



St Damian's Catholic Church

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WEEKENDS

Saturday Evening: 5.30pm
Sunday Morning: 8am & 10am

WEEKDAYS

Monday: no Mass
Tuesday: 9.15am
Wednesday: 7.00pm Mass & Novena
Thursday: 9.15am
Friday: 9.15am
First Saturday: 9.15am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5pm and during monthly Holy Hour

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Sunday at 11.30am after Mass.
Preparation 1st Wednesday each month at 5.30pm in the Dunlop Room. Parents should contact the Parish Office to make necessary arrangements. One month notice is required.

ST. DAMIAN'S SCHOOL

Principal: Mrs Rosanna Piccolo
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HOLY HOUR

One hour of Novena and Benediction after morning Mass on first Friday of the Month.

MARRIAGES

Those intending to marry at St. Damian's should arrange to meet the Parish Priest at least 6 months in advance of the proposed date.

St. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

All enquiries: 1300 305 330

13th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME , 2nd JULY 2023

READING

2kgs 4:8-11, 14-16
Rom 6:3-4, 8-11
Mt 10:37-42

NEXT WEEK

Zech 9:9-10
Rom 8:9, 11-13
Mt 11:25-30

PSALM

Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your truth. Of this I am sure, that your love lasts for ever, that your truth is firmly established as the heavens.

Happy the people who acclaim such a king, who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face, who find their joy every day in your name, who make your justice the source of their bliss.

For it is you, O Lord, who are the glory of their strength; it is by your favour that our might is exalted: for our ruler is in the keeping of the Lord; our king in the keeping of the Holy One of Israel.

Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

FEAST DAY DURING THE WEEK

Mon 3rd July— St Thomas

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy people.
Praise God who called you out of darkness and into his marvellous light.

Alleluia!

Recent Deaths :

Anniversaries:	Vittorio Gizzi	Antonio Gizzi	Irma Gizzi
Sick:	Anita Gentile	Joven Mercado,	Paul Long Dennis Razal

Safeguarding of children and vulnerable young people

As required by law, we as the Church and Parishes have a moral, legal and ethical responsibility to care for, and promote the wellbeing of children and young people, and protect them from harm or abuse. Therefore while in church or on parish grounds: **Please ensure you know exactly where your child is if they're not beside you. *Please accompany your child (16 years and younger) if they need to leave the church for any reason (eg: going to toilet or car, etc...)*

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we stand, the WURUNDJERI People of the Kulin Nation. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently and respectfully upon the land.



Gospel Reflection for the 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Welcoming Christ In Others

Very good Sunday and welcoming you all, sisters and brothers in Christ. We are on the thirteenth Sunday; the mother church exhorts us to welcome Christ in others. This is especially, through the messengers of God among us.

Our first reading for this Sunday from the Book of the Second Kings tells us the generosity of the Shunem couple towards the prophet Elisha who brought them the blessing and joy to their life. He was equally concerned and sensitive to the needs of this Shunem couple. So, rather than over burden them with more request or exploit their generosity, he prayed for them, and blessed them through his prophetic ministry. It suffices to note that the name of Elisa means: *"God saves."* This is exactly, what his action affirmed.

And then our second reading from the letter St Paul to Romans recounts how Christ offered us new life through our baptism. He came and offered himself as a ransom, not for his own sake. Rather, for the sake of our salvation. By accepting Christ through our baptism, we have become one with him in death and in life, and by welcoming him, we have received a share in his glorious life and are no longer slaves to sin and death. This same Christ lives in others. So, we must equally welcome him in others, including, in the least of our brothers and sisters.

Our Gospel from the Evangelist of Matthew reminds us that Christ spoke clearly to us on the need to welcome others for His sake: *"Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me..."* This is especially for those who bear the good news of salvation. Through generosity and hospitality, like the Shunem family in the first reading, we could attract God's blessings to our home and family. Through these, our lives and fortunes could be transformed as well. Unfortunately, these days, we take a lot of things for granted. Some of us are so indifferent to others and their needs.

It's important to ask ourselves these important questions. Do we still value the presence of others? Are we sensitive to their needs? Is our presence a source of blessing to the people we meet or that meet us? Does it really make any difference, or is it an added burden to their life? What good do I bring to the life of others?

Finally, let us carefully ponder these words in today's Gospel that: *"if anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he/she is a disciple, then I tell you solemnly, he/she will most certainly not lose his/her reward."* Amen!

Fr Joe Dong Tran PP

Rosters for 8th & 9th July 2023

Mass Time	Reader/Responder	Eucharist / Welcome	Piety Shop	Counters	Readers/ Responders Eucharist / Welcomers... Please gather together in the Sacristy about 15 Minutes prior to Mass. Eucharist Ministers— please remember that you are also
5.30pm	N.Nugent J. Noonan	C. Ho M. Jones M. Kanniah	P. Cosgrove	P. Martino V. Zappa	
8.00am	V. Dalla-Vecchia M. Thavarajah	A. Dalla-Vecchia I. Thavarajah M. Sweetman	G. Cappadona	Supervisor G. Spiteri	
10.00am	J. Venturini' J. Capuana	C. Manabat W. Mc Eleney R. Sacco	K. Vandenhoven	 Ministries	

What's on at St. Damian's Parish & beyond. . .

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thurs 6th July: Anointing Mass 9.15am
Fri 7th July: 1st Friday : 9.15am Mass,
followed by Novena & Benediction
Sat 15th July: Confirmations 2.00pm
Sun 16th July: RCIA 26 Year Reunion
Wed 26th July: St Damian's Primary Family Day ,
attending Mass at 9.15am

VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

Last weekend envelopes for donations were available on the seats. If you have any envelopes this week please place them in the collection plate for the Vinnies Winter Appeal. If you require an envelope please ask or contact the Parish Office to assist. The money will be used to supply food vouchers to the poor and needy in Bundoora. There are many families doing it tough at present so any help would be appreciated. Being a member of Vinnies is very rewarding work and if anyone is interested

ANOINTING MASS:

St. James 5:14-15 in his letter states that: ***"Is any among you sick? Let him call for the presbyters of the Church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up; and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven."***

Furthermore, I'd like to explain to some peoples who have been asking in regarding of this Sacrament. This one has a powerful effect upon those who are seeking to receive it – according to the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches: No. 1520-21

- Strengthening, peace and courage to overcome the difficulties that go with the condition of serious illness or the frailty of old age.
- Healing of the soul, but also of the body if such is God's will.
- Forgiveness of sin.
- Union with the passion of Christ. One's suffering becomes a participation in the saving work of Jesus.
- Allows the sick person, by their suffering, to contribute to the good of the People of God, building up the holiness of the Church and all people.
- A preparation for the final journey.

For this reason, Fr Joe Dong Tran would like to warmly invite you all coming to receive the Sacrament and will be held in our St. Damian's Church on

THURSDAY 6TH JULY AT 9.15am and followed with a **LIGHT CUPPA** in the Dunlop Room.

All are invited!

BAPTISM



This weekend, we welcome into the family of St Damian's, Luke Fielding who is being baptised. May God keep his family always in his love.

St DAMIAN'S RCIA 26 YEAR REUNION

Everyone are cordially invited to join us for this magnificent milestone in the life of our

St Damian's Parish.

Who? All past and present who have been involved in any way with the R.C.I.A program.

When: Sunday 16th July 2023, starting with a special Mass @10.00am followed by refreshments.

Where? St Damian's Catholic Church
5 Settlement Road Bundoora

Why: To Celebrate Spread the Word
RSVP: Dianne in the Parish Office:

PH 9467- 2797 or budoora@cam.org.au

By Friday 30th June

Piety Shop

The Piety Shop is open after each weekend Masses - via the church foyer. We have a various selection of stock with gifts suitable for CONFIRMATION, BAPTISM, ROSERY, and Inspirational items, including bookmarks, pins, and plaques are also available. We also have items suitable for seasonal prayer or devotional use including medals prayer cards featuring popular Saints and Novena Booklets. You're all invited to pop in. Thanks!

1st Collection:

Thanksgiving Offering To support:

Parish running costs, Parish pastoral initiatives
Diocesan and various services

BSB: 083347 Account: 660192933

When making a donation please add your Envelope number in the narrative if you have one.

We appreciate all donations.

2nd Collection Presbytery

Offering To support: Fr. Dong Tran, Sick and retired priests, Priests in needy parishes Archbishop & auxiliary bishops

BSB: 083347 Account: 661001801

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