



St Damian's Catholic Church

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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

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 1ST SEPTEMBER 2024

THIS WEEKEND

Deut 4:1-2, 6-8

James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

NEXT WEEK

Is 35:4-7

James: 2:1-5

Mk 7:31-37

FEAST DAYS DURING THE WEEK

Tues: 2nd September: St Gregory the Great

Fri 6th September: 1st Friday Mass

Sat 7th September: 1st Saturday Mass

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

PSALM

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain? He who walks without fault; he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart.

He who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur on his neighbour, who holds the godless in disdain, but honours those who fear the Lord.

He who keeps his pledge, come what may; who takes no interest on a loan and accepts no bribes against the innocent. Such a man will stand firm for ever.

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Recent Deaths: Anna Maria Rachel Pancetta

Anniversaries: Mario Caruso, Giuseppe Lucci,

Sick: Alexander, Felipe, Anne, Judy Cousins,

Marc Lucci, Raffaella Piraino, Guglielmo Piraino

Jon Walker, Jaena Catingud, Sharon Barber

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 WURRUNDJERI People. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we walk gently and respectfully upon the land.



FATHER'S DAY REFLECTION IN THE LIGHT OF GOD'S WORD TODAY BY PARISH PRIEST

Happy and Blessed Father's Day to all Fathers, Grandfathers, and Great-Grandfathers!

Dear Friends, today, as we celebrate Father's Day, our readings invite us to reflect on the deep and meaningful ways we can honour our fathers, not just through words, but through our actions and the way we live our lives.

In the reading from **Deuteronomy 4:1-8**, Moses urges the Israelites to listen and follow the statutes and decrees of the Lord, highlighting the importance of living according to God's commandments. Just as the Israelites were called to honour God by living according to His law, we are reminded today to honour our fathers by respecting their guidance and wisdom.

The letter of **James 1:17-22** echoes this sentiment, emphasizing that every good gift comes from above, from the Father of lights. James calls us to be "doers of the word, and not hearers only." This is a powerful reminder that our love and respect for our fathers should be demonstrated in our actions. It's not enough to simply say we honour our fathers; we must show it in the way we live, by being kind, patient, and obedient, embodying the virtues they have tried to instil in us.

In the Gospel reading from **Mark 7:1-8**, Jesus addresses the Pharisees and scribes who were more concerned with external traditions than with the true intentions of the heart. Jesus warns against honouring God with our lips while our hearts are far from Him. This can be applied to our relationships with our fathers as well. We must ensure that our honour and respect are sincere, coming from a place of genuine love, rather than simply following societal norms or traditions.

Friends, as we celebrate Father's Day, let us remember that true honour comes from the heart. It is lived out in our actions, in the way we respect, love, and care for our fathers. Let us be doers of the word, as James exhorts, and let us honour our fathers not just with our lips, but with our lives. May this day be a reminder of the precious gift our fathers are and the love and wisdom they impart to us. Amen!

Fr Joe Dong Tran P.P

Roster: 7th & 8th September 2024

Mass Time	Reader / Responder	Eucharist / Welcome	Piety	Counters	Readers & Eucharistic Welcomers
5.30pm	First Eucharist Readers	D. Whyley E. Taylor N. Nugent	D. Whyley	N & K Nugent M. Thompson	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	J. North C. Fitzgerald	A. Della-Vecchia C. Love C. Fitzgerald	M. Kmita	Supervisor T. Frazer	
10.00am	J. Sobey Sr S Barker	Sr S Barker C. Manabat R. Sacco	C. Manabat		

SAVE THE DATE

Sat 31st Aug: First Eucharist Presentation
Sat 7th Sept.: First Eucharist Celebration.
Fri 25th October: Feast Dinner Dance



St Damian's Primary School invites

The Parishioners of St Damian's Parish

to the Blessing and the Official Opening of

The Refurbished Facilities

by His Grace, Most Reverend Peter A Comensoli

Archbishop of Melbourne

&

The Hon. Colin Brooks MP

Member for Bundoora

Friday 20 September 2024

Ceremony will commence at 10.00 am

You are kindly asked to be seated by 9:45 am

*Please bring a plate to share following
the ceremony*

St Damian's Primary School

5 Settlement Rd Bundoora

RSVP by 6 September 2024

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CHURCH LAWN MOWING & CLEANING TEAM

A heartfelt thank you to the Lawn Mowing Team, led by Paul Bezzina, and Cleaning Group B, led by Chung. Your dedication in keeping our church grounds clean and beautiful is truly appreciated. We are grateful for your commitment to mowing the lawn, trimming trees, and cleaning the church every two weeks and cutting the grass once a month. If anyone would like to join these wonderful teams and contribute to maintaining our church community, please let us know. Your help would be greatly valued! God bless!

Fr. Joe Dong Tran P.P

PRIESTS RETIREMENT FOUNDATION

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

Each year, on Father's Day, our Church traditionally asks for your generous support for the Retired Priests Foundation. This year, Archbishop Peter has been asking for your support for his Campaign, which also includes concluding support for the Priests Retirement Foundation.

For this reason, I kindly ask you to contribute to a leaving collection today to support our retired priests. On behalf of the Archbishop, I thank you sincerely for your kindness and generosity.

Kind regards,

Fr. Joe Dong Tran. P.P

ST. DAMIAN'S YOUTH CHOIR



Dear Young Friends,

First of all, I'd like to extend my heartfelt thanks to you for singing at our Father's Day celebration today. Your contribution has made this day truly unforgettable, and I'm sure it will be remembered for a long time.

Secondly, to the other young friends sitting among the congregation, as your parish priest, I warmly encourage you to consider joining our choir. Don't hesitate too much - if you feel ready, please write down your details on the sign-up sheet in the church foyer. We would love to have you with us! Thank you all for your enthusiasm and spirit.

Co-ordinators: Joe and Loida

ARCHDIOCESAN JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE— EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST NOW OPEN

The Archdiocese of Melbourne will run two pilgrimages to Rome next year as we celebrate Jubilee Year 2025.

The first pilgrimage will be held in May and June 2025, coinciding with the Jubilee for **Families, Grandparents and the Elderly**.

The second pilgrimage will be for **young adults (18-35 years)**, journeying to the Jubilee of Youth in July and August 2025.

These graced and hope-filled pilgrimages will journey through the towns and cities of Italy, the homes of great saints like St Francis and St Clare (and soon to be canonised saints Carlo Acutis and Pier Giorgio Frassati), before walking through the Holy Doors of St Peter's Basilica.

Be a pilgrim of hope! Embark on an incredible pilgrimage to encounter God and deepen your faith with others.

Be the first to receive the latest updates, including booking information and itineraries, by submitting an expression of interest:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ST83H75>

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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