

SUNDAY MASS Saturday Vigil 6.00 pm Sunday 9 am, 11 am WEEKDAY MASS Tuesday 9 am Wednesday 9 am Thursday 9 am Friday 9 am Saturday 9 am ASSUMPTION—Vigil 7pm 14th August and 9am 15th August		The Sacrament of Reconciliation Is available 30 minutes before each Mass, between 9:30-10:30 am Saturday morning, or by appointment. Eucharist Adoration Half an hour before each weekday Mass St Joseph's Church	HOLY ROSARY Tuesday to Friday 8:30am St Joseph's Church Wednesday 1pm St Joseph's Parish Centre 15 Decade-Rosary Mary Untier of Knots 
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St Joseph's Parish is committed to the Safeguarding of Children and Young People in all aspects of Parish life.

*To subscribe to St Joseph's Parish email list please email chelsea@cam.org.au
The solemn obligation for baptised Catholics to attend regular Sunday Mass has been restored throughout the Archdiocese of Melbourne.*

Please pray for:
Recently deceased
Nora Hulme, Marty Johnson, Laura Santos
Prayers for the Sick
Fr Brendan Lane, Bishop Terry Curtin, Derick D'Costa, Margaret Dunne, Jamie Fleming, Bev Garing, Leonie Gilchrist, Rick Hayes, Jessie Jackson, Andrea Hazel Pereira, Juliette Ronald, Josephine Russell, Len Scott, Danielle Spencer, John Styzinski, Toni (Marie) Wilton, Baby Area Maria (Cathy Meehan's Great Granddaughter)
Anniversaries
Mary Caderamanpulle, Josie and Jim Gilligan, Pat Rowe, Robert Edward Scanlan
Special Intentions
Repose of the soul of Marie Claire Aziz, B day Remembrance Michael Morris

16th August; Ordinary 20 A
1st R: Is 56:1, 6-7
2nd R: Rom 11:13-15, 29-31
Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

23rd August; Ordinary 21A
1st R: Is 22:19-23
2nd Rom 11:33-36
Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20

PARISH OF ST JOSEPH CHELSEA

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

16TH AUGUST 2026

Being the mother of a person with a disability, I find my life constantly busy with appointments, therapy, transport and the care of my darling daughter (to name just a few!!). It's easy to fall out of time with God, so it's important that I make that time with Him, both by myself and with Niamh.



The Catholic Church teaches that every person with a disability possesses equal human dignity, sacred value, and a fundamental right to full participation in church and society. Official documents, like the Catechism of the Catholic Church, state that individuals who are physically or mentally challenged deserve special respect and assistance to lead lives as normal as possible

Jesus taught that people with disabilities possess equal fundamental worth, rejecting the cultural belief that impairments resulted from personal or parental sin (John 9:1-2 – "As he went along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, 'Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind'"). He commanded that individuals with disabilities be welcomed in community gatherings, that they had a place of belonging and that people did not fear them.

Throughout the Bible, God chose to show His power through the limitations, or disabilities, of His children. God's chosen son, Jacob, had a limp his entire adult life (Genesis 32); God selected Moses to speak on His behalf despite Moses describing himself as "slow of speech and tongue" (Exodus 4:10), and consider how many of Jesus' miracles were connected to someone with a disability. God clearly has a plan and purpose when it comes to human disabilities.

"We are called to recognize in every person with a disability, even with complex and serious disabilities, a unique contribution to the common good through their original life story, recognise the dignity of each one, knowing that it does not depend on the functionality of the five senses." (Pope Francis December 3rd 2019)
God Bless, Maree



FEELING SICK?
PLEASE STAY HOME

Please do not attend Mass if you are unwell.
There are no numbers restrictions on attendees at church.
Face masks are no longer mandatory inside the church.
Please use the hand sanitiser provided.

PARISH CALENDAR

SATURDAY 15 AUGUST

The Assumption of Our Lady
9:00am Mass of the Assumption—Church
4:30pm Junior Legion of Mary—PC

MONDAY 17 AUGUST

10:00am Divine Mercy Prayer Group—PC

TUESDAY 18 AUGUST

10:00am Sacred Heart Prayer Group
Seminar Week 3—PC

WEDNESDAY 19 AUGUST

12:30pm Parishioners Luncheon—
Chelsea RSL
1:00pm 15 Decade Rosary—PC
6:30pm Legion of Mary—PC

THURSDAY 20 AUGUST

St Bernard
10:00am Film and Light Lunch—PC

FRIDAY 21 AUGUST

7:00pm Charismatic Mass—Church



ST JOSEPH'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Pledge \$ 2,451
Weekly average \$ 2,336.28



St Vincent de Paul Society

Donations to Vinnies are gratefully accepted in the Blue Vinnie's Bin in the narthex.
Week 1 Canned foods only Baked beans, tuna, soups, tinned fruit or veg etc
Thank you for your continued support for the St Vincent De Paul Society!



Transitus of Our Holy Father Francis 03 Oct 2026, 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm

St Anthony's Capuchin Friary and Church,
182 Power St, Hawthorn VIC 3122, Australia
Join His Grace, the Archbishop of Melbourne,
Peter A. Comensoli, and the Capuchin Friars
in Melbourne as we commemorate the 800th
anniversary of the Transitus of Saint Francis.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL, IN CONJUNCTION WITH CHARIS, INVITES YOU TO ATTEND

This Promise Is For You:
The Life Changing Work of the Holy Spirit

SACRED HEART OF JESUS
CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP CHELSEA
ST JOSEPH'S PARISH CENTRE
ARGYLE AVENUE, CHELSEA
(ENTRY THROUGH SCHOOL OFFICE GATE)



DATE : 04 AUGUST 2026 - 08 SEPTEMBER 2026

TUESDAYS. TIME: 10.00 AM - 12.00 PM

FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWING MEETINGS

6 WEEK SEMINARS

WEEK 1: THE CERTAINTY OF GOD'S LOVE

WEEK 2: FREEDOM IN JESUS

WEEK 3: THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

WEEK 4: THE SPIRITUAL GIFTS

WEEK 5: FULLNESS OF LIFE

WEEK 6: EMPOWERED TO SERVE

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FILM AND LIGHT LUNCH

Thursday 20th August

10:00 in the Parish Centre.
All are Welcome. Come
along and enjoy a movie,
conversation and friendship
with fellow parishioners!!
Please bring a plate to share!



Church Garden Working Bee Next Saturday 22nd August 2026 10am

Can you spare an hour or two to assist with
a tidy up, weeding of the garden etc? Please
come along if you can assist in anyway!!
God Bless



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God's Word 2027

Our early bird deal is back—\$13.50 per copy (RRP is \$21.95) if I order by 28th August!! Please email, call or drop in if you would like a copy! Thanks Maree

Charismatic Mass with Fr Isaac Zaki.

Friday 21st August at 7pm. St Joseph's Church.

3rd Wednesday Parishioners Luncheon -

Wednesday 19th August 2026 at Chelsea/
Longbeach RSL at 12:30pm.
Bookings Keith Reiter on 0417 350 733 or leave a
message on 03 9772 7292

The 2026 Archbishop's Campaign is now underway, and we ask everyone to consider a one time or monthly pledge to support the vital ministries of our Archdiocese. Brochures with more information can be found around the church. Online (direct debit or credit card) donations are the most secure and preferred method of donating and can be made via the QR code. You can also donate via the supplied campaign envelopes or anonymously via cash directly into the collection plate during the weekend of the 22nd and 23rd of August.

The Archbishop's Campaign
invites us to proclaim the Good
News by supporting ministries that
serve those in need across our
Archdiocese. Your generous gift
helps bring this mission to life —
not only in word, but in action.

Thank you.



St Joseph's Care and Concern

Ladies Morning Coffee and a Movie

Wednesday 26th
August 2026 at
10:00am

Parish Centre
Argyle Ave Chelsea

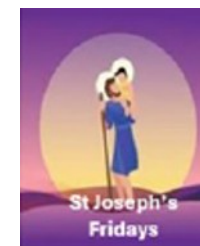
Register: Sign up
Sheets in the
Narthex or call Sue
on 0408 547 791



Are you looking for a place to go on
Friday night, find parish friends
and some faith formation?

ST JOSEPH'S FRIDAYS - 28/08/2026 is the next gathering!

Every second
and fourth
Friday 7.30-
9.30pm St
Joseph's Parish
Centre Enter
from Argyle
Avenue



Open to parents looking for some
time out, parishioners and friends
of any age, come along for some
quality time away from the daily
rush!

Info and registrations
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2026



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