

SUNDAY MASS Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm Sunday 9 am, 11 am	The Sacrament of Reconciliation Is available 30 minutes before each Mass, between 9:30-10:30 am Saturday morning, or by appointment.	HOLY ROSARY Tuesday—Friday 8.30am St Joseph's Church Wednesday 1pm St Joseph's Parish Centre 15 Decade-Rosary Mary Untier of Knots
WEEKDAY MASS Monday (Springvale) 9:30 am Tuesday 9 am Wednesday 9 am Thursday 9 am Friday 9 am Saturday 9 am	Eucharist Adoration Half an hour before each weekday Mass St Joseph's Church	

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ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL
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St Joseph's Parish is committed to the Safeguarding of Children and Young People in all aspects of Parish life.

*To subscribe to St Joseph's Parish email list please email chelsea@cam.org.au
The solemn obligation for baptised Catholics to attend regular Sunday Mass has been restored throughout the Archdiocese of Melbourne.*

Recently Deceased
Coral Rozario, Isaac Sandoval, Daryl Williams

Prayers for the Sick
Bill Armstrong, Marie-Claire Azie, Lorraine Benjamin, Margot Coghlan, Dennis Gallagher, Brian Glewis, Brian Grace, Rick Hayes, Antonio and Antonietta Laria, Siu Kiang Lay, Julie McLeod, Peter O'Shea, Christine Riddle, Danielle Spencer, Brian Wilson

Anniversaries
Leah Ferreira, Isabel Freese, Owen Freese (B'day Remembrance), Mara Melda, Paul O'Keong, Father Patrick Shelton (2nd Parish Priest of St Joseph's), Felicia Tennakoon



25th August; 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time B
1st R: Josh 24:1-2,15-18
2nd R: Eph 5:21-32
Gospel: John 6:60-69

1st September; 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time B
1st R: Deut:4:1-2, 6-8
2nd R: James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27
Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

PARISH OF ST JOSEPH CHELSEA

21STH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

25 AUGUST 2024

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

Social justice Sunday is observed every year on the final Sunday of August. This year's commemoration falls on August 25. The Catholic Church in Australia has a long tradition of commemorating Social Justice Sunday. The Catholic Bishops have issued an annual Social Justice Statement practically every year since 1940. The social justice remarks are made on behalf of the entire bishops' conference in time for Social Justice Sunday. These declarations are issued with the hopes of provoking thought and action throughout the year.

This year, the focus of Social Justice Sunday is on the promotion of peace and the need for truth in public life. With rising tensions around the world and the devastating effects of violence, as well as the spread of misinformation, there needs to be action to make peace. All who believe in Jesus Christ need to work together to show the world that there is a realistic way to peace.

Peacemaking includes building dialogue and encounter in order to promote understanding and respect. This is not limited to political decision makers – everyone can contribute to peace through prayer, advocacy and community engagement. Education can also play a vital role in promoting peace by teaching the values of truth and trust. Bishop Vincent Long, Chair of the Bishops Commission for Social Justice, Mission and Service, says "The violence in Australia and other parts of the world make it all the more urgent that all who believe in Jesus Christ work together with everyone of good will, all who love truth, to show the world that there is a realistic way to peace, a genuine peace built upon speaking truth and building trust".

According to the Catholic tradition, human dignity and a healthy community can only be achieved if human rights and obligations are respected - this Social Justice Sunday let us pray for peace.

The Bishop's Statement on Social Justice can be found here:

<https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2024/07/25/social-justice-statement-2024-25/>



Please do not attend Mass if you are unwell.
There are no numbers restrictions on attendees at church.
Face masks are no longer mandatory inside the church.
Please use the hand sanitiser provided.

PARISH CALENDAR

SATURDAY 24 AUGUST

4:30pm Junior Legion of Mary—Parish Centre. Enquiries—0403 095 627

SUNDAY 25 AUGUST

Social Justice Sunday
11:00am Cuppa after Mass with Divine Mercy Prayer Group—Church

MONDAY 26 AUGUST

10:00am Divine Mercy PG—Parish Centre

TUESDAY 27 AUGUST

10:00am Sacred Heart PG—Parish Centre
7:30pm KSC Exec Meeting—PC

WEDNESDAY 28 AUGUST

10:00am St Joseph's Care and Concern
Ladies Morning Tea and Movie—Parish Centre
6:30pm Legion of Mary Chelsea—PC

THURSDAY 29 AUGUST

Passion of St John the Baptist
Parish Office Closed

FRIDAY 30 AUGUST

Parish Office Closed



ST JOSEPH'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Pledge \$ 2,984
Weekly average \$ 2,764.35



Please join with the Divine Mercy Prayer Group for a cuppa after 11:00am Mass on Sunday the 25th of August to celebrate the Birthday of St Faustina. All are welcome!!!



St Vincent de Paul Society Vinnies are experiencing a higher demand of visits & are having to purchase food every month, so would be very grateful for any extra grocery donations which can be left in the Vinnies bin in the Church Narthex or dropped off in the Parish Office. Thank you!!!!

St Joseph's Care and Concern

Ladies Morning Tea and Movie
Wednesday 28th August from 10:00am in the Parish Centre.
RSVP sheet in the narthex or to Sue on 0408 547 791



ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION ON THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

The permanent diaconate is open to single and married men, aged between 30 and 60 years, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. The information session is open to everyone interested in knowing more about the permanent diaconate.

Online Diaconate information meeting
Tuesday, 24 September / 19:30 – 21:00 via ZOOM
Attendance will be by invitation. Express your interest by emailing Deacon Kevin Pattison
Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au



St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Stamps Appeal

Please donate your used postage stamps to the St Mary of the Cross MacKillop used stamp appeal. The Sisters of St Joseph (the religious congregation founded by Australia's first "home-grown" Saint) use the stamps to raise funds for their work with children and the poor. Used stamps can be left in the yellow box up the back of St Joseph's Church (on the table near where the bulletins are kept). Thank you!



Thank you from the Divine Mercy Prayer Group for a very successful Retreat Day on Monday 19th August. Thank you to Father Williams for the wonderful blessing at the start of the day! God Bless.



ST JOSEPH'S FAMILIES DINNER



Please join us for some quality time with parish families.
Kids of all ages are very welcome!

Saturday 14th September
6pm Mass
7.15 Shared dinner
Bring a plate to share
BYO drinks

SPECIAL GUEST: Fr James Grant

RSVP by 10/9 Raffy
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St. John the Baptist was sent by God to prepare for the coming of Jesus and as a result suffered the fate of many Old Testament prophets before him: rejection and martyrdom. John had many followers, but ultimately he knew that his calling was one of preparation. John never allowed himself to succumb to pride or false honour. John the Baptist's death is the ultimate example of giving one's life to God.



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Thank you to everyone who has so generously already made a pledge or gift to the 2024 Archbishop's Campaign. Every gift, large or small, is greatly appreciated! If you are yet to make a gift, you can still do so. Campaign envelopes are still available in the Church. You can also make a gift online at:

<https://melbournecatholic.org/archbishopscampaign>



Preparation of rosters for **Lectors and Special Ministers** for Oct—Dec 2024 will commence shortly. Please contact Chris Bennetts on 0402 823 0404 or

cjbennetts@optusnet.com.au by **31/08** if you are unavailable during this time.



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