

St Damian's Catholic Church

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WELCOME TO ST DAMIAN'S

WEEKENDS

Saturday Evening: 5.30pm

Sunday Morning: 8.00am & 10.00am

WEEKDAYS

Monday: no Mass

Tuesday: 9.15am

Wednesday: 9.15am

Thursday: 9.15am & Divine Mercy

Friday: 9.15am

First Saturday: 9.15am Mass & Divine Mercy

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 5.00pm and First Friday 10.00am

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Sunday at 11.30am after Mass.

Preparation 1st Wednesday each month at 6.30pm in the Dunlop Room. Parents must contact the Parish Office to make necessary arrangements. One month notice is required.

ST. DAMIAN'S SCHOOL

Principal: Mrs Rosanna Piccolo

Telephone: 9467 8566

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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

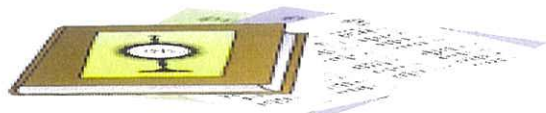
29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 18TH OCTOBER 2026

THIS WEEKEND

Is 45:1, 4-6
1 Thess 1:1-5
Mt 22:15-21

NEXT WEEK

EX 22:20-26
Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51:
Mt 22:34-40



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia!

PSALM

Give the Lord glory and honour.

O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord all the earth.
Tell among the nations his glory and his wonders among all the peoples.

The Lord is great and worthy of praise, to be feared above all gods; the gods of the heathens are naught.
It was the Lord who made the heavens,

Give the Lord, you families of peoples, give the Lord glory and power; give the Lord the glory of his name.
Bring an offering and enter his courts.

Worship the Lord in his temple.
O earth, tremble before him.
Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'
He will judge the peoples in fairness.
Give the Lord glory and honour.

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: Benny McGoan

Sick : Diana Whyllay, Susie, Moding Ilanto, Vlad, Marie Lazatin, Gloria Franco, Zoe Delahunty, Clarissa Garcia
Vlad, Charles and Anna

CHURCH PRIVACY POLICY: In 2001, the Commonwealth and Victorian Governments introduced legislation that deals with the manner in which public and private sector organisations may record, use, store and disclose information, including health, collected from individuals. The Catholic Parish of St. Damian's Bundoora is committed to upholding the Privacy principles set out in the legislation.

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...) *Children should never be alone in the car park or playground. *Please keep valuable personal belongings with you (purses, glasses, phones, etc) and double check before leaving your seat, even briefly during*

A Short Reflection on 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year A World Mission Sunday

29th Sunday
of
Ordinary
Time

Let me begin with a simple question: What do you have in your wallet or purse? Perhaps some money, a driver's licence, a credit card, or a photograph of your family.

Today, Jesus asks us a deeper question: Whose image is stamped on our hearts?

In today's Gospel, the Pharisees and the Herodians try to trap Jesus by asking, "Is it permissible to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" Jesus asks them to show him a coin: "Whose image is this?" They answer, "Caesar's." Jesus replies, "Give back to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

The coin bears Caesar's image, but we are created in the image of God. We have responsibilities in this world, but our hearts and lives ultimately belong to God.

First, we show God's image in our families. Our families need more than money; they need our time, patience, attention, and love. A kind word, a listening ear, or a sincere "I'm sorry" can mean more than an expensive gift. Let us ask ourselves: Do the people closest to us feel loved and valued?

Second, we reveal God's image through our daily actions. Our faith must be more than words; it must be seen in how we live. When we forgive instead of holding grudges, speak gently instead of hurting others, and help those in need, we make Christ's love visible. With God's grace, we can begin by changing our own hearts.

Third, we are called to share God's love with the world. On World Mission Sunday, we remember missionaries who bring the Gospel to people everywhere. We support their mission through prayer, generosity, and practical service. We do not need to travel to distant countries to be missionaries. We can bring Christ to our homes, workplaces, and communities through our love and kindness.

Dear brothers and sisters, let us return to our opening question: *Whose image do people see in our lives?* This week, let us show one concrete act of love to our families, make time for prayer, and reach out to someone in need. Caesar's image may be stamped on a coin, but God's image is stamped on every human heart.

Let us give to God what belongs to God, not only our prayers on Sunday, but our hearts, our love, and our whole lives. May our lives become a living witness to Christ, so that through us, others may come to know God's love. Amen.

Fr Joe Dong Tran P.P

ROSTER 24th & 25th October 2026

Time	READERS	EUCCHARIST
5.30pm	A. Groom J. Venturini	P. Cosgrave C. Ho M. Jones
8.00am	C. Fitzgerald V. Dalla- Vecchia	A. Dalla Vecchia A. Brammer M. Harrison
10.00am	Sr. S. Barker J. Mercado	J. Tonkin C., Manabat E. Jones

COUNTERS

G. Love
A. Schuck

SUPERVISOR

G. Spiteri



Readers & Eucharistic Welcomers

Please gather together
in the Church
about 5 minutes
before Mass.

Eucharistic Ministers

Please remember
you are also welcoming
Parishioners & visitors
& handing out the
newsletter.

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.



2026 FEASTS OF ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,
This year, the Feasts of All Saints and All Souls will fall on Sunday and Monday.
Our parish will celebrate two Masses on each day as follows:

FEAST OF ALL SAINTS SUNDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2026

MASS TIMES
8:00 AM | 10:00 AM

A day to celebrate all the Saints in Heaven who inspire us by their lives of faith, hope and love.

FEAST OF ALL SOULS MONDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2026

MASS TIMES
9:15 AM | 7:00 PM

A day to pray for all the faithful departed, especially our loved ones. May they rest in the peace and love of God.

Let us come and pray for our loved ones!

COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISH RAFFLE

This weekend tickets are available to be purchased in the Church Foyer for the Combined Catholic Raffle. Tickets are only \$2 each and \$1.50 from each ticket goes to St Damian's Parish.

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Drawn on 5th December 2026 at 7.00pm
at Holy Trinity Parish Bentleigh East

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BAPTISM:

This weekend we welcome, into the family of St Damian's the children who are being baptised..

DATES TO REMEMBER



EVERY THURSDAY
DIVINE MERCY
AFTER MORNING MASS.



FIRST FRIDAY
NOVENA OF SACRED HEART
AFTER MORNING MASS.



1ST SATURDAY
• PRAYERS AT 8:15AM
• MASS 9:15AM



SRI LANKAN SINHALESE MASS
EVERY 3RD SUNDAY:
• ROSARY 6:30PM
• FOLLOWED BY MASS.
ENQUIRIES: WINIFRED 0425880611



EVERY TUESDAY AT 7PM
LEGION OF MARY MEETING
IN DUNLOP ROOM



EVERY FORTNIGHT
CHURCH CLEANING.
ENQUIRIES: VIOLET (CHUNG) 0420275886



LAWN MOWING
ONCE TWO MONTHS.
ENQUIRIES: LAWRIE 0412839122

Many hands make light work. Thank you!

Farsi-Speaking Sponsor Needed

We are looking for a parishioner who speaks Farsi and would be willing to sponsor Mona. If you can help, please let Fr Joe Dong know. Thank you!

Dear Volunteers,

"Good works are an expression of our love for God."

Our Eucharistic Ministers bring Christ's love and comfort to those in need by taking Holy Communion to Bundoora Centre (Northern Health) and Vasey RSL on Friday mornings, as well as visiting lonely parishioners in their homes.

We warmly invite anyone who feels called to this ministry to join our caring team.

For more information, please contact the Parish Office or Parish Priest.

Thank you for sharing your faith and love with others.

Fr. Joe Dong Tran

'FATHERING FROM THE FRONT LINE'

TUESDAY, 20 OCTOBER

7.00PM - 9.15PM

LOYOLA COLLEGE - 325 GRIMSHAW STREET, WATSONIA
ARRIVE AT 6.45PM FOR A 7.00PM START

REGISTER FOR FREE:



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ALIVE

**BE INSPIRED, BE CHALLENGED,
BE THE FATHER YOUR CHILDREN NEED.**

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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