

St Martin de Porres Parish

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Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 6:00pm

Sunday 8:00am & 9:30am

Vietnamese 11:00am

Weekday Masses

Tuesday to Friday 9:15am

Benediction Wednesday after Mass

Reconciliation Wednesday 10:00am

Saturday 5:30pm

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Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility.

The Parish of St Martin de Porres and the Archdiocese of Melbourne are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community. Child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of everyone.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Sick:

Brendan McKernan; Claudia & Thomas; Margaret Roe; Nancy Green; Peter Falzon; Joseph Nguyen Ngoc Thi; Maria Nguyen Lam Quynh; Monika Marland; Alex Mather; Rose; Mellisa; Emily & Grace.

Recently Deceased:

Clifford Athaide; Victor Blom; John Baptist Nguyen; Luciana Rizzardo; Sophie Saidel; Maria Nguyen Thi Ram; Matteo Ciavarella; Antonio Pesce; Geoff Loft; Giuseppe Suraci; Elisa Sepe; Carmel Gravino; Victor Degabriele; Sr Mariana Said (asjm, Malta).

Anniversaries & Remembrances:

Giuseppe Morizzi (1st); Joyce Bazzarelli (1st); Ana Mary Un Vongvixay (1st); Pat McKernan; Maria Carmela Pagliaro; Fernando Meer snr; Joseph Nguyen van Nguyet; Laurie Carn; Giuse Ngo Dinh Nhac; Maria Ngo Quynh Giao; Carmela Cimino Folino; Victor Micallef; Dominic Cumbo; Joseph & Consiglia Grima; Emmanuel, Teresa & Menu Sammut; Francis & Bernarda Grima; John & Tonina Darmanin; Emmanuel & Nazzarena Farrugia; Carmelo & Rita De Bono; Charlie Sciberras; Joseph Apap; Charlie Galea.

Parish Support Programme:

Pledge: \$2,588 Received: \$2,136

Shortfall: \$452 Loose: \$671

Presbytery: \$1,445

Contributing to the Collections

You may wish to use the QR code if you have left your cash at home.



Peter's Pence Collection next weekend

To support the numerous charitable works for people and families in difficulty, populations afflicted by natural disasters and wars or who are in need of humanitarian assistance.

Request from Vinnies:

Washing machine in good working order.
Please contact Parish Office.



Foster Carers Wanted

Call 8398 6800 or go to
www.mackillop.org.au

You are invited to celebrate with us a
Mass of Thanksgiving
for 32-year service of
Paula McKernan
upon her **Retirement**



This Sunday July 6th 9:30am
Followed by morning tea in the hall
(Please bring a plate of food to share)
NO 11am Vietnamese Mass this Sunday

This weekend, we farewell

Paula McKernan

and St Martin De Porres Parish
would like to thank her for all her time,
care and effort looking after our community
in so many ways.

You have dedicated yourself to our parish
for 32 years – an enormous commitment
for which we are indebted.

Enormous thanks to the whole parish for
their extraordinary generosity over the last
two weekends, donating for Paula's
retirement gift.

We are happy to announce that \$2,700 has
been collected to present to Paula at the
9:30am Mass.

We hope it can contribute to her enjoyment
of all the well-deserved travel plans she and
Geoff have organised.



St Martin's Youth Masses - Get Involved

All Are Welcome - Grade 5s - Under 30s!

Term 3: 6pm Sat July 26; 6pm Sat Aug 30

Rehearsals 7pm Tues Jul 22/Aug 26

Term 4: 6pm Sat Oct 11; 6pm Sat Nov 15

Rehearsals 7pm Tues Oct 7/Nov 11

Give it a go!

Find a ministry... sing, play, read, serve,
collect, bring up the gifts.

From 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time Prayer Service

God of all kindness

Jesus loved little children
for he was meek and humble of heart.

Teach us to learn his ways
and be gentle people of peace.

We ask this through Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
for ever and ever.

Lord Jesus,
though we may at times
be rejected and ridiculed,
give us strength to bear witness
to the truth of God's message.
We make this prayer through
our Risen Lord Jesus.

Amen

Source: Liturgy Help

St Columba's College

Mid-Year Alumnae Indoor Pop-Up Market

This vibrant event will bring together a
curated mix of stalls run by alumnae, local
makers, and small businesses – featuring
everything from handmade creations and
boutique fashion to homewares, art,
beauty, and delicious treats.

📅 Date: Sunday 20 July

🕒 Time: 10am – 3pm

📍 Location: St Columba's College
Multipurpose Centre

👛 Entry: Gold coin donation – all welcome

Melbourne Archdiocese Vacancies

Applications are invited from suitably
qualified and experienced people for various
positions in the Archdiocese.

Further details can be found at:

<https://melbournecatholic.org/job-vacancies>

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you and ask that you make
yourself known to us by completing the New
Parishioners Form in Documents and Forms
under Recommended Links on our website
and return it to the Parish Office. Thank you.

Gospel Luke 10:1-12, 17-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

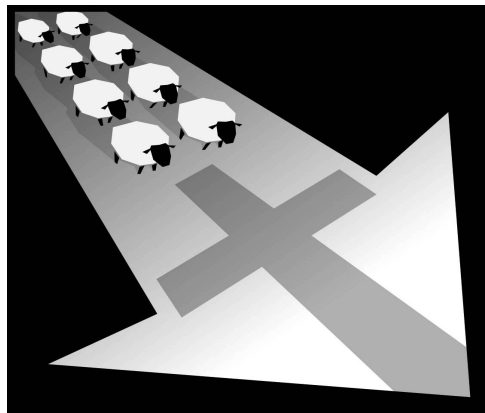
Your peace will rest on that man.

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, that on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.'

The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said, 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.



Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Although the gospel is a report of ministerial commissioning, it contains elements of discipleship in general. Most obvious is the disciples' dependence on Jesus. They are not independent missionaries; they are followers. Furthermore, there is a communal dimension of discipleship. While there is certainly a personal relationship between Jesus and each disciple, discipleship itself is not a singular privilege that one hugs to oneself to the exclusion of others.

Disciples minister to the needs of others, whatever those needs may be and with whatever abilities the disciple may possess. There are various kinds of healing: a friendly smile, a word of gratitude, a soothing touch. We can teach the lessons of life in classrooms, in playrooms, in kitchens, in boardrooms. There are many ways that we can cast out the demons that hold our world by the throat; demons of poverty and oppression, demons of addiction and slavery, demons of disdain and neglect, demons of hatred and violence. If they are not cast out by us, then by whom?

The life of discipleship is not an unmixed blessing. Because disciples are marked by the sign of the cross, they must expect suffering. Because they do not live according to the standards of the world, disciples will be judged as fools. Some of them will be subjected to even greater suffering. Still, the disciple proclaims that true fulfilment is only found in God! In reality, it is the world that is upside down, not the life of discipleship. And it is the cross that sets things right.



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Catholic Parish

Avondale Heights

Today's Celebration is on pages:

Old Missal: 780 New Missal: 886



14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

6 July 2025

First Reading Isaiah 66:10-14

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Towards her I send flowing peace, like a river.

Rejoice, Jerusalem,
be glad for her, all you who love her! Rejoice,
rejoice for her,
all you who mourned her!

That you may be suckled, filled,
from her consoling breast,
that you may savour with delight
her glorious breasts.

For thus says the Lord:

Now towards her I send flowing
peace, like a river,
and like a stream in spate
the glory of the nations.

At her breast will her nurslings be carried
and fondled in her lap.

Like a son comforted by his mother
will I comfort you.

And by Jerusalem you will be comforted.

At the sight your heart will rejoice,
and your bones flourish like the grass.
To his servants the Lord will reveal his hand.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 65:1-7. 16. 20

**(R.) Let all the earth cry out to God
with joy.**

1. Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds
(R.)

2. 'Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!'
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men. (R.)

3. He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might. (R.)

4. Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul.
Blessed be God who did not reject my
prayer
nor withhold his love from me. (R.)

Second Reading Galatians 6:14-18

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to
the Galatians**

*The marks on my body are those of the Lord
Jesus.*

The only thing I can boast about is the
cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through
whom the world is crucified to me, and I to
the world. It does not matter if a person is
circumcised or not; what matters is for him
to become an altogether new creature.
Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule,
who form the Israel of God.

I want no more trouble from anybody after
this; the marks on my body are those of
Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ
be with your spirit, my brothers. Amen.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation Col 3:15. 16

Alleluia, alleluia!

**May the peace of Christ rule in your
hearts,
and the fullness of his message live
within you.**

Alleluia!

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