

IN THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL WE PRAY FOR:

Our Sick: Rebecca Arden, Luke Jackowski, Dianne Hutchinson and those of our community.

Recently Deceased: Adel Selaman

Repose of the Souls: Fernando Ortiz, Maria Grace, Battasta Family and those whose anniversary occur about this time and those whose names are on the memorial wall.

Church
Cleaning

Saturday 18th July — Vietnamese Community

Safeguarding of children and vulnerable young people.

St Dominic's Community holds the care, safety and wellbeing of children as a fundamental responsibility of the church. This commitment is drawn from, and inherent to, the teaching and mission of Jesus Christ, with love, justice and dignity of each human person at the heart of the Gospel. A cultural of safety within the Church ensures that children can actively and fully participate in the life of the Church and realise their potential in a faith community. **We are committed to upholding the safety and dignity of each child and young person and ensuring that they are able to grow and develop in a caring and supportive environment in our Church.**

Safeguarding Requirement

Code of Conduct.

Every three year all volunteers must read The safeguarding Children and Young People Code of Conduct and signed it online. All the information can be found on the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne website under the Safeguarding tab.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK CARD

For those volunteers who have their WWCC expired, please kindly renew it. Thank you for your cooperation.

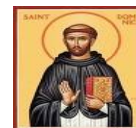
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THE TRANSACTION.

The Parish has the facility of **EFTPOS DEBIT, VISA CARD and MASTER CARD**. This is a good option for those who do not carry cash and would like to contribute to the church.
The set up is of: \$5.00; \$10.00; \$20.00 and \$50.00

If anyone would like to support the parish financially through the **Thanksgiving Envelopes**, we have spare envelopes at the entrance of the church, please take one set and when you give your first donation, write down your name at the back of the envelope, so we can register your name in the system and provide envelopes every year.

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PARISH MASS TIMES

Sundays: 6.00pm Vigil Mass (Saturday evening)
9.00am 1st & 3rd Sundays: Vietnamese Mass
9.00am 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays: English Mass
11.00am: English Mass
1.00pm: Spanish Mass

Weekdays: Tuesday to Saturday 9.00am Mass
Morning Prayer of the Church: Tuesday to Saturday at 8.25am

Rosary: Tuesday to Sunday before Mass.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Every Wednesday from 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Benediction: Every Friday following the 9.00am Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Tuesday to Saturday before or after Mass.

Baptism Information/Preparation: Every First Sunday of the month at 3.00pm.

Anointing of the Sick: Every Third Wednesday of the Month at 9.00am Mass.



15th Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year A

12th July 2026

First Reading: Isaiah 55: 10-11

The rain makes the earth fruitful.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 64: 10-14

R/ The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Second Reading: Romans 8: 18-23

All creation is waiting for the revelation of the children of God.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

**The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower;
all who come to him will live for ever. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Matthew 13: 1-23

A sower went out to sow.

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS: Wisdom 12: 13, 16-19; Romans 8: 26-27; Matthew 13: 24-43

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

The readings for this Sunday call us to self-examination. The gospel describes various levels of receptivity, the willingness to allow ourselves to receive from another, to be influenced by another, perhaps even to be transformed. The more independent we are, the less likely we will be open to others and, consequently, less receptive to their ideas. By definition disciples are receptive to the one they follow. To be a disciple of Jesus requires receptivity, so it is important that we scrutinise ourselves to discover the extent to which we are open. To what should we be receptive? To the words of Scripture, the words of the liturgy, the words of the sacraments, the living tradition of the community. God's word is sown in many forms and under many guises. It makes little difference who sows the seed. How will we receive it?

Besides the word of God, the readings speak of the world of God. The people of biblical times were aware of the revelation of God in and through the natural world. Isaiah teaches about the effectiveness of the word of God through the metaphor of rain. The psalmist uses the natural world to describe God's work of salvation. Paul claims that eschatological fulfilment will include all of creation. Finally, Jesus' parables are rooted in stories about nature. We cannot afford to close our eyes to the needs of the natural world, or stop our ears to the cries of the earth, or harden our hearts to the world of which we are a part, for the word of God will accomplish the end for which God sent it.

Sacrament of First Holy Communion

26th July 2026 at 11.00am Mass

Please keep in your prayers our 13 children who are in preparation to receive the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.



Visitation of the Int'l Centennial Pilgrim Image of Our Lady of Fatima on Friday 17th July starting at 6.30pm followed by Saturday Vigil Mass & Sunday Masses.

There will be Family Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

More information please see the poster in the church foyer.

COMBINED CATHOLIC PARISHES RAFFLE 2026

This year the Parish will be participating in the Combined Parish Raffle, once tickets arrive will be distributed by community and we need your support to sell tickets. Thank you.



St Dominic's Feast Day

Sunday 9th August 2026

Only one Mass at 11.00am.

Everyone is welcome.

You are all invited to come and celebrate our Patron Feast as a community.

Due to School renovations the Hall won't be available for our special gathering, but a light lunch will be provide after the Holy Mass outside the Church.

We ask the community for financial donations to buy and prepare the food.

Also, we need volunteers to prepare the food and to distribute the lunches.

WORKING BEE

Saturday 8th August after 9.00am Mass

Please come along and help us to clean and decorate the Church in preparation to St Dominic's Feast, many hands make light work.



Thank You to the community for the donation toward the Peter's Pence Collection. Total Amount Collected **\$890.80**

Magnifica humanitas: Pope Leo's AI encyclical warns of temptation to build future excluding God.

... Social control and the 'digital attention economy'

Pope Leo calls for 'education in digital sobriety' due to subtle forms of addiction in today's 'digital attention economy', in which digital platforms that are 'designed to capture users' time and attention' weaken 'their inner freedom'. He warns of the risk of 'social control made possible by the massive collection of data and use of algorithmic systems'.

'When every action—movements, purchases, relationships and preferences—leaves a trace, a new form of power emerges, namely the power to profile, predict and influence behaviour, often without individuals being fully aware of it,' he says. 'If such kinds of data are used to make decisions affecting concrete opportunities—such as access to credit, employment or essential services—there is a risk of undermining freedom and discriminating against the most vulnerable.'...

NEXT SALE OF FOOD 19TH JULY, LED BY THE FILIPPINO COMMUNITY

As we continue asking for your support by donating food to sell on the day is much appreciated.

