



St Paul Apostle Catholic Community

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19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B, 10-11 August, 2024

2024 Archbishop's Campaign: supporting the future of our faith community

Our priests walk with us through the most profound moments of our lives. They celebrate our joys—from baptisms and weddings to first Communions—and stand by us in our times of sorrow, offering comfort and guidance through the sacraments of Reconciliation, Anointing and more. Their unwavering dedication shapes our community and nurtures our faith.

This weekend marks the launch of the 2024 Archbishop's Campaign across the Archdiocese of Melbourne. The focus of this year's campaign honours the priests who have faithfully served our community of faith in the past and invites us to invest in those preparing to serve the community of faith in the future. This new annual campaign is more than just a fundraising effort; it's a chance for us to show our gratitude and to support the next generation of priests who will continue this vital and sacred ministry.

Launching the Campaign, Archbishop Comensoli referred to St Paul's second letter to the Corinthians, in which St Paul provides inspiration by sharing with the Corinthians what the Church in Macedonia had achieved through their generous giving to the struggling Church in Jerusalem. Specifically, the Archbishop references St Paul's encouragement of the early Christians to give what they could because God loves a 'cheerful' giver.

'Like the early Church, and as the largest Archdiocese in Australia, we here in Melbourne are blessed to have been really generous givers over many, many years to the mis-

sionary and charitable works in our local Church,' said Archbishop Comensoli.

'By joining everything together and supporting this new approach, we can, I think, like the first disciples, help build our community for the future.'

The goal of this year's campaign is ambitious: to raise \$1 million.

Inspired by Jesus' call to the first disciples, 'Come, follow me,' every member of the vast and diverse Archdiocese of Melbourne is asked to answer this call. Just as the early disciples supported the mission of Christ, we too are asked to contribute to the vibrant, life-giving ministries that sustain and renew our local Church.

Through this new annual campaign, the Archdiocese simplifies its approach, for the first time combining several special collections into one unified effort. Rather than being asked to give multiple times throughout the year, the faithful can now make a single, impactful pledge for the purposes of the Archdiocese through a recurring monthly gift online.

Gifts will support vital ministries within the Archdiocese, including seminarian formation and evangelisation initiatives, including World Youth Day, as well as retired priests.

Donors can choose to make either a tax-deductible or non-deductible gift.

Non-deductible gifts go towards the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Religious Projects Fund, funding seminarian education and evangelisation efforts.

(taken from Melbourne Catholic Magazine)

Masses

Monday
9am

Tuesday
9am Mass

Wednesday
7pm Mass

Thursday
9am Mass

Friday
9am Mass

Saturday
6pm Mass

Sunday
9am, 11am, 6pm

Please note Sunday 11am is also
ONLINE

Please click on this link to follow

<https://youtube.com/live/z0-mA3Z5LOA?feature=share>

Reconciliation
Saturdays
10am—10.30am

Priests:

Fr Brendan Connell CP (PP)
Fr Sony Kannanaikal CP

Parish Staff:

Gillian Velupillay (Bursar)
Didi Karkas (Secretary)

Passionist Community

Fr Brendan Connell CP
Fr Sony Kannanaikal CP
Dcn Tuan Paul Anh-Do CP

St Paul Apostle North Primary School

Ph. 9700 6068
Acting Principal
Mrs Monique Fallace

St Paul Apostle South Primary School

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Principal
Mr Paul Gleeson

St John's Regional College

Ph. 9791 3366
Principal
Mr Tim Hogan

Readings for NEXT WEEK
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

First Reading

Proverbs 9:1-6

A reading from the book of Proverbs

Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars.

She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table.

She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town, "You that are simple, turn in here!" To those without sense she says, "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me and I in them, says the Lord
Alleluia!

Psalm

I will bless the Lord at all times
his praise shall continually be in my mouth
My soul makes its boast in the Lord
let the humble hear and be glad

O fear the Lord, you his holy ones
for those who fear him have no want
The young lions suffer want and hunger,
but those who seek the Lord lack of no good thing

Come, O children, listen to me
I will teach you the fear of the Lord
Which of you desire life
and covet many days to enjoy good?

Keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from speaking deceit
Depart from evil, and do good
seek peace, and pursuit it

Gospel

John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the people

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

The people then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"

So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

Second Reading

Ephesians 5:15-20

A reading from the Letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Brothers and sisters,

Be careful how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days

For reflection

1. Life presents us with choices. How we respond depends on how we view life. Is life an earthly existence or is there more?
2. The gift of true and eternal life is offered by Christ in the giving of his very self, his whole person, as the bread of life.
3. In receiving Christ, the bread of life in the Eucharist, we choose a life beyond the here and now. We choose eternal life with God

We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults

PARISH TEAM HAS A NEW MEMBER

In the recent weeks we have searched for another person to join the Parish Team. We received a number of highly qualified and excellent candidates for the job and after some reflection we have asked **VALERIE FERREIRA** to join us. Valerie's role in the team will be to have responsibility for the safeguarding practices in the Parish and to co-ordinate, record and improve on communion visitation program.

The expectations of the Melbourne Archdiocese and the wider society is for us to improve our knowledge and practice of safeguarding policy. We are confident Valerie can guide us in the direction.

On behalf of all the Parish, we welcome Valerie to the team and wish her all her best in her ministry

YOUNG ADULTS (age 18 to 25 years old)

This age Youth group will be gathering on **SUNDAY, 18 August in the Parish House**. If you wish to join in please contact parish office on 97003781 They usually gather on **THIRD SUNDAY** of each month. Sometimes it holds in the annexe, but other times they have activities at other venue.

PARISH YOUTH GROUPS

4:12 YOUTH (our Parish Youth for grd 5 to yr 9)

At last month's gathering, the group had an opportunity to share their thoughts on the Bible story of the week under the guidance of Fr Sony. If you are interested in joining the group, please come along. The next event will be held on **FRIDAY, 23rd August at 7pm** in the Tim O'Toole Annexe. A variety of activities is arranged for each gathering. For planning purposes, please contact Trish Brown on 0412 357 350 if you wish to attend

ALTAR SERVER INTRODUCTION AND TRAINING

In the effort to assist those who are interested in continuing or becoming a part of the altar server army, and in keeping with safeguarding rules, we have decided to run 3 sessions of altar service training.



Attending one of this sessions is **COMPULSORY** to all past and current members as well as those who wish to join in.

Sign up sheet is in the SACRISTY this weekend. Please put your child's name/s down and indicate the date which they will attend. Dates & times are:

Tuesday 13th August at 4pm

Saturday 17th August at 11am & 4pm

Please ensure that parents sign the attendance sheet on the day their child attends the session.

Regretfully, any child whom does not attend one of these sessions will not be able to serve (policy - safeguarding from Catholic archdiocese of Melbourne)

2024 SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

If you wish to have your child to be part of this year's sacrament of Confirmation program, you are required to send the completed registration form by the 4th of October, 2024 (you can obtain the registration form from our website or from the Parish office Tuesday-Friday 9am to 2pm. Your child must be in Grade 6 and have already received their Sacrament of Reconciliation & First Communion.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

This group originally ran once a month at 11am Mass. Post COVID, in the interest of the children, the schedule has been changed to every Sunday at 11am Mass during the school term. Thanks to the dedication of the teachers and leaders of this group, the program has run smoothly. Each session is run by 2 leaders (under the safeguarding policy) while all children under 4 are accompanied by a parent or older sibling.

At this we have encountered a shortage of leaders, due to family commitments, some of our current leaders are taking leave. They are asking if some parishioners would like to volunteer to help in running this special liturgy.

In the next 2 weekends (10/11 and 17/18 August), during all Masses the group has prepared a presentation detailing what they are all about. We hope that you will consider to help out with this group in the interest of nurturing the little ones understanding of God's word in their own 'language'

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Readings:

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1 Kings 19:4-8
Ephesians 4:30-5:2
John 6:41-51

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Proverbs 9:1-6
Ephesians 5:15-20
John 6:51-58

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This weekend we pray for:

Those who are sick

Isabel Florindo, Teariki Sword, Santana D'Souza, Rui Manuel Campos, Annette Tanner, Ruby Reid, Maureen Dawson, Michael Arcaro, Danny Sugunasekera, Roger Gray, Stephanie Kinson, Anton Jansz, Dorothy Locke, Piper Anne Spriggs, Grace Sprigg, Ronella Tyrell, Meti **and All those in aged care or homebound with chronic health issues**

Those who have died

Paul Nemarich, Karen Frances O'Connell, Raymond Cabral, Dewi Anggraeni, Ivan Rudan, Genoeffa 'Jennifer' Palamara, Kay Dal Lago, Cecilia Suwartinah, Angelo Marateo, Margaret Ferrao, Antonio Manuel Leitao, Fred Steinwall, Giuseppina Bartuccelli, Henry Robbins, George Pereira, Judith Pereira, Noel Pereira, Andre Costa Machado, Allan Baker, Cynthia Baker, Yasmin Baker, Janine Florindo Batista **and all who are named in our church memorial book**

May they rest in peace

Feast of the Assumption, Thursday, 15 August

Masses are 9am and 7pm

SAFEGUARDING NEWS

NAPCAN have launched 'Tuned In Modules', a resource designed to enhance their approach as adults to facilitating safe and impactful interactions with young people. As advocates for their well-being, they recognise the crucial role of fostering environments where young individuals not only thrive but feel secure to explore and learn.

Please see this link for more details <https://mailchi.mp/napcan/rav-design-comp-and-grants-2630739?e=fa63ffb7b6>

Also remember 'The Safety Commissioner' runs online courses/webinars for Parents and Carers of children in primary and secondary school. Date of the session is **Thursday, 5 September, 12.30pm** (Australian Eastern Standard Time) To book click here: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/8077245949908148062>

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENTO

We are inviting you into a very holy and sacred place to come and sit with our Lord for a few minutes a week or an hour a week.

Our lady chapel also known as our prayer room has a very special person in Jesus who sits quietly and patiently waiting for you to come and feel his presence one on one.

For more information please contact John Hendriks 0418308051 or Johnhendriks@gmail.com

COME AWAY DAYS

A ministry of the Passionist community who offer a space which is an oasis of peace and quiet, away from the busy world. in the surrounds of beautiful gardens, open space and trees. Their first session is on **WEDNESDAY, 4 SEPTEMBER**. The day begins with a cuppa at 9.30am and end at 2pm. This retreat runs at Holy Cross Retreat 207 Serpells Road Templestowe, VIC.

For further information about Come Away Days contact Phone - 9846 6014 or email hcc@passionists.com

HOLDING THE LIGHT

Holding the Light is an ecumenical service of lament - to remember and mourn those who have been killed as a result of domestic and family violence, and to stand in solidarity with victim survivors. This service is open to anyone who might wish to join together, take part in a ritual and engage in a period of quiet prayer or reflection on the tragic results of violence, and in hope for a better future for our communities.

Date: Thursday 28 November 2024

Time: 5.00pm

Location: Wesley Church Melbourne, 136 Lonsdale Street, Melbourne VIC 3000

St Paul Apostle Parish Endeavour Hills MINISTERS OF WORD/ COMMENTATORS 2024

	Saturday—6pm	Sunday 9am	Sunday 11am	Sunday 6pm
1st Sunday	Mary Pegram Liz Spear	Virendra Jayetileke Alvita Dias	Anne Astin Rinku Arora	Stephen Nasalio Diane Heaton
2nd Sunday	Marg Daly Liseby Lapierre	Grace Sudjono Rosa Mitchell	Mars Sota Beth Sota	Charlene Nheu Mignonne Meerwald
3rd Sunday	Liz Flood Trevor Saldanha	Agnes Giam William Round	Diane Allegany Anne Astin	Jeremy Ferrao Reg Young
4th Sunday	Mark Rolfe Karen Rolfe	Mary Moore Jodicee Tenisio	Mary Heaton Yvonne Sherwin	Marg Keating William Roncon
5th Sunday	Marg Daly Trevor Saldanha	Janina Gorski Grace Sudjono	Jennifer Tanti Diane Allegany	Lakni Weerasekera Charlene Nheu