

SUNDAY MASS Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm Sunday 9 am, 11 am	The Sacrament of Reconciliation Is available 30 minutes before each Mass, between 9:30-10:30am Saturday morning, or by appointment.	HOLY ROSARY Tuesday to Friday 8:30am St Joseph's Church Wednesday 1pm St Joseph's Parish Centre 15 Decade-Rosary Mary Untier of Knots
WEEKDAY MASS Tuesday 9 am Wednesday 9 am Thursday 9 am Friday 3rd April No Masses Saturday 4th April No morning mass	Eucharist Adoration Half an hour before each weekday Mass St Joseph's Church	

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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

Geraldine Barnham, Patricia Landy

Prayers for the Sick

Marie Claire Aziz, Derick D'Costa, Margaret Dunne, Jamie Fleming, Bev Garing, Leonie Gilchrist, Rick Hayes, Jessie Jackson, Juliette Ronald, Josephine Russell, Josephine Sanjorja, Danielle Spencer, Toni (Marie) Wilton, Baby Area Maria (Cathy Meehan's Great Granddaughter)

Anniversaries

Edna Godlieb, Alexander Huts, Howard Lynch, Dmitri Tretiakov, Yusis Modesta, Father John Tollan, Lon Vaisutis

Special Intentions

Zenobia Fernandes—Thanksgiving, Josephine Sanjorjo—Thanksgiving for successful operation



29th March; Palm Sunday A

1st R: Is 50:4-7

2nd R: Phil 2:6-11

Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27:66

5th April; Sunday of the Resurrection

1st R: Acts 10:34, 37-43

2nd R: Cor 3:1-4

Gospel: John 20:1-9

PARISH OF ST JOSEPH CHELSEA

PALM SUNDAY

29TH MARCH 2026

The 29th of March is Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of a week dedicated to reflection on Jesus and also the most solemn week in the Church's Calendar.

We reflect upon the events that brought about our salvation. Jesus triumphantly enters into Jerusalem, the City of Peace, in order to announce the Good News, not just with His words but by His act of loving sacrifice for all people. His supporters follow Him, raising and waving palms. We journey along with Him as He celebrates the great feast of Passover and becomes the new Paschal Lamb

Holy week culminates in Jesus' death on Good Friday and his rising on Easter Sunday.

We look on as Jesus suffers His passion and crucifixion. And ultimately, we will experience His glorification from the cross and at the tomb.

We believe that Jesus' entry into Jerusalem and his subsequent crucifixion were not the story of defeat and failure that they appear to be. On Easter Sunday, he rose from the dead to turn defeat into victory and a resigned despair into hope.



HOLY WEEK



FEELING SICK?
PLEASE STAY HOME

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 28 MARCH

4:30pm Junior Legion of Mary—PC

SUNDAY 29 MARCH

Palm Sunday

MONDAY 30 MARCH

10:00 Divine Mercy Prayer Group—PC

TUESDAY 31 MARCH

10:00am Sacred Heart Prayer Group—PC

WEDNESDAY 1 APRIL

1:00pm 15 Decade Rosary—PC

6:30pm Legion of Mary—PC

THURSDAY 2 APRIL

Maundy Thursday

School Term 1 concludes

7:30pm The Lord's Supper—Church

10:00pm Night Prayer—Church

FRIDAY 3 APRIL

Good Friday

10:00am Stations of the Cross—Church

10:30am CDICC Stations of the Cross—Beeson Reserve

3:00pm The Lord's Passion—Church

There will be no Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible session on Thursday 02/04



ST JOSEPH'S PARISH

STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Pledge \$ 2,528

Weekly average \$ 2,315.27



St Vincent de Paul Society

Donations to Vinnies are gratefully accepted in the Blue Vinnie's Bin in the narthex.

Week 1 Canned food only—soups, spaghetti, tuna, vegetables, tinned fruit etc



Happy Birthday to Mary Cameron who turns 80 on the 28th of March!! Many blessings to you Mary on your special day! God Bless



**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

Palm Sunday

28–29 March 2026

As Project Compassion 2026 comes to a close, we thank you for your generous support throughout Lent. This year, we shared the stories of four inspiring people whose lives are being uplifted through your compassion.

Your support is helping them overcome challenges and build stronger futures. There is still time to donate! Together, we can continue nurturing hope and empowering communities facing poverty and injustice.

Please donate today.

You can support Project Compassion 2026 through the donation boxes and envelopes.

Or online at:

www.projectcompassion.org.au/donate Or by calling: 1800 024 413



**CHELSEA & DISTRICT
INTER-CHURCH COUNCIL**

**GOOD FRIDAY
STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

3 APRIL 2026 | 10.30 AM

**BEESON RESERVE
NEPEAN HWY
EDITHVALE**

ALL WELCOME

Congratulations to the students of St Joseph's Primary School who received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation this week!



HOLY LAND COLLECTION – GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 3rd 2026

The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land will take place on Good Friday – April 3rd. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land also rely on assistance from this collection. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Due to the Covid pandemic, the war in Gaza and now the war with Iran, the situation in the Holy Land has become increasingly difficult. Last year, Australians donated \$1.7 million through the Good Friday collection, a wonderful effort that went a long way to assist the Church of the Holy Land. This year, we urge Christians around the world to help those in the Holy Land, those who are facing war and suffering. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land in your prayers. God Bless

Reconciliation Holy Week



Saturday 28 March

8:30am, 9:30am & 5:30pm

Sunday 29 March

8:30am and 10:30am

Tuesday 31 March

8:30am and 6:30pm (with Eucharistic adoration)

Wednesday 1 April

8:30am and 6:30pm (with Eucharistic adoration)

Thursday 2 April 8:30am

Friday 3 April 8:30am

Saturday 4 April 10:00am

No confessions before any of the Triduum ceremonies or Easter Sunday Masses

Calling all school children!

If you love music, singing or playing instruments, St Joseph's Junior Choir would love to welcome you. It's a place for fun, friendship, creativity, and discovering the joy of making music together.

We rehearse every **Thursday**

from **4.30–5.00 pm** in **St**

Joseph's Church. Come along and give it a try!

For more information, call Sue Hyde on 0408 547 791.

Stewardship

New envelope sets for givers have arrived with commencement date of 05/04. Please collect from the Narthex. Those who give via Credit Card or Direct Debit can collect their yearly statement also from the Narthex!

Thank you to those who so kindly give to keep our Church successful!! God Bless you!



Holy Week

PALM SUNDAY 28-29 MARCH

6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass

9:00am Mass with Procession

11:00am Mass

HOLY THURSDAY 2 APRIL

7:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

10:00pm Night Prayer

GOOD FRIDAY 3 APRIL

10:00am Way of the Cross

3:00pm The Lord's Passion

HOLY SATURDAY 4 APRIL

8:00pm The Vigil of Easter

EASTER SUNDAY 5 APRIL

9:00am Mass

11:00 am Mass