

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 15 Decade-Rosary Mary Untier of Knots
WEEKDAY MASS Monday (Springvale) 9:30 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*

Recently Deceased
Patricia Menon, Sister Metchilde

Prayers for the Sick
Baby Ellie Joy, Marie-Claire Azie,
Lorraine Benjamin,
David Chalton, Margot Coghlan,
Margaret-Rose Durston, Dennis
Gallagher, Helen Guest, Rick Hayes,
Allison Joel, Siu Kiang Lay, Christina
Morianos, Noreen O'Brien, Christine
Riddle, Danielle Spencer, Mark Van
Staveren, Vincent & family

Anniversaries
Robert Bant, Violet Brooks, Victoria
Correya, Agnes Curry, Yesdi Wadi



**28th April; Fifth Sunday of
Easter B**

1st R: Acts 9:26-31
2nd R: 1 Jn 3:18-24
Gospel: John 15:1-8

**5th May; Sixth Sunday of
Easter B**

1st R: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
2nd R: 1 Jn 4:7-10
Gospel: John 15:9-17

PARISH OF ST JOSEPH CHELSEA

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

28 APRIL 2024

Last week, a lot of parishioners were asking me if the Assyrian Bishop and Priest who were attacked in NSW belong to the same religion as we do. Through these questions, I learnt that many parishioners do not understand that the Catholic Church on earth is made up of six different liturgical traditions (called "Rites") shared between 24 unique autonomous Church communities ... of which the Latin Rite (to which St Joseph's belongs) is one. So over the next few weeks, it is my intention to publish in the bulletin an article explaining how all these different Church traditions build up and manifest the Body of Christ 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/>

Over the past several years, people have become more and more aware of how diverse the Western world has become. Talk of "diversity" often pops up in the workplace and elsewhere. Diversity applies not only to culture though, but religion as well. Catholics could easily mention recent efforts in ecumenism when the subject of diversity comes up. But let's focus on something else for a moment, something that's been right under our noses. If you are reading this, chances are that you are a Roman Catholic. Or, to put it more officially, you are a Catholic of the Roman Rite within the Latin Catholic Church. Sounds a little confusing, doesn't it? Why bother providing such a long description for persons we typically call "Roman Catholic"? That's because not every Catholic is Latin. Throughout history, and even still today, people have displayed confusion regarding those that we refer to as "Eastern Catholics." When people are unfamiliar with something, they tend to look at that particular thing askance. But once we get the real story and can appreciate the beautiful patrimony and treasure of the Eastern Catholic Churches, you'll find one doesn't have to be "Latin" to be Catholic. Let's now take the opportunity to discover how the Catholic Church is truly one of the most diverse institutions on the face of the Earth!

A Rich Patrimony

First, we have the Catholic Church. No prefixes. No other labels. We just have the Catholic Church. Or, if one really wants to, we can refer to the Universal (Catholic) Church (because the word "Catholic" means "universal"). Second, the Catholic Church is comprised of six different liturgical rites, and within those rites, there are 24 particular Churches. These 24 *sui iuris* (autonomous or self-governing) Churches are all in communion with one another, are all within the Catholic Church, and all recognize the primacy of the pope. The Latin Catholic Church is the largest of these 24 Churches. It is the only Western Church. The other 23 Catholic Churches are all referred to as Eastern Churches and have their own traditions and forms of liturgy, yet retain the same basic liturgical structures and theology as seen in the West. Usually in places like the media, the entire Catholic Church is commonly referred to as the Roman Catholic Church. This term doesn't show the full universality of the Church. Many popes over the last few hundred years have sought to safeguard the importance of the Eastern Churches. It's interesting to think about how much time we seem to spend in ecumenism between other non-Catholic Christians, yet we overlook that we have Eastern Catholic brethren with a rich patrimony we all should be aware of. More next week.....



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 27 APRIL

4:30pm Junior Legion of Mary—Parish Centre. Enquiries—0403 095 627

SUNDAY 28 APRIL

Altar Society Collection

MONDAY 29 APRIL

10:00 Divine Mercy PG—Parish Centre
7:30pm Men's Focus Group—Parish Centre

TUESDAY 30 APRIL

Parish Office Open
10:00am Sacred Heart PG—Parish Centre

WEDNESDAY 1 MAY

Parish Office Closed
6:30pm Legion Of Mary Chelsea—PC

THURSDAY 2 MAY

Parish Office Open

FRIDAY 3 MAY

Parish Office Closed

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Pledge \$ 2,787
Weekly average \$ 2,762.52



Next weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal (previously held during the month of August). As the Catholic Church's mission in action, CatholicCare Victoria delivers programs and services to support families, children, young people and individuals to help them reach their full potential. Donations from our parish community help CatholicCare Victoria support the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community. Please donate to the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Your support and generosity will help provide caring and compassionate support for struggling individuals and families in our community. You can donate using the appeal envelope available in our parish, donate online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.



Our 100 Year commemoration of St Joseph's School will be celebrated on Sunday 28th July with Mass at 11am and activities from 12.00-4.00pm. More details to come!!!!



St Anthony's Noble Park will be running a menAlive Weekend on Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th May.

The Weekend provides a fantastic down-to-earth opportunity to take time out to reflect on our lives. It is an opportunity to re-discover God's purpose for each of us. The experience of men gathering together at a menAlive Weekend is dynamic and powerful. **For more info, please contact Glen D'Cunha** on 0422-892-541 or glen.dcunha@hotmail.com or **John Segedin** on 0414-244-111 or segedinsplus@hotmail.com

Please note that **registration completion is required by Saturday 18th May 2024**. Bring a relative or mate along, non-Catholics are welcome.

Maree will be on Annual Leave from 29/04 returning on Tuesday 07/05. Vanessa will be ably holding the fort while I'm away—and will be in the office on Tuesday 30/04 and Thursday 02/05. The Office will be closed on Wednesday and Friday of that week.



The June edition of the Word Among Us has arrived and is ready for collection in the Narthex for those whom subscribe.

Serra Club Melbourne is dedicating each Saturday morning Mass for Vocations for the month of May. We warmly welcome new members. Our monthly meeting is at St Catherine's Church, Moorabbin, every 4th Wednesday of the month from 6:15pm.

For more info visit: www.scanzspac.org

The Men's Focus Group meet every fortnight -



next meeting will be **Monday 29th April at 7:30pm** - at the parish centre. All men are welcome to join us as we read the gospel reading for the day, share our reflections on this, and how we can use God's words and deeds in our own lives. Contact Neville on 0469 341 463

St Vincent de Paul Society

Vinnies are experiencing a higher demand of visits and we 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 and God Bless.



The *Altar Society collection*, usually taken up on the last Sunday of each Month, provides for flowers, altar linens, vestments, church cleaning, altar bread and wine, candles etc for the celebration of Mass.



On the 24th of December 2024, the Holy Door of St Peter's Basilica in Rome will open, commencing the Jubilee year. Pope Francis invites us into a Year of Prayer throughout 2024, reflecting on the Jubilee's theme—Pilgrims of Hope.



I have attached a link to the Parish Website with a useful guide to the Year of Prayer:

<https://cam-parishwebfiles-public.s3.amazonaws.com/0012w0000LOj4VAAT/Year-of-Prayer-2024-2597.pdf>

St Joseph's Anima Group, Chelsea Visit to Mornington Market

BOOKINGS ARE NOW OPEN for St Joseph's Anima Group Bus Outing to the **Mornington Market**, Main Street, Mornington on **Wednesday 22 May 2024**. **Cost per person \$20**.

Bus departs approximately 9.30am from Woodbine Grove, Chelsea, outside the School Gates. We will return at 3pm. BYO lunch, or buy lunch at Mornington cafés. If you wish to make a lunch booking at the Grand Hotel, Mornington for 12.30pm, please contact Daphne on 9772 6312, or email daphnekelly@bigpond.com. Clipboard for bookings in Church narthex.

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