



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

PENTECOST SUNDAY, 24th MAY 2026

THIS WEEKEND

Acts 2:1-12

1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13

Jn 20:19-23

NEXT WEEK

Ex34:4-6,8-9

2 Cor 13:11-13

Jn 3:16-18

SRI LANKAN SINHALESE MASS

Every Third Sunday :

Rosary 6.30pm and followed by Mass.

Enquiries : Winifred 0425880611

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon 25th May:

OUR LADY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS

Tue 26th May: St Philip Neri

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia!

PSALM

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Bless the Lord, my soul!

Lord God, how great you are, How many are your works,
O Lord!

The earth is full of your riches.

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from
which they came.

You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew
the face of the earth.

May the glory of the Lord last for ever!

May the Lord rejoice in his works!

May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord.

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Recent Deaths: Rosa Caon, Bernard Phelan

Anniversaries: Bernie Donoghue, Henriette Carbello, Claire Hamoush, Georges Ziadeh, Ines Stella, Michelle Clifford, Agnese Casagrande, Anna La Morticella

Sick : Diana Whyllie, 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*

REFLECTION ON PENTECOST SUNDAY – YEAR A

Pentecost

A little boy once received a kite as a birthday gift. Excited, he ran outside to fly it. But no matter how hard he tried, the kite only dragged along the ground. Frustrated, he shouted to his father, "This kite doesn't work!"

His father smiled, took the kite, and waited patiently for the wind. As the breeze began to blow, he lifted the kite into the air. Suddenly, it soared high above the trees. The boy watched in amazement. Then his father gently said, "The kite was made to fly, but it needed the wind."

My dear brothers and sisters, Pentecost reminds us that the Church and each one of us is like that kite. The apostles had walked with Jesus. They had listened to His teaching, witnessed His miracles, and even seen the Risen Lord. Yet after Jesus ascended into heaven, they remained behind locked doors, fearful and uncertain. They had everything except the "wind" of the Holy Spirit.

Then came Pentecost. The Holy Spirit descended upon them like a mighty rushing wind and tongues of fire. In one moment, frightened disciples became courageous witnesses. The Church was born. From that upper room in Jerusalem, the Gospel began to spread to every nation and every people.

In today's Gospel from Gospel of John, Jesus appears to His disciples and greets them with the gift of peace: "Peace be with you." Then He breathes on them and says, "Receive the Holy Spirit." This action recalls the moment in Genesis when God breathed life into Adam. Now Jesus breathes divine life into His disciples, creating a new people filled with the Spirit.

Jesus also gives them a mission: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." The Holy Spirit is never given simply for ourselves. The Spirit is given so that we may continue Christ's work in the world, bringing forgiveness, reconciliation, hope, and peace.

Our world today deeply needs the Spirit of Pentecost. We see division in families, conflict among nations, and fear within many hearts. Like the disciples, we sometimes lock ourselves behind doors of anxiety, disappointment, or discouragement. We try to live by our own strength and soon become tired and weak.

But Pentecost reminds us that we are not alone. The Holy Spirit still comes to renew the Church and strengthen believers. The Spirit gives courage where there is fear, faith where there is doubt, and love where there is hatred. When we open our hearts to the Spirit, ordinary people can become extraordinary witnesses of Christ.

Today let us pray with faith: "Come, Holy Spirit. Fill our hearts, renew Your Church, and make us instruments of peace and reconciliation in the world." Amen.

Fr Joe Dong Tran P.P

ROSTER 30th & 31st May 2026

Time	READERS	EUCCHARIST
5.30pm	A. Groom M. Joyce	C. Ho L. Gooneratne Sr. F. Hardy
8.00am	C. Love V. Dalla– Vecchia	A. Dalla– Vecchia Sr. Nelia S. Aldridge
10.00am	E. Jones Sr. S. Barker	W. Mc Eleney R. Sacco L. Careri

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.



BAPTISM:



This weekend, our community warmly welcomes Ilan Alexander and his family as he receives the Sacrament of Baptism.

How Can We Support and Congratulate Fathers Huy & Vuong?

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

On behalf of Fathers Huy and Vuong, I would like to sincerely thank all those who attended their Priestly Ordination on Saturday, 23 May at 10:00 am in St Albans. Please continue to keep them in your prayers as they begin their priestly ministry.

Fathers Huy and Vuong will return to celebrate their Thanksgiving Mass and pray for our parish community at 5:30 pm on Saturday, 30 May, followed by dinner in the School/Parish Hall. Everybody is invited.

I would like to invite your support in the following ways:

1. In the church foyer, you will find a food list for the dinner following the Thanksgiving Mass. Please write down what food or dishes you are able to provide.
2. Ordination cards are also available in the church foyer. Please take a moment to sign the cards and share your prayers, congratulations, and best wishes for Fathers Huy and Vuong.
3. Volunteers to set up at the Hall about 3.30pm. Please write your name down in the Church Foyer.

Thank you very much for your generosity, support, and prayers. May God bless you all.

Fr. Joe Dong Tran, P.P.

MESSAGE FROM PARISH PRIEST – Thanksgiving Envelope Donations

Dear Donators, I would like to kindly ask that, when using the thanksgiving envelopes you receive every six months, **please place your donation in the correct section - either for the Church or for the Presbytery - according to your intention.**



This will help us avoid confusion when recording donations, preparing statements, or sorting contributions at the end of the year, especially if you would like us to provide you with an accurate donation statement.

Thank you very much for your generosity, understanding, and continued support of our parish. God bless you all!

New Rosters for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers



The new roster for Readers and Eucharistic Ministers is currently being prepared. Could you please advise our roster co-ordinator, Carmel FitzGerald, if your availability or mass preferences have changed. This information is required by **Monday June 1st**. Thank you to those people who have done so already. New rosters will be available on Saturday June 20th. Carmel can be contacted at carmelpatriciafitzgerald@gmail.com or alternatively volunteers can inform our parish secretary, Dianne Stubbs, of any changes.

MOTHERS DAY RAFFLE WINNERS

Thank you to everyone who purchased raffle tickets and congratulations to the winners.

First Prize: Sherine Fernando
Second Prize: Margaret
Third Prize: Paul Bezzina

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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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