



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

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 23rd AUGUST 2026

THIS WEEKEND

Is 22:19-23

Rom 11:33-36

Mt 16:13-20

NEXT WEEK

Jer 20:7-9

Rom 12:1-2

Mt 16:21-27

PSALM

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart: you have heard the words of my mouth. In the presence of the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple.

I thank you for your faithfulness and love, which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul.

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands.

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

SRI LANKAN SINHALESE MASS

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

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon 24th Aug: St Bartholomew

Thurs 27th Aug: St Monica

Fri 28th Aug: St Augustine

Sat 29th Aug: The Passion of St John the Baptist

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it.

Alleluia

Recent Deaths: Marie Lefebure, Gastone Pezzin, Giovanna Marchetta, Marilyn Filippini

Anniversaries: Anthony Toscano, Soleiman Chamoun, Mathilda Chamoun, Marry Haddad, Antonio Perez

Josephine Barbara, Horeencia Perez, Horacao Perez, Vincenzo D' Atri

Sick: Diana Whyllay, Susie, Moding Ilanto, Vlad, Marie Lazatin, Gavan Macmanus, Gloria Franco

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 well-being 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 – 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, A Who Do You Say That I Am?

The question Jesus asks in today's Gospel is simple but very personal: "Who do you say that I am?" Jesus is not asking only what we learned in catechism. He is asking: "Who am I for you? What place do I have in your life?"

Peter answers, "You are the Son of the living God." But today, each of us is invited to give our own answer - not only with our lips, but with our lives.

Perhaps a husband might say, "Jesus, you are the One who helps me to be a better husband." A wife might say, "You are the One who teaches me to love and forgive." A parent might say, "You are the One who helps me to guide my children with patience and faith." And a young person might say, "You are the One who gives me direction when I do not know which way to go."

Following Jesus is not always easy. Sometimes He asks us to forgive when we would rather hold on to our anger, to be patient when we are tired, to sacrifice when we want our own way, and to choose love when it is easier to walk away.

This is especially true in family life.

Every family has moments of joy, but every family also experiences misunderstandings, arguments, disappointments, and wounds. Sometimes we say things we regret. Sometimes we find it difficult to forgive. Sometimes we become so busy that we forget to listen to one another.

That is why we need Jesus. A family without Jesus can easily lose its direction. But a family that welcomes Jesus learns how to love, forgive, serve, and begin again.

Jesus does not promise that family life will always be easy. Instead, He promises to walk with us through our difficulties. He teaches us that true love is not simply a feeling; it is a daily choice - to be patient, faithful, forgiving, and generous.

So perhaps the question today is not only, "Who is Jesus?" but also: "Who is Jesus in my family?"

Do we pray together? Do we forgive one another? Do we make time to listen? Do our children see Jesus through the way we love?

At the end of the day, we may have many things - a good job, a comfortable home, success, and possessions. But the greatest gift we can give our family is Jesus.

Let us therefore make Peter's words our own: "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life."

May Jesus always be at the centre of our families, so that our homes may become places of love, forgiveness, peace, and faith. Amen.

Fr Joe Dong Tran P.P

ROSTER 29th & 30th August 2026

Time	READERS	EUCCHARIST
5.30pm	S. Gooneratne A. Favrin	L. Gooneratne W. Fernando M. Jones
8.00am	O. Carvalho V. Dalla- Vecchia	A. Dalla- Vecchia Volunteer M. Sweetman
10.00am	Sr S. Baker P. Gill	C. Manabat E. Jones N. Cardamone

COUNTERS

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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.



LEAVING CAMPAIGN

This weekend a leaving collection will be collected for the 2026 Archbishop Campaign for the Archdiocese of Melbourne. The collection will go towards the Mission of the Church by providing care for retired priests and a wide range of charitable initiatives that assist those most in need in our community.

Thank You



BAPTISM: This weekend, our community warmly welcomes Maria Linh Phan and her family as she receives the Sacrament of Baptism.



ST DAMIAN'S BUNDOORA

60TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER DANCE

26TH SEPTEMBER 2026

5.00PM MASS AT ST DAMIAN'S PARISH,
&
CELEBRATING AT FERRARO RECEPTION

14 ONSLOW AVENUE CAMPBELLFIELD

TIME: 6.30PM TO 11.30PM

MENU: FOUR—COURSE MEAL

UNLIMITED DRINKS: BEER, WINE
& SOFT DRINKS

ENTERTAINMENT: BAND & DJ & RAFFLE

TICKET PRICES

ADULT: \$70.00

CHILD: 5-12 YEARS: \$40.00

CHILD: UNDER 5 : FREE

TICKET SALES

VIA TRY BOOKING & AFTER
WEEKEND MASSES

<https://www.trybooking.com/DNCVL>

CONTACT:
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9467-2797—



60TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER TICKETS

Tickets are Selling Fast



We are very excited that our 60th Anniversary Dinner Dance on 26th September 2026 is nearly here. We would like to remind everyone that ticket sales will finish on the 30th August 2026.

If you would like to purchase tickets for yourself or have been organising a table for your family or friends can we please ask that all forms and payments are made by the 30th August.

Tickets can be purchased via Trybooking code <https://www.trybooking.com/DNCVL>
Or you can purchase tickets after the weekend Masses in the Church Foyer or my contacting the Parish office on 9467 2797.

Farwell Celebration for Rosanna Piccolo

Sunday 27th September 2026 : 10.00am Mass
and followed by Morning Tea in the Hall..

If you are able to bring a plate for the morning tea, please either add your name on the list in the Church foyer or contact the Parish Office on 9467 2797.

Thank you Parish Office

St Damian's Church Bundoora



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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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