

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 to Friday 8:30am St Joseph's Church Wednesday 1pm St Joseph's Parish Centre 15 Decade-Rosary Mary Untier of Knots
WEEKDAY MASS 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	

PARISH PRIEST

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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SISTERS OF ST PAUL DE CHARTRES

78 Argyle Avenue, Chelsea Tel 9794 8350

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

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Principal: Martine Verhagen
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St Joseph's Parish is committed to the Safeguarding of Children and Young People in all aspects of Parish life. If you have any concerns, please contact the Parish Office or a member of the Parish Pastoral Committee

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.

Please pray for:

Recently Deceased

Mary Ashton, Ruperta Hartig

Prayers for the Sick

Pope Leo, Douglas Meehan, Annie Pineda, Fr Brendan Lane, Bishop Terry Curtin, Derick D'Costa, Margaret Dunne, Jamie Fleming, Bev Garing, Leonie Gilchrist, Rick Hayes, Jessie Jackson, Andrea Hazel Pereira, Juliette Ronald, Josephine Russell, Danielle Spencer, Toni (Marie) Wilton, Baby Area Maria (Cathy Meehan's Great Granddaughter), Rudi Sampieri

Anniversaries

Emil Frank Bartosy, Rosemary Bartosy, Barbara and John Neeson, Olive Shelton



18th October; Ordinary 29 A

1st R: Is 45:1, 4-6
2nd 1 Thess 1:1-5
Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21

25th October; Ordinary 30 A

1st R: Ex 22:20-260
2nd R: 1 Thess 1:5-10
Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40

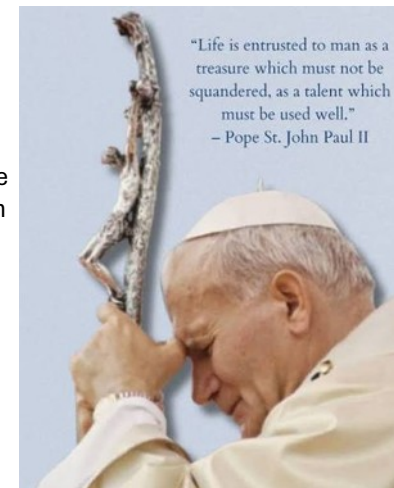
PARISH OF ST JOSEPH CHELSEA

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

18TH OCTOBER 2026

Pope St John Paul II

Pope St John Paul II, who was born **Karol Józef Wojtyła** on the 18th of May 1920, was the head of the Catholic Church and sovereign of Vatican City from 16 October 1978 until his death on the 2nd of April 2005. He was the first non-Italian pope since Adrian VI in the 16th century, as well as the third longest-serving pope in history, after St. Peter and Pius IX. After his father died in 1941, Karol Wojtyła started to think seriously about his calling to God. On October 1942, he commenced studies in the priesthood, at an underground seminary, as the wars and turmoil in Poland made it difficult to fulfill this vocation publicly. He saw many atrocities of war, and was ordained as a priest on All Saints Day – 1st November 1946.



"Life is entrusted to man as a treasure which must not be squandered, as a talent which must be used well."
– Pope St. John Paul II

While serving as a priest, Fr Karol spent many years studying – theology and philosophy – and wrote many literary works including Love and Responsibility which was a "defence of traditional church teachings on marriage from a new philosophical standpoint". In July 1958, Fr Karol was appointed Auxiliary Bishop of Krakow and took part in the Second Vatican Council from 1962. In January 1964, he became Archbishop of Krakow and was pointed a Cardinal in 1967 by Pope Paul VI. In August 1978, following the death of Pope Paul VI, Cardinal Wojtyła voted in the papal conclave, which elected John Paul I. John Paul I died after only 33 days as pope, triggering another conclave.

Not originally considered to be a contender for the position of Pope, Cardinal Wojtyła was elected to the papacy after 3 days in conclave, choosing John Paul as his papal name in a tribute to his predecessor.

During his pontificate, Pope John Paul II made over 120 journeys to countries around the world, where huge crowds gathered to see him and attend masses. He pioneered World Youth Day, a hugely popular event still to this day.

Pope John Paul II died on the 2nd of April 2005 at age 84, after battling a few reoccurring illnesses. His Requiem Mass was held on the 8th of April.

Pope St John Paul II was canonised on the 27th of April 2014 – Divine Mercy Sunday.

Pope St John Paul II is the patron saint of Poland, World Youth Day, Young Catholics and Families. His feast day is the 22nd of October, and will be observed at 9am Mass here at St Joseph's.

Pope St John Paul, Pray for us.



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 17 OCTOBER

7:00am Men's Hour—Parish Centre
8:00am Men's BBQ Breakfast—Hall
4:30pm Junior Legion of Mary—PC
7:30pm Comedy for a Cause—St Joseph's Primary School Fundraising event—Hall

MONDAY 19 OCTOBER

10:00am Divine Mercy Prayer Group—PC

TUESDAY 20 OCTOBER

10:00am Sacred Heart Prayer Group —PC

WEDNESDAY 21 OCTOBER

12:30pm 3rd Wednesday Parishioner's Luncheon—Chelsea RSL
1:00pm 15 Decade Rosary—PC
6:30pm Legion of Mary—PC

THURSDAY 22 OCTOBER

Feast of Pope St John Paul II
9:45am Pope St John Paul II—Chaplet of DM, Chaplet of Our Lady of Mercy, Prayer of St John Paul II—Church

FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER

7:30pm St Joseph's Fridays—Presentation from the St Vincent De Paul Society—PC



ST JOSEPH'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Pledge \$ 2,391
Weekly average \$ 2,322.92



St Vincent de Paul Society

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

Week 2 Breakfast cereals, longlife milk, jams and spreads etc

Thank you for your continued support for the St Vincent De Paul Society!



From the Pineda and Fleming Families—we thank everyone for all your prayers and support for Jamie's recovery. God Bless.



Knights of the Southern Cross (KSC) - Melbourne Cup Sweep 2026

Tickets in our annual Melbourne Cup Sweep will be available before and after this weekend's Masses through until Sunday 1 Nov. Horse numbers will be drawn on Melbourne Cup Eve (2 Nov) with lucky recipients informed by telephone.

Tickets cost \$2. Proceeds fund \$100 Bursaries for nominated Grade 6 students at our local Parish Schools. Your continued support is much appreciated! God Bless



The Divine Mercy Prayer group will be leading prayers for the Feast of Pope St John Paul II on Thursday 22nd October after 9am Mass in the Church. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy and the Chaplet of Our Lady of Mercy will be recited. Refreshments and friendship to follow!



SUNDAY 18 OCTOBER 2026 ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

2:00 PM

Procession and Praying the Rosary in different languages

3:00 PM

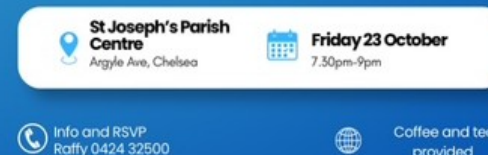
Eucharistic Celebration
Presided by Archbishop Peter Comensoli

ST JOSEPH'S FRIDAYS 23 October 7.30pm

Join us for a presentation of St Vincent de Paul Society



An evening to find out more about St Vincent de Paul's Society



World Youth Day 2027

Seoul—South Korea 3rd to 8th August 2027

The PPC have commenced preliminary investigations into WYD and are seeking expressions of interest from Parishioners who may wish to attend. Please note your interest on the sheet in the narthex.

I have set the Parish a goal of \$500.00 in donations to Caritas to "kickstart" our Project Compassion 2027 appeal. Link here or visit our website: <https://www.projectcompassion.org.au/fundraiser/chelseacatholicparish>
Join me in supporting those in need!
\$552.00 has been donated so far—
We've done it!! Thank you Maree

Chelsea Catholic Parish

We're uniting against poverty this Project Compassion

Commencing 28th October, the Legion of Mary is leading a 46 day **Mary's Mantle Consecration**, concluding on 12/12, the feast of Our Lady of Guadeloupe. Please register your intention to join by Sunday 18/10 on the sign up sheet in the narthex. The accompanying book for the Consecration can be purchased in the Parish Shop or Parish Office for \$15.00 (RRP \$20).



The **Parish Planning Meeting** for placeholders will be held on Saturday **24 October** from 9am to 2:30pm. Those invited have been sent emails. Please register your attendance ASAP to Vivian for catering purposes as RSVP has closed.

The 3rd Wednesday Parishioner Luncheon is on **Wednesday 21st October** at Longbeach Chelsea RSL at 12:30pm. For bookings please advise either Pat Adams 0448-866-020 or Keith Reiter 0417-350-733, alternatively leave a message on Keith's Landline 9772-7292.

Apologies, I had this listed for the 14th of October, rather than the 21st. Maree



There will be an additional Mass on Monday 2nd November for the Feast of All Souls.

Refreshments will be hosted by the Bereavement Support Group after the 11am Mass on Sunday 1st of November for All Saints and All Souls Day.

