

MASS TIMES

Tue: 9.15am Mass
Wed & Thu: 9.15am Communion Service
Fri: 9.15am Mass
Fri: 6-7pm Adoration
Sat: 6.00 pm (Livestream)
Sun: 9.00 & 11.00am
Sun: 5.00pm **Youth Mass**

RECONCILIATION

Fri: From 6-7pm
Sat: From 5.30pm - 5.50pm

OFFICE HOURS

Tue to Fri 9am-4pm
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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS—3rd SUN of the month
For application form refer to our website or call the Parish Office on 9764 4058.
Email: Theresa.Abraham@cam.org.au

AFTER SCHOOL RELIGIOUS PROGRAM & SACRAMENTS

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WEDDINGS, MARRIAGE PREP

Contact parish office on 9764 4058

ANointing OF THE SICK

By private arrangement
Contact St Jude's Parish Office on 9763 7302, or
St Simon's on 9764 4058

FUNERALS (Tue - Fri)

Contact Parish Office on 9764 4058

SERVICES

PARISH CENTRE FACILITIES HIRE
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ST. SIMON'S SCHOOL PRINCIPAL
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DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN

NOTICES 4.00 pm on WED of this week.

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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time —15th and 16th November 2025—Year C



Gospel Reflection – Luke 21:5–19

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks with clarity and honesty about the challenges that His followers will face. He foretells times of uncertainty, suffering, and hardship — moments when life will feel shaken to its foundations, just like the great Temple that people once believed could never fall.

Yet, these words are not meant to frighten us, but to strengthen us.

Jesus reminds us that faith has never promised a life without storms, but it does promise a God who walks with us through them. He calls us to trust, to stand firm, and to remember that fear is never the last word for those who hope in Him. So often, in modern times, we seek comfort in what is new, fast, and loud. But Christ invites us to something deeper — to hold fast to the unchanging values of faith, prayer, perseverance, and trust in God's timing, just as generations of believers have done before us. There is wisdom in remembering that the strongest foundations are built slowly, prayerfully, and with endurance. Jesus assures us, "By your perseverance, you will secure your lives." This is our encouragement for today: not to give up when the path feels long, not to lose heart when the world feels uncertain, but to remain anchored in God who is faithful through every age.

May we carry these words into the coming week with courage, trusting that Christ walks beside us, yesterday, today, and always.

With every blessing: Fr Jerald

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St Vincent de Paul Christmas Tree & Christmas Drive

Our St Vinnies Christmas Tree will be going up on Friday 28th November as part of our annual Christmas Drive.

Parishioners are invited to take a tag from the tree and donate a toy or gift voucher for a child aged 12 and under. Your kindness and generosity will help bring joy and hope to families in need this Christmas.

The St Vincent de Paul team sincerely thanks you for your generosity, care, and continued support in making Christmas a little brighter for those who need it most.

Craft Stall – 6th & 7th December

Our Craft Stall will be available after all Masses on the week-end of 6th and 7th December. You are warmly invited to stop by, enjoy the handmade items, and support the parish.

**SPECIAL BLESSING FOR CHILDREN BAPTISED IN 2025
SATURDAY THE 29TH OF NOVEMBER AT 2.00PM**

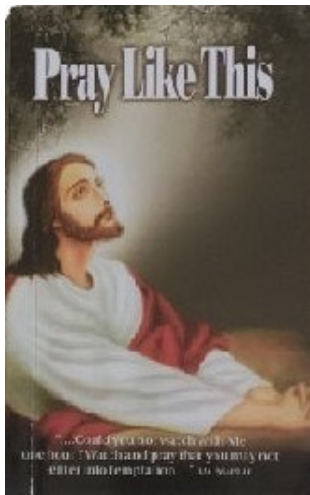
At the Community Centre followed by Afternoon Tea

**Let's keep
in touch**



Welcome

Please leave your name at the help desk



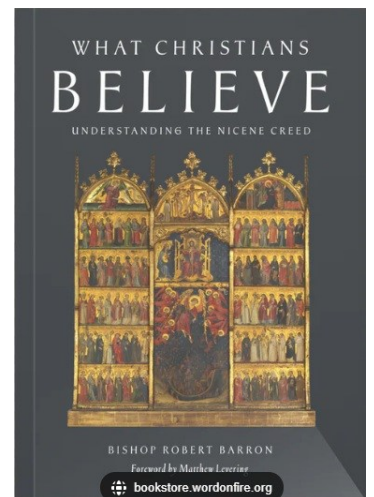
**The St. Simon's RCIA Ministry
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All proceeds support the ongoing work and formation of our RCIA Ministry.

Cost: \$10.00 per book

Samples are available to view at the Help Desk, and an order form is also provided if you wish to place an order.

Thank you for your support and for helping us continue this important ministry in our parish.



DIACONATE ORDINATION



The Missionaries of God's Love priests and brothers invite you to the diaconate ordination of

BR. LEANDER GONSALVES, MGL

SATURDAY| 29TH NOVEMBER| 11:00 AM

by Most Rev Thinh Nguyen

St. Benedict's Church, Warrigal Road,
Burwood 3125

Please bring a plate to share
RSVP - proleander3@gmail.com

[Livestream Link](#)



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**WOMEN'S
CROUP
CHRISTMAS
PARTY**

11 DEC 2025

IN THE PARISH CENTRE.
ENTRY IS \$10.00 -
THIS INCLUDES A ENTRY
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BYO FOOD AND DRINK.

SAVE THE DATE COMBINED PARISH CHRISTMAS CAROLS

SATURDAY 13TH OF DECEMBER 2025 AT 7.00PM

AT ST JUDE'S CHURCH, SCORESBY



Viv's RE Care —NEXT EVENT

WED, **19th November** from
11:30 am—2:30 pm
Theme: Normal—

FREE morning tea, lunch
and entertainment.

For more info. contact Brian
Crowley on 0429 090 770.
We look forward to seeing
you all soon!

Parish Website

Confirming that our new web address is
<https://www.melbcatholic/s/rowville>

We now have the ability to send weekly emails out to parishioners with our newsletters and any updates. If you would like to receive our weekly emails, please subscribe via the website. The link is on the bottom of the home page/ mass times and services/ parish bulletins(click on the blue box).

Thank you to all those who have already subscribed. If you need assistance with this, please get in touch with the Parish Office.

Parish Pot Luck Dinner – Friday 21st of November

All are warmly invited to join us for a Parish Pot Luck Dinner on Friday 21st of November, following our Adoration Mass.

This is a lovely opportunity to come together in fellowship, share a meal, and enjoy one another's company.

Please bring a plate of food to share—sweet or savoury—all contributions are most welcome.
We look forward to seeing you there!

Save the Dates – Upcoming Parish Events

Our Social and Fundraising Committee has been busy planning a wonderful calendar of events for our parish community. Please mark these dates in your diary – we would love your support and participation!

Dinner Dance – Saturday, 22nd November 2025

Parish Fete – 18th April 2026

Business Directory—if you own a business and would like to advertise in our Business Directory, please do pick a leaflet up from the Foyer.

These events are a wonderful opportunity to come together in faith, friendship, and fun while supporting our parish. More details will be shared closer to each date.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Sign up to be part of our Parish Family Christmas Eve Mass, at the Welcome Desk. Practices will take place at St Simon's Church at 2pm on 6 Dec, 20 Dec 2025

Recent Death: Arlene D'Cruz

Anniversary of Death: Neliya Kelaart, Chandrika Perera

Prayer for the Sick: Bill Leane, Yana Jong, Perry Law, Brooke Hiho, Bente Jobsz, Jenny Liston, Sam Russo, Jay Russel, Adrien Cerdor, Nigel Quadros, Anita Crowley, Gillian Elias, Lisette & Noah Vissenjou, Bernadette and Murray Ukena, Julie Hanman, Paul Dusdale, Flora Palleschi, Alex Zunica, Lisette Visenjoux, Ruevin Serrand, Elenor Augustus, Helen Mullins, Benedict Lim and Noelle Parsons.

Sacramental Registrations Now Open for 2026

Registrations are now open for all Sacraments for the year 2026.

While specific commencement dates are yet to be confirmed, we encourage families to submit their registrations early to ensure a place.

To register your child or to obtain further information, please contact the Parish Office on 03 9764 4058.

We look forward to accompanying our young parishioners and their families as they prepare to celebrate and receive these beautiful Sacraments.

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First Reading Malachi 3:19-20

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

Responsorial Psalm 97 Response: The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Second Reading—2 Thessalonians 3:7-12 You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone’s table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow. We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else’s. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

Gospel Acclamation : Alleluia, alleluia! Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia!

Gospel—Luke 21:5-19—When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, ‘All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.’ And they put to him this question: ‘Master,’ they said, ‘when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?’ ‘Take care not to be deceived,’ he said, ‘because many will come using my name and saying, “I am he” and, “The time is near at hand.” Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not soon.’ Then he said to them, ‘Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven. ‘But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name – and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.’

THIS WEEK’S PARISH DIARY—MASS SCHEDULE AND ONLY PARISH RUN MINISTRIES AND EVENTS.						
Mon 17th Nov	Tue 18th Nov	Wed 19th Nov	Thu 20thNov	Fri 21st Nov	Sat 22ndNov	Sun 23rd
Office Closed	9.15am Mass (Fr Jerald)	9.15am Mass (Communion Service)	9.15am Mass (Communion Service)	9.15am Mass– (Fr Jerald)	OFFICE CLOSED	OFFICE CLOSED
	2.00pm (Parish Centre) Craft /Shawl Group	11.00am (Parish Centre) Viv’s RE Care	5 .00pm (Parish Centre) Warriors	10.00am (Parish Cinema) Movie Morning	12.30—3.30 (Side Chapel) Chaldean Community Children’s Liturgy	9:00 am Mass (Fr Shane)
	7.30pm (Parish Centre) RCIA Meeting		5-9.00pm (Church) SSS Choir	3.00 pm (Parish Centre) Warriors Monthly Outreach	Reconciliation 5:30 pm	11:00 am Mass (Fr Steven)
			5pm Warriors Outreach	6.00pm (Parish Church) Adoration	6:00 pm Vigil Mass (Fr Shane) (Livestream)	2.00pm (Church) Chaldean Community
				7.00pm (Parish Centre) Potluck Dinner	7pm Dinner Dance	3.30-5pm (Parish Centre) Chaldean Community
				8pm (Church) 11am Choir Practice		5.00pm Youth Mass

NEXT WEEKEND— Duty Rosters: 22nd and 23rd of November - CHRIST THE KING — 2 Samuel 5: 1-3, Collossians 1: 12-20, Luke 23: 35-43

Mass Times	Saturday 22nd Nov 6.00pm		Sunday 23rd Nov 9.00am		Sunday 23rd 11.00am	Sunday 23rd Nov 5.00pm
Commentator	Jodie Marziano		Phil Mawdsley		Iidi Citler	Paige
Reader 1	Julie Faull		Janina Woronczak		Maria Pirotta	Claire
Reader 2	Anysia Thabesan		Paige Law		Jacqui Giuliano	Shanice
Welcome Desk	Malaika de Mel		Julie Ashman		Christina Liew	
Children’s Liturgy	Michelle and Ben M		Enakshi J and Volunteer		No Children’s Liturgy	
Flowers	Nilmini Fernando	Altar Society	Lidwin and Samuel Hudson	Church Cleaning	Sharon melder, Danusha Ladd and Asela Angamma	Thabesan Family