



ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PARISH
& PRIMARY SCHOOL

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52 Yarra Street
HEIDELBERG



We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which our parish stands, the Wurundjeri-Balluk clan of the Woi wurrung people in the Kulin Nation.
Central to the mission of St John's Parish is an unequivocal commitment to fostering the dignity and integrity of children and young people and providing them with a safe and supportive environment in which to flourish.

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday to Friday
9:30am to 2:30pm

MASS TIMES:

Weekdays: Tuesday to Saturday:
9:15am

Weekend: Saturday Vigil 6pm
Sunday 8:30am, 10:30am & 5pm

ADORATION: After Friday morning
Mass with Benediction.

EXPOSITION

Wednesday 7.30pm

RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION):

Friday 9.45am -10.15am (during
Adoration)

Sat 9:45 am & 5:30pm.—5.50p.m.

WEDDING, BAPTISM, FIRST

RECONCILIATION,

FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION:

Parish Secretary (9457 1066)

ST JOHN'S HALL HIRE:

Contact parish office.

LEGION OF MARY: Meet every
Wednesdays at 10.30am at parish
house in the Francis Xavier Room.
All Welcome. Fatima Statue
Enquires, Contact Sue 0449260206

ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY

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12TH/13TH OCTOBER, 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YR B

PARISH PRAYER

Heavenly Father, we the parishioners of St John's are grateful for all we have received from the men, women and children of our past. Help us to cherish and maintain our parish heritage. Most of all, enable us to be people who welcome the stranger, the needy, the sick and the lonely. Like St John, our patron saint, may we be people who love others, as your Son Jesus, asked us to do. We make this prayer, through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

WHO CAN BE SAVED?

The rich young man wanted to be assured of salvation. He was a good man; an observant Jew and someone Jesus looked on with love. But he was hoping the law would save him. He wanted to be sure of gaining heaven by jumping through the right hoops, at the right time, for the right reasons.

Jesus doesn't reject the importance of faithful and good living, but he offers the young man a relationship that would make sense of the choices involved in following him. Without a loving relationship with God, who calls us to live the best life we can, the fulfilment of any law, civil or moral, is a tyranny. We do not believe in a tyrannical God.

We do believe, however, in a God who makes demands of us, who often challenges us in the places where we are most vulnerable. For the young man, his money was an obstacle. He could not embrace a relationship with Jesus because this would have placed in peril his wealth and the comfort that his many possessions afforded him.

We often comfort ourselves with the assurance that the law will save us, whereas Jesus tells us that salvation comes from a loving relationship with him, shown in the sacrifice of our lives. To the degree that any law enables us to deepen this relationship with Jesus and to serve his people, then it is helpful and good. If a civil or religious law gets in the road, then its moral authority over us is questionable.

The law and money are in themselves neutral things. They can be used for good or evil. At their worst the law and money seduce us into pride, greed and power. At their best they can serve the liberation of all people and enable our world to better reflect the Kingdom of dignity, justice and equality Jesus taught and lived.

Given that all things are possible for God, let's pray in this Eucharist that we might stop domesticating the Gospel but allow it to lead us more deeply into a relationship with Jesus who looks on us, loves us and calls us to write the law of love on our hearts in such a way that there will be justice for all people.

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CHILD SAFETY: St John's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all our children, young people and vulnerable adults. Children are to be supervised by a parent/guardian at all times in the church and when leaving the church for any reason.

ENTRANCE: PRAISE TO THE HOLIEST IN THE HEIGHT

Praise to the Holiest in the height,
And in the depth be praise:
In all His words most wonderful;
Most sure in all His ways.

O loving wisdom of our God,
When all was sin and shame,
He, the last Adam, to the fight
And to the rescue came.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen

FIRST READING

Wisdom 7:7-11

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

The word of the Lord.

All reply: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalms 89:12-17

Response: Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger forever?
Show pity to your servants.

R./

In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Give us joy to balance our affliction
for the years when we knew misfortune.

R./

Show forth your work to your servants;
let your glory shine on their children.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. !

R./

SECOND READING

Hebrews 4:12-13

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

The word of the Lord.

All reply: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 10:17-30

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that

case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land – not without persecutions – now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All reply: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

(At the words that follow, up to and including and became man, all bow.)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come.
Amen

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Save us, Saviour of the world for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The rich suffer want and go hungry,
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

COMMUNION: LOVE IS HIS WORD

Love is His word, love is His way
feasting with men fasting alone,
living and dying, rising again,
love, only love, is His way.

Refrain:

Richer than gold is the
love of my Lord
better than splendour and wealth.

Love is his way, love is his mark,
sharing his last Passover feast,
Christ at his table, host to the twelve,
love, only love, is his mark.

Ref.

Love is his mark, love is His sign,
Bread for our strength, wine for our joy,
This is my body, this is my blood
Love, only love is His sign.

Ref.

Love is His sign, love is His news,
'Do this' He said 'Lest you forget
All my deep sorrow, all my dear blood,'
Love, only love, is His news.

Ref.

Love is His news, Love is His name,
We are His own, chosen and called,
Family, brethren, cousins and kin.
Love, only love is His name.

Ref.

Love is His name, love is His law,
Hear His command, all who are His;
'Love one another, I have loved you'
Love, only love, is His law.

Ref.

Love is His law, Love is His word:
Love of the Lord, Father, and Word,
Love of the Spirit, God ever one,
Love, only love, is His word.

Ref.

RECESSIONAL: REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING

Rejoice! The Lord is King, your Lord and King adore;
Mortals, give thanks, and sing, and triumph
evermore:

Refrain:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus, the Saviour, reigns, the God of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains,
He took his seat above.

Ref.

12 / 13 Oct	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader 1	Peter Penson	Marguerite Ryan	Kevin Andrews	Annaliza
Reader 2	Sean Dunn	Mark Aiello	Margaret Andrews	TBA
Communion	Michelle Penson	Bobbie Bartkus	Margaret Bradley	Olivia Musitano
	-	-	Mary Furlan	-
Collectors	Zen Zebrowski	Colin Ingram	John Griffiths	TBA
	Paul Zebrowski	Mary Ingram	TBA	TBA
19 / 20 Oct	Sat 6:00pm	Sun 8:30am	Sun 10:30am	Sun 5pm
Reader 1	Amelia Bechelli	Peter Le	Paul Sapiano	Mary Kotefski
Reader 2	Margherita Bechelli	Ophelia Le	TBA	Christine Soosairaj
Communion	Michelle Penson	Chris Ratnayake	Brian McIntosh	Sally Tramontana
	-	-	TBA	-

MORNING TEA 20th October - Maureen & Rosa

COLLECTIONS FOR WEEK ENDED 6TH OCTOBER 2024

First Collection <i>(It is taken up after Homily)</i>			Second Collection <i>(taken up after Prayers of Faithful)</i>		
ST JOHN'S PRESBYTERY CHEQUE- BSB 083-347 A/c 659225267			ST JOHN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH - BSB 083-347 A/c 658806318		
Envelopes	Loose Collection	Bank Direct	Envelopes	Loose Collection	Bank Direct
\$445.30	\$922.15	\$839.00	\$1,289.00	\$456.00	\$2,192.00

PARISH MISSION 2024

Facilitated by **Father Richard Leonard SJ**. Fr Richard has lectured on faith and culture all over the world. He is the author of 13 books. We invite you to come along to listen to this great speaker. At St John's Parish hall, 55 Cape Street, Heidelberg. Friday, October 18th, 7pm- 8.15pm and Saturday, October 19th beginning with retreat Mass at 9:15am and concluding at 3.30pm. Bookings please go to <https://www.trybooking.com/CUUVC> or scan barcode to get to the trybooking page. Or return the completed booking form from the Mission brochure available at the church foyer.



SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK: On Wednesday 23rd of October 2024 Father Vinh will celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing during the 9.15am Mass. Anointing of the Sick is a source of healing for the sick rather than the final act of the church for the dying. It is a sacrament of the Church for those whose health is impaired by illness or by advancing years. It enables the ill or aged person to be anointed with the oil of the sick, to experience the healing and strength of Jesus Christ and to be supported by a praying community. Following the Mass all are invited to the Francis Xavier Room for Morning Tea.

ANNUAL ANNIVERSARY MASS: Sunday 20 October 2024, 11am St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne. Couples and their families are invited to join us as we celebrate our Couples who register and are celebrating the following anniversaries – 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th or 40 years and above – will receive a commemorative certificate. Please register by Sunday 13 October 99265761or proclaim@cam.org.au or [trybooking.com/CVMFG](https://www.trybooking.com/CVMFG)
WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS: our Year 12 students who will be sitting for their VCE exams. As a community we journey with you in prayer.

Dear Lord, Thank you for the many talents and gifts you have given and for the opportunity of education. Calm their nerves and anxiety, help them to remember all they have studied, to express it clearly and to answer the questions to the very best they can. Holy Spirit, sit with them in the exam, and always. Amen.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

THE SICK: Margaret Ryan, Julian Bidstrup, Margaret Thomas, Bill Barnes, Karl Dabal, Joel Huffman, Alice Hyland, Bert Chapman, Marie Hankin, Wendy Wales, Betty Matthews, Frank Viola, Kevin Andrews, Margaret Sinclair, Samantha Byran, Frank Dempsey, Davis Morck, Domenica Ashworth.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Joan O'Donoghue, Rita Pace, Patricia Niall, Saramma Antony, Marie-Therese Pigeot.

Please submit intentions for sick, recently deceased and anniversaries for the newsletter by Thursday morning latest. Thank you