

MASS TIMES

Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri: 9.15 am
Fri: 6-7pm Adoration
Sat: 6.00 pm (Livestream)
Sun: 9.00 & 11.00 am
RECONCILIATION
Fri: From 6-7pm
Sat's from 5.30 pm - 5.50 pm

OFFICE HOURS:

Tue to Fri 9am-4pm
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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS—3rd SUN of the month
For application form refer to our web-
site or call parish office on
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AFTER SCHOOL RELIGIOUS PROGRAM & SACRAMENTS

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WEDDINGS, MARRIAGE PREP.

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ANointing OF THE SICK

By private arrangement
Contact St Jude's Parish office on
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St Simon's on 9764 4058

FUNERALS (Tue—Fri)

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SERVICES

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DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN NOTICES

4.00 pm on WED of this week.

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Pentecost Sunday—7th and 8th of June 2025

Pentecost Reflection – John 14:15–16, 23–26

This Sunday, we celebrate Pentecost, the great feast that marks the birth of the Church and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles. In today's Gospel, Jesus assures His disciples that although He will no longer be with them in the same way, He will not leave them orphaned. "The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you."

This is a promise of presence — not absence. A promise of guidance, peace, and divine companionship. The same Spirit that stirred the early Church into bold mission now dwells in each of us. The Holy Spirit continues to breathe life into our prayer, inspire our decisions, strengthen us in weakness, and console us in sorrow.

Jesus also reminds us that love for Him is shown in obedience: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." This is not a demand, but an invitation — to live lives rooted in love, justice, forgiveness, and faith. And we are not left to do this alone. The Spirit gives us the courage to follow Christ more closely and faithfully in our daily lives.

As we celebrate Pentecost, let us pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon our parish, our families, and our hearts. May the Advocate stir up in us new passion for the Gospel, a deeper love for one another, and a renewed sense of hope and mission in our Church.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. With Every Blessing, Fr Jerald.

Parish Mission - 4th to the 6th of July

**Journeying together in Hope –
Facilitated by the Missionaries of God's Love.**

An opportunity to reflect on our own personal journey as well as a pilgrim people, to strengthen our faith experience, grow in a deeper knowledge of God's love.

4th July: 6-8pm, 5th July: 2-8.30pm, 6th July: 2-8pm

You can sign up for our Parish Mission via the QR code available on the flyers in the Foyer or you can use the sign up sheets also available in the foyer. **What an amazing event this will be. We encourage you to join in for this event!**

Parish Leadership Team – Thank You and Invitation

Dear Parishioners,

I would like to share an important update regarding our parish leadership. The previous Parish Leadership Team has now concluded its term, and we are seeking to form a new team to help guide and support our parish community.

This is a wonderful opportunity for those already involved in parish ministry who feel called to serve, share their gifts, and help shape the future of our parish. We invite you to prayerfully consider stepping forward and being part of this vital ministry.

At this time, I would also like to express my heartfelt thanks to the outgoing members of our Parish Leadership Team: Jacqui Guliano, Peter Evens, Suzette Dias, Aldo D'Couto, and Marcello Martino. We are deeply grateful for their generous service, dedication, and the many ways they have supported our parish over the past term.

If you are interested in joining the new leadership team or would like more information, please speak with me directly or contact the parish office.

Let us continue working together to build a strong and vibrant parish family, rooted in faith, service, and community.

With every Blessing, Fr Jerald.

Vinnies Winter Appeal

Supporting people in need through difficult times.

Your donations are greatly welcomed — either cash or non-perishable food items.

For other donations please contact the Parish Office on 9764 4058, or, email: rowville@cam.org.au

Donation Tub in church foyer.

Your local Vinnies Conference – Rowville

St Anthony's Feast Day – Friday 13th June At St Simon's Church

All parishioners are warmly invited to join at St Simon's Church for St Anthony's Feast Day Mass at 5.30pm followed by a Multilingual Rosary at 6:00pm in the church. Together, we will pray in a variety of languages, reflecting the beautiful diversity of our parish community. Come and be part of this prayerful evening as we honour Our Lady in unity and faith.

Melbourne Corpus Christi Procession.

On the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi), all are invited to this special Corpus Christi Procession as our Archdiocese of Melbourne publicly and joyfully bears witness to Christ—the hope who does not disappoint—in this Year of Jubilee.

Following the 11am Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne, a Eucharistic procession will commence from the Cathedral, making a pilgrimage through Melbourne CBD in prayer and song before concluding with Benediction at Federation Square.

***'My dear friends in Christ, I ask you to join me for this extraordinary Eucharistic Procession, bringing along your parishes, schools, and communities to bear witness to Christ in our midst. In this grace-filled Jubilee Year, may we share the living hope of Christ with every step we take.'* – Archbishop Peter A Comensoli**

Enquiries: proclaim@cam.org.au or (03) 9926 5761

JOURNEYING TOGETHER AS 'PILGRIMS OF HOPE'

FREE
ENTRY
July 4th - 6th

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MERCY NIGHT

All are Welcome.!

FRIDAY

Date: 4th July, 6 pm to 8 pm

Parish Festival

All are Welcome.!

SATURDAY

Date: 5th July, 2 pm to 8:30 pm

(Mass & Dinner Included)



Young Adults & Youth Day

Theme - OMG
(Obeying My God)

Ages – 10 to 35

SUNDAY

Date: 6th July, 2 pm to 8 pm
(Mass & Dinner included)



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For queries, contact worklee3@gmail.com

Scan QR Code
or

Please fill the
Registration Sheet
at the Help-desk.



Multicultural Food Stall – Sunday 20th July

Join us in celebrating the rich diversity of our parish community! A Multicultural Food Stall will be held on Sunday, 20th July after the 9:00am and 11:00am Masses.

Delicious Kothu Parotta and noodle dishes will be available for purchase.

To make things easier, you can pre-order your meals using the sheets available in the church foyer. Come along, enjoy some wonderful food, and support our parish community!



MISSION WARRIORS



HOLY SPIRIT ENCOUNTER EVENING

SUNDAY 8TH JUNE @ 6.30PM - 9PM

ST SIMON'S PARISH CENTRE



Join us to learn about the Holy Spirit,
Bonfire, Music, Prayer Ministry & Food



Recent Death: Caroline Constable

Anniversary of Death: Natasha Dickson, Craig McLeod, Elliot Rees, Bella Luna,, John Procino

Prayer for the Sick : Bill Leane, Valerie La Butte, Yana Jong, Perry Law, Brooke Hiho, Bente Jobsz, Jenny Liston, Sam Russo, Jay Russel, Adrien Cerdor , Nigel Quadros, Andrew Bianchin, Aneta Crowley, Gillian Elias, Lisette & Noah Vissenjou , Bernadette and Murray Ukena and

Viv's RE Care —NEXT EVENT

WED, 18th June from 11:30 am—2:30 pm

FREE morning tea, lunch and entertainment.

For more info., contact Brian Crowley on 0429 090 770. We look forward to seeing you all soon!



Stroke Community Connection Group

We are pleased to share an opportunity for support and connection in our local community.

The Stroke Community Connection Group is a welcoming space for individuals who have experienced Aphasia, Dysarthria, or Cognitive Communication changes following a stroke or brain injury. This group is part of a community engagement initiative and is free of charge.

The sessions will be led by Charlotte Pinnock, a certified Speech Pathologist who is deeply passionate about stroke and brain injury recovery, and committed to supporting communication for all.

Session Dates and Locations:

Saturday 14th June, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM at St Jude's

Saturday 21st June, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM at St Simon's

This group is open to anyone in the parish or anyone you may know who could benefit from this kind of support.

For more information, please see the noticeboard in the foyer, where a sign-up sheet is also available.

Let us continue to be a parish that cares for one another in practical and compassionate ways.



BINGO Night

Gather your family, friends, and fellow bingo enthusiasts for an evening of food, fun and unforgettable memories.

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Your paragraph text

FRIDAY 07.00–10.30 PM 13TH JUNE

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Readings for Pentecost Sunday—7th and 8th of June

First reading : 2: 1-11

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 103: 1,24,29-31,34 Rv 30

Lord, send out your spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Second reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 3-7,12-13

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Gospel Acclamation :

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit; fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

John 20: 19-23

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me,

so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive,

they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain,

they are retained.'

THIS WEEK'S PARISH DIARY—MASS SCHEDULE AND ONLY PARISH RUN MINISTRIES AND EVENTS.

Mon 9th June	Tue 10th June	Wed 11th June	Thu 12th June	Fri 13th June	Sat 14th June	Sun 15th June
Office Closed	9.15am Mass (Fr Jerald)	9.15am Mass (Fr Libeesh)	9.15am Mass (Fr Libeesh)	9.15am Mass (Fr Jerald)	<u>OFFICE CLOSED</u>	<u>OFFICE CLOSED</u>
700pm (Parish Centre) Vinnies Meeting		6.00pm (Zoom) Parish Mission Meeting	10.00am (Parish Centre) Women's Group	5.30pm (Church) St Anthony's Mass 6.00pm (Church) Adoration and Multilingual Rosary	12.30—3.30 Chaldean Community in the Side Chapel	9:00 am Mass (Fr Jerald) 9.30am (Parish Centre) Confirmation Preparation Young Adults.
			5.00pm, (Chuch) SSS Choirs	7-10.30pm (Parish Centre) Bingo Night	Reconciliation 5:30 pm	11:00 am Mass (Fr Jerald) 12.30pm (Church) Baptism
					6:00 pm Vigil Mass (Fr Jerald) (Livestream)	2.00pm (Church) Chaldean Community
						3.30-5pm (Parish Centre) Chaldean Community
						5.00Pm Youth Mass
<u>NEXT WEEKEND</u> — Duty Rosters: 14th and 15th of June - Most Holy Trinity — Book of Proverbs 8:22-31 , Romans 5: 1-5 and Gospel of John : 16: 12-15						

Mass Times	Saturday 14th June 6.00pm		Sunday 15th June 9.00am		Sunday 15th June 11.00am	
Commentator	Alden/Sam D'Couto		Pam Comerford		Abbie Ferdinands	
Reader 1	Tineke Edwards		NeelaT/Madison Fielder		Ildi Citler	
Reader 2	Graham Edwards		Phil Mawdsley		Buena Di Nuzzo	
Welcome Desk	Bernie Fernando		Enakshi J/Volunteer		Josie Fanti	
Children's Liturgy	No Children's Liturgy		No Children's Liturgy		Elsa L and Julie A	
Flowers	Nilmini Fernando	Altar Society	Melanie Jacobs and Yvonne Muspratt	Church Cleaning	Sharon Melder, Danusha Ladd, Asela Angammana	5.00pm— Volunteer Please