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Weekday Masses:
Tues—Sat 9:00am

1st Friday Monthly:
Mass at 7:30pm
Adoration at 8:00-9:00pm

Reconciliation (Confession):
Saturday: 9:30am-10:00am
5:00-5:30pm

Sacrament of Baptism:
Contact John Fisher
0438 793 630
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ST JAMES PARISH BULLETIN

336 Derrimut Rd, Hoppers Crossing North, 3029
Under the Pastoral Care of the Paulist Missionaries
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We acknowledge the living culture of the Bunurong people, the traditional custodians of the land we stand on, upon which we celebrate our Eucharist and live out our faith.

St James Parish is committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

6th Sunday of Easter—Mother's Day 10 May 2026

A MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

Good and Gentle God,

We pray in gratitude for our mothers and for all the women who have joined with you in the wonder of bringing forth new life. You who became human through a woman, grant to all mothers the courage they need to face the uncertain future that life with children always brings.

Give them the strength to live and to be loved in return, not perfectly, but humanly.

Give them the support of family and friends as they care for the physical and spiritual growth of their children.

Give them joy and delight in their children to sustain them through the trials of motherhood.

Most of all, give them the wisdom to turn to you for help when they need it most.

DEACON DAVID—ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD



We keep in our prayers Deacon David on his upcoming Ordination to the Priesthood!

Deacon David, who has returned to his home country of Malta for his Ordination, will be ordained a Priest next weekend on Sat 16 May at 5:30pm AEDT (9:30am Malta time). He will celebrate his first Mass on Mon 18 May at 2am AEDT (Sun 6pm in Malta).

Both of these celebrations will be live streamed via <https://tbissima.mt>.

MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE AND STALL

Our Mother's Day Raffle and Stall fundraisers are back again this year with all proceeds going towards the church extensions.

Mother's Day Raffle:

- Three great prizes – total value over \$1000.
- Tickets \$5 each or 5 for \$20 available after all weekend masses.
- Winners will be drawn this weekend on Mother's Day (Sun 10 May) after 10:30am Mass.

Mother's Day Stall:

The Mother's Day Stall will be held in the Church Narthex after each weekend mass until this Sun 10 May 10:30am Mass.

A vast variety of gifts will be available for mums of all ages. Come and buy mum a gift and please support this fundraiser.

Weekend Masses: Sat 6:00pm, Sun 8:30am, 10:30am and 5:00pm

STAGE 3 CONSTRUCTION

We are excited to see the construction for the Stage 3 of the Master Plan for the Parish Buildings, well underway. It is due to be completed by October this year! Be aware of the construction next to the church and support us in making our repayments on the loans for our new Community Centre!



South West Corner View



South East Corner View

SUPPORTING ST JAMES PARISH

We encourage you to continue supporting our parish through online payment. Thanksgiving contributions or Church Extension donations can be made directly to the Parish Bank Account through an Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT).

Account Name: Archdiocese of Melbourne
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- St James the Apostle
Parish

BSB: 083-347

Account Number: 646 205 822

For Thanksgiving, please use your Thanksgiving Envelope number and your surname so we can attribute your donation correctly. Eg: If your Thanksgiving number is 123, and your surname is Smith, then use the reference "123-Smith".

For Church Extension, please use as reference your surname and -ChExt. Eg: Smith-ChExt.

For Credit Card/Direct Debit contributions, please contact the Parish Office for more information.

SPIRITUAL RETREAT HOSTED BY MSSPS

The Paulist Missionaries are organising a Prayerful Spiritual Retreat at St Paul's Retreat Centre in Wantirna South, starting with dinner on **Friday 26 June** ending after lunch on **Sunday 28 June**. Price: \$356.00 for a single room and \$310.00 for a shared room. To book please write to missions@mssp.org.au or call 0455 912.

ANNUAL PARISH MASS COUNT

The first four weekends of May (starting from last weekend) have been selected for the Annual Parish Mass Count, where we will be counting all attendees at all weekend Masses.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Parish Pastoral Council will have their next meeting on this Mon 11 May at the Presbytery. Let us keep them in our prayers as they lead our Parish.

ST JAMES VINTAGE GROUP

A social group for all Parishioners over 55 and Young at Heart.

Sun 17 May 12:00pm: Monthly Lunch after the 10:30am Mass. **This month we will be at Hotel 520 on Sayers Road. Senior's lunch available.**

For bookings or further information please contact Beatrice Cobb on 0403 683 374.

YP'S—MONTHLY FAITH SHARING—20 MAY

The Young Paulists would like to invite young adults (18-35) to gather for our Monthly Faith Sharing Evening on **Wed 20 May at 7pm**.

We'll gather for dinner in the Paulist Centre, have the space to socialise with other young adults open to exploring what our faith journey holds.

Please RSVP by **Mon 18 May** to Russell on 0420 383 689.

THANK YOU

Special thanks to the Samoan Choir for their generous donation of \$550 towards the Church Extensions. Thank you also to the Parishioner who donated \$500 for the Church Extensions.

All of your generosity is much appreciated. Thank you!

ST PETER'S SCHOOL OF DISCIPLESHIP

St Peter's is hosting the School of Discipleship which will start on Sun 17 May. Please see poster in Narthex for more details.

VOLUNTEERING AT ST JAMES PARISH

As we continue through this Easter season, you may wish to explore becoming a volunteer at St James. Take the first step & attend the Volunteer Induction on either of these two sessions (they are repeat sessions):

Sat 23 May **Tues 26 May**
2:00pm-3:30pm **7pm-8:30pm**

All new volunteers at St James need to attend a **Volunteer Induction Meeting** to prepare themselves in maintaining a meaningful and safe environment for all to encounter Christ.

Please call the Parish Office to register for one of these sessions on 9401 6367 during Office Hours (Mon-Fri, 9:30am-2:30pm) so we are able to prepare for these meetings.

ONLINE BIBLE STUDY—MON 11 MAY

The Bible Study Group invites you to join us as we explore the Bible with Romans Chapter 1 on this Mon 11 May, 7pm-8:15pm.

Zoom ID: 826 5359 2389, Password: Bible

ST JAMES YOUTH—EXPERIENCE MORE!



St James Youth is the Parish Youth Ministry, connecting those in **yrs 7-12** with other teenagers in our Parish and helping us experience more; more

friends, more faith, more activities, more fun and more of God in action in our lives!

Experience St James Youth by coming to Youth Mass on Sundays at 5pm, with activities until 8pm! For more info call 0409 184 299 or email HoppersCrossingNorth.Youth@cam.org.au, or just rock up on Sunday night at 5pm and chat to one of the Youth Leaders!

Please note, that this weekend (Sun 10 May) we will not be meeting due to Mother's Day.



HOSTING YOUTH FROM HOLY FAMILY

During the School Holidays, our St James Youth went to Geelong and were hosted by Fr Minh and the youth of Holy Family Parish with a hiking event. On Sun 31 May, we have the opportunity to return the favour by hosting them here at St James! Stay tuned for more details.

PARISH SYNOD CORNER



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Synodality affirms that the Holy Spirit is at work in the lives of all the baptised. Lay people are not simply helpers of clergy; they are active disciples called to witness to Christ in families, workplaces, and society. A synodal Church takes this vocation seriously.

LECTIO DIVINA

Experience the Word of God through Lectio Divina. Fr Mario is offering an online zoom meeting on Mondays at 7pm-8pm:

ID: 923 5286 3013

Passcode: lectio

Please bring the Gospel of the following weekend with you.

PARISH SCHOOL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

Confirmation Candidates from our four Parish Primary Schools; St James Primary, St Francis Primary, St Clare's Primary and St Teresa Primary, will be presented to the Parish Community over the weekends of 23/24 May and 30/31 May. We ask Parishioners to keep these children in your prayers as they prepare for this next milestone in their faith journey.

PRAYER LIST

Let us pray and support those in our community who are sick. We especially pray for Manolito Adriano, Fabian Koprivanac, Ashunta Noronha, Victoria Roman, Nery Avillano, Susie, Kenny Zitu, Nimala and Anna and all who are ill.

RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

Please pray for our loved ones whom we remember especially, Antonia Custodio, Wenny Saliman Hartanto and Marites Cruz who died recently, Veronica Ticsay, Gabina Patacsil, Mary Grace Formosa, Lynne Nagy, Sonia Ghali, Mary Harley, Luis Alberto Cuzcano Huaraya, Salvatore Scifo, Gillian Stiffle, Phyllis Michael, Lucia Micallef, Antonia Valletta, Rosina Spiteri, Giuseppina Debono, Mary-Ann Jones, Michael Xerri, Joe Sultana, Teodora Aspacio, Temy Aspacio, Mary Jane Rapa, Maria Vella, Mary Ann Azzopardi, Grezju Azzopardi, Julian Yap Snr, Asterio Yap, Paulino Leodegatzia, Pedro Anacorita, Epifania Prima, Souls in Purgatory, Leonida Wood, Marivic Costales, Nancy Dearing, Frances Farrugia, Giovanna Cillia, Emanuel Cilia, Carmen Cusssar, Emy Saffarese, Natu Portelli, Wayne Muller, Michael Scavo, Concetta Costa, Nauma Faamausili, Connie Micallef and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time.

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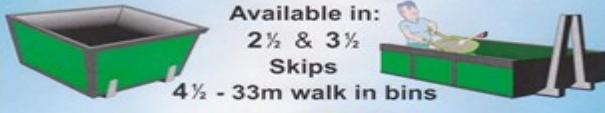
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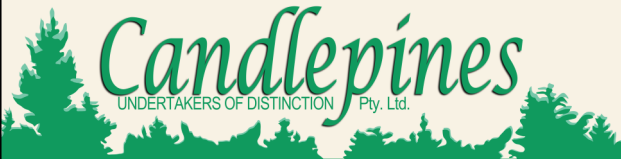
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