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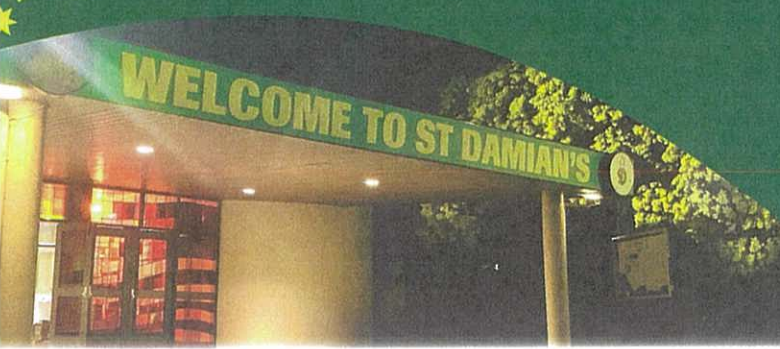
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WEEKENDS

Saturday Evening: 5.30pm

Sunday Morning: 8am & 10am

WEEKDAYS

Monday: no Mass

Tuesday: 9.15am

Wednesday: 9.15am

Thursday: 9.15am

Friday: 9.15am

First Saturday: 9.15am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5pm and during monthly Holy Hour

BAPTISMS

1st & 3rd Sunday at 11.30am after Mass.

Preparation 1st Wednesday each month at

5.30pm in the Dunlop Room. Parents should

contact the Parish Office to make necessary

arrangements. One month notice is required.

ST. DAMIAN'S SCHOOL

Principal: Mrs Rosanna Piccolo

Telephone: 9467 8566

Email: principal@sdbundoora.catholic.edu.au

HOLY HOUR

One hour of Novena, Confession and

Benediction after morning Mass on the first
Friday of the Month.

MARRIAGES

Those intending to marry at St. Damian's

should arrange to meet the Parish Priest

at least 6 months in advance of the

proposed date.

St. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

All enquiries: 1300 305 330

32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 10th November 2024

THIS WEEKEND

1Kg 17:10-16;

Heb 9:24-28;

Mk 12:38-44.

NEXT WEEK

Dan 12:1-3

Heb 10:11--14, 18

Mk 13:24-32

FEAST DAYS DURING THE WEEK

Mon 11th Nov: St Martin of Tours

Tue 12th Nov: St Josaphat

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia!

PSALM

Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed.

It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free.

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down.

It is the Lord who loves the just, the Lord, who protects the stranger.

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan but thwarts the path of the wicked.

The Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age.

Praise the Lord, my soul!

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: Andrea Faustina, Olga Martini, Vittorio Gizzi, Irma Gizzi, Luigi Vigilante, Milka Rukavina, Maria Arimbasic

Sick: Judy Cousins, Jon Walker,

CHURCH PRIVACY POLICY: In 2001, the Commonwealth and Victorian Governments introduced legislation that deals with the manner in which public and private sector organisations may record, use, store and disclose information, including health, collected from individuals. The Catholic Parish of St. Damian's Bundoora is committed to upholding the Privacy principles set out in the legislation.

Safeguarding of children and vulnerable young people

As required by law, we as the Church and Parishes have a moral, legal and ethical responsibility to care for, and promote the wellbeing of children and young people, and protect them from harm or abuse. Therefore while in church or on parish grounds: **Please ensure you know exactly where your child is if they're not beside you. *Please accompany your child (16 years and younger) if they need to leave the church for any reason (eg: going to toilet or car, etc...)*

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we stand, the WURRUNDJERI People. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently and respectfully upon the land.



Reflection for the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year B

The readings for the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B, centre around themes of trust, generosity, and the call to give wholeheartedly to God.

In the first reading from 1 Kings, we meet a widow who, despite her poverty, offers her last meal to the prophet Elijah. Her willingness to give everything she has - even when she has so little - demonstrates profound faith in God's promise to provide. Her trust is rewarded, as God ensures her flour and oil never run out. This story shows us that true generosity often comes from those who have the least, yet who believe deeply in God's providence.

Psalm 145 celebrates God's care and faithfulness, especially toward those who depend on Him. The psalmist reminds us that God lifts up those who are bowed down and sustains those who place their hope in Him. This echoes the widow's experience, showing that God does not abandon those who give with a trusting heart.

In the Gospel, Jesus contrasts the pride of the scribes, who seek honour and recognition, with the humility of a poor widow who gives two small coins - all she must live on. Her offering, though small, is an act of total surrender and devotion. Jesus sees the value of her sacrifice, reminding us that God values the heart behind the gift more than the gift itself.

Lastly, the letter to the Hebrews points to the ultimate example of self-giving: Jesus Himself. Unlike the temple sacrifices that had to be repeated, Christ's sacrifice on the cross is once and for all, offering us eternal redemption. His selflessness calls us to give ourselves fully to God, just as He gave Himself for us.

These readings invite us to consider how we give to God and to others. Do we give from our surplus, or do we give in a way that truly reflects our faith and trust? God looks at the heart, valuing the love and sincerity behind our actions. Like the widows in today's readings, may we be inspired to live with a spirit of generosity, placing our trust in God's faithful provision. Amen!

Fr Joe Dong Tran P.P

Roster: 16th & 17th November 2024

Mass Time	Reader / Responder	Eucharist / Welcome	Piety	Counters	Readers & Eucharistic Welcomers
5.30pm	P. Bezzina P. Cosgrove	D. Whyley E. Taylor J. Mercado	P. Cosgrove	B. Keating T. Garcia	Please gather together in the Church about 5 minutes before Mass. Eucharistic Ministers Please remember you are also welcoming parishioners & visitors & handing out the newsletter.
8.00am	V. Della- Vecchia O. Carvalho	A. Della- Vecchia C. Love C. Fitzgerald	C. Love	Supervisor	
10.00am	K. Mangubat Sr S Barker	P. Del Popolo L. Careri N. Cardamone	J. Venturini	D. Mash 	

PRESENTATION OF FIRST EUCHARIST

STUDENTS

Saturday 9th/ Sunday 10th November 2024

Parishioners:

We, the Parishioners of St. Damian's, pray for these children as they prepare to receive your wonderful gift of the Eucharist. We pray, that through our coming to your table each week, we may be good examples to them in the way we live our lives. We ask you to bless these children as they continue on their faith journey.
Amen.

COMBINED CATHOLIC RAFFLE
RETURNING TICKETS



Thank you to everyone who has purchased raffle tickets this year.

If you have any raffle tickets still at home can you please return to the Parish Office ASAP or phone 9467 2797.

Good Luck Everyone.

Ladies' Lunch.

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The last lunch for the year will be on Tuesday, 19th November.

All ladies welcome to join us at Watsonia RSL at 12 o'clock.

Please contact Sarita on 9467 2531 or 0434 581 948 to book or for any information.

ST DAMIAN'S PARISH

SAVE THE DATE



Thursday 28th November

Thursday 5th & 12th December.

@ 7.30pm-9.00pm in Dunlop Room.

ADVENT: SEASON OF HOPE & EXPECTATION

Friday 6th December Volunteer. Mass at

7.00pm & followed by Supper in the Hall.

Please RSVP the Parish Office, if you can attend on: 9467 2797.

The Piety Shop

The 2025 Columban Calendar is now available @ \$11.00 the calendar would make an excellent gift for family and friends, it also helps to support the Columban Missionaries.

ST DAMIAN'S PARISH

2025 ADVENT & CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



@. ADVENT: SEASON OF HOPE & EXPECTATION

THURSDAYS: 28th November 5th & 12th December

Time: 7:30pm - 9:00pm

Venue: Dunlop Room, St Damian's Parish

Facilitator: Sr. Sue Barker sgs

@. THANKSGIVING MASS FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

Friday 6th December at 7:00pm & followed by Supper in the hall.

@. SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Friday 13th December at 7pm: 1st & 3rd Rites

@. ANNOINTING MASS FOR ALL

**@. Wednesday 18th December at 9.15am,
followed by morning tea.**

@. CHRISTMAS PREPARATION WORKING BEES

Saturday, 21st December at 8:30 -11:30am

@. CHRISTMAS CAROLS SERVICE IN THE CHURCH

Saturday 21st December @ 7:30pm to 8.30pm

@. 24TH DECEMBER: TUESDAY, CHRISTMAS EVE

7.00pm Christmas Carols

7.30pm Family Mass

9:30pm Christmas Carols

10:00pm Christmas Eve Mass

@. 25TH DECEMBER: WEDNESDAY, CHRISTMAS DAY

8:00am & 10:00am - Christmas Masses

@. SATURDAY 28TH DECEMBER

Feast of The Holy Family at 5.30pm Vigil Mass

@. SUNDAY 29TH DECEMBER

Feast of the Holy Family, 8.00am & 10.00am Masses

(During January normal weekday and weekend

St Damian's Parish Prayer

Lord, our God, your parish family thanks you for the faith we all share.

Make us a people who care for one another and may we have a genuine concern for the wider community.

*Help our parents to give good example;
Give our children the grace of love and respect.
Fill our youth with wisdom, hope and vision;
Their Leadership is the future of our Church and our Nation.
To our sick—grant health;
To those of advancing years—serenity;
And to those in sorrow—your peace and joy.*

*Lord, our God, deepen our love and strengthen our faith.
Jesus, nourish us with your Word and Eucharist.
Holy Spirit, direct us in all we do and help us to say always:*

"Lord, it is good for us to be here."

This is our home, be with us as we continue to build your kingdom on earth.

St Damian Pray for us

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