

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
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	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
Jim Bradbridge, Jean Lamby, John Leonard, Julie McLeod, Anthony Shaw

Prayers for the Sick
Lina Blake, Bishop Terry Curtin, Henfi Chun, Dennis Gallagher, Rick Hayes, Jessie Jackson, Pam Jansz, Sheila Joseph, Juliette Ronald, Danielle Spencer, Brian Wilson, Toni (Marie) Wilton, Baby Area Maria (Cathy Meehan's Great Granddaughter)

Anniversaries
Molly D'Souza, Dolores Grant, Bruce, Margaret and Robbie Kyberd, John Patterson, Podgey Pereira, Donny Perry, Graeme Riddle, Kim Troy

Special Intentions
Birthday Blessings for Niamh Dalton



11th May; 4th Sunday of Easter C
1st R: Acts 13:14, 43-52
2nd R: Rev 7:9, 14-17
Gospel: John 10:27-30

18th May; 5th Sunday of Easter C
1st R: Acts 14:21-27
2nd R: Rev 21:1-5
Gospel: John 13:31-35

PARISH OF ST JOSEPH CHELSEA

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER—GOOD SHEPARD SUNDAY 11TH MAY 2025

Mother's Day & World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Today is Mother's Day, as well as Good Shepherd Sunday and World Day of Prayer for Vocations. What is a vocation? It is a calling from God for how we are to give of ourselves and grow in holiness. This most commonly refers to a permanent state in life – a life-long commitment such as marriage, the priesthood, or religious life. We can also speak of a vocation as a call to a particular work that brings value to humanity, serves others, and helps us to grow in holiness. And for those who remain single, it means that they retain a radical openness to God's will – to how God is calling them to make a gift of their lives for others.

How do we discover our vocations? Pope Francis says that "Vocations aren't the result of planning, but an encounter with God that changes your life." This encounter with Jesus, the Good Shepherd, directs us with confidence on the path that God wishes for us to grow in holiness. As Jesus says in today's Gospel, "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me" (Jn 10:27).

Next week (18th May) will be the anniversary of the birth of St. John Paul II, who was Pope from 1978-2005. St. John Paul II said that his "preparation for the priesthood in the seminary was in a certain sense preceded by the preparation I received in my family, thanks to the life and example of my parents." In fact, in 2020, the Church opened the beatification process for his parents, who are now on the way to being declared saints in their own right.

Mother's Day

Like John Paul II, each of us has a mother. Whether we have mothers who are truly saints, like John Paul II's mother, or have mothers who are saints in the making, we love our mothers dearly, first and foremost because our mother gave us the gift of life. As JP II said: "The history of every human being passes through the threshold of a woman's motherhood" (*Mulieris Dignitatem*, 19).

And what young people can learn from the example of mothers is that God is calling us not to perfectionism, to a rigid following of rules and commandments, but to be perfected through giving of ourselves out of love – becoming more Christ-like. We don't do this alone, but through our friendship with Christ the Good Shepherd.

Full article found: <https://fatherzack.com/ff/mothers-day-world-day-of-prayer-for-vocations>



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.

Wishing all the Mums, Grandmothers, Aunts, Great Grandmothers and Mother figures a very happy Mother's Day! May our mother Mary's example of love, faith and compassion guide us all!



PARISH CALENDAR

SATURDAY 10 MAY

8:30am Divine Mercy Chaplet—Church
4:30pm Junior Legion of Mary—PC
6:00pm Men's Choir at Mass—Church

SUNDAY 11 MAY

Mother's Day
Pregnancy Action Frankston Mother's Day Appeal
3:00pm Holy Hour—St Joseph's Church

MONDAY 12 MAY

10:00am Divine Mercy PG—Parish Centre

TUESDAY 13 MAY

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

WEDNESDAY 14 MAY

10:00am Care and Concern meeting—Parish Centre
1:00pm—15 Decade Rosary Mary Untier of Knots—Parish Centre
6:30pm Legion of Mary Chelsea—PC

THURSDAY 15 MAY

Parish Office Closed
10:00am Film and Light Lunch—PC

FRIDAY 16 MAY

Niamh's 18th Birthday!!!!



ST JOSEPH'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Pledge \$ 2,718
Weekly average \$ 2,817.31

St Vincent de Paul Society

Donations to Vinnies are gratefully accepted in the Blue Vinnie's Bin in the narthex.

Week 1 Breakfast Cereal, Longlife Milk, Jams, Vegemite etc

The members of our **Junior Legion of Mary** will be taking up the offertory gifts at 11am Mass on Sunday and will be handing out chocolates after the Mass for Mother's Day!!



CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

Thank you from CatholicCare Victoria. CatholicCare Victoria is deeply grateful for the support of our parish during last week's CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. The generosity of our parish community means that 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

PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE FRANKSTON INC

The only Pro-Life Centre in the South-Eastern suburbs & Mornington Peninsula.

Run entirely by volunteers, No government funding. Everything supplied via donations. Supported by the Archdiocese of Melbourne Can you help?

Please donate to our Mother's Day Parish Collection on 11th May or Join our 100From1000 club (where you pledge to donate \$100 every year, see website) or Become a Benefactor or Volunteer at the centre. Call the centre on 9770 6226 or drop in to 14 Young St Frankston. Everyone welcome.

Check out our website at: <https://www.pregnancyassistancefrankston.org.au/>

Holy Hour

St Joseph's Church
3pm on Good Shepherd Sunday
11th May 2025



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Catholic Vocations

Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Pope Francis told us: *There can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for the Lord! I would like to say this especially to you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him.*

Let us pray for the young people in our community, and in our families and circle of friends. May our prayers help them to be open to the Lord's call to consecrated life or priesthood.

Parishioners Luncheon Wednesday 21st May

The Cove Hotel arrival 12 for lunch at 12:30. Contacts for bookings Pat Adams 0447-866-020 or Keith Reiter 0417-350-733, alternatively leave a message on 9772-7292.

Film and Light Lunch

St Joseph's Parish Centre
10:00am Thursday 15th May
All Welcome!
Please bring a plate to share.



A Big Thank You from the Divine Mercy Prayer Group for all the help and donations, and for those who attended St Joseph's Church for the celebration of the feast of Divine Mercy. Thank to Father Shane Reade, who delivered a wonderful Homily. Thank you to Father Kevin Williams for allowing us to utilise the Church and for his blessings. And thanks for all who helped on the day! God Bless from the Divine Mercy Prayer Group

Cathy Meehan wishes to pass on her thanks to all for their support, thoughts and prayers on the passing of her son Kevin. God Bless.

Thanks for your kindness

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday 15th May, as Father Kevin and Maree are required to attend a Forum at CAM. Thank you



ST JOSEPH'S PARISH RETREAT

"WE CAME TO KNOW LOVE"

Led by Fr John O'Connor (New Zealand)



Friday 30 May 7.30pm - 9pm
Saturday 31 May 10am - 5pm
Sunday 1 June 9.30am - 3pm
St Joseph's Parish Hall
362 Station Street, Chelsea
(enter from Woodbine Grove)

Registrations / Info : Raffy 0424 325005 raffymazzeo@gmail.com
by 15May - \$25 per adult \$10 per child
Includes Saturday and Sunday lunch

Friendly Reminder!

Anima Trip to Government House departs by bus 8.30am Monday 12 May, outside Gate 6, St Joseph's School, Woodbine Grove. Please remember BYO lunch and Photo ID. All enquiries: Daphne (9772 6312) or 0439 006 494



Men's Hour and Men's BBQ Breakfast due to occur on the 17th of May have been deferred. Rescheduled date and time will be advised in due course.



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 6:10pm. For more info visit: www.scanzspac.org