



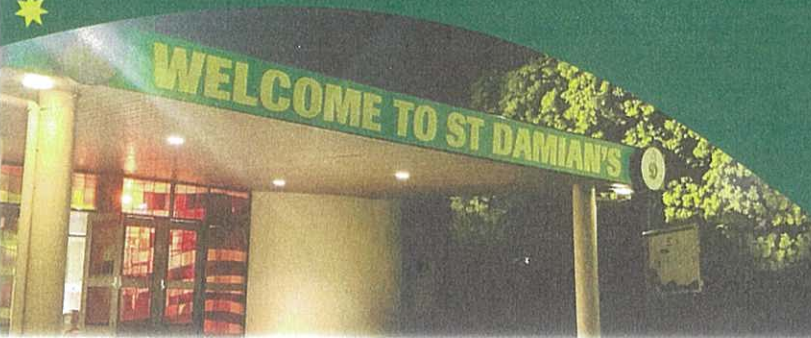
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WEEKENDS

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

11th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 14TH JUNE 2026

THIS WEEKEND

Ex 19:2-6
Rom 5:6-11
Mt 9:36-10:8

NEXT WEEK

Jer 20:10-13
Rom 5:12-15
Mt 10:26-33

SRI LANKAN SINHALESE MASS

Every Third Sunday :
Rosary 6.30pm and followed by Mass.
Enquiries : Winifred 0425880611

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near; repent and believe the Good News!
Alleluia.

PSALM

We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
Come before him, singing for joy.

Know that he, the Lord, is God.
He made us, we belong to him, we are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Indeed, how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love.
He is faithful from age to age.

We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Recent Deaths: John Hazari, Martin Klopfer

Anniversaries: Domenico Aloï, Angela Tramontana, Antonio Gizzi, Mario Camilli, Francesco Biondo, Jaime Calero, Anna & Benedict Silvapulle, Rosa & Phillip Peris, Christopher & Anasthasia Silvapulle

Sick: Diana Whyllay, Susie, Moding Ilanto, Scott Bower, Vlad

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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*

Reflection for the 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A



A teacher once noticed that one of her students had become unusually quiet. The boy, who was normally cheerful and active, sat alone during recess and rarely smiled. Many people saw him every day, but nobody seemed to notice his sadness.

One afternoon the teacher sat beside him and gently asked, "Are you okay?" At that moment, the boy burst into tears. His parents were going through a difficult separation, and he felt lost and alone. Later he said, "What helped me most was not that my teacher solved my problems. She simply noticed me and cared."

Sometimes the greatest gift we can give is not advice or solutions, but compassion.

In today's Gospel, Jesus looks at the crowds and sees people who are hurting. St. Matthew tells us that "he was moved with compassion for them, because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd."

Many people surrounded Jesus every day. Some were sick. Some were poor. Some were confused and searching for meaning. Others carried hidden burdens in their hearts. Jesus did not see a crowd; He saw persons. He noticed their pain, and His heart was moved.

This compassion helps us understand today's readings.

In the first reading, God tells Israel, "You shall be my treasured possession." God chooses His people not because they are powerful, but because He loves them. In the second reading, St. Paul says that Christ died for us "while we were still sinners." God's love comes first. His mercy reaches out to us before we deserve it.

Then in the Gospel, Jesus not only feels compassion; He acts. He sends out the Twelve Apostles to heal the sick, comfort the suffering, and proclaim the Kingdom of God.

The mission of the Church remains the same today. We are called to continue the compassion of Christ. Sometimes we think that being a good Christian means knowing many prayers or defending Church teachings. These things are important. But if they do not make us more loving and compassionate, we have missed the heart of the Gospel.

People today are hungry for kindness. They are surrounded by information but often starved of compassion. They need someone who will notice them, listen to them, and care for them.

Jesus sends each of us into that mission field. We may not perform miracles, but we can visit a lonely person, encourage someone who is struggling, forgive an offender, or simply take time to listen.

The harvest is still plentiful. The compassionate heart of Christ is still needed. May those who meet us this week experience something of His love, His kindness, and His mercy through us. Amen!

Fr Joe Dong Tran P.P

ROSTER 20th & 21st June 2026

Time	READERS	EUCHARIST
5.30pm	First Communion Children	Sr .F. Hardy L. Robinson P. Cosgrove
8.00am	V. Dalla– Vecchia C. Fitzgerald	A. Dalla– Vecchia S. Aldridge M. Beverley
10.00am	K. Mangubat P. Bezzina	W. Mc Eleney J. Mercado C. Manabat

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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.



Presentation Mass for First Holy Communion

This weekend at our 5.30pm Mass, we welcome the children from the Parish to their First Holy Communion Presentation Mass.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Sat 20th June @ 5.30pm Mass

Parish Children First Eucharist Celebration Mass.



Message from the Parish Priest

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

Please save the date for our 60th Parish Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, 26 September. Mass will be celebrated at 5:00 pm, followed by dinner at Ferraro Reception Centre. Further details will be announced soon.

To mark this milestone, I also hope to renovate the Piety Shop area into a hospitality space and small kitchen, creating a welcoming place for tea, coffee, and fellowship after Mass.

While we have some funds available, additional support is needed. If you would like to contribute, please speak with me after Mass or send me an email. Thank you for your generosity, prayers, and support.



June: The Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Many people ask why the Church dedicates the whole month of June to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The answer is simple: the Sacred Heart is the clearest symbol of God's love for us.

When we look at the Sacred Heart, we see a heart that loves without limits. It reminds us of Jesus who welcomed sinners, healed the sick, forgave His enemies, and gave His life on the Cross for our salvation. The heart crowned with thorns reminds us that His love was wounded and rejected, yet He never stopped loving. The flame above the heart symbolizes the burning love of God for every person.

The Church dedicates June to the Sacred Heart because we all need to be reminded of this love. In a world marked by anxiety, division, loneliness, and selfishness, the Sacred Heart calls us back to the source of true peace: the love of Christ.

This devotion is not simply about saying prayers or displaying an image. It is an invitation to become more like Jesus. The more we contemplate His Heart, the more our hearts are transformed to be compassionate, forgiving, patient, and generous.

June, therefore, is a special time to ask ourselves: Do I know how much Jesus loves me? And am I allowing His Heart to shape my own? The devotion to the Sacred Heart is ultimately a school of love, teaching us to receive Christ's love and share it with others.

USING THE CHURCH FOR PRAYER DURING THE DAY

Dear Friends,

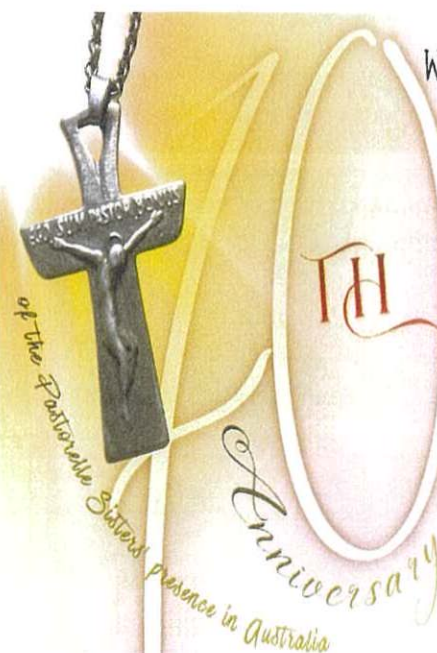
If you wish to visit the church for prayer during the day, please call the Parish Office on **9467 2797**. Dianne or Fr. Dong will provide you with the code for the Master Key box.

Please keep the code confidential and save it for future use. Kind regards,

PASTORELLE SISTER'S 70TH ANNIVERSARY

Dear Parishioners,

You are cordially invited to celebrate 70 years of the Pastorelle Sisters presence in Australia and the reception of new members as our Pauline Cooperators.



With deep gratitude to God
for our years of grace,
journey, and presence,
and we joyfully welcome
the gift of our new
Pauline Cooperators
& Renewal
of the current members
28th June 2026

St Damian's Parish,
Bundoora

1:00pm Mini concert
of joy & gratitude

2:00pm Eucharistic Celebration
Followed by Afternoon Tea

Kindly text: 0401 356 298
or 0411 361 081

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"I am the Good Shepherd... Be not afraid, little flock...
I am with you always!" And so, for all that will be, Amen!

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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