

IN THE PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL WE PRAY FOR:

Our Sick: Dianne Hutchinson and those of our community.

Recently Deceased: Lorraine Chang, Jose Alvarez Rosco and Bubut Lopez

Repose of the Souls: Rosanna Lacorcchia, Veneranda Serapiglia, Peter & Maria Vu, Lucio & Teresa Busso, John, Joseph, Santina, Salvatore, Maria & Sally Criscione and those whose anniversary occur about this time and those whose names are on the memorial wall.

Church
Cleaning

Saturday 9th May — Island 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.**

For those families with children, they are very welcome, and if your children become unrest during the celebration of the Holy Eucharistic, please use the Children Room on the side of the church, you can still listen to the homily from there.

Melbourne Corpus Christi Procession
Sunday 7 June 2026

Begins 2pm at St Patrick's Cathedral,
East Melbourne

Concludes at Federation Square

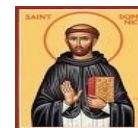
Like the disciples who recognised Jesus on the journey to Emmaus, this afternoon will be a moment of unity for the whole Archdiocesan community as we bear witness to the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist, our light and hope, into the heart of Melbourne

**THANKSGIVING
OFFERING ONLINE TO:
ST DOMINIC'S CHURCH
BSB: 083 347
ACCOUNT NUMBER:
67441 1404**

PLEASE TYPE YOUR THANKSGIVING
ENVELOPE NUMBER WHEN YOU DO
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**

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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.

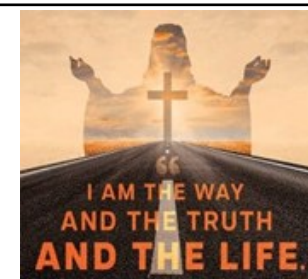
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Every Wednesday from 6.00pm to 8.00pm

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.



Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year A

3rd May 2026

First Reading: Acts 6: 1-7

They elected seven men filled with the Spirit and wisdom.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 32: 1-2. 4-5. 18-19

R/ Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in your.

Second Reading:

1 Peter 2: 4-9

You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood.

Gospel Acclamation: *Alleluia, alleluia!*

*I am the way, the trust, and the life, says the Lord;
no one comes to the Father, except through me.*

Alleluia!

Gospel: John 14: 1 - 12

I am the way, the truth and the life.

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS: Acts 8: 5-8. 14 -17; 1 Peter 3: 15 – 18; John 14: 15-21

BEYOND THE VOWS:

A ONE-DAY MARRIAGE RETREAT

Sat 30 May 2026 | 9:45am–5:00pm

Catholic Regional College,

Caroline Springs

\$80 per couple

Register: <https://www.trybooking.com/FLAGK>

or scan the QR code

A practical, faith-grounded day with real insights, communication tools, and quality couple time.

All married couples welcome!

REFLECTION by Greg Sunter

Today's gospel passage comes from the very long Last Supper discourse in the gospel of John. When Jesus speaks about 'going away' for a time it could be interpreted as the period of his death and rising that are about to occur in the chronology of the story. However, the gospel of John is written a very long time after the death of Jesus; perhaps as much as 70 years after Jesus. Given this period of time between the events and the writing, we know that the writer was also referring to this longer time of Jesus 'going away'. By the time of the writing of this gospel the early Christians were starting to come to terms with the fact that Jesus probably wasn't going to return in their lifetime. They had seen the devastating destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple by the Romans in 70CE which they thought had signalled the end of all time. However, here they were, still alive and still no sign of Jesus' return. The theme of being present and being absent is very strong in this gospel. The discussion about Jesus and the Father being one is part of this theme. Jesus is God present in the world. God has come to dwell among the people. When Jesus speaks of preparing rooms in the Father's house, it is a reference to preparing the disciples to 'live' in God; to dwell in God just as God has dwelt in the people.

Historical Context – It is for the best...

At the time of this gospel's writing, some 70 years after the events it describes, amazing things have taken place in the early Christian community. Rather than everything falling apart with the death of Jesus, the message of Jesus has spread further than he himself could ever have accomplished. It is the departure of Jesus from their midst and the sending of the Spirit that really prompts the disciples to act on what they had experienced while Jesus lived among them. The gospel writer has Jesus saying that he has to go away so that the disciples can reach their potential.

Scriptural context – The gospel of John

The gospel of John is very different from the other three 'synoptic' gospels. The other three have a very narrative style and can be seen together as different recounts of the same events. Whilst the gospel of John also has some beautifully narrated stories, it is better known as a more theologically reflective piece of writing. It assumes that the readers of this gospel are already familiar with one or more of the others, so it doesn't need to tell the story again. Rather, it presents a sweeping image of God, through Jesus, reaching out, in, through, and with love to the people.

Living the Gospel – The Way, the Truth and the Life

When Thomas asks, 'we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus answers by saying, 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.' The reader of the gospel has known this truth all along from the opening line of the gospel, 'In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.' Our aim, as Christian people, is to be one with God, not only by sharing in the resurrection but also in the way we live. Jesus makes clear that the way to be with God is by following his example.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING—THURSDAY 14TH MAY AT 6.00PM.

DISCOVER MERCY OPEN DAYS 2026

Saturday 23 May: 10.00am

Tuesday 26 May: 9.30am and 6.00pm

REGISTER NOW

mercycoyburg.catholic.edu.au/discovermercy



MASS COUNT Starts this Weekend.

National Count of Attendance for 2026 will be taking place over the next four weeks of May. Please count all babies, children, teenagers, adults, celebrants, acolytes, deacons and anyone else present at the service.

Mass coordinators, please help us with the counting. Thank you.

Today—CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

A special collection will be taken at all masses.

This weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. The Appeal aims to give hope and support to people experiencing homelessness. Our faith calls us to welcome the stranger and care for those most in need. Your compassion ensures individuals and families are supported with safe housing, practical assistance, and compassionate care as they rebuild their lives. Your generosity helps open the door to safety, dignity and hope. Please donate to the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. You can donate: Using the appeal envelope available in our parish and Online - www.catholiccarevic.org.au. All gifts of \$2 and above are tax deductible. "For I was a stranger and you welcomed me." (Matthew 25:35)

Sacramental Program 2026

The Sacrament of Confirmation: Saturday 16 May 2026 at 6.00pm

The Sacrament for First Holy Communion: Sunday 26th July 2026 at 11.00am

Sale of Food—Sunday 17th May

lead by the Island Community.

Please support this fundraising by donating food to be sold on the day.

All funds towards to the maintenance of the church.



Parish Synod Corner ...

45. Synodality and witness

A Church that walks together gives a powerful witness to the world.

46. Synodality and patience

God's timing is often slower than ours, but always wiser.

47. Synodality calls us forward

We are invited not to cling to the past, but to move forward in faith.

48. Synodality strengthens communion

Communion grows when voices are respected and discernment is shared.

49. Synodality and trust in God

Ultimately, synodality is an act of trust that God is still guiding His Church.

50. Walking together with Christ -We walk together because Christ walks with us. That is the deepest meaning of synodality.