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WEEKENDS

Saturday Evening: 5.30pm

Sunday Morning: 8am & 10am

WEEKDAYS

Monday: no Mass

Tuesday: 9.15am

Wednesday: 7.00pm Mass & Novena

Thursday: 9.15am

Friday: 9.15am

First Saturday: 9.15am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5pm and during monthly Holy Hour

BAPTISMS

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

Preparation 1st Wednesday each month at 5.30pm in the Dunlop Room. Parents should 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 and Benediction after morning Mass on 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

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 18TH JUNE 2023

READING

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

PSALM

We are his people: the sheep of his flock.

Cry 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.

FEAST DAY DURING THE WEEK

Wed 21st June: St Aloysius Gonzaga

Thurs 22nd June: Sts John Fisher & Thomas More

Sat 24th June: The Nativity of St John the Baptist

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

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

Alleluia,

Recent Deaths :

Neil Robinson

Eladio Collaga

Anniversaries:

Sick:

Anita Gentile

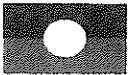
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Paul Long

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...)*

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we stand, the WURUNDJERI People of the Kulin Nation. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently and respectfully upon the land.



Gospel Reflection for the 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ, we are now on the 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time, year A. our first reading tells us about one of the most famous covenants of God with his people in the Old Testament, the Sinai Covenant. Through it, God made Israel his people and offers to guide them toward a great destiny, and his people offer obedience.

If the people are faithful to their promise, they will forever be the sacred people, God's possession. If they fail due to their human destiny, God will not abandon them but will continue to search for them. This is God's way of acting. Although we fail, God never abandons us. Therefore, the saying is wise: "To err is human; to forgive divine."

In today's second reading, St. Paul reminds us of how God continues to be faithful to us through his only Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation: "What proves that God loves us is that Christ died for us while we were still sinners." Through the sacrifice of Christ, we are constantly reconciled with God. So, God never abandons us because he chose and called us to be his people.

The second aspect of our calling is to be Christ's disciples in a world quickly losing life's meaning, in a world where many feel abandoned, helpless, and hopeless. This call and mission were born from mercy and compassion for a dejected and abandoned world. Hence, today's gospel tells us, "At the sight of the crowds, Jesus' heart was moved with pity for them because they were troubled and abandoned, like sheep without a shepherd."

Therefore, as Christians, each of us has a unique call. By virtue of our baptism, God chose and called each of us by our new name, as he called his twelve apostles today, to help our abandoned world. This is a special call and invitation to lift and save our dejected world from ruins. It is a call to be faithful shepherds to one another.

Finally, our call had a unique purpose and message in the Gospel. Christ sent his disciples with specific instructions. "Do not go into pagan territory or enter a Samaritan town. Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, make this proclamation: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, and drive out demons."

Dear Friends, Christ, the Son of God who came to save the world. However, our call and mission must start from somewhere. We must start this mission with ourselves. It must begin in our homes, families, and communities. Later, the mission can be extended to others. Through this, Christ reminds us that Charity begins at home. This is important because we must first become God's people before becoming God's disciples.

So, let us pray to God to keep us faithful to his call to be his people and disciples. Amen!

Fr Joe Dong Tran PP

Rosters for 24th & 25th June 2023

Mass Time	Reader/Responder	Eucharist / Welcome	Piety Shop	Counters	Readers/ Responders Eucharist / Welcomers, ... Please gather together in the Sacristy about 15 Minutes prior to Mass. Eucharist Ministers— please remember that you are also
5.30pm	P. Bezzina B. Walter	N. Nugent M. O'Riordan T. Garcia	D. Whyley	G, Mees R. Mees	
8.00am	Sr Nalia M. Sweetman	N. Beverley C. Fitzgerald J. North	S. Watson	Supervisor T. Frazer	
10.00am	J. Capuana J. Sobey	P. Del Popolo L. Careri J. Venturini	S. O'Connor		

What's on at St. Damian's Parish & beyond. . .

A Prayer for our Confirmation Candidates

Heavenly Father,
Look kindly on all Candidates for Confirmation as
they listen to Your voice. Open their hearts to
Your Spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work
that You have begun in them.

As we think of our Candidates,
make us an instrument of Your love. Teach us to
see what is holy in others and to be patient with
what we do not understand. Deepen our faith and
help us to pass on faith as we lead by example.

Let us be a source of encouragement,
strength and wisdom.

We pray that You continue to guide and sustain
us as we guide and support our Candidates.

We praise You through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

BAPTISM



This weekend, we welcome into the family of
St Damian's, Raphael Disco who is being baptised.
May God keep his family always in his love.

St DAMIAN'S RCIA 26 YEAR REUNION

Everyone are cordially invited to join us for this
magnificent milestone in the life of
our St Damian's Parish.

Who? All past and present who have been in-
volved in any way with the R.C.I.A program.

When: Sunday 16th July 2023,
starting with a special Mass @10.00am followed by
refreshments.

Where? St Damian's Catholic Church
5 Settlement Road Bundoora.

Why: To Celebrate
Spread the Word

RSVP: Dianne in the Parish Office:
9467- 2797 or bundoora@cam.org.au
By Friday 30th June

Eucharist and Readers Rosters for Collection

Eucharist and Readers Rosters are available to be col-
lected this weekend at the back of the Church. We thank
Carmel for all her work with the rosters. If you have any
questions please contact Carmel: [carmelpatriciafitz-
gearld@gmail.com](mailto:carmelpatriciafitz-gearld@gmail.com) or should you wish, you can contact
Dianne Stubbs at the parish office and she will pass
the information onto Carmel. Thank you

CONDOLENCES TO ANN, HELEN & LOUISE & FAMILY

Dear St. Damian's family,

It's so very sad to inform you all that Neil Robinson, a
good and faithful parishioner of St Damian's who has died
last Sunday. Many of you know Neil who was very much
involved and served our parish community for many years
on many committees, mainly the Conductor for St. Dami-
an's choir that sings always at 10am on Sunday Mass. I'd
like to take this opportunity to thank him for who he is
and what he's done for St. Damian's parish community.
My heartfelt sympathies are extended to the whole fami-
ly. I'd like to offer this weekend Masses to pray for Neil's
soul. May the Almighty God bring comfort, consolation,
and healing to the family during this very hard and sad
time. May Neil Robinson Rest In Peace. So, if you'd like to
attend the funeral for Neil that will be held at St. Dami-
an's Church on Tuesday 20th June at 11.00am.

Catholic Mission Church Appeal Thank you

We thank everyone who donated to the
Combined Catholic Collection two weeks ago.
We collected \$499.10. This money has been
forwarded to Catholic Mission.

Thank you

VINNIES WINTER APPEAL

Next weekend the 24th & 25th of June we will be
holding Vinnies Winter Appeal. There will be en-
velopes on the seats and at the door for cash or
Credit Card donations.

If you are unable to help on the day please take an
envelope home and put it in the plate the following
week. The money will be used to supply food vouch-
ers to the poor and needy in Bundoora. There are
many families doing it tough at present so any help
would be appreciated.

Being a member of Vinnies is very rewarding work

CHURCH GROUNDS CARE AND MAINTENANCE

Dear Gentlemen,

I'm writing to ask you to consider joining with Parish
Maintenance Team (PMT) that will give advices to
the parish priest on safety of the church ground care
and maintenance matters relating to the parish.



If you think you can help me and community, please contact
Michael Mackowiah: 0423626368 or our Parish Office -
94672797 or Email: Budoora@cam.org.au Many thanks for
your considerations.

Piety Shop

The Piety Shop is open after each weekend, Mass
via the Church foyer.. We have a wide selection
of stock with gifts suitable for Confirmation,
various rosaries and inspirational items, including
bookmarks, pins and plaques, are also available .
We have items suitable for seasonal prayer or de-
votional use including medals prayer cards featur-
ing popular Saints & Novena booklets.

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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