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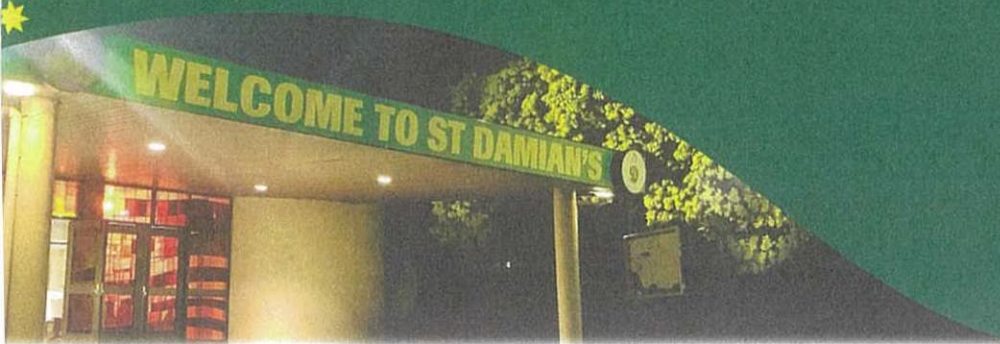
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WEEKENDS

Saturday Evening: 5.30pm

Sunday Morning: 8am & 10am

WEEKDAYS

Monday: no Mass

Tuesday: 9.15am

Wednesday: 9.15am

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

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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

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD 20th APRIL 2025

THIS WEEKEND

Act 10: 34, 37-43;

Col 3:1-4;

Jn 20:1-9.

NEXT WEEK

Acts 5: 12-16;

Rev:1:9-13, 17-19;

Jn 20:19-31.



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Alleluia!

PSALM

**This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad.**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.'

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

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let us rejoice and be glad.**

Recent Deaths: Zaida Castro

Anniversaries: Roy Tucknott, Lina & Gino Giaccotto, Maria Del Popolo, Menotti Camilli

Sick: Elizabeth San Martin, Manuel Paneda, Lottie Constantino, Helen Mc Kinnery, John Long, Antonio Castro

Perpetuna Basada

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2025 EASTER MESSAGE BY PARISH PRIEST

Christ is Risen! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

My dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

Our **FAITH** assures us that the Easter Passion story does not end with Mary Magdalene weeping at the tomb. Rather, it leads us to her joyful encounter with the Risen Lord. This is the Good News we proclaim and celebrate with all believers this Easter Sunday: that Jesus Christ, in His glorious resurrection, has conquered death, opened the gates to new life, and revealed God's infinite love, forgiveness, and desire for us to live with Him forever.

This year, as we celebrate the **Jubilee of Hope**, we are invited to reflect more deeply on the true meaning of hope. Hope is not mere wishful thinking; it is the certainty that God's love is greater than anything we may face. And joy is not just a fleeting emotion; it is the deep assurance that, even in times of trial, God is with us. Our journey of faith is never walked alone; we are called to walk together as Church, as community, as family.

Congratulations to those who have completed the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Easter is a powerful moment of welcome and new beginnings. This year, we are blessed to welcome **Evie & Kobe**, who were fully initiated into the Church during the Easter Vigil. Their faith and commitment are a source of inspiration, reminding us of the joy of belonging to God's family.

Dear friends, God's way often involves letting go, beginning again, returning to Him with open hearts, and walking forward in trust. This year of Easter & the Jubilee of Hope, may we embrace the true hope of Christ's dying and rising in our parish of St Damian's, in our communities, in our families, and in our personal lives. Where there is death, Christ brings life; where there is despair, He brings hope.

A Special Word of Thanks:

To all who contributed to making this Easter season so meaningful, and to everyone who helped prepare for Holy Week and the Easter celebrations:

Sincere thanks to our dedicated volunteers:

Michael & Loida Kanniah, Rowena & Vincente Bacarro, Tony Garcia, Carlos and Carmelita Manabat, Paul Bezzina, Nihal Gooneratne, and John Borg.

Mowing Team (working once a month): Ben Sacco, Paul Bezzina (Leader), Lawrie O'Shea, Clause Nagel, and Tony Shabuel.

Choirs: Couples for Christ Choir – Loida (Leader); St Damian's Community Choir – Wendy (Leader); St Damian's Youth Choir – Joe Capuanna (Leader) and Sun Rise Choir

Cleaning Team (cleaning every fortnight): Viola Ho (Leader), Brian Taylor, Edwin Aldrige, Winni Fred, Ann Robinson, Yuxing Lin, Michael Mackowiah, Jenny Mercado, Josie, Maria-Han, Chamika, Chantal Bedros, and Nihal (Nickey) Gooneratne.

Also thank you to: Our Parish Secretary, Florist Team (Joe Farvin & Tia Crowe), Parish Pastoral Council, Liturgical Ministers (Carmel Fitzgerald – Coordinator), Sacristans, Altar Servers, Finance Committee, Counters & Supervisors, RCIA Team, Child Safeguarding Team, Faith Enrichment Group and all who work faithfully behind the scenes. Thank you all for your devotion, generosity, and service to our vibrant parish community.

Finally, please pray for me, and I promise to keep you always in my Eucharistic celebrations each day. I wish you and your families a blessed and joy-filled Easter. May the peace, mercy, and happiness of the Risen Lord fill your hearts. May this season of new life renew your faith and hope in God, who always has a beautiful plan for each of us.

Have a safe and Happy Easter!

Yours in the Risen Lord,

FR. JOE DONG TRAN, P.P.

Rosters 26th & 27th April 2025

TIME	READERS	Eucharist / Welcome	Counters	Readers & Eucharistic Welcomers
5.30pm	D. Whyley A. Dass	A. Karuppiah E. Taylor M. Spiteri	B. Keating T. Garcia	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.
8.00am	Sr Neila T. Shebual	K. Keating C. Love V. Smith	Supervisor	
10.00am	J. Sobey N. Mathews	P. Gill S. Gooneratne C. Manabat	G. Spiteri  Ministries	

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY EASTER TO ALL FROM FR JOE DONG & PARISH STAFF



Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

As your parish priest, I would like to take this wonderful opportunity to express my heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you, especially to our generous donors - for your contributions, big or small, throughout this year.

If you wish to continue supporting our parish, you can make donations through the QUEST MACHINE located inside the church, or via bank transfer to the following accounts:

* **Church Account:**

* BSB: 083347— ACC: 660192933

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Thank you for your loving care and ongoing support.

May God bless you abundantly.

With gratitude,

Fr. Joe Dong, P.P.

OPEN DAY LOYOLA COLLEGE WATSONIA

SUNDAY, 18TH MAY 2025: 1.00PM to 4.00pm

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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



Second Sunday of Easter – 27 April 2025

**St Damian's Parish, Bundoora
5 Settlement Road, Bundoora**

Dear Friends in Christ Jesus,

You are warmly invited to join us as we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday at St Damian's Parish. This special day is an opportunity to immerse ourselves in the ocean of God's mercy, love, and forgiveness.

- * **1:00 pm – Confessions: Individual Confessions:
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Followed by the Rosary and Divine
Mercy prayers.**
- * **3:15 PM - Holy Mass with Fr. Shiran
(Redemptorist Priest),
Fr. Benneth and Parish Priest, Fr. Joe**

Let us come together in prayer and thanksgiving as we entrust ourselves to the merciful Heart of Jesus. "Jesus, I trust in You." We hope to see you there! With blessings,

**Danuta Streicher
Divine Mercy Coordinator**

LENTEN PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

Many thanks for your generous support of **Project Compassion** during this year's Lenten season. Your kindness and compassion have truly made a difference.

May I kindly ask you to return any remaining Project Compassion boxes in the coming weeks? You may hand them to **Tony, Michael, Carlos, or Fr. Joe Dong** before or after Masses.

With sincere gratitude,

**Dianne Stubbs
Parish Officer**

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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