:00pm The Divine Mercy Chaplet and The 3 O'clock Prayer.
3:20pm Holy Mass celebrated by Father Shane Reade SDB with blessings of the Divine Mercy Image.
Refreshments after 3:20pm Mass with Father Shane Reade in the Narthex.
Now is the time for Mercy.

ANZAC DAY 2025 FRIDAY 25TH APRIL Chelsea RSL



ANZAC DAY
Left we forget

Dawn Service at 6:00 am at the Cenotaph in front of the Chelsea Town Hall. This will take approximately 45 Minutes. This will be followed by a breakfast inside the Hall for a gold coin donation to assist with our extensive Welfare Services. At 9:30 the ANZAC Day march will commence at the corner of Sherwood Avenue and Station Street led by the Frankston RSL Pipes and Drums Band and proceed to the Cenotaph where a wreath laying ceremony will take place. At the conclusion of the Wreath Laying ceremony, the service will continue inside the Town Hall for the traditional Anzac Day Ceremony.

Pontifical High Mass for the Repose of the Soul of Pope Francis Monday 28 April 2025 1.00pm

A Solemn Pontifical Mass for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis will be celebrated by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli at St Patrick's Cathedral on Monday 28 April at 1pm. All are welcome. The Mass will be livestreamed thanks to our broadcast on Community Channel C31 (Channel 44 on digital television).

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH RETREAT

"WE CAME TO KNOW LOVE"

Led by Fr John O'Connor (New Zealand)



Friday 30 May 7.30pm - 9pm
Saturday 31 May 10am - 5pm
Sunday 1 June 9.30am - 3pm
St Joseph's Parish Hall
362 Station Street, Chelsea
(enter from Woodbine Grove)

Registrations / Info : Raffy 0424 325005 raffymazzeo@gmail.com
by 15May - \$25 per adult \$10 per child
Includes Saturday and Sunday lunch

St Joseph's Anima Group Tour of Government House State Apartments & Gardens

Monday, 12th May 2025, departing by bus at 8.30am from Woodbine Grove, Chelsea (St Joseph's School Gate 6) Return approx 3pm \$20 per person, payable by Sunday 27th April, to Parish Office by cash or credit card, or after 9am Sunday Mass. BYO lunch. Photo ID required by Government House, and security screening before entry.

For all enquiries, ring Daphne on 9772 6312 or 0439 006 494.

Anima



Pope Francis
1936-2025