

Parish of St Joseph Chelsea 2026 Calendar and Directory





Deceased Pastors of Chelsea

1951 Rev Gerald Fitzpatrick	+ 4 August 1952
1952 Rev Patrick Shelton	+ 30 August 1956
1956 Rev Mgr Daniel O'Callaghan	+ 11 October 1968
1968 Rev Michael Flanagan	+ 18 December 1989
1971 Rev Patrick O'Gorman	+ 24 April 1983
1983 Rev Gregory Handley	+ 8 October 1996
1998 Rev John Tollan	+ 27 March 2023

Hear with favour our prayers,
which we humbly offer, O Lord,
for the salvation of the souls of your servants and Priests,
that they, who devoted a faithful ministry to your name,
may rejoice in the perpetual company of your Saints

What are the precepts of the Church?

*Attend Mass on Sundays and
other Holy Days of Obligation and
to refrain from work and activities
which could impede the
sanctification of those days;*

*Confess one's sins, receiving the
Sacrament of Reconciliation at
least once each year;*

*Receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist at least
during the Easter season;*

*Abstain from eating meat and to observe the days of
fasting established by the Church;*

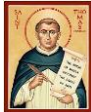
*Help to provide for the material needs of the Church,
each according to his own ability.*

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church n.432

Please check St Joseph's Parish Website for the
Bulletin, current information and updates:

<https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/chelsea>

JANUARY 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1  Mary, Mother of God New Year's Day	2 St Basil the Great & St Gregory Nazianzen	3
4  The Epiphany of the Lord	5	6	7	8	9	10
11  The Baptism of the Lord	12	13	14	15	16	17  St Anthony, Abbot
18 Ordinary Time 2	19 7:00pm Men's Focus Group recommences	20	21  St Agnes	22	23	24  St Francis de Sales
25 Altar Society Ordinary Time 3	26  Australia Day	27 School Term 1 commences	28  St Thomas Aquinas	29	30	31  St John Bosco

Parish of St Joseph Chelsea

St Joseph's Church & St Joseph's Presbytery

362 Station Street Chelsea 3196 (03) 9772 2211 chelsea@cam.org.au

PARISH PRIEST

Father Kevin Williams

PARISH OFFICE

Maree Dalton

PARISH ACCOUNTANT

Bernard Negline

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH CENTRE

Bookings: Parish Office 03 9772 2211

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH SHOP

Open after all weekend Masses

SISTERS OF ST PAUL DE CHARTRES

78 Argyle Avenue, Chelsea Tel 03 9418 6329

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Argyle Avenue Chelsea 3196 Tel 03 9773 1111

Email: principal@sjchelsea.catholic.edu.au

Website: www.sjchelsea.catholic.edu.au

Principal: Ms Martine Verhagen

Deputy Principal: Ms Lisa Kniese

Religious Education Leader: Mrs Kelly Riddle



St Joseph's Parish is committed to the Safeguarding of Children and Young People in all aspects of Parish life.

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday Vigil 6:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am 11:00 am

WEEKDAY MASS

Tuesday to Saturday 9:00 am

WAY OF THE CROSS

Last Monday of the month 9:30 am

HOLY ROSARY

Tuesday—Friday 8:30 am

First Saturday 8:00am and 9:30am (Legion of Mary)

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Thursday 8:30 am (Divine Mercy PG)

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Saturday 8:30 am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Half an hour before each weekday 9:00am Mass

St Joseph's Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday—Friday 8:30am—8:55am

Saturday 8:30am – 8:55am; 9:30am-10:30am;

5pm—5:30pm

Sunday 8:30am—8:55am; 10:30am—10:55am;

or by appointment

FEBRUARY 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Ordinary Time 4	2 Divine Mercy Prayer Group recommences Presentation of the Lord	3 Sacred Heart Prayer Group recommences St Blaise	4 	5 St Agatha	6  St Paul Miki	7
8 Ordinary Time 5	9	10 7:30pm KSC Branch Meeting	11 Our Lady of Lourdes 10:00am Care and Concern Meeting	12	13	14 6:00pm Men's Choir St Cyril & Methodius
15 Ordinary Time 6	16	17	18  Ash Wednesday Masses at 9:15am, 11am & 7pm	19 10:00am Film and Light Lunch	20	21 7:00am Men's Hour 8:00am Men's Breakfast
22 Lent 1	23  St Polycarp	24 7:30pm KSC Exec Meeting	25 	26	27 9:00am Mass with Anointing of the Sick	28
						

LENT AND EASTER

VIA MATRIS

Saturdays of Lent, immediately after 9am Mass, commencing 21 February 2026.

Since the childhood of Christ, the Blessed Virgin Mary's life was entirely lived out under the sign of the sword, Christian piety has singled out seven particular incidents or "seven sorrows" of the Blessed Virgin Mary

VIA LUCIS

Saturdays of the Easter Season immediately after 9am Mass, commencing 11 April 2026.

Meditation on the Paschal Mystery from the Resurrection of Jesus to his Ascension, leading to Pentecost.

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PATRON SAINT OF AUSTRALIA FEAST DAY

Monday 25 May 2026 9am Mass

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Tuesday 4 August 2026 9am Mass
Memorial of St John Vianney Patron of Priests

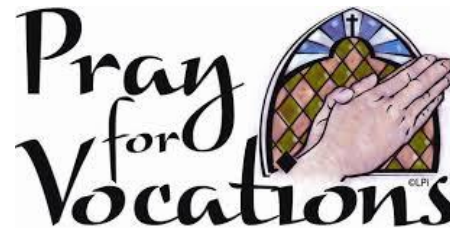


PRIESTS AND VOCATIONS

CATHOLIC VOCATIONS

Vocations Office

383 Albert Street
East Melbourne VIC 3002
Tel (03) 9926 5733
Email vocations@cam.org.au



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)

A programme for adults who wish to learn more about the Catholic Church. The programme usually begins in September. Attendance at Sunday Mass is an essential part of the Catholic Faith and therefore, of RCIA preparation. At the Easter Vigil each year, we welcome our candidates as new members of the Catholic Church.



FAITH FORMATION

HOLY HOUR

Eucharistic Adoration, personal and common prayer, and Benediction
3pm

St Joseph's Church

Laetare Sunday 15 March

Good Shepherd Sunday 26 April

Corpus Christi Sunday 7 June

Holy Rosary Sunday 4 October

THE HOLY ROSARY



Tuesday to Friday

8:30am

St Joseph's Church

Mary Untier of Knots

15 Decade Rosary

Wednesday 1:00pm

Parish Centre

MARCH 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Lent 2	2	3	4	5	6 	7
8 Lent 3	9 Public Holiday	10 7:30pm KSC Branch Meeting	11	12	13	14 6:00pm Men's Choir
15 Lent 4 Laetare Sunday Holy Hour 3pm	16	17  St Patrick	18 3 rd Wednesday Parishioner's Luncheon	19 Masses at 9am and 7pm St Joseph 10:00am Film and Light Lunch	20 Anniversary of the Dedication of St Joseph's Church	21 9:45am Acies Ceremony after 9am Mass
22 Lent 5	23	24 7:30pm KSC Exec Meeting	25  Annunciation of the Lord	26	27	28
29  Palm Sunday	30	31	PROJECT COMPASSION			

St Joseph's Parish Office
Email: chelsea@cam.org.au

Tel: (03) 9772 2211

Website: <https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/chelsea>

**Office Open Hours – Tuesday to Friday
9am to 2pm**

Offerings for Mass

Holy Mass Intentions can be requested for 9am weekday Mass, Saturday 6pm and Sunday 11am.

Only one Mass intention per Mass per day is accepted.

Please address all your Mass Intentions requests to the Parish Office, and include a contact telephone number.

Should your preferred date not be available, we will try to negotiate another date. If there is no telephone number, the next available date will be allocated for the intention.

St Joseph's Parish Shop

Religious articles, rosary beads, books, DVDs, cards, calendars, gifts and much more

Special orders taken.

The Parish Shop is open after all weekend Masses



ARCHDIOCESAN WEBSITE



CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE
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melbournecatholic.org.au

Mass Times/Events calendar
Prayer of the Day/Daily Readings
Archbishop engagements
Donations to Catholic charities

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Chelsea Heights*

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Persons in need of assistance can contact the Wells Road Centre.

APRIL 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 School Term 1 concludes	2 7:30pm The Lord's Supper 10pm Night Prayer Holy Thursday	3 10am Stations of the Cross 3pm The Lord's Passion Good Friday	4 8pm Easter Vigil Holy Saturday
5  Easter Sunday	6 Easter Monday	7	8	9	10	11 6:00pm Men's Choir
12 Divine Mercy Sunday Easter 2	13	14 7:30pm KSC Branch Meeting	15 3rd Wednesday Parishioner's Luncheon	16 10:00am Film and Light Lunch	17	18
19 Easter 3	20 School Term 2 commences	21 	22	23	24 St Fidelis of Sigmaringen	25  ANZAC Day
26 Altar Society Good Shepherd Sunday Easter 4 Holy Hour 3pm	27 	28 7:30pm KSC Exec Meeting	29  St Catherine of Siena	30 		

SACRED LITURGY AND MINISTRIES

ALTAR SOCIETY

Altar Care

Parish Office 9772 2211

Flowers

Yvonne Brohier 0408 177 231

MUSIC MINISTRY

Saturday 6pm	<i>Elaine Shelton</i>	03 9776 0753
Sunday 9am	<i>Marie Hardwick</i>	03 9783 8656
	<i>Ian Godsil</i>	0466 286 003
Sunday 11am	<i>Amy Lau</i>	03 9772 2211

FR GERALD FITZPATRICK PIPE ORGAN

Organists: Ian Godsil 0466 286 003
Ian Keenan 9580 6627

LITURGY AND SPECIAL MINISTRIES

Readers and Ministers of Holy Communion

Rosters coordinated by Chris Bennetts 0402 823 040
cjbennetts@optusnet.com.au

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK

To arrange for Holy Communion to be taken to the sick at home please contact St Joseph's Parish Office 9772 2211.

VISITATION TO AGED CARE FACILITIES

A team of parishioners regularly visits and brings Holy Communion to residents. If you have a relative or friend in one of the Aged Care Facilities in the Parish who would like a visit or receive Holy Communion, please contact St Joseph's Parish Office 9772 2211



“Religious experience is an essential dimension of the human person. Without it, it is difficult, if not impossible, to bring about the purification of the heart necessary for building peaceful relationships.” Pope Leo XIV in an address to members of the diplomatic corps, May 16, 2025



“To speak of the Blessed Sacrament is to speak of what is most sacred. How often, when we are in a state of distress, those to whom we look for help leave us; or what is worse, add to our affliction by heaping fresh troubles upon us. He is ever there, waiting to help us.” St Euphrasia



"Have devotion to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and to Mary, Help of Christians, and you will see what miracles are." St. John Bosco



MAY 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3 Easter 5	4	5	6	7	8 Anniversary of the election of Pope Leo XVI	9 6:00pm Men's Choir
10  Mother's Day Easter 6	11	12 7:30pm KSC Branch Meeting	13 Our Lady of Fatima 10:00am Care & Concern Meeting	14 St Matthias, Apostle	15	16 7:00am Men's Hour 8:00am Men's Breakfast
17  Ascension of the Lord	18	19	20 3 rd Wednesday Parishioner's Luncheon	21 10:00am Film and Light Lunch	22	23
24  Pentecost Sunday	25  Our Lady Help of Christians	26 7:30pm KSC Exec Meeting	27	28	29	30
31  The Most Holy Trinity						

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JUNE 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
 Corpus Christi Holy Hour 3pm	8 King's Birthday	9 7:30pm KSC Branch Meeting	10 Care and Concern Men's Movie and Hot Lunch	11 St Barnabas, Apostle	 Sacred Heart of Jesus	13 6:00pm Men's Choir Immaculate Heart of Mary
14 Ordinary 11	15	16	17 3rd Wednesday Parishioner's Luncheon	18 10:00am Film and Light Lunch	19	20
21 Ordinary 12	22	23 7:30pm KSC Exec Meeting	 The Nativity of St John the Baptist	25	26	27
28 Altar Society Ordinary 13	 St Peter & St Paul, Apostles	30				

St Joseph's Parish School of Prayer

Sacred Heart of Jesus Charismatic Prayer Group

Prayer Praise Worship

Tuesdays 10:00am to 12:00 noon
From 3rd February to 1st December 2026
St Joseph's Parish Centre

Prayer ministry, fellowship and a cuppa
available after the meeting

Mary Cameron 0408 772 584

Seminar

August – September 2026
Tuesdays over 6 weeks.
Please check Parish Bulletin for details

Healing Mass

Friday 23rd October 2026 7:30pm

*Inner Healing Prayer available on
Wednesdays by appointment – contact
Catholic Charismatic Renewal on 03 9486
6544*



DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP

Every Monday 10am All Welcome
Prayer Group Meeting & "cuppa"
Parish Centre Chapel

First Monday of the Month

Divine Mercy Prayer Group invite all to join us in the Parish Centre Chapel at 10:00am to pray the Holy Rosary for the priesthood.

Last Monday of the Month

The Divine Mercy Group invite all parishioners to join us in the Church at 10:00am for Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet and the Stations of the Cross.

First Saturday of the Month

Rosary of the Divine Mercy at 8:00am
Chaplet of the Divine Mercy at 8:30am
Mass at 9:00am
Followed by Rosary led by the Legion of Mary



15-decade Rosary Mary Untier of Knots Divine Mercy Chaplet

Wednesday 1pm All welcome
Parish Centre Chapel

Birthday of St Faustina Retreat Day Monday 24th August 2026 All welcome

**Feast of St Faustina
Monday 5 October 2026
11am Mass & Morning Tea on Sunday 4 October**

Contact: Christiane Olsen
0413 701 381 christianeoelsen509@gmail.com

LEGION OF MARY



Our Lady of Fatima Praesidium
Wednesday's at 6:30pm
St Joseph's Parish Centre
Contact – Annie Pineda 0434 012 641

Our Lady Star of the Sea Junior Praesidium
Saturday's at 4:30pm
St Joseph's Parish Centre

First Saturday Devotion to our Lady
9:00am Mass followed by the Rosary led by the Legion of Mary

Saturday 21st March 2026 - Acies Ceremony after 9am Mass

ST PIO OF PIETRELCINA



10:30am
2nd Monday of the month
St Joseph's Church

Contact - Terry Taylor 9773 1384

JULY 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	 St Thomas, Apostle	4
5 Ordinary 14	6	7	8	9	10	11 6:00pm Men's Choir St Benedict
12 Ordinary 15	13 School Term 3 commences	14 7:30pm KSC Branch Meeting	15 3 rd Wednesday Parishioner's Luncheon	16 10:00am Film and Light Lunch	17	18
19 Ordinary 16	20	21	22  St Mary Magdalene	23	24	25  St James, Apostle
26 Altar Society ANIMA Sunday Roast Lunch 12pm Ordinary 17	27	28 7:30pm KSC Exec Meeting	29  St Martha, St Mary & St Lazarus	30	31	Novena of Masses of St Mary MacKillop commences 31 st July

SACRAMENTS

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are held on a regular basis on Sunday afternoons at 3pm.

Contact St Joseph's Parish Office for dates and bookings

(03) 9772 2211

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Mass and Holy Anointing

Lent 27th February 2026

Advent 4th December 2026

Refreshments are provided by St Joseph's Bereavement Support

Any member of the faithful can receive this Sacrament as soon as he or she begins to be in danger of death, because of sickness or old age. The faithful who receive this Sacrament can receive it several times if their illness becomes worse or another serious sickness afflicts them. The celebration of this Sacrament should, if possible, be preceded by individual Confession on the part of the sick person.

Compendium n.316

FUNERALS

At the death of a family member, contact should first be made with a Funeral Director. The Funeral Director undertakes responsibility to contact St Joseph's, and to make arrangements for funeral rites (Mass, Prayers) and Burial

Funeral rites consist of four principal parts: welcoming the body of the deceased by the community with the words of comfort and hope, the liturgy of the Word, the Eucharistic Sacrifice, and the farewell in which the soul of the departed is entrusted to God, the Source of eternal life, while the body is buried in the hope of the resurrection.

Compendium n. 356

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to the wedding. Documentation for overseas weddings must be completed at least 3 months before the wedding is to occur (no exceptions!)

By creating man and woman, God called them to an intimate communion of life and of love in marriage: "So that they are no longer two, but one flesh" (Mt 19:6).

God said to them in blessing "Be fruitful and multiply" (Gen 1: 28).



SACRAMENTS OF RECONCILIATION, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

Sacramental Programme

Parents must be actively involved in Church life and in the sacramental preparation of their children. The Sacramental Programme is currently supported by the Religious Education Programme in St Joseph's School which is developed from Foundation (Prep) to Year 6.

For children enrolled outside of St Joseph's School, the Parish Sacramental Programme runs on a slightly different time schedule from the School Programme. Please contact the Parish Priest to have your child enrolled at the beginning of the year. Normally, children are prepared to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation (Confession), Holy Communion, and Confirmation in School at Year 3, Year 4, and Year 6 respectively.

AUGUST 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					*15 th August* 7:00am Men's Hour 8:00am Men's Breakfast	1
2 Ordinary 18	3	4  St John Vianney	5	6 The Transfiguration of the Lord	7	8 6:00pm Men's Choir St Mary of the Cross MacKillop
9 Ordinary 19	10	11 7:30pm KSC Branch Meeting	12 10:00am Care & Concern Meeting	13	14 7:00pm Vigil Mass for the Assumption	15 Mass at 9am The Assumption of Our Lady
16 Ordinary 20	17	18	19 3 rd Wednesday Parishioner's Luncheon	20 St Bernard 10:00am Film and Light Lunch	21	22 Queenship of Mary
23 Ordinary 21	24 St Bartholomew, Apostle	25 7:30pm KSC Exec Meeting	26 Care & Concern Ladies Morning Coffee and Movie	27 St Monica	28  St Augustine	29 The passion of St John the Baptist
30 Altar Society Ordinary 22	31					

SERVICE AND FELLOWSHIP

St Joseph's Chelsea ANIMA Group

Come and join us!

Bus Outings; Pilgrimages

Annual Sunday Roast Lunch - St Joseph's Hall

Parish Christmas Lunch - Chelsea RSL

Watch the Weekly Bulletin for details of events

If you would like to join or assist the Group in any way,

please ring: **Daphne Kelly 0439 006 494;**

Sue Hyde 0408 547 791; Mary Howard 0411 209 083



Film & Light Lunch

3rd Thursday of the month 10am (February to November)

St Joseph's Parish Centre



Watch a DVD, followed by light lunch.

Bring a plate, tea and coffee provided.

Watch the Bulletin for dates.

Dorothy Scarlett 0401 013 524

Pat Lynch 9776 0036

St Joseph's Care & Concern

Sue 0408 547 791 susanahyde@bigpond.com

*St Joseph's Care & Concern offers care
to parishioners in an emergency,
e.g. casseroles, transport etc*

*St Joseph's Care & Concern also visits those who are lonely,
ill, isolated, disabled or aged and supports young families in need.*

Volunteer your help!

Transport to weekend Mass

Casserole meal

Home visits

Transport for medical appointments

Social Events for senior parishioners

Meetings 2026

On Wednesdays 10am

February 11

May 13

August 12

November 11

**St Joseph's
Parish Centre**



SEPTEMBER 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3 St Gregory the Great	4	5  St Teresa of Calcutta
6 Ordinary 23	7	8 The Nativity of Our Lady 7:30pm KSC Branch Meeting	9	10	11	12 6:00pm Men's Choir
13 Ordinary 24	14  The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	15  Our Lady of Sorrows	16 3 rd Wednesday Parishioner's Luncheon	17 10:00am Film and Light Lunch	18 School Term 3 concludes	19 
20 Ordinary 25	21	22 7:30pm KSC Exec Meeting	23  St Pio of Pietrelcina	24	25 Proposed Public Holiday	26
27 Altar Society Ordinary 26	28	29  The Feast of the Archangels	30			

MEN'S MINISTRY GOSPEL OF MERCY

St Joseph's Men's Ministry

7.00am Quarterly Men's Hour

@ St Joseph's Parish Centre

Saturday 21st February

Saturday 16th May

Saturday 15th August

Saturday 21st November

Contact: Mike Shaw 0418 122 966



8.00am

Quarterly Men's

BBQ Breakfast

@ St Joseph's School Hall

Saturday 21st February

Saturday 16th May

Saturday 15th August

Saturday 21st November

Contact: Chris Bennetts 0402 823 040 and Mike Shaw 0418 122 966

Focus Group Meeting - St Joseph's Parish Centre

Every 2nd Monday Evening 7.00pm

Contact: Neville Alwyn 0469 341 463

Men's Choir

6.00pm Mass 2nd Saturday of the month.

Practice Wednesday before at 2pm

& Saturday 4.30pm prior to Mass

Contact: Mike Shaw 0418 122 966

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS Longbeach Branch www.ksca.org.au



Meetings: 2nd Tuesday of the month 7.30pm

Executive Meeting: 4th Tuesday of the month 7.30pm

St Joseph's Parish Centre

- Melbourne Cup Sweep
- Bernie Diamond and KSC Longbeach Secondary Bursaries
- Mass for deceased members and widows
- Retreat for men

Chris Bennetts 9772 3492 cjbennetts@optusnet.com.au

Keith Reiter 9772 7292

St Vincent de Paul welcomes volunteers and new members to help with their outreach to poor and needy families in Chelsea and district. St Vincent de Paul thanks St Joseph's parishioners for regular donations of food and other items received each weekend.

St Vincent de Paul Society meets every Monday

St Joseph's Parish Centre 7.00pm

① Carole Ryan 0404 335 419



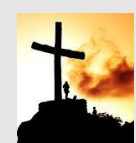
Annual Mass for the Poor

is celebrated on the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Winter & Christmas Appeals

Parish support for the Society's outreach to needy families

OCTOBER 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2  The Holy Guardian Angels	3
4 Ordinary 27 Holy Hour 3pm	5 St Faustina School Term 4 commences	6	7  Our Lady of the Rosary	8	9 St John Henry Newman, Doctor of the Church	10 6:00pm Men's Choir
11 Ordinary 28	12	13 7:30pm KSC Branch Meeting	14 3 rd Wednesday Parishioner's Luncheon	15 10:00am Film and Light Lunch	16  St Gerard Majella	17
18 Ordinary 29	19	20	21	22 Pope St John Paul The Great	23 7:30pm Healing Mass	24 
25 Altar Society Ordinary 30	26	27  Dedication of St Patrick's Cathedral	28  Sts Simon and Jude, Apostles	29	30	31

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

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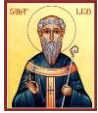
Office entry Argyle Street

Here at St Joseph's we aim to develop the whole child Socially, Emotionally, Intellectually and Spiritually in a supportive Catholic Learning Community. Our strength lies in the close partnerships between students, staff, parents and the wider community which is highly valued by us all. Respectful relationships are valued as we live out our school motto "Always Faithful". We follow the Gospel Values and encourage all to follow in Jesus's footsteps.

This is St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



NOVEMBER 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 All Saints Day	2  All Souls Day	3 Public Holiday	4	5	6	7
8 Ordinary 32	9  Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	10 St Leo the Great 7:30pm KSC Branch Meeting	11 Remembrance Day St Martin of Tours 10:00am Care & Concern Meeting	12	13 	14 6:00pm Men's Choir
15 Ordinary 33	16 St Margaret of Scotland	17	18 Red Wednesday – World Day of Prayer for persecuted Christians	19 10:00am Film and Light Lunch	20	21 7:00am Men's Hour 8:00am Men's Breakfast The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
22 Christ the King Care & Concern Festive Lunch for Single Men & Women	23 	24 7:30pm KSC Exec Meeting	25	26	27	28
29 Altar Society Advent 1	30  St Andrew, Apostle					

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

St Joseph's Parish Stewardship

Parish Stewardship helps:

pay Parish operating costs
promote the mission of the Church in Chelsea and district
support the growth of Parish and Archdiocesan services
provide for charitable works.

The Presbytery Offering supports

our Parish Priest with his household expenses
sick and retired priests (12.5%)
priests in needy parishes (12.5%)
and our Archbishop (5%)

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03 9772 2211



St Joseph's Parish Stewardship

is a vital financial part of St Joseph's Parish. Pledges help our parish to budget and plan for the future.

New parishioners, St Joseph's School families,
and all income-earners are encouraged
to support St Joseph's Parish financially.

Altar Society Collection

This monthly collection, usually taken up on the final Sunday of the month, provides for flowers,
upkeep of altar linens and vestments,
church cleaning, provision of bread,
wine, candles, etc
for the celebration of Mass.

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

Ex-officio: Parish Priest Fr Kevin Williams

Parish Accountant Bernard Negline

Members: Michael McCarthy, Annie Pineda, Matteo Valli

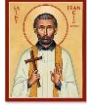
St Joseph's Parish Finance Committee

oversee and promote *Parish Stewardship*
develop ways to enhance Parish finances
promote the mission of the Church through wise and prudent stewardship of parish resources
promote special fundraising

Parish Finance Updates

St Joseph's Parish submits a statement of anticipated income and budget plans to the Archdiocese for the financial year (1 January - 31 December).

DECEMBER 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2 ANIMA Christmas Lunch 12pm Chelsea RSL	3  St Francis Xavier	4 9am Mass with Anointing of the sick	5
6 Advent 2	7  St Ambrose	8 12:00 Hour Of Grace The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9	10 	11	12 6:00pm Men's Choir
13 Advent 3 Gaudete Sunday Blessing of Nativity Sets	14	15	16 3 rd Wednesday Parishioner's Luncheon	17	18 School Term 4 concludes	19
20 Advent 4	21	22	23	24	25  Christmas Day	26  St Stephens Day
27  The Holy Family	28 The Holy Innocents Public Holiday	29	30	31		

COMMUNITY

PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE FRANKSTON

14 Young Street, Frankston
Monday, Wednesday
Thursday 10am – 2pm
Friday 10am—2pm and 4pm-6pm

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CHELSEA INTERCHURCH COUNCIL

Representatives of all Churches in Chelsea
meet and work together.
St Joseph's is represented by
Sue Hyde and Maureen Lim



Serra International www.serrainternational.org

Contact: The Secretary, 28 Myrtle Street Glen Waverley 3150 Tel. 9560 0318

A worldwide body of men and women committed to foster vocations in the Catholic Church. Serrans pray and work to promote vocations and support bishops, priests and religious. The organisation carries the name of St Junipero Serra, the 18th century Franciscan missionary in California and Mexico.



PRIVACY POLICY AND LEGAL INFORMATION

Your privacy is important to us.

As part of the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne, St Joseph's Parish is bound by the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth) (Privacy Act) and the Australian Privacy Principles (APPs) in the Privacy Act.

The Parish respects and values the personal information that parishioners and other members of the community are willing to entrust to it, and this policy explains how the Parish collects, holds, uses, discloses and otherwise manages that personal information. It does not relate to records collected and held by the Parish school. St Joseph's School's separate policy statement is on their [website](#).

The Parish may from time to time review and update this policy to comply with all relevant legislation and to take into account changes in technology, changes to the Parish's operations and practices and to make sure that it remains relevant to the Parish environment.

The Parish collects and holds personal information, which may include sensitive information about:

- children and their parents and/or guardians and may be related to children receiving sacraments or pastoral care. It may relate to the child's enrolment at a Catholic school, after school care facility or sporting association
- adults receiving sacraments or pastoral care and witnesses to sacraments
- job applicants, volunteers and contractors
- fundraising, including banking or other payment details.

St Joseph's Parish will use personal information it collects from you to:

- administer the sacraments and pastoral care
- keep you informed about matters relating to spiritual life, through correspondence and newsletters
- look after your spiritual and physical wellbeing
- provide care for your child(ren) while under our supervision
- fundraise, seek and administer donations
- assess your job or volunteer application
- manage our volunteers
- satisfy the Parish's legal obligations and allow the Parish to discharge its duty of care.

Parish staff are required to respect the confidentiality of the information and privacy of individuals. The Parish has a process in place to protect the personal information the Parish holds from misuse, interference, loss, unauthorised access, modification or disclosure by use of various methods including locked storage of paper records and password restricted access rights to computerised records.

Where the Parish no longer requires personal information for a purpose for which it can use or disclose it under the Privacy Act, it will take reasonable steps to destroy or de-identify that information, unless it would be unlawful for it to do so.

St Joseph's Parish endeavours to ensure that the personal information it holds is accurate, complete, and up to date, and where using or disclosing it, relevant for the purpose of the use or disclosure.

During the course of your dealings with St Joseph's Parish (e.g. Masses, St Joseph's School and other Parish activities) we may collect personal information about you, including your image, for the purpose of promoting the Parish's activities for publication. If you do not wish us to do so please advise in person at St Joseph's Parish Office.

Parish volunteers are required to hold a current Working with Children Check (Vic) and/or Police Check according to State Law and diocesan regulations.



Safeguarding Children and Young People

STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT

The Parish of St Joseph, Chelsea is deeply committed to the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people as a key responsibility of the Church. This commitment is founded in the teachings and mission of Jesus Christ and lived out with love and justice to ensure that dignity of each human person.

We are committed to upholding the safety and dignity of each child and young person, and to ensure that they are able to grow and develop in a caring and supportive environment in our Church. The Catholic Church proclaims that all human life is sacred, and that the dignity of the human person is the foundation and hope for the flourishing of humanity and society—a message that is at the heart of the Gospel. As such, all in the Catholic Church have a moral, legal and mission-driven responsibility to create nurturing environments where children are respected, where their voices are heard and where they are safe and feel safe.

We are committed to creating a child safe culture that safeguards children and young people from all forms of abuse. We are resolutely committed to ensuring that all those engaged in our Church are aware of the inherent vulnerability of children and young people, and that they acknowledge their own responsibility to promote the dignity of children and young people and their fundamental right to be respected and nurtured in a safe environment.

We are committed to zero tolerance of all forms of child abuse and discrimination, and will always act to safeguard children and young people and report suspect abuse promptly to the appropriate authorities. We have set clear behavioural expectations and have an overarching commitment to the protection of children and young people from all forms of abuse. All child safety concerns and allegations will be treated seriously and reported in line with our moral and legal obligations as articulated in the Safeguarding and Wellbeing of Children and Young People Policy and other Safeguarding of Children and Young People Framework documents.

We are committed to ensuring that all persons who have, or may be expected to have contact with children and young people acknowledge their responsibility to safeguard children and young people from abuse and discrimination. We acknowledge and welcome diversity in our Church community. We recognise that cultural safety and inclusion serve as protective factors in relation to child safety—particularly for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people, those from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds, children with a disability, and children and young people of diverse sexuality—and are sensitive to the impact these factors may have on child safety.

Our young people are our present and our future. How we value them today will nurture a generation confident in the knowledge that each individual person matters and is cared for, and will prepare them to carry this legacy forward for their own children and beyond. May our commitment today, as followers of Christ, be the shared responsibility that celebrates, empowers and protects our young people always.

Father Kevin Williams

Parish Priest

Signed



20/12/2024