

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
WEEKDAY MASS Tuesday 9 am Wednesday 9 am Thursday 8:30am Friday 9 am Saturday 9 am	Eucharist Adoration Half an hour before each weekday Mass St Joseph's Church	Wednesday 1pm St Joseph's Parish Centre <i>15 Decade-Rosary</i> <i>Mary Untier of Knots</i> 

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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

Tony Murrell

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, Len Scott, Danielle Spencer, Toni (Marie) Wilton, Baby Area Maria (Cathy Meehan's Great Granddaughter)

Anniversaries

Father Patrick O'Gorman, Antonio Barbare, Peg Burns, Syd Gallagher, Margaret Gerlei, Tony Rozario



19th April; 3rd Sunday of Easter A

1st R: Acts 2:14, 22-33

2nd R: 1 Pet 1:17-21

Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

26th April; 4th Sunday of Easter A

Good Shepherd Sunday

1st R: Acts 2:14, 36-41

2nd R: 1 Pet 2:20-25

Gospel: John 10:1-10

PARISH OF ST JOSEPH CHELSEA

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

19TH APRIL 2026

Although a little bit early, next week is Anzac Day on Saturday, followed by Good Shepherd Sunday. Therefore over the next two weeks, we will mention both events in the bulletin.

Anzac Day, observed on April 25th, is one of Australia's most significant national occasions, representing a complex tapestry of remembrance, national identity, and reflection on the human cost of war. While it originated to honour the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps (ANZAC) who landed at Gallipoli in 1915, it has evolved into a day to commemorate all Australians who have served and died in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations.



Thousands of people in both our great countries will gather to remember and commemorate those who have served and died in our armed forces. Friends and strangers will huddle in the cold pre-dawn light at local memorials; others will watch a march along a roadside or attend their local RSL.

"We will remember them" will echo wherever we are.

"ANZAC day though, is not merely about loss. It is about courage, and endurance, and duty, and love of country, and mateship, and good humour and the survival of a sense of self-worth and decency in the face of dreadful odds" (25 April 1999 Sir William Deane – Governor General).

In remembering the suffering and pain of the ANZACs, we should commit ourselves to a more just and peaceful society, one in which Jesus is always prominent. May this ANZAC day be a chance for us to share our story – that in following Christ, we find our identity, not in weapons and war but in peace, and God's grace and faithfulness.

As part of **World Day of Prayer for Vocations—Good Shepherd Sunday**—the Serra group will be hosting refreshments after 11am Mass on Sunday 26th April 2026. Additionally, all 9am Masses on Saturday mornings in May will be offered for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life at St Joseph's Chelsea.



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

MONDAY 20 APRIL

School Term 2 commences
10:00am Divine Mercy PG—PC

TUESDAY 21 APRIL

10:00am Sacred Heart Prayer Group—PC

WEDNESDAY 22 APRIL

1:00pm 15 Decade Rosary—PC
6:30pm Legion of Mary—PC

THURSDAY 23 APRIL

8:30am MASS—starting half an hour early due to Father attending Clergy Conference—Church
2:00pm Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible—Parish Centre



ST JOSEPH'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Pledge \$ 2,528
Weekly average \$ 2,270.68



Parish Amalgamation

Following Bishop Tony Ireland's visit in 2024, one of the things he directed your parish priest to do was to run a series of talks, informing the parishioners of St Joseph's about the amalgamation of parishes occurring within the Archdiocese of Melbourne. This is important information that all active parishioners of St Joseph's need to know about. With the invaluable help of the Parish Pastoral Council, there will be two sessions, run from **12pm Sunday 17th of May**, and **7pm Thursday 21st May**. Each session should only take around one hour. There will be sign-up sheets available up the back of the Church from this weekend for parishioners to indicate which session they will be attending. I would encourage everyone to attend: this is part of the consultation process deciding the future of St Joseph's parish. Fr Kevin Williams



**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

THANK YOU!

Caritas Australia sincerely thanks you for your generous support of Project Compassion this Lent. If you still have your Project Compassion box or donation envelope at home, please return it next week at Mass. Every contribution, no matter the size, helps to bring hope and opportunity to people experiencing poverty and injustice.



2026 Easter Candle

Please consider if you can make a donation towards our 2026 Paschal Candle. Every bit helps!! Thank you and God Bless!



The Junior Legion of Mary group is currently on a break for the school holidays and will resume on Saturday 2nd May 2026 at 4:30pm in the Parish Centre

St Joseph's Junior Choir will recommence on Thursday 7th May 2026. Meet Thursday's 4:30pm in St Josephs Church. All school children from Prep to Year 12 are more than welcome!!!



The Divine Mercy Prayer Group wishes to pass on their thanks to all who attended a very spiritual and moving event on Divine Mercy Sunday last week. God Bless you!



St Vincent de Paul Society

Donations to Vinnies are gratefully accepted in the Blue Vinnie's Bin in the narthex.
Week 4 Washing powder, dishwashing liquid, household cleaning items etc
Thank you for your continued support for the St Vincent De Paul Society!

Mark this Date!

*Jubilee Year of St Francis
Anima Pilgrimage to
St Francis' Church*



**Thursday, 28 May 2026
Attend Mass at St Francis' Church
NO COST**

**Travel by Train
just bring your MYKI card
leave 10am Chelsea Station
BYO Lunch or buy in the City**

Clipboard will be available later to take names of those attending

For all enquiries, please ring Daphne Kelly 0439 006 494

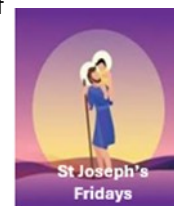
Are you looking for a place to go on Friday night, find parish friends and some faith formation?

ST JOSEPH'S FRIDAYS - 8/05/2026 is the next gathering!

Every second and fourth Friday 7.30-9.30pm St Joseph's Parish Centre Enter from Argyle Avenue

Open to parents looking for some time out, parishioners and friends of any age, come along for some quality time away from the daily rush!

Info and registrations
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ANZAC DAY

**Saturday 25th
April 2026
Longbeach Chelsea
RSL**



Dawn Service at 6:00 am at the Cenotaph in front of the Chelsea Town Hall. This will take approximately 45 Minutes.

This will be followed by a breakfast inside the Hall for a gold coin donation to assist with our extensive Welfare Services.

At 9:30 the ANZAC Day march will commence at the corner of Sherwood Avenue and Station Street led by the Frankston RSL Pipes and Drums Band and proceed to the Cenotaph where a wreath laying ceremony will take place with traditional Anzac Service. Please note that the parade route will be closed to vehicular traffic from 9:00 am until after the parade. Station Street opposite the Town Hall will also be closed to traffic during the Dawn Service and the later morning service. Traffic management will be coordinated by Chelsea Police, Chelsea SES, and local Fire Brigade personnel.

Next Sunday, 26th April, we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday - the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

During this coming week, perhaps you may like to make a prayer each day for more vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. Perhaps there is a young person you may know to pray for by name this week.

Saturday 25th April 2026 from midday and Sunday 26th April 2026 from 2:30pm

The Polish Catholic community warmly invites the faithful of the Archdiocese of Melbourne to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the dedication of the Divine Mercy Shrine. The Shrine was dedicated on 22 April 2006 by Archbishop Denis Hart and established as Australia's first Divine Mercy sanctuary. Inspired by the message entrusted to St. Faustina Kowalska and promoted by St John Paul II, the shrine has become a place of prayer and pilgrimage for people from across Australia and overseas. **Divine Mercy Shrine—337 Greens Road Keysborough Enq: 03 9701 6071**