

IN THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL WE PRAY FOR:

Our Sick: Odete Tavares, Juan Ortiz and those of our community.

Recently Deceased: Fr Peter Francis Carrucan and Desolina Di Nardo

Repose of the Souls: Olavo Santos and those whose anniversary occur about this time and those whose names are on the memorial wall.

Church Cleaning	Saturday 15th March — Vietnamese Community
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Safeguarding of children and vulnerable young people.

St Dominic's Community holds the care, safety and wellbeing of children as a fundamental responsibility of the church. This commitment is drawn from, and inherent to, the teaching and mission of Jesus Christ, with love, justice and dignity of each human person at the heart of the Gospel. A cultural of safety within the Church ensures that children can actively and fully participate in the life of the Church and realise their potential in a faith community. **We are committed to upholding the safety and dignity of each child and young person and ensuring that they are able to grow and develop in a caring and supportive environment in our Church.**

For those families with children, they are very welcome, and if your children become unrest during the celebration of the Holy Eucharistic, please use the Children Room on the side of the church, you can still listen to the homily from there.

A Remainder of the Expectations when attending Mass

For Catholics, the Mass is a very solemn and sacred event and it is important to keep a few things in mind when attending Mass:

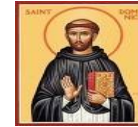
- Arrive in the Church before Mass begins.
- Chewing gum is never appropriated in the church.
- Please turn off your phones prior to Mass.
- While the church never imposes a dress code, it is important to consider to dress modestly. It is not appropriated to wear short-shorts or t-shirts with provoking messages at Mass.
- Please do not eat or drink beverages in church.
- The church is a house of prayer, please take conversations outside the church.

**THANKSGIVING
OFFERING ONLINE TO:
ST DOMINIC'S CHURCH
BSB: 083 347
ACCOUNT NUMBER:
67441 1404**

PLEASE TYPE YOUR THANKSGIVING
ENVELOPE NUMBER WHEN YOU DO
THE TRANSACTION.

The Parish has the facility of
**EFTPOS DEBIT, VISA CARD
and MASTER CARD.** This is a
good option for those who do
not carry cash and would like
to contribute to the church.
**The set up is of: \$5.00;
\$10.00; \$20.00 and \$50.00**

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PARISH MASS TIMES

Sundays: 6.00pm Vigil Mass (Saturday evening)
9.00am 1st & 3rd Sundays: Vietnamese Mass
9.00am 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays: English Mass
11.00am: English Mass
1.00pm: Spanish Mass

Weekdays: Tuesday to Saturday 9.00am Mass

Morning Prayer of the Church: Tuesday to Saturday at 8.25am

Rosary: Tuesday to Sunday before Mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Every Wednesday from 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Benediction: Every Friday following the 9.00am Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Tuesday to Saturday before or after Mass.

Baptism Information/Preparation: Every First Sunday of the month at 3.00pm.

Anointing of the Sick: Every Third Friday of the Month at 9.00am Mass.



First Sunday of Lent - Year C

9th March 2025

First Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10.
The confession of faith of the elect.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 90:1-2.10-15.
R/ Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.

Second Reading: Romans 10:8-13
The confession of faith of the believers in Christ.

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone,
But on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13— Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus was led by the Spirit through the wilderness where he was tempted.

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS: Genesis 15:5-12.17-18; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 9:28-36

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

Lent is a time when we are reminded that there is nothing we can do to win our salvation. It is a pure gift from God. Like Jesus in the wilderness, we are to allow God's plan to unfold in and through us. Lent is a time for us to enter actively into the mysteries of the death and resurrection of Jesus, and there to marvel at what God has done for us.

The temptations of Jesus are the same temptations that we face when we are inclined to think that somehow, we are in control. While the goals of the temptations may be admirable – feed the hungry, bring the world under the control of good, trust in God's power to protect us – we often choose to accomplish them in ways that are less than admirable. We try to perform the extraordinary so that what we do reflects favourably on us. We use brute force in order to achieve control. We put God to the test rather than live peacefully with God's plan as it unfolds within and around us. We seek to become the super-hero, the super-minister, the super-Christian on our own. In his responses to the tempter, we see Jesus constantly deferring to the power of God: It is not by bread alone . . . worship only God . . . do not put God to the test. In a real sense, these temptations are a reminder that the fundamental temptation is to deny our human limitations and refuse to let God be God for us.

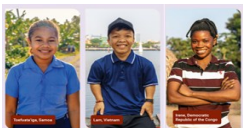
Parish Council Meeting: Thursday 13th March at 6.00pm

St Dom's Care: Next Sunday at all Masses will be a special collection in aid of St Dom's Care as it is financial struggling to buy food for the needed.



**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

Project Compassion Sunday First Sunday of Lent



Project Compassion 2025 shares three stories from around the world. We'll meet **Toefuata'iga** - (*Toy-foo-ah-tah-ing-ah*) a young student from Samoa who faced severe water shortages at her school. Thanks to Caritas Australia and the generosity of supporters like you, her school now has a 10,000 L water tank, improving access to clean water and allowing teachers to prioritise education. We'll get to know **Lam** from Vietnam. Born with short stature, Lam faced social exclusion and limited employment opportunities. Through the I-SHINE program, Lam completed a course and is now a freelance graphic designer. And we'll meet **Irene** from the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) who faced immense challenges after losing her father to war and raising her children in poverty. With support from Caritas Australia, Irene received vocational training in sewing and farming and can now support her whole family.



Please donate today.

You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code above. **Or online at:** caritas.org.au/project-compassion

Station of the Cross every Friday at 7.00pm



Generally agree that Jesus carried the horizontal beam of the cross, which weighed about 125 pounds. We can only imagine the pain he endured as he walked, the beam chafing his fleshtorn back. Steadfast acceptance of God's will allowed him to put one foot in front of the other

Prayer: Jesus, we avoid adversity. We fear humiliation and run from suffering. But you chose to take up the cross, a symbol of humiliation and suffering, and did so with steadfast acceptance. Teach us, we pray, to carry our burdens with the same grace, remembering that you will never leave or forsake us.

Vigil of Reparation for the Holy Year Jubilee 2025.

Run by Alliance of the Holy Family Int'l



Friday 21st March, starting 6.30pm with Rosary, Station of the Cross, Holy Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and finishing with 12.00 midnight with Holy Mass. Please see poster in the foyer for more information.



Thanksgiving Envelopes and Report of Expenses.

The Parish thanks everyone for your continue financial support to the parish, either with the envelopes, payments online or using the EFTPOS device. Your contribution is greatly appreciated as always help to maintain the church building and other general expenses, Insurance, Administration, cost of different supplies, gardening, etc.

The new set of Thanksgiving Envelopes are ready to be collected from the church, it is for the full year, and it comes in boxes. Some parishioners will have a different Envelope Number for their records, please keep using the old number until you finish the old envelopes.

With your contribution and generous donations as well fundraisings we have been able to save some money and to do Renovations and Repairs in the Church building.

Year 2023: Total Cost for Repairs and Renovation \$ 66,290.00

Year 2024: Total Cost for Repairs and Renovation\$102,703.00

In 2025 we will continue with the Presbytery House with some repairs as the house was built in 1959, so it is 66 years old and now needs some repairs.

Also we are in the process to replace the church sound system as it has been troubling time to time.

Please continue supporting the Parish as more expenses coming up with the building.

God Bless You All for your generous heart.