



St Damian's Catholic Church

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WELCOME TO ST DAMIAN'S

WEEKENDS

Saturday Evening: 5.30pm

Sunday Morning: 8.00am & 10.00am

WEEKDAYS

Monday: no Mass

Tuesday: 9.15am

Wednesday: 9.15am

Thursday: 9.15am & Divine Mercy

Friday: 9.15am

First Saturday: 9.15am Mass & Divine Mercy

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 5.00pm and First Friday 10.00am

BAPTISMS

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

Preparation 1st Wednesday each month at 6.30pm in the Dunlop Room. Parents must 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

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER, 10TH MAY 2026

THIS WEEKEND

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

1 Pet 3:15-18

Jn 14:15-21

NEXT WEEK

Acts 1:1-11

Eph 1:17-23

Mt 28:16-20

PSALM

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Cry out with joy to God all the earth, O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise. Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds!

'Before you all the earth shall bow; shall sing to you, sing to your name!' Come and see the works of God, tremendous his deeds among men.

He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dry-shod. Let our joy then be in him; he rules for ever by his might.

Come and hear, all who fear God.

I will tell what he did for my soul: Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer nor withhold his love from me.

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

SRI LANKAN SINHALESE MASS

Every Third Sunday :

Rosary 6.30pm and followed by Mass.

Enquiries : Winifred 0425880611

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thurs 14th May: St Matthias

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Recent Deaths: Philomena Bowlen,

Anniversaries: Alexander Acker, Marcolina Lucci, Christos Pittas

Sick : Diana Whylley, John Long, Susie, Moding Ilanto, Scott Bower

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...) *Children should never be alone in the car park or playground. *Please keep valuable personal belongings with you (purses, glasses, phones, etc...) and double check before leaving your seat, even briefly during Communion*

SHORT REFLECTION ON THE MOTHER DAY BY PARISH PRIEST



6th Sunday of Easter – Year A

As I sit quietly to write this reflection on a day when the world celebrates Mother's Day, my heart naturally turns to my own mother—the one who gave me life, nurtured me in faith, and loved me in ways words can never fully express. In remembering her, I also remember all mothers, and I offer them my heartfelt wishes for a joyful and blessed Mother's Day.

Motherhood is a beautiful vocation, marked by sacrifice, patience, and a love that reflects something of God's own tenderness. A mother gives not only life but also guidance, comfort, and strength. Whether through gentle words or silent endurance, mothers shape hearts and build families, often without recognition. Their love is often hidden in the ordinary—early mornings, long nights, quiet prayers, and countless small acts of care that form the foundation of our lives. Today, we pause to give thanks—for those still with us and for those who now rest in God's embrace.

The readings of the 6th Sunday of Easter, Year A, invite us into a deeper understanding of love—one that is not merely spoken but lived. Jesus says, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments." This love is active, faithful, and enduring. It is the kind of love we so often see in mothers: a love that remains even in difficulty, a love that forgives, that hopes, and that gives without counting the cost. In their daily fidelity, mothers quietly teach us what it means to love as Christ loves.

We are also reminded of the promise of the Holy Spirit, the Advocate, who remains with us always, guiding and strengthening us in truth. In many ways, mothers mirror this presence. They accompany us through every stage of life, offering wisdom when we are lost, comfort when we are hurt, and encouragement when we are weak. Their presence becomes a living reminder that we are never alone, that God walks with us through the people He places in our lives.

On this special day, we entrust all mothers to God's loving care. We remember with tenderness those who carry hidden crosses: mothers who have lost children, those who struggle in their vocation, and those who long to be mothers. May those who are tired find rest, those who are burdened find strength, and those who are sorrowful find consolation. May every mother know how deeply she is valued, cherished, and loved.

And as we remember our own mothers—living or deceased—may gratitude fill our hearts. May we not only honour them with words today but also with lives shaped by the love they have given us. For through them, in so many quiet and faithful ways, we have encountered a glimpse of God's own enduring and faithful love. Amen!

Fr Joe Dong Tran P.P

ROSTER: 16th & 17th May 2026

Time	READERS	EUCCHARIST
5.30pm	P. Cosgrove J. Favrin	C. Ho L. Robinson D. Mash
8.00am	Sr. Nelia O. Carvalho	C. Love A. Brammer J. Fellowes
10.00am	P. Gill J. Venturini	E. Jones Sr. S. Barker P. Del Popolo

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Readers & Eucharistic Welcomers

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.

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.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Sat 16th May 2026: Sacrament of Confirmation
Presentation Mass 5.30pm & Sunday 17th May at 10.00am.

LEGION OF MARY

English:

Legion of Mary – A Vietnamese Praesidium will be established at St. Damian's Catholic Church.
The Praesidium is scheduled to begin meetings in May 2026. You are warmly invited to register and attend. For more details, please contact us on: 0417 379 489

Tiếng Việt: Đạo Binh Đức Mẹ – một Praesidium (đơn vị) tiếng Việt sẽ được thành lập tại Nhà thờ Công giáo Thánh Damian. Praesidium dự kiến bắt đầu các buổi họp vào tháng 5 năm 2026. Xin trân trọng kính mời quý vị đăng ký tham gia và hiện diện. Mọi chi tiết xin liên hệ: 0417 379 489

PARKING WHEN ATTENDING CHURCH

Dear Parishioners,

When attending Church sometimes parking can be difficult and you may have trouble finding a parking spot.

The areas we have available for Parking are the three basketball courts, the car park outside the Dunlop Room and Parish Office.

We are unable to park at the front along the driveway near the hall and also not allowed to remove the Bollards. Parking can be difficult but our main purpose is to keep everyone safe in the car park.

Parking is also available in the side streets and also at Bundoora Square.

We thank you for your understanding.



Ladies' Lunch.

All ladies of St Damian's are welcome to join us at our next lunch.
Watsonia RSL on Tuesday, 19th May at 12 o'clock.

Contact Sarita to book. 9467 2531 or 0434 581 948.



MOTHER'S DAY MORNING TEA & RAFFLE

Dear Parishioners

Please come and join us for Morning Tea and the drawing of our Mother's Day Raffle in the Dunlop Room on Mothers Day after the 10.00am Mass.

Thank you to everyone who has purchased tickets in our Mother's Day Raffle and good luck to everyone.
Parish Office

MOTHER'S DAY BOOK MARKS



Thank you to the children at St Damian's Primary School, who have created our Mother's day book marks this year. We appreciate the time you and your teachers have given to make these for our Parish for Mother's Day.

THANKSGIVING ENVELOPES ARE READY TO BE COLLECTED



Dear Friends,

Thanksgiving envelopes are now available at the back of the Church. Please take your envelopes with your name on it and, if possible, help distribute to nearby friends and neighbours. Thank you

VOLUNTEERS HELPERS FOR ALPHA

We are looking for volunteers to assist our Alpha group with Alpha Meals and the serving of food and clean up. If you are able to assist please contact the Parish Office for more information on 9467 2797.

ST VINNIES THOMASTOWN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are currently looking for volunteers to help in our Thomastown shop. If you are interested please contact us on: 8199 4233



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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