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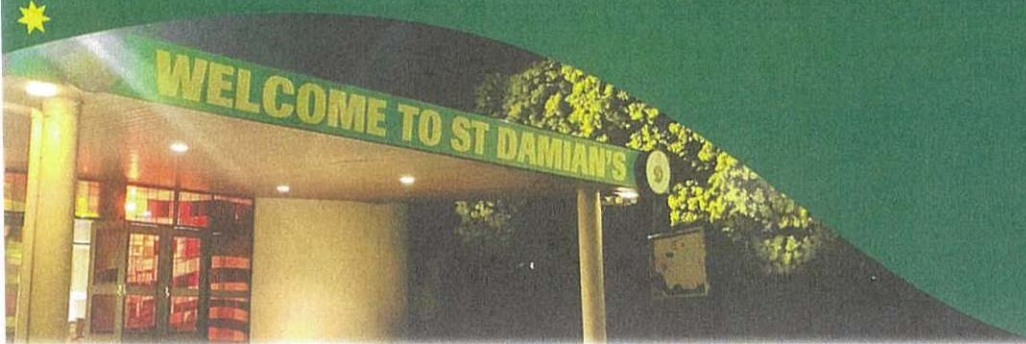
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WEEKENDS

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

Saturday 5.00pm

BAPTISMS

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

Preparation 1st Wednesday each month at 5.30pm 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

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

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 25TH MAY 2025

THIS WEEKEND

Act 15: 1-2, 22-29;

Apoc 21: 10-14, 22-23;

Jn 14: 23-29.

NEXT WEEK

Act 1: 1-11;

Eph 1: 17-23;

Lk 24: 46-53.

FEAST DAYS DURING THE WEEK

Sat 31st May:

The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

PSALM

O God, let all the nations praise you!

O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help.

Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him.

O God, let all the nations praise you!

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: Ernie Donoghue, Pietrian Falco, Bruno Gazzola, Ines Stella, Agnese Casagrande

Anna La Morticella

ick: Elizabeth San Martin, Manuel Paneda, Lottie Constantino, Helen Mc Kinnery, John Long, Antonio Castro

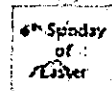
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CHURCH PRIVACY POLICY: In 2001, the Commonwealth and Victorian Governments introduced legislation that deals with the manner in which public and private sector organisations may record, use, store and disclose information, including health, collected 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 Communion.*

REFLECTION – 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR C)



Dear sisters and brothers in Christ Jesus,

As we journey toward the end of the Easter season, today's readings offer us a deep lesson about the Church's identity and the Christian way of life. They invite us to reflect on how we live together as a community, how we welcome God's presence, and how we carry peace into the world.

In our first reading today from book of Acts 15:1–2, 22–29 - The early Church faced a major disagreement: Should non-Jews be required to follow Jewish customs to be saved? Instead of letting division tear them apart, the apostles gathered, listened to one another, and discerned together under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. The result was a decision that brought peace, unity, and clarity.

What can we learn? In our families, parishes, and communities, differences will arise. But if we face them with humility, prayer, and dialogue, trusting the Spirit, we can find solutions that build up rather than break down. True communion doesn't mean we always agree—it means we walk together in love.

In our second reading from book of Apocalypse 21:10–14, 22–23 - St. John's vision of the heavenly Jerusalem reminds us of our destiny: a city where God dwells fully among His people, where His light replaces all darkness. There is no temple, because God is the temple, present everywhere, always.

What can we learn? Our Church and our lives are meant to be signs of that heavenly city. We are called to be living temples, letting God's presence shine through us. When we love, forgive, and serve, we reflect that holy city here and now.

Finally, in our today's Gospel of John 14:23–29 - Jesus tells His disciples that those who love Him will keep His word, and He and the Father will come and make their home in them. Then He leaves them a parting gift: His peace. Not just the absence of trouble, but a deep inner calm rooted in God's presence.

What can we learn? We live in a world full of anxiety, noise, and unrest. But Jesus invites us to be people of peace, grounded not in circumstances, but in His abiding love. When we let His word dwell in us, we become bearers of peace to others.

Today's readings show us a vision of what the Church is called to be:

- A community guided by the Spirit, not fear.
- A place where God dwells, not just a building.
- A people marked by peace, not division.

May we live that vision more fully this week - with open hearts and minds, listening ears, and a spirit of peace. And may our homes, like the early Church, become places where God feels at home. Amen!

Fr Joe Dong Tran P.P

Rosters 31st May & 1st June 2025

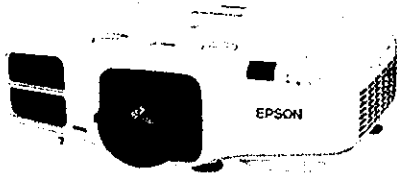
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5.30pm	N. Nugent P. Cosgrove	E. Taylor M. Spiteri D. Mash	N & K Nugent M. Thompson	Please gather together in the Church about 5 minutes before Mass. Eucharistic Ministers Please remember you are also welcoming Parishioners & visitors & handing out the newsletter.
8.00am	L. Cultrera O. Carvalho	M. Beverley J. Fellowes K. Keating	Supervisor	
10.00am	P. Gill C. Manabat	Sr Sue J. Ventrurini R. Sacco	M. Sweetman	

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.

PRESENTATION OF RECONCILIATION

This weekend Masses, we welcome the students from St Damian's Primary School and their families for the presentation of Sacrament of Reconciliation.

APPEAL FOR SUPPORT – REPLACEMENT OF CHURCH PROJECTOR



Dear Parishioners,

I hope this message finds you well.

I am writing to kindly ask for your support in helping us replace the Epson projector in our church. The current projector, located on the right-hand side, has been in use since January 1st, 2007. Over the past week, I have attempted to repair it, but unfortunately, due to its age, it can no longer be fixed.

After researching online, I found that the cost of a **suitable replacement ranges from \$2,900 to \$8,000**. As the projector is an essential tool for our liturgical celebrations and community events, replacing it has become necessary.

I humbly invite you to consider contributing generously to this important project. Your support, as always, is deeply appreciated and will make a meaningful difference for our parish community.

Thank you for your continued generosity and care.
With gratitude,

Fr. Joe Dong Tran P.P

ST DAMIAN'S WALL – PERMANENT PLAQUE INFORMATION

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

After careful consideration, we would like to inform you that, effective 1st June 2025, the total cost for placing a permanent plaque on the wall of St Damian's Church will be \$770. This amount includes:

- \$500 – Donation to the Church
- \$200 – Cost of the plaque
- \$70 – Labour and administrative fee

If you wish to place a rose tree and ashes in the Memorial Garden, please contact the Parish Office for further information and guidelines.

For all enquiries, please contact us at: (03) 9467 2797 – or, bundoora@cam.org.au

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

Fr. Joe Dong Tran , Parish Priest

A SPECIAL BLESSING FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,



After receiving kind feedback from several parishioners, I'm pleased to announce that we will be resuming our special blessings for those celebrating meaningful life events, such as wedding anniversaries (10, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50 years), birthdays, and other significant milestones.

Beginning next month, these blessings will be offered every 4th Sunday of the month, after Holy Communion and before the Final Prayer at Mass.

It will be a simple but heartfelt moment to give thanks to God for your life, love, and faith and to ask for His continued grace upon you and your family. Thank you!

Fr Joe Dong Tran

DONATIONS

If you would like to make a donation to our parish. You can make a donations through the QUEST MACHINE located inside the church, or via bank transfer to the following accounts:

- * **Church Account:**
- * BSB: 083347— ACC: 660192933
- * **Presbytery Account:**
- * BSB: 083347— ACC: 661001801

We appreciate your support and Donations.

CELEBRATING FOR CHRIST
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You're Invited

Join us for a Celebration of Life Program (CLP) hosted by C.E.A. Victoria North Chapter – an afternoon of inspiring talks about living in the Christian faith.

📅 Date: 31 May 2025
🕒 Time: 9am to 4pm (incl)
📍 Venue: St Damian's, Dunlop Hall
📍 6 Eastmont Rd, Bundoora VIC 3083

 **SCAN ME**

 Scan the QR code for a video presentation

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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