

SUNDAY MASS Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm Sunday 9 am, 11 am	The Sacrament of Reconciliation Is available 30 minutes before each Mass, between 9:30-10:30 am Saturday morning, or by appointment.	HOLY ROSARY Tuesday—Friday 8.30am St Joseph’s Church Wednesday 1pm St Joseph’s Parish Centre <i>15 Decade-Rosary</i> <i>Mary Untier of Knots</i>
WEEKDAY MASS Monday 9 am Tuesday 9 am Wednesday 9 am Thursday 9 am Friday 9 am Saturday 9 am	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
Swithin Lowe, Rosario Prado, Kathleen
Sadler, Maria Varone

Prayers for the Sick
Gre & Rie Aaldertsz, Marie-Claire Azie,
Lorraine Benjamin, David Chalton,
Margaret Callingham, Margot Coghlan,
Margaret-Rose Durston, Dennis
Gallagher, Brian Glewis, Brian Grace,
Helen Guest, Rick Hayes, Allison Joel, Siu
Kiang Lay, Noreen O'Brien, Christine
Riddle, Danielle Spencer, Mark Van
Staveren, Don Walker, Brian Wilson,
Vincent & family

Anniversaries
Dmitri Tretiakov, Arthur Waite

One year anniversary
Nola Finocchiaro



**12th May; The Ascension of the
Lord B**

1st R: Acts 1:1-11
2nd R: Eph 1:17-23
Gospel: Mark 16:15-20

19th May; Pentecost Sunday B

1st R: Gen 11:1-9
2nd R: Rom 8:22-27
Gospel: John 7:37-39

PARISH OF ST JOSEPH CHELSEA

ASCENSION SUNDAY

12 MAY 2024

It is fittingly appropriate that, on this Sunday when we recall our Lord's Ascension into heaven, as well as the secular celebration of Mothers' Day, we continue exploring the article teaching us about the diverse communities that make up the Catholic Church. After all, the Church is frequently called "Holy MOTHER Church" here on earth!

The Other 23 Catholic Churches (Rites) and Why They Exist
BY NICHOLAS LABANCA | 21 JAN, 2019 Full article accessed <https://media.ascensionpress.com/2019/01/21/the-other-23-catholic-churches-and-why-they-exist/>

Pope of the Universal Church—The high praise for the Eastern Catholic Churches (with which last week's article concluded) was continued in the documents of the Second Vatican Council, specifically in *Orientalium Ecclesiarum*, promulgated by Pope St. Paul VI in 1964 (emphases added): *"The Catholic Church holds in high esteem the institutions, liturgical rites, ecclesiastical traditions and the established standards of the Christian life of the Eastern Churches, for in them, distinguished as they are for their venerable antiquity, there remains conspicuous the tradition that has been handed down from the Apostles through the Fathers..."* *"The Holy Catholic Church, which is the Mystical Body of Christ, is made up of the faithful who are organically united in the Holy Spirit by the same faith, the same sacraments and the same government and who, combining together into various groups which are held together by a hierarchy, form separate Churches or Rites. Between these there exists an admirable bond of union, such that the variety within the Church in no way harms its unity; rather it manifests it, for it is the mind of the Catholic Church that each individual Church or Rite should retain its traditions whole and entire and likewise that it should adapt its way of life to the different needs of time and place. These individual Churches, whether of the East or the West, although they differ somewhat among themselves in... liturgy, ecclesiastical discipline, and spiritual heritage, are, nevertheless, each as much as the others, entrusted to the pastoral government of the Roman Pontiff, the divinely appointed successor of St. Peter in primacy over the universal Church."* OE 1-3

The Six Rites—We see here that the words "rite" and "Church" pop up quite a few times. What are the differences between these terms? The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) put it pretty succinctly in 1999: *"We have been accustomed to speaking of the Latin (Roman or Western) Rite or the Eastern Rites to designate these different Churches. However... we ought to speak, not of 'rites,' but of 'Churches.' Canon 112 of the Code of Canon Law uses the phrase 'autonomous ritual Churches' to designate the various Churches."* *Eastern Catholics in the United States*, 4

The 1990 Code of Canons of the Eastern Churches clearly defines the difference between "rite" and "church":
*"Canon 27 – A group of Christian faithful united by a hierarchy according to the norm of law which the supreme authority of the Church expressly or tacitly recognizes as sui iuris is called in this Code 'a Church sui iuris.' (the Latin 'sui iuris' means self-governing or autonomous).
"Canon 28 – A rite is the liturgical, theological, spiritual and disciplinary patrimony, culture and circumstances of history of a distinct people, by which its own manner of living the faith is manifested in each Church sui iuris."*

More to follow next week ...

Wishing all the Mums, Grand Mums and Great Grand Mums a very happy Mother's Day. The strength, inspiration and guidance of our Mothers is what holds us together. May our Mother Mary lead us and be our example.



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 11 MAY

4:30pm Junior Legion of Mary—Parish Centre. Enquiries—0403 095 627
6:00pm—Men's Choir



SUNDAY 12 MAY

Ascension Sunday
Mothers Day

MONDAY 13 MAY

9:00am Additional Mass—Our Lady of Fatima—St Joseph's Church
10:00am Divine Mercy PG—Parish Centre
12:30pm St Padre Pio PG—Parish Centre
7:30pm Men's Focus Group - Parish Centre

TUESDAY 14 MAY

10:00am Sacred Heart PG—Parish Centre
7:30pm KSC Branch meeting—PC

WEDNESDAY 15 MAY

12:30pm Longbeach Parishioners Lunch—The Cove Patterson Lakes
6:30pm Legion Of Mary Chelsea—PC

THURSDAY 16 MAY

Niamh's 17th Birthday
10:00am—Film and Light Lunch—PC
7:00pm Legion of Mary Bayside Curia—PC

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Pledge \$ 2,795
Weekly average \$ 2,729.41

Roof Repair/Replacement works have commenced in the Church and will continue for up to 6 weeks. We have communicated mass times/ church events to the contractors so as to limit disruptions to our worship. Many thanks to those who have so kindly donated for this essential work to our beautiful Church!! I have added a donation link to our website if you are able to assist:

<https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/donate?id=0012w00000LOj4VAAT&parish=chelsea>



Thank You

CatholicCare Victoria is deeply grateful for the support of our parish during last week's CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Because of the generosity of our parish community, CatholicCare Victoria can continue the mission; to create transformational personal impact, and empower every individual to reach their full potential and live life to the full. Thank you for helping those in need! For more information about CatholicCare Victoria, please visit: www.catholiccarevic.org.au



As requested by the Vicar General, Mass counts will be occurring to ensure pastoral planning can occur in the Archdiocese of Melbourne, as well as provide an accurate and up to date picture of numbers attending Mass. This year, the four weekends of **4-5 May, 11-12 May, 18-19 May and 25-26 May** have been selected for the count and our collectors will complete this during Mass over the month of May.



St Vincent de Paul Society

Vinnies are experiencing a higher demand of visits and are purchasing food every month, so would be very grateful for any extra grocery donations which can be left in the Vinnies bin in the Church Narthex. Thank you!



St Padre Pio Prayer Group

Please note that mass and meeting for the St Padre Pio PG will be at **12:30pm on Monday 13th May 2024**, rather than 11:30am.



The next **Longbeach Parishioner Luncheon** will be held at **12:30pm on Wednesday 15th May at the Cove Hotel Thompsons Rd Patterson Lakes**. For bookings call Patricia Adams 0448-866-020, Keith Reiter 0417-350-733, or leave a message on 9772-7292.

Mother's Day—Legion of Mary

At 9am and 11am Mass this Sunday 12/05, our Junior Legion of Mary children will be handing out Edel Quinn Prayer Cards and Mother's Day chocolates to all the Mum's at Mass. Edel's remarkable story is displayed in the Narthex for your information. A true disciple of Christ! More information on Edel at: <https://www.legionofmary.ie/causes/profile/edel-quinn>

QUARTERLY MEN'S HOUR

Saturday 18th May 7am
St Joseph's Parish Centre
QUARTERLY MEN'S BBQ BREAKFAST



Saturday 18th May 8am
St Joseph's Hall \$10
To Register for these events—please see folder in Church Narthex or contact Mike 0418 122 966 mikeshawau@gmail.com

St Joseph's Anima Group would like to invite you to attend a Catholic Women's League Retreat Day at St Peter's Catholic Church, 581 Toorak Road, Toorak on **Saturday 1st June, 9am to 12.15pm**. The retreat offers Holy Mass, Adoration, Confession, and an inspiring talk and a Q&A session led by Fr Trevor Tibbertsma. We intend to travel by train and walk to the Church (15-20 minutes), but if you are able to attend and carpool, please ring Daphne on 9772 6312. For further details on the Retreat, the link is: <https://www.cwlvicww.org.au/current->



Legion of Mary

The **Legion of Mary** invites parishioners to be part of a special prayer group. The Statue of our Lady of Fatima, the icon of our Lady of Perpetual Help and St John Vianney will be given to a host family each week to pray the Rosary. If you are interested in having the statue or icons in your home, please register your details in the Invitation forms located in the narthex and a member of the Legion of Mary will contact you.

St Joseph's Men's Choir are seeking new members!!!

2nd Saturday Vigil Mass of each Month The Men's Choir are seeking new members. It's a chance to actively participate in the celebration of the Mass using our gift of a deep male voice to uplift and inspire our Mass congregation. And it's good fun. No need to be a Michael Bubl  or Luciano Pavarotti. We value all talents and contributions. Come and experience the joy of singing in community, and the satisfaction of making a difference to our Vigil Mass. Your presence definitely will make a big difference!!



Please contact Mike Shaw
mikeshawau@gmail.com or 0418-122-966

KNIGHTS of the Southern Cross - Fr.

Robert McCulloch, a Columban missionary and a former St.Bedes student, will say Mass & give a talk on his work at St.Patrick's Church, Mentone at 7pm Monday 3rd June. Supper in the Community Centre will follow. All welcome to attend. Please rsvp for catering, johnberuldsen@gmail.com or 0429 693 030

St Joseph's Anima Group, Chelsea

Visit to Mornington Market

St Joseph's Anima Group, Chelsea, warmly invites you to a Bus Outing to the Mornington Markets on **Wednesday 22 May 2024. \$20 per person, payment is now due, and no later than Sunday 19 May after the 9am Mass on Sunday**, or ring Daphne on 9772 6312. Bus departs outside Woodbine Grove approx 9.30am, returning 3pm. BYO lunch, buy lunch at Mornington cafes, or if you wish to make a lunch reservation at the Grand Hotel, Mornington, pls ring Daphne.

