



St Paul Apostle Catholic Community

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Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, 29-30 August, 2026

THE ARCHBISHOP CAMPAIGN 2026

As this campaign has now been completed, the Archbishop office thank everyone who has so generously already made a pledge or gift to the 2026 Archbishop's Campaign. Every gift, large or small, is greatly appreciated!

If you are yet to make a gift, you can still do so. This campaign supports the vital ministries of the Church in our Archdiocese. Online (direct debit or credit card) donations are the most secure and preferred method of donating, or you can use the campaign envelopes with tear-off pledge cards.



Masses

Monday
9am

Tuesday
9am Mass

Wednesday
7pm Mass

Thursday
9am Mass

Friday
9am Mass

Saturday
6pm Mass

Sunday
9am, 11am, 6pm

Reconciliation
Saturdays
10am—10.30am

MELBOURNE SYNOD

The Melbourne Synod Southern Region had run Consultation session on the 8th August 2026.

Our parish was represented by Christine Kennedy and Lise-by Lapierre.

Below is their short report from the session which they took part in.

Thank you Fr. Brendan for inviting us to attend the Southern Region Gathering session for the Melbourne Synod — Take The Way Of The Gospel, on behalf of our parish, held at the Dandenong Club on the 8th of August.

Many Parishes in our region where represented. There where three themes:

Youth Discipleship, Missionary Leadership and Formation and Participation.

Archbishop Peter Comensoli started the session with prayers asking the Holy Spirit to guide us in these 'Spirited Conversations'. The emphasis was put that these 'Spirited Conversations' is not a debate, but a deep listening and sharing.

A facilitator from the archdiocese was on each table to guided us thought the process. Each table had one theme. The facilitator was to assist with the timing, taking notes and comments being share by all participants (each person had two minutes and an opportunity to speak). The purpose of sharing and listening deeply and reflecting on the 'Spiritual Conversations' was to discern together any common themes, words or ideas that had arisen, until we came to a consensus, which the facilitator later reported to the room.

All these common themes will be compiled and contribute to the working document that will go the floor of the synod. Each theme will be addressed as part of the working document for each theme.

(There will be an opportunity to provide feedback of the working document throughout the month of October. This round of feed back will be compiled for the synod members as supplementary papers.)



Parish Priest:
Fr Brendan Connell CP

Assistant Parish Priest
Fr. Tuan Paul Anh-Do CP
Fr Cao Van Tri CP

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Readings for **NEXT WEEK**
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A, 2026

First Reader: *Ezekiel 33:7-9*

A reading from the book of the Prophet Jeremiah
Thus says the Lord: So you, o son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, "O wicked one, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked person shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked person to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, they shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.
The Word of God

Psalm

O come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise
to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him
with songs of praise!

O come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.

O that today you would listen to his voice!
Do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah,
as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,
when your ancestors tested me,
and put me to the proof,
though they had seen my work

Second Reader: *Romans 13:8-10*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans
Brothers and sisters:
Owe no one anything, except to love one another;
for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.
The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law
This is the Word of God

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
In Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. Alleluia!

Gospel: *Matthew 18:15-20*

Jesus spoke to his disciples:
"If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If he or she listens to you, you have regained your brother or sister. But if the person does not listen, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the person refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if that person refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."
The Good news of the Lord

Reflection

When someone hurts or offends you, do you speak to them privately in love to seek reconciliation, or do you turn to gossip and judgment instead?

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES

Many of you have reminded us that your thanksgiving envelopes are about to run out. The **NEW SETS** for all envelope givers are now ready to be picked up from the gathering space at the back of the Church. They are arranged alphabetically by **STREET NAME** (not your name). If you encounter any difficulties in finding them, please do not hesitate to approach a member of the parish team. If you are not part of the thanksgiving program yet, but wish to take part, please contact the parish office and we can give you all the necessary information.

Another way you can contribute is to use the **QR code** at the bottom of this article. Simply scan it with your phone or tablet and follow the prompts to make a one off or ongoing contribution via Googlepay, Applepay or Credit/Debit card. You will also find these QR codes in the front and back foyers for your convenience



ENDEAVOUR HILLS PARISH
Parish Support - Endeavour Hills

PARISH BINGO

Please remember that our next Parish BINGO is on **FRIDAY, 18 SEPTEMBER** from 7.30pm in the annexe. You can come on your own or in a group. For more information please contact Vianney 0438 700 675 or Joe 0419 385 441

PLAYGROUP is calling for help

Many of us may not be aware that we have a small playgroup which runs on Thursdays between 10am to 11.30am in the Annexe for children aged between 0 to 5 yrs old. The group is run by mothers & grandmothers who generally also bring their child/grandchild with them. The children who attend this group will be accompanied by a parent/ guardian. We are looking for volunteers to assist co-ordinate and run the sessions on a roster. You will not be required to run the session every week. However, you will be required to comply to the Archdiocese's safeguarding policy, we will help you to obtain all the necessary documents.

If you think this is something that you are interested in taking

part, please contact the parish office on 9700 3781 (Monday to Friday 9am to 1pm) and we will provide you with more information regarding this group.

COME AWAY

The next Come Away Day for 2026 will be held at Holy Cross (207 Serpells Rd, Templestowe) on **WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 16th**.

The theme of the day is 'COME TO THE WATERS ..'

After our Winter break, we are invited to celebrate the coming of the Spring Season and all that this evokes in us physically, emotionally and spiritually. We have an opportunity to rest, reflect and focus on the deeper meaning, changes, and movements of growth in our own life journeys and how we respond. The day's program provides opportunities for prayer, silent reflection and group interaction in the beautiful grounds and facilities of Holy Cross. Just come as you are. BYO lunch.

Registration is from 9.30am in the Holy Cross Main Dining Room. The program concludes with a celebration of the Eucharist with a departure time of around 3pm.

The suggested cost is \$30.00 or a donation according to your means. Registration is helpful for planning purposes.

For any further details contact Sr Brigid cp on bridget.m64@gmail.com.

Please put this Date in your Diary and consider inviting a friend along to share the Come Away Day experience. Everyone is welcome

DANDENONG DEANERY DINNER

The Date for the next Deanery Dinner is **Wednesday 16th September 2026** at the Graduate's Restaurant, St John's Regional College (Caroline Street, Dandenong)

The event will start at 5.30pm for 5.45pm start

Cost is \$48 per person for 3 course meal wine & Beer.

The guest speaker for this event is Jo Hastings: Board Director a Sea Wolf. There will also be plenty more surprises for the evening.

If you are interested in joining, RSVP is essential by Friday 11th Sept. 2026 Phone or Text Paddy 0422 296 961 or e-mail: dandenongdeanery@live.com.au

Readings:

22 Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A

Jeremiah 20: 7-9

Romans 12: 1-2

Matthew 16: 21-27

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23 Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A

Ezekiel 33:7-9

Romans 13:8-10

Matthew 18:15-20

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This weekend we pray for:

Those who are sick

Christopher De Zilva, Ranjane Jeganathan, Edgar Tellis, Cecil Harper, Peter Shaw-Dennis, Peter Van Helmond, Pendry Jackson, Irma Dias, Fr Chris Mithen CP, Mary Antoun, Anne McCallister, Neville Akom, Terry Gough, Cecile Potier, Mavis David, James Mendis, Oliver Mendis, Hector de Santos, Teariki Sword, Rui Manuel Campos, Ruby Reid, Dorothy Locke, Piper Anne Spriggs, Grace Sprigg, Ronella Tyrell **and All those in aged care or homebound with chronic health issues**

Those who have died

Danny Sugunasekera, Kerry Carney, Denis Carlow, Stephen Chapman, Eduardo Dias, Sally D'Cruz, Yvonne Sherwin, Beatrice Cramer, Sandra Quodros, Monica Tissera, Consey Perera, Halina Gromadowski, Sybil Clark, Moeses Da Costa, Roiston Vangunster, Serge Demezieres **and all who are named in our church memorial book**

May they rest in peace



SPA Mens Club

TRIVIA NIGHT



Test Your Knowledge

Join the fun! B.Y.O nibbles
and drinks.

\$20 per person (single tickets
or tables available)



OCTOBER 16TH
7:00PM FOR 7:30PM START
St. Paul Apostle Endeavour Hills
South School Hall

RAFFLES / SILENT AUCTIONS



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