



Holy Family
St. Joachim's
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COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED - YEAR C

REFLECTION FOR THIS WEEK

On the Feast of All Souls, we pray for the souls of all those who have died. There are many choices of readings for this day, all focusing on our belief in the resurrection of the dead and Jesus' promise of eternal life. The Gospel story of the raising of Lazarus offers us many important insights about this aspect of our faith.

Jesus was good friends with Lazarus and his sisters, Martha and Mary. Lazarus had fallen ill, and Martha and Mary had sent word to Jesus. Jesus delays his journey to them, however, and when he arrives in Bethany, he finds that Lazarus is dead and has been buried for four days.

The scene described at Bethany is a sad one; Lazarus and his family have many friends who have come to mourn his death. Martha goes out to meet Jesus when he arrives. She cries with him, saying that if Jesus had been there, Lazarus would not have died. Yet she remains confident that God will do whatever Jesus asks. Jesus consoles her with the promise that Lazarus would rise from the dead. Martha affirms her belief that there will be resurrection of the dead in the last days. Jesus promises her even more; he says that he himself is the Resurrection and the life for all those who believe in him. Martha professes her faith in this, acknowledging that Jesus is Christ, the Son of God.

This is the profession of faith we continue to make, and it is the promise on which we base our hope for eternal life for ourselves and for all those who have died. In his death and Resurrection, Jesus has conquered death for all those who believe in him.



We believe that we continue to share a relationship with those who have died. When we pray for the souls of the faithful departed, we are praying for those whose souls are journeying through purgatory, being prepared for eternal life in heaven. We believe that our prayers for them will help to speed their journey to eternal life with God in heaven.

St. Gertrude's Prayer

*Eternal Father,
I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of
Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the
Masses said throughout the world today,
for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for
sinners every where, for sinners in the
universal church, those in my own home
and within my family.
Amen.*

We are very grateful to all the parishioners for your continued support and donations.

THANKSGIVING OPTIONS

If you are able to send your thanksgiving offerings via direct debit to:
St. Annes Church (CDF)

BSB Number: 083 347, Account No: 64340 4615.

As reference please include your Thanksgiving Number if you have one and/or your full name.

Online direct contributions, either one-off or recurring, can be made through the QR code Or the below link

<https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/donate?id=0012w00000LOj6iAAD>

Thanksgiving collection for the Weekend 26/10/2025 \$ 2959.00



Scan this code with your smart phone camera APP & please follow the prompts.

“Child Safety is Everyone’s Responsibility”

Welcome to St Anne’s Parish, where we foster the well being and safety of all children and adults at risk. Since we take the safety of our young and vulnerable parishioners seriously, we have a zero tolerance policy when it comes to abuse. All our parishioners have the right to feel safe and welcome. If you have any concerns, Please contact the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

Please pray for the sick and suffering of our parish especially **Alexander, Felipe, Anne, Chelsea Borg, Ida Perry, Stanley Fernandez, Constance Anderson, Jean McGregor, Jacqueline Ware, Allyson Joel, Roman Rzepka, Teresa Gorska, Frank Bartosy, Siyumi, Conrad Bouchereau, Eliza Wilmot, John McCready, Yeng Omo, Myra Buyco, Ron Parton, Patricia Upton, Dorothy Allan, Alex, Barbara Bennett.** We pray for all those whose anniversaries & remembrances occur at this time especially **Roman Rzepka, Teresa Gorska, Derek Fernandez, Soledad Gonzalez, Alberto Navarro, Juan Besas Jr, Francisco, Aida, Anthony, Marie Ribeiro, Margaret Levangie** , and for all those who have died recently deceased **Nancy Etheve, Dianne Pool, Fr Barry Michael Moran, Fr Peter Laurence O’Rourke . Rest in Peace.**



Australian Catholic Youth Festival

The Archdiocese of Melbourne is eagerly anticipating welcoming young people from various dioceses, schools, parishes, communities and groups to the Festival later this year. Preparations have been underway for many months; however, at this critical juncture, with six months until the Festival, I wish to provide a summary of some of this work, and importantly – some key announcements we are able to share regarding registration, programming and speakers.



Registration I am delighted to announce that as of today – registrations for the Festival are officially open! Significant registration information, including pricing, methods of payment, terms and conditions and group types can be found via the Registration page of the ACYF website: www.acyf.org.au/registration. Group and individual registrations will be open until 30 October 2025.

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEKEND **8th & 9th November**

6:00pm Vigil Mass

Readers: Bezlin. M / Nikita. F

Eucharistic Minister: Ignatius / Kerry

Altar Servers: Luke, Rhys, Issac

8:30am Mass

Readers: Christina. O / Lily. D

Eucharistic Minister: Timothy / Christina

Altar Servers: Fina, Jeanne, Johan

10:00am Mass

Readers: Sandra. P / Varuna. A

Eucharistic Minister: Grace / Jerome

Altar Servers: Shenoli, Emily, Victoria

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY-Year C

All Soul’s Day

1st Reading: Exodus 17: 8-13

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is my light and my salvation.

2nd Reading: Romans 5:5-11

Gospel: Lk 7: 11 - 17

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY-Year C

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

1st Reading: Ezek 47: 1-2, 8-9,12:1

Responsorial Psalm: The waters of the river gladden the city of God.

2nd Reading: 1 Cor 3: 9 - 11,16 - 17

Gospel: Jn 2: 13 - 22

Dear Parishioners,

In this Year of Jubilee — a sacred time of mercy, renewal, and reconciliation - the Church is called to a deep and humble work of reparation.

I invite all those who have been affected and impacted by abuse and violence across the Archdiocese to join in a Prayer Service of Lament on Wednesday 12 November 2025, in the grounds of St Patrick's Cathedral. Daily Mass will be celebrated in the Cathedral at 1.00pm for those who wish to remain in prayer before the Lord.

This gathering expresses our shared lament for the abuse that has occurred, as well as our commitment to those who have suffered abuse within the Church in our ongoing journey of reverent listening and repentance. Survivors and their loved ones will be at the heart of this Service. Through word, ritual, and music, we will pray for all who have suffered and for the continued conversion of our Church.

May this moment of communal lament become, by God's grace, a sign of hope - a step toward truth, healing, and renewed trust within the Church of Melbourne.

Archbishop Peter A Comensoli
Archbishop of Melbourne



Catholic Mission sincerely thanks the parish community of St Anne's for your generous and compassionate support of this year's Propagation of the Faith Appeal. Your contribution of \$237.70 has been gratefully received and will help provide vital care for mothers in Zambia, and empower local Church workers across more than 1,000 mission dioceses around the world.

Through your partnership, countless families will find not only practical help, but also spiritual accompaniment, hope, and dignity. Your gift is more than charity - it is a concrete act of solidarity, and a sign of God's love reaching out to those on the margins.

Thank you for being a living witness of Christ's mission to the world.

St. Anne's Vinnies Christmas Hamper Sausage Sizzle Can you help for an hour?

**At Bunnings Carrum Downs
Saturday 8th November 2025
from 8:00 am – 5 :00 pm**

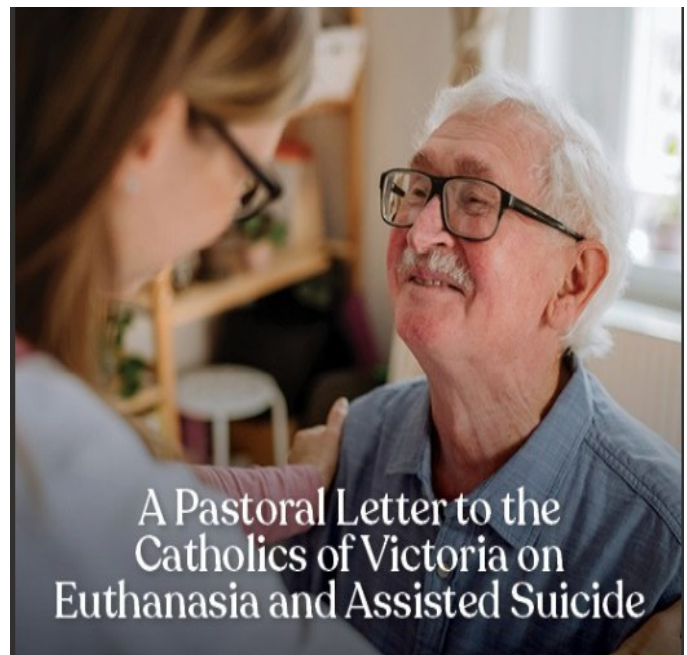
Everyone is invited to help raise money for our Christmas Hampers By cooking, serving, cashier, tin shaking, promoting

Just one hour to enjoy the company of other helpers.

Donations of bread, sausages, onions greatly appreciated.

Please text your available time to Peter V on 0432 120 704 Or

Email: pgvyverberg@gmail.com



A Pastoral Letter to the Catholics of Victoria on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide

The State Government is seeking to amend Victoria's euthanasia and assisted suicide laws. If passed, the new laws would further weaken protections for vulnerable patients and reduce protections for nurses, doctors and other medical practitioners who conscientiously object. In response, the Bishops of Victoria have written a pastoral letter asking that we contact our local Members of Parliament and urge them to vote against these laws.

You can read the letter online and find out more by scanning the QR code or via: www.bit.ly/EuthanasiaBill.



THE BETHANY WAY INTRODUCTORY RETREAT

At the feet of Jesus: on retreat with Mary, Martha and Lazarus'. Saturday 8 November 2025, 12noon-4pm Catholic Leadership Centre, East Melbourne. All are invited to this free retreat opening a new key passages of Scripture relating to Jesus' relationship with the family at Bethany. Discover Bethany, and your relationship with Jesus Christ, with reflective talks and plenty of time for personal prayer. The retreat will introduce you to The Bethany Way, a new immersive formation offering in 2026. Learn more and register: <https://melbournecatholic.org/bethanyway>



MASS TIMES FOR THE WEEK

Tuesday & Thursday 6:00 pm Mass

Wednesday 9:15 am Mass

Silent Adoration 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

**Friday 6:30 pm Rosary
7:00 pm Mass**

**Saturday 5:20 pm Rosary followed
by Divine Mercy
Chaplet**

5:30 pm Reconciliation

6:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 8:30am & 10:00am Mass

**3rd Sunday 10:30am Filipino Mass
(at Holy Family Hall)**

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Monday 6:00 - 8:00 pm Marian Cenacle Group

Wednesday 7:00 - 8:00 pm RCIA Session

Friday 6:30 - 7:30 pm MenAlive

Saturday 3:45 - 5:00 pm Senior Legion of Mary

PIETY STALL

New stock in the Piety Stall – Vinyl car sticker of Rosary and the Virgin; Vinyl 2D plaque table Christmas scene; Table runner Nativity scene; A4 pictures Carlo Acutis; 2D picture smiling Christ; 11 piece mini Nativity; 10 piece Nativity scene; St Vincent de Paul Christmas cards and many other items available.

The Piety stall is collecting used postage stamps (or stamp collections no longer wanted) which will be given to Columban Mission.

GIFT EDITION BIBLE

A special Gift Edition Bible is now available for purchase. This beautifully presented Bible features a leather cover and comes in a variety of colours (**Black, Brown, White and Teal**) which costs \$60.00

Please support Walkers Doughnuts



All Soul's Day

On All Soul's Day the Church invites each of us to remember and pray for the souls of our dear ones who have gone before us and for those who have no one to remember them.

In the tradition of the Catholic Church, praying for the souls who have died is one way to ask for God's grace of forgiveness and mercy, so they may enter the Kingdom of God that He has promised. Our prayers to support the faithfully departed are important because *"nothing unclean shall enter heaven"* (Revelation 21:27). It is our fundamental belief that we are never truly separated when we are united in prayer.

Today's scripture readings invite us to discover God's mercy and His loving grace for the salvation of humanity. Salvation is the work of God and His graciousness. It is God's desire to save us all. With firm faith in Christ's resurrection, Christians believe that, in death, life is transformed, not destroyed.

The Book of Wisdom depicts that people who live righteously before God – even demonstrating their faithfulness when tested by various challenges – will be blessed. As human beings, we hope to enter God's Kingdom after we pass from this world. Thus, we ask the Holy Spirit for the gift of hope, because the state of the world and life's challenges and difficulties can cause us to despair and even lead us to believe there is nothing after death. But as Christians we believe that the undying hope for salvation will ultimately be rewarded by God himself, because *"hope does not disappoint"* (Rom 5:5).

St Paul, in his first letter to the Corinthians, summarises the essence of today's celebration by saying, *"in Christ all shall be brought to life."* Jesus Christ's resurrection brings life. Through His resurrection, death is destroyed. As Paul explains, *"the last enemy to be destroyed is death"* (1Cor 15:26).

Christ is the New Adam who brought life through death. Only in and through Christ Jesus will we be saved. Salvation is the pure grace and gift of God, and it calls for our human response of faith. The gospel highlights the relationship between faith and eternal life, as Jesus teaches, *"For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life"* (John 6:40).

To enter eternal life requires faith, faith in Jesus as the Son of the Father who comes to show us the way to life. Jesus assures those who have faith and believe in him that they will experience resurrection and enjoy eternal life. This belief is the core of All Soul's Day.

So, with this celebration we come to the Lord in faith, praying that the souls of the dead, through God's mercy, may rest in peace. Amen

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