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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
hopperscrossingnorth.baptism@cam.org.au

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By appointment only
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ST JAMES PARISH BULLETIN

336 Derrimut Rd, Hoppers Crossing North, 3029
Under the Pastoral Care of the Paulist Missionaries
www.melbcatholic.org/s/hopperscrossingnorth

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.

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 04 October 2026



ST JAMES PARISH FETE—SAT 17 OCT

Join us for the Parish Fete, a key fundraising event and a wonderful community gatherer. Your participation and support are vital to its success!

Wrist Bands:

Fete Wrist Bands are available after all weekend Masses. They include unlimited rides, a sausage, a drink and a donut. Cost is \$42 if purchased before the day of the Fete (non refundable) and \$55 on the day of the Fete.

Cake Stall:

We need volunteers to bake cakes! If you can help, please collect a cake kit after Mass.

Helpers Needed:

We are appealing for more helpers to assist on the various stalls, set up, pack up and carparking. The Fete cannot run without your help. If you are able to help, please leave your details on a Volunteer's Form available in the Narthex.

2nd Hand Item Drop Off:

Toys and other good quality items for the white elephant stall can be dropped off behind the church (**strictly no mattresses, clothing or large furniture**).

Plants:

Donations of plants are most welcome and can be dropped off at the back of the church.

Craft Stall:

Hand made items for the craft stall can be dropped off at the Fete desk in the Narthex

Prizes:

New unopened items suitable for spinning wheel prizes or silent auction can be dropped off at the Fete desk in the Narthex.

Parish Raffle:

Raffle Tickets are available to take home to sell amongst family and friends or to buy on the spot after Mass. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 for \$20. With 10 great prizes to be won. Don't miss your chance! The Parish Raffle will be drawn during the Parish Fete.

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

ST JAMES PARISH OFFERTORY PROGRAM

Thank you to all who are supporting St James Parish and its priests through the Parish Offertory Program.

Your generosity is more than just financial support—it is an act of faith, trust and gratitude to God. Every gift is a reflection of our relationship with Him and our commitment to His work in our Parish.

If you haven't committed through the Program and would like to do so, St James Parish Pledge Cards are available in the Magazine Rack or Welcome Desk in the Narthex.

DONATIONS RECEIVED

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all our parishioners for their generous support toward the church extension. Through your collective contributions, a total of \$1585 has been raised this week.

Your kindness, faith, and generosity are a true blessing to our parish community. May God bless you abundantly for your continued support.

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.

KEEP THE CHURCH TIDY

A gentle reminder—please help us respect the sacredness of our church.

Please try and avoid eating in the Church and remove any papers, or crumbs from the pews and carpet. Be mindful of those around you and allow them time and quiet for prayer.

Thank you for helping us keep our church clean, prayerful, and welcoming for all.

MARCH FOR THE BABIES

Come and show your support and march for the babies on Sat 10 Oct at 1:00pm at Treasury Gardens, Cnr Spring St and Wellington Pde, Melbourne.

Wear pink and blue for the Babies!

This is the 17th annual March for the Babies, and every year since 2009, thousands of Victorians have gathered peacefully with grief and hope to remember the ever-increasing number of babies killed by abortion in this state since the Government legalized abortion-till-birth on October 10, 2008.

PROCLAIM OFFICE NEWSLETTER

The Archdiocesan Proclaim Office for Mission and Renewal offers opportunities to support Parish Communities with strategies and resources. If you are a leader of a ministry or interested in evangelization, follow the link below and subscribe.



SMARTLOVING ONLINE SESSIONS

When did you last spend time really investing in your relationship?

The Online Accompanied Marriage Kit from Smart Loving is a six-week relationship enrichment program that combines five self-paced sessions with six intentional date nights, helping couples connect, learn, and grow together.

This Online Course starts on Wed 07 Oct. Register via QR Code. Registrations close Tues 06 Oct.



NEW CENTRE BASED RESPITE PROGRAM

Australia Multicultural Community Service in partnership with the Maltese Community Council of Victoria, are excited to offer opportunities for all people aged 65+ to join their new Centre Based Respite Program. Sessions will be based out of Parkville on Fridays at \$15 per session, available to those who hold a valid Home or Community Centre Based Respite referral code. For more information contact 9689 9170.

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WORTHY WOMEN BAKE SALE

Indulge your appetite and support a worthy cause!

Come along and experience Fun & Fellowship with our Ministry on this Sun 04 Oct after the 8:30am & 10:30am Masses. You can choose from an assortment of homemade baked treats, hot food snacks and a Aussie sausage sizzle.

Parishioners who are unable to attend are warmly invited to support this worthy cause by making an online donation to via:

Account Name: Archdiocese of Melbourne Catholic Development Fund - St James the Apostle Parish.

BSB: 083-347

Acct Number: 646205822

Reference: WWBS_*[your surname]*

All proceeds will go directly towards supporting the Paulist missionaries around the world along with the Holy Spirit of Freedom Community in Cebu, Philippines. Your generous support, whether through donations or purchasing treats, will make a profound impact. Thank you.

ST JAMES PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE

Connect with St James Parish on our Facebook page to keep in the loop of upcoming events and meetings! Simply scan the QR Code and click 'follow' to connect with St James Parish's Facebook Page.



ENGAGING YOUR FAITH: ONLINE SERIES

Catholic Theological College is running Engaging Your Faith: Online Series. It is a series of short, online presentations that invite participants to reflect on what it means to be people of faith in the contemporary world. View the October 2026 sessions and register using the QR Code.



BLESSING OF NEW BUILDING

Save the Date for the Official Blessing of our New Building on Sun 15 Nov during the 10:30am Mass with Bishop Martin Ashe.

'ENCOUNTER' FOR HIGH SCHOOLERS

St James Parish will host the next instalment of Encounter on Fri 23 Oct at 6:30pm! **Up to 100 High school students from across the Archdiocese** will gather to hang out, have fun and meet Jesus in a real way. Participants will expect: food, games, new friends to make, incredible speakers and time for prayer with Jesus, particularly in Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Check out the posters in the Narthex for more info.

PARISH SYNOD CORNER



Synodality and hope .

A synodal Church believes that renewal is possible, even in difficult times. Hope is not naïve optimism—it is trust in God's faithfulness.

RCIA SPONSORS NEEDED

Our RCIA journey has begun, and we are looking for parishioners to become sponsors for our RCIA candidates.

Sponsors are called to walk alongside a candidate through friendship, prayer, encouragement and sharing their faith.

Could you accompany someone as they discover and grow in their relationship with Christ and the Catholic Church?

If you are interested, please contact Felix via the Parish Office on 9401 6367.

ONLINE BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study Group will be on a break over the School Holidays. The next session will be on Mon 12 Oct.

PRAYER LIST

Let us pray and support those in our community who are sick. We especially pray for Helen O'Toole, Marilou Kho, Jordan Vella, Daniel, Jome Augustine, Alfredo Gasmena Jnr, Anna, Mercedes Alejandro, Chinnamma George, Amanda Pittari and all who are ill.

RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

Please pray for our loved ones whom we remember especially David Gumm, Pacifico Torres Snr, Alex Gomez and Alec James Watson who died recently, Gino Frederick Galea, Marie Thompson, Froilan Santos, Alfonso Libo-on, Joseph Patrick Cini, Carmencita Sabequil, Ronald Vincent Rawlins, Joelito Evangelista, Lise Manon, Philippe Manon, Marie -Thérèse Rossick, Paul Rossick, Paul Manon, Frank Joohoo, Madeleine Labonté, Laval Pottier, Yvan Florent, Venson Michael Pinto, Chris Gumm, Dario Navarro, Soledad Navarro, Emy Saffarese, Natu Portelli, Wayne Muller, Michael Scavo, Margaret Grima, Georga Refelo, Madeline Tanti, Julieanne Tanti, Joseph Dimech, Tony Spiteri, Mary Spiteri, Georga Micallef, Laurie Micallef, Janie Attard, Antonio Ferlaino, Alphon Samma Marshal, Leonor A dela Pena, Gianna Micallef, Aldo Sagona, Anthony Baldacchino, Nauma Faamausili and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time.

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