

ST MARTIN OF TOURS – PARISH OF MACLEOD

24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

‘A faith community where Christian Service thrives and shared ministry is developed’

St Martin’s Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all Children, young people and adults at risk.

Our Parish acknowledges the Wurundjeri Woi-wurrung people of the Kulin Nation who are Traditional Custodians of the land on which the parish resides, and we pay our respects to elders past and present.

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EXPLORING THE WORD: Matt.18: 21-35

Jesus’ teaching about the need to settle conflict, the basis of last week’s gospel, was a surprising summons for Christians to fly in the face of accepted standards of judgement and condemnation. Here the teaching becomes even more outrageous! There is no end to the forgiveness offered.

For the average person, represented by Peter, forgiving another person seven times would show a very substantial commitment to mercy. Seven is used in the Bible to signify perfection, so Peter is not being mean in his suggestion. This is a very reasonable degree of tolerance. Yet Jesus, in his parable of the servant who is forgiven a debt equivalent to millions but cannot forgive his fellow a lesser sum, turns our human understanding of what constitutes a fair thing on its head. God’s forgiveness is prodigious, but it is dependent on our willingness to forgive each other in the same way. The inability or unwillingness of the servant to match the master’s forgiveness provides a powerful contrast. The master forgives in compassion, but the servant resorts to violence. If one has truly experienced the loving forgiveness of God, it must be shared with others.

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY WEEKEND – 3RD & 4TH OCTOBER

All married couples and their families are invited to attend the weekend Masses on Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th October for a special blessing. After Mass 10am Mass there will be Morning tea in the GECCO to celebrate this event. Please notify the parish office of your special decade of Marriage for certificates.

The Pope’s Prayer intention for September : ‘For the care of water’

Pope Leo XIV invites everyone to pray for “the care of water” during September as Christians celebrate the Season of Creation. He prays that water may be a “source of fruitfulness, freshness, and hope,” and recognizes that water is “a right without borders.”

WORLD YOUTH DAY SEOUL 2027

The young Church of Melbourne is going to World Youth Day! From 3–8 August 2027, young Catholics from around the world will gather in Seoul, South Korea, with Pope Leo XVI for this international celebration of faith, friendship and the universal Church. The theme is ‘Take courage! I have overcome the world.’ (John 16:33).

The Archdiocese of Melbourne is offering three pilgrimage options to Seoul, giving young people the opportunity to encounter Christ, experience the vibrant universal Church and make life-long memories. Find out more and register your interest using the barcode.



STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY FOR LAST WEEK:

Stewardship \$ 907

Presbytery \$ 396

Loose \$667

An EFTPOS machine is available in the main foyer for your convenience.

Donations of **\$2, \$5, \$10, or \$20** can be made with a simple tap. Thank you 🙏**Scan For Online Donation****RECENTLY DECEASED:**

ANNIVERSARIES - THOSE WE REMEMBER FONDLY AT THIS TIME: Noel Brody, Ruby Trevascus, George Rutter, Marie Lepoigneur, Eva (Mezei) Sagi, Ernest Dobson, Elizabeth Watson, Laurence Kenny, Elizabeth DeMari, Vera Schepis, Sheila McCarthy, Michele Scrocca, Francesco Juliano, Kevin Smyth, John Trenery, Maria Chudecki, Giovanni Panaccio, Peter Fleming, Filippa Valguarnera, Fr. Burns Huggan, Eileen Chalker, Leo Boek, Luciano Mandarano, Gaetana (Tanina) Bariola.

LORD THAT I MAY BE WELL AGAIN - PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Joshua Mullins, Ahmed Abdulwahid (11yo), Jerome & Salvina Pace, Milka Mikac, Monsignor Pete Jeffrey, Megan Whittle, Fr Prakash Cutunha, Marilyn Kennealy, Marlena Calo, Irene & William Burgess, Audrey Tunks (1yr old), Marie Lloyd, Bishop Terry Curtin, Pippa Vecchio, Joe Basile, Monica Ragheb, Liliana Bariola, Nancy Gheno, Augusto DaSilva, Henry DaSilva, John Capaletti, Lauren, Julie & Joe Morris, Stephen Lau, Fr Tony Kerin VG, Charles, Damien, Anna, Susie, Julietta S. Taneca (Philippines), Barbara Zimmerman, Janette Wilson, Barrie & Val Williams, Janet O'Brien, Olga Urdih, Janette Osborne, Pradeep Savarirayan (India), Ron Coon, Anna, Julie Tropea.

Our Parish Community is a vibrant one because of YOU – God's people !

Jesus takes small, seemingly insignificant human resources and multiplies them to provide abundantly for a large need, as He did with the Two Fish and Five Loaves.

We currently need Volunteers in the Sacristan Ministry and encourage you to join – training /guidance will be provided.



Parish Synod Corner - Synodality and trust

Trust grows when people know their voices matter. Synodality helps rebuild trust within the Church and between the Church and society.

Become a Mentor Couple !

Have you been married for five years or more? Engaged couples need support and accompaniment as they prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage. Couples are invited to mentor engaged couples providing encouragement, support and practical wisdom. You will also find it an opportunity to enrich your own marriage.

For enquiries, contact Mable Tsang,
Discipleship Specialist Family
Accompaniment at
proclaim@cam.org.au or

(03) 9926 5761.

Scan to discover more:

**THE LEGION OF MARY**

meets **every Wednesday at 4pm in the Presbytery**. You are warmly invited to join this most rewarding ministry of serving the community, **To Jesus Through Mary.**

Our Lady's Pilgrim Statue

is available to Parish Families for a week or two. Seek her powerful intercession and blessings as you gather for prayer together with Friends and Family. Contact Philomena via the Parish Office.

IMPORTANT NEWS !!

At the foyers is a letter from the Vicar General of the Archdiocese, Very Rev. Anthony Kerin, in which he tells us that there will be a partnership between the Parishes of St. Martin of Tours, St. John's and St. Pius x within two years' time. On the reverse of the letter is a message from the three Parish Priests calling us to enter this process in a spirit of solidarity.

We invite every family to collect a copy of the letter .

THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

**An Online Information Session is on
Tuesday 22nd September From 7 to 8pm via
Zoom**

The permanent diaconate is open to single / married men aged between 30 and 50yrs, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers.

Attendance to this online session is by invitation and anyone interested to learn more can email Deacon Kevin Pattison on

kevin.pattison@cam.org.au

**THE PARISH CHRISTIAN
MEDITATION GROUP**

meet every Thursday at 7.30pm on Zoom. If you are interested in this ancient form of contemplative prayer, please contact Joan McKeegan on 0418 584 970.

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time 12th & 13th September (Year A)

SATURDAY VIGIL 5.30PM

SACRISTAN: R. DE SOYSA
COMMENTATOR: M. FITZPATRICK
READERS: SR. A. PRIESTLEY, J. O'CONNELL
COMMUNION MINISTER: J. SCANLON, P. RYAN, B. ANDERSON, J. LANE, C. VALENTE.
WELCOMERS: T. MCIVER, R. HARLIM. M. CASTILLO
MUSIC: H. TOMBALATO & MIRA P.

SUNDAY 8.00AM

SACRISTAN: J. FERGUSON
COMMENTATOR: T. JACKSON
READERS: M. D'SOUZA
COMMUNION MINISTERS: F. CARNOVALE, M. D'SOUZA
WELCOMERS:

SUNDAY 10.00AM FAMILY

SACRISTAN: F. GROBBELAAR
COMMENTATOR: J. LUNARDI
READERS: G. NICHOLS, J. NEWELL
COMMUNION MINISTERS: M. FLEMING, M. LOVE, C. & J. STARMANS, P. BASILE.
WELCOMERS: L. BAKKER, P. FUMEI, G. XAVIER.
MUSIC: J. LACHAL
RELIGIOUS GIFT SHOP: C. HARTE, C. STARMANS
CHILDREN'S LITURGY: J. GROBBELAAR, S. YEOH
ALTAR FLOWERS: M. REARDON
COUNTING TEAM: 2, 14/09

25TH Sunday in Ordinary Time 19TH & 20TH September (Year A)

SATURDAY VIGIL 5.30PM

SACRISTAN: J. JACOB
COMMENTATOR: F. FRIJO
READERS: A. ROZARIO, M. CASSAR
COMMUNION MINISTER: A. CALDERONE, R. WEBSTER, C. ANDERSON,, F. ESPOSITO, I. FRIJO
WELCOMERS: M. ZACCARI, M. CASTILLO
MUSIC: M. O'LEARY & MIRA P.

SUNDAY 8.00AM

SACRISTAN: F. CARNOVALE
COMMENTATOR: J. PURCELL
READERS: T. VITEZ
COMMUNION MINISTERS: M. D'SOUZA, F. CARNOVALE
WELCOMERS: L. & J. MORRIS

SUNDAY 10.00AM FAMILY

SACRISTAN: F. GROBBELAAR
COMMENTATOR: R. BROADBENT
READERS: J. LEWIS, J. NEWELL
COMMUNION MINISTERS: T. ALESSANDRO, M. GRASSO, P. FUMEI, A-M POWER, M. FLEMING, G. LEONE
WELCOMERS: L. ANGEL, G. SCHWABE, M. MORRIS
MUSIC: BROADBENTS & DAWSON
RELIGIOUS GIFT SHOP: C. HARTE, C. STARMANS
CHILDREN'S LITURGY:
ALTAR FLOWERS: M. FLEMING
COUNTING TEAM: 3, 21/09

DATES THIS WEEK

Friday	11 September 9:15am	LOTW – J. Morris
Saturday	12 September 8.30am 10:00am	No Mass No Reconciliation
Sunday	13 September 5:30pm 8:00 am 10:00 am	Vigil Mass Mass- 24 th Sunday in O.T. Mass
Monday	14 September 9:15am	LOTW – E. Pietryk
Tuesday	15 September 9:15am	No Mass / No LOTW
Wednesday	16 September 9:15am	LOTW – C. Assouad
Thursday	17 September 9:15 am	No Mass /No LOTW
Friday	18 September 9:15am	LOTW – Sr. A. Priestley
Saturday	19 September 8.30am 10:00am	No Mass No Reconciliation
Sunday	20 September 5:30pm 8:00am 10:00 am	Vigil Mass Mass- 25 th Sunday in O.T. Mass
Monday	21 September 9:15am	LOTW – M. Daly
Tuesday	22 September 9:15am	No Mass / No LOTW
Wednesday	23 September 9:15am	LOTW – J. Morris
Thursday	24 September 9:15 am	No Mass /No LOTW

READINGS

First Reading:
Responsorial Psalm
Second Reading:
Gospel Reading:

THIS WEEK

Sirach 27: 30 - 28: 7
Ps. 102 : 1-4, 9-12
Rom. 14 : 7-9
Matt. 18 : 21-35

NEXT WEEK

Is. 55: 6-9
Ps. 144 : 2-3, 8-9, 17-18
Phil. 1: 20-24, 27
Matt. 20: 1-16

RELIGIOUS GIFT SHOP

The Religious Gift Shop is open before and after the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday. A wide selection of beautiful gifts for the Sacraments and special occasions are available for purchase.



Safeguarding Essentials Training The Safeguarding Committee thanks all those volunteers who attended the recent session and are now compliant until 2029. The Training is valid for 3 years. Remaining volunteers whose training has expired or have not previously completed the training now must complete the training online as their only available option, by logging on at: <https://melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding/safeguarding-training>. (You will need your email address and Working with Children (WWCC) ID to log in. **We ask non-compliant volunteers to make this a priority as they only have until 30 September to comply with their safeguarding requirements.** Non-compliant volunteers after that date will no longer be able to volunteer or be rostered for their Ministry. For any queries, please contact the parish office.

PRAYER SERVICE OF LAMENT



I invite you, the Parish community to join me on Tuesday, 15th September 2026 at 4pm on the grounds of St. Patrick's Cathedral as we come before the Lord in prayer and lament, to humbly stand alongside those who have suffered abuse and continue to suffer its lasting effects.

~ **Most Rev. Peter A. Comensoli, Archbishop of Melbourne** ~

A Charismatic Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, 17th September at St Thomas the Apostle Church, 251 Diamond Creek Rd, Nth Greensborough. The evening will commence at 7.30pm with Praise & Worship, followed by Mass. Supper provided. All are welcome.

For further details, please contact Emilia 0418 120 902.

MARCH FOR THE BABIES

Saturday, 10th October at 1pm

Treasury Gardens, Corner of Spring St and Wellington Pde, Melbourne.

Come and show your support and march for the babies, wearing pink and blue ! 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.

www.marchforthebabies.com



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SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER



STARTS FROM 9AM-1PM

Items may include clothes, toys, shoes, accessories, furniture, jewellery, books, etc.

**St Martin Of Tours
2 Silk Street, Rosanna, 3084
Per CAR \$20/-**

Bookings-Contact the Parish Office on 94016338

CHOIR PRACTICE DATES

Please note the below

Monday, 14th Sep 7:30-8:30pm

Monday, 5th Oct 7:30-8:30pm

At St. Martin's Church

Pastoral Home Visits



Sr Maria is available for home visits on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays
For an appointment call 9401 6338 or email Sr Maria at Maria.Bui@cam.org.au

St Martin of Tours Play Group

Meets every Monday during School Terms in the OSHC Room from 9 – 10:30am.

BYO Snacks / Tea, Coffee & biscuits provided for the Adults.

Cost \$1 per visit

Email playgroup@smrosanna.catholic.edu.au or Phone 0439009671

TRAFFIC SAFETY AROUND SMOT SCHOOL & PARISH

please be mindful of adhering to the Parking signage on the Street as well as the Community Centre Car Park. Thank you.

Please ensure that Residential driveways are not blocked.



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