



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: 9.15am

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

Telephone: 9467 8566

Email: principal@sdbundoora.catholic.edu.au

HOLY HOUR

One hour of Novena, Confession and Benediction after morning Mass on the 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

23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8th SEPTEMBER 2024

THIS WEEKEND

Is 35:4-7

James: 2:1-5

Mk 7:31-37

NEXT WEEK

Is 50:5-9:1

James 2:14-18

Mk 8:27-35

FEAST DAYS DURING THE WEEK

Fri 13th Sept: St John Chrysostom

Sat 14th Sept: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

PSALM

Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed. It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free.

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down, the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger.

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan, but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age.

Praise the Lord, my soul!

Recent Deaths: Francesco Cappello

Anniversaries: Brigitte Mielimaka, Eugen Urbas, Rossa Dau Thi- Canh, Anna Merlino, Emanuela Vigilante, Irma Gizzi

Sick: Jon Walker, Jaena Catingud, Sharon Barber, Jass Russel

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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 WURRUNDJERI People. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently and respectfully upon the land.



SHORT REFLECTION ON THE 23RD SUNDAY – YEAR B

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ Jesus,

We're now in the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B, our readings today from the Book of Isaiah 35:4-7, the Letter of St. James 2:1-5, and Gospel of St. Mark 7:31-37 all highlight the themes of healing, inclusivity, and God's transformative power.

In Isaiah, we hear a message of hope and encouragement: "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God." God promises to bring healing and restoration, opening the eyes of the blind and the ears of the deaf. This reading reminds us that God is always with us, ready to heal our wounds and give us strength in times of fear and uncertainty.

In the Letter of St. James, we are reminded not to show favouritism, but to treat everyone with dignity and respect. He calls us to look beyond appearances and value each person as God does, especially those who are poor or marginalized. This challenges us to examine our own attitudes and to treat everyone we encounter with the same kindness and fairness, regardless of their status or appearance.

In the Gospel of Mark, Jesus heals a man who is deaf and has a speech impediment, saying, "Be opened." This miracle is a powerful reminder that God desires to open our hearts, our minds, and our lives to His grace. It invites us to listen more deeply - to God, to others, and to the needs of those around us.

In our daily lives, we can take away these lessons: to trust in God's healing power, to treat others with love and fairness, and to remain open to the ways God wants to work in and through us. Let us ask God to open our hearts so that we may be instruments of His love and healing in the world. Amen!

Fr Joe Dong Tran P.P

Roster: 15 & 16th September 2024

Mass Time	Reader / Responder	Eucharist / Welcome	Piety	Counters	Readers & Eucharistic Welcomers
5.30pm	A. Groom Volunteer	L. Robinson B. Joyce A. Karuppiah	J. Barone	N&K Nugent M. Thompson	Please gather together in the Church about 5 minutes before Mass. Eucharistic Ministers Please remember you are also welcoming parishioners & visitors & handing out the
8.00am	O. Carvalho V. Della-Vecchia	V. Della-Vecchia M. Sweetman K. Keating	C. Love	Supervisor M. Jones	
10.00am	M. Han P. Gill	W. Mc Eleney J. Tonkin' J. Venturini	S. O' Connor		

SAVE THE DATE

Sat 7th Sept:: First Eucharist Celebration.
Fri 25th October: Feast Dinner Dance

First Holy Communion this weekend

Congratulations:

We congratulate to the children who are making their First Holy Communion this weekend.

Let us pray for them in our prayers.



St Damian's Primary School invites

The Parishioners of St Damian's Parish

to the Blessing and the Official Opening of

The Refurbished Facilities

by His Grace,

Most Reverend Peter A Comensoli

Archbishop of Melbourne

&

The Hon. Colin Brooks MP

Member for Bundoora

Friday 20 September 2024

Ceremony will commence at 10.00 am

You are kindly asked to be seated by 9:45 am

*Please bring a plate to share following
the ceremony*

St Damian's Primary School

5 Settlement Rd Bundoora

RSVP by 6 September 2024

rosanna.piccolo@sdbundoora.catholic.edu.au

Join St. Damian's Youth Choir!

Dear Young Friends, First of all, a heartfelt thank you to our St. Damian's Youth Choir for their inspiring performance last Sunday on Father's Day at church. Your talent truly shone through and added a wonderful touch of entertainment to the celebration.

Looking ahead, the choir will be singing at the 10 AM Masses on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. I strongly encourage all young people to get involved with this fantastic group. If you're interested in joining, please don't hesitate to write your personal details on the sign-up sheet located in the church foyer. We will be in touch with you soon. God bless you all. **Fr Joe Dong Tran**



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RAFFLE 2024

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3rd Prize – Gift Card to the value of \$3,000

4th & 5th Prize - Gift Card to the value of \$1000

**6th & 7th Prizes - Gift Cards to the value of
@ \$500 each**

RAFFLE DRAWN 7th December 2024

Ticket sales close Monday 7th November 2024

To purchase tickets please contact

**Parish Office. Tue - Thurs 10.00am to 3.00pm
& Friday 10.00 am to 1pm**

Bundoora@cam.org.au or Phone 9467-2797

Thank you for your support

**\$1.50 of each ticket sold goes directly
to St Damian's Parish**

PARISH FEAST DINNER DANCE

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

Please come and join us at Casa D'Abruzzo Club, for our Parish feast dinner dance .

The event will be held at : **Casa D'Abruzzo Club, 55 O'Herns Road, Epping VIC 3076, on Friday, 25th October 2024, from 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm.**

The ticket prices are as follows:

- Adults: \$75
- Children (12 and under): \$40
- Children (5 and under): \$5

Please note that it will be a seated dinner with three courses: entrée, main, and dessert, along with unlimited soft drinks.

Tickets can be purchased by phoning the Parish Office on 9467 2797.

Thank you for your continued support.

Parish Feast Team

St Damian's Parish Prayer

Lord, our God, your parish family thanks you for the faith we all share.

Make us a people who care for one another and may we have a genuine concern for the wider community.

*Help our parents to give good example;
Give our children the grace of love and respect.
Fill our youth with wisdom, hope and vision;
Their Leadership is the future of our Church and our Nation.
To our sick—grant health;
To those of advancing years—serenity;
And to those in sorrow—your peace and joy.*

*Lord, our God, deepen our love and strengthen our faith.
Jesus, nourish us with your Word and Eucharist.
Holy Spirit, direct us in all we do and help us to say always:*

"Lord, it is good for us to be here."

This is our home, be with us as we continue to build your kingdom on earth.

St Damian Pray for us

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