



St Damian's Catholic Church

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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

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

12th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 21ST JUNE 2026

THIS WEEKEND

Jer 20:10-13

Rom 5:12-15

Mt 10:26-33

NEXT WEEK

2kgs 4:8,14-16

Rom 6:3-4,8-11

Mt 10:37-42

SRI LANKAN SINHALESE MASS

Every Third Sunday :

Rosary 6.30pm and followed by Mass.

Enquiries : Winifred 0425880611

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wed 24th June:

The Nativity of St John The Baptist.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of truth will bear witness to me says the Lord, and you also will be my witnesses.

Alleluia.

PSALM

Lord, in your great love, answer me.

It is for you that I suffer taunts, that shame covers my face, that I have become a stranger to my brothers, an alien to my own mother's sons.

I burn with zeal for your house and taunts against you fall on me.

This is my prayer to you, my prayer for your favour.

In your great love, answer me, O God, with your help that never fails: Lord, answer, for your love is kind; in your compassion, turn towards me.

The poor when they see it will be glad and God-seeking hearts will revive; for the Lord listens to the needy and does not spurn his servants in their chains.

Let the heavens and the earth give him praise, the sea and all its living creatures.

Lord, in your great love, answer me.

Recent Deaths:

Anniversaries: Antoine Ngo Dinh Chau, Malinga, Luigi Ruggeri, Antonine Ngo Dinh Chau

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

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*

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A Matthew 10:26-33 – Theme: “Do Not Be Afraid”

**12th Sunday
of
Ordinary
Time**

A young boy was learning to swim. Standing at the edge of the pool, he was terrified. His father stood in the water with open arms and kept saying, “Jump! I’m here. I won’t let you fall.” The boy hesitated, afraid of the water and afraid of losing control. Finally, he jumped. His father caught him immediately. Later the boy said, “The water was still deep, but I wasn’t afraid anymore because I knew my father was there.”

In today’s Gospel, Jesus speaks to His disciples who will face opposition, rejection, and even persecution. Three times He tells them: “Do not be afraid.” Fear is one of the greatest obstacles to faith. Jesus does not promise a life without difficulties; instead, He promises His loving presence and the Father’s care.

1. Do not be afraid to live the truth - Jesus says, “Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed.” As Christians, we are called to live honestly and faithfully, even when it is unpopular. In a world where many hide behind appearances, Jesus invites us to walk in the light. Truth may cost us something, but it always leads to freedom.
2. Do not be afraid of people; fear losing God - Jesus reminds us that people can harm the body but cannot destroy the soul. Many times, we worry too much about what others think of us. We remain silent about our faith, avoid doing what is right, or compromise our values. True wisdom is not fearing human judgment but remaining faithful to God.
3. Do not be afraid because God cares for you - Jesus points to the sparrows: not one falls to the ground without the Father knowing it. Then He says, “You are worth more than many sparrows.” God knows every struggle, every tear, every hidden burden. Even “the hairs of your head are all counted.” We are never forgotten, never abandoned, never alone.

The message of today’s Gospel is simple yet powerful: “Do not be afraid.” Fear focuses on our weakness; faith focuses on God’s presence. Like the child who jumped into his father’s arms, we are invited to entrust ourselves completely to our heavenly Father. When we know that God is with us, we can speak the truth, live our faith courageously, and face every challenge with confidence. For the One who holds the whole world in His hands is also holding each one of us. Amen.

Fr Joe Dong Tran P.P

ROSTER 27th & 28th June 2026

Time	READERS	EUCCHARIST
5.30pm	Volunteer A. Favrin	D. Whyley C. Ho M. Jones
8.00am	J. North C. Love	Sr. Nelia A. Brammer M. Harrison
10.00am	J. Sobey E. Jones	W. Mc Eleney J. Mercado C. Manabat

COUNTERS

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V. Zappa

SUPERVISOR

D. Mash



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.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION THIS WEEKEND

We congratulate the Parish children who are making their First Holy Communion this weekend at 5.30pm.

Please keep our Children in your prayers.



BAPTISM:



This weekend, our community warmly welcomes Abbey Egan, Samuel Luckman, Ryker Sivanathan, Fletcher & Maggie Cogan, Sihara Arulnesan and their families as they receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

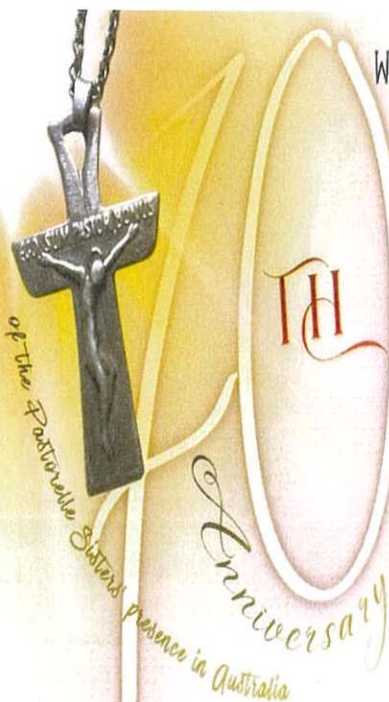
Fr. Joe Dong will celebrate the **Sacrament of Anointing during the 10:00 am Mass (not the usual 9:15 am) on Wednesday, 1 July**, followed by a cuppa in the Dunlop Room.

We warmly invite you to bring grandparents, parents, relatives, friends, and anyone who is unwell or seeking God's healing grace. This sacrament is not only for the elderly or seriously sick, but for all who wish to receive spiritual strength, comfort, and healing through Christ.

Everyone is welcome. God bless!

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

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

Kindly text: 0401 356 298
or 0411 361 081
for catering purposes

Formation Day for Readers & Eucharistic Ministers

Dear Volunteers,

I warmly invite all Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to our annual Formation Day on **Saturday, 1 August**.

As it is the First Saturday, Mass will be celebrated at **9:15 am**, followed by formation sessions, a time for questions and answers, and a cuppa in the Dunlop Room. Attendance at Mass is encouraged but not compulsory.

This annual gathering is an important opportunity to renew our ministry, deepen our understanding, and grow together in faith and service. All volunteers are strongly encouraged to attend.

Thank you for your generous service. God bless.

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.



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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