



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

Saturday 5.00pm

BAPTISMS

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

Preparation 1st Wednesday each month at

5.30pm 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

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 20th September 2026

THIS WEEKEND

Is 55:6-9

Phil 1:20-24, 27

Mt 20:1-16

NEXT WEEK

Ezek 18:25-28

Phil 2:1-11

Mt 21:28-32

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon 21st September: St Matthew

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

PSALM

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Lord, make me know your ways.

Lord, teach me your paths.

Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God
my saviour.

Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown
from of old.

Do not remember the sins of my youth.

In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O
Lord.

The Lord is good and upright.

He shows the path to those who stray, He guides the humble
in the right path, He teaches his way to the poor.

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Recent Deaths: Fr Simon Pereira C. Ss.R.

Anniversaries: Michael Sacco (10 year Anniversary) Mario Valkovic, Melanie Venturini, Paola Curatore(Venturini).

Sick : Diana Whylley, Susie, Moding Ilanto, Vlad, Marie Lazatin, Gloria Franco

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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

A mother once told me about her two children. One day, she bought a small gift for one of them. The other child immediately said, "Why did you give him that? What about me?" The mother said, "I love you both. Your brother receiving something does not mean that I love you less."

Sometimes, we can be like that child. We look at what others receive, and we begin to compare. We ask, "Why does he have more? Why was she given that opportunity? Why is God blessing them and not me?" Comparison can easily take away our peace.

This is exactly what we see in today's Gospel. Jesus tells us about workers who are hired at different times of the day. At the end of the day, the master gives them all the same daily wage. Those who worked all day become unhappy. They think, "It is not fair. We worked longer."

But the master reminds them that he has not cheated them. He has given them what they agreed to receive. The problem is not that the master was unfair. The problem is that they became unhappy because someone else received the same generosity.

The first reading reminds us: "My thoughts are not your thoughts, my ways are not your ways, says the Lord." God does not think like us. We often measure things by comparison, but God looks with mercy and generosity.

There are three simple lessons for us today. First, do not compare your life with others. God has a different plan for each person. Your journey with God is your journey. Second, be grateful for what God has given you. Instead of asking, "Why does he have more?" we can ask, "Lord, thank you for what you have given me." Third, rejoice when God is generous to others. Another person's blessing is not our loss. In God's family, there is enough love and mercy for everyone.

St Paul reminds us in the second reading to "avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ." Let us therefore live not by jealousy and comparison, but by gratitude, generosity and love.

God is generous. Let us trust his ways, even when we do not fully understand them. Amen!

Fr Joe Dong Tran P.P

ROSTER 26th & 27th September 2026

Time	READERS	EUCCHARIST
5.30pm	J. Venturini A. Dass	A. Karuppiah P. Cosgrove M. Jones
8.00am	J. North L. Starvaggi	W. Fernando S. Aldridge A. Brammer
10.00am	P. Gill Sr. S. Barker	N. Cardamone L. Careri P. Del Popolo

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Readers & Eucharistic Welcomers

Please gather together
in the Church
about 5 minutes
before Mass.

Eucharistic Ministers

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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



**EVERY THURSDAY
DIVINE MERCY**
AFTER MORNING MASS.



**FIRST FRIDAY
NOVENA OF SACRED HEART**
AFTER MORNING MASS.



1ST SATURDAY
• PRAYERS AT 8:15AM
• MASS 9:15AM



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• FOLLOWED BY MASS.
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ONCE TWO MONTHS.**
ENQUIRIES: LAWRIE 0412839122

Many hands make light work. Thank you!

27th September :

Farwell for Principal Rosanna Piccolo at 10.00am and followed by morning tea in the Dunlop Room.

Welcoming Our New Principal for 2027

Dear St Damian's Parishioners,

As I have shared over the past few months, our current principal, Mrs Rosanna Piccolo, will finish at the end of this year.

I am pleased to announce that Mrs Angela Tonkin has been appointed as our new principal from the beginning of 2027.

May God bless both Mrs Piccolo and Mrs Tonkin with good health and every blessing.

Fr. Joe Dong Tran P.P

RCIA VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY just a genuine desire to share the joy of your faith with others who are seeking to become Catholic. The RCIA team is in urgent need of volunteers to join this invaluable ministry. Please contact Fr Dong, the parish office (94672797) or Ellen .

Anointing MASS

for 3rd Term

Wednesday, 30th September at 10am

In our St Damian's Parish

Followed by morning tea in the Dunlop Room.

Bring your parents and friends to join us.



60 YEARS OF GRACE & BLESSING

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St Damian's Parish,

Our BIG DAY is now only a few days away! 🎉

As we prepare to celebrate the 60th Anniversary of St Damian's Parish, I am filled with great joy and excitement. This is more than celebrating 60 years—it is a celebration of God's faithfulness, our parish family, and all those who have prayed, served, and helped build our community over the years.

Once again, as your parish priest, I warmly invite all of you to join us for this very special celebration. Your presence will make this occasion even more joyful and meaningful.



5:00 PM – Anniversary Mass. Please note: Mass will begin at 5:00 PM, not our usual 5:30 PM.



60th Anniversary Dinner Dance - Ferraro
Receptions: 14 Onslow Avenue, Campbellfield
6:30 PM – 11:30 PM

Let us come together as one parish family to give thanks for the past, celebrate the present, and look forward to the future with hope.

Thank you sincerely to everyone who has helped make this celebration possible. I look forward to seeing you all and celebrating this wonderful milestone together.

May God bless our parish with joy, peace, love, and abundant blessings.

St Damian, pray for us!

Fr. Joe Dong Tran. P.P.

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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