

ST MARTIN OF TOURS – PARISH OF MACLEOD

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - LIFE, MARRIAGE & FAMILY SUNDAY

‘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.21: 33-43

This parable is a thinly disguised allegory of the blindness of those throughout Israel’s history who have been appointed leaders of God’s people. It is aimed at the priests and scribes who do not carry out the will of God. There have been some who persecuted and even killed those sent by God. In the son ‘finally sent’, Christians see Jesus, who was also put to death because his message was troublesome and because he always urged his hearers to produce the fruit of penance. God not only sent his servants, the prophets, but also his own son. But the leaders of the people did not accept him. The kingdom will be taken from them and given to those who have faith in Jesus. This message would have spoken very powerfully to Matthew’s community, who were Jewish Christians struggling to move away from their Jewish roots and accept Christ as the Messiah, rejected by his own.

Who are the ‘prophets’ of the present age and what are they telling us? Is their message being heard? In what ways are they sometimes rejected?

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY SUNDAY CELEBRATION

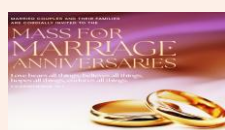
3RD & 4TH Oct Masses

(Morning Tea on 4TH October @ 11am)



This weekend we celebrate Life, Marriage and Family Sunday. One way of commemorating the joy of marriage has been the marking of significant wedding anniversaries through the annual Anniversary Mass celebrated at St. Martin of Tours.

Congratulations to the following couples celebrating milestone Anniversaries:



Joe & Pia Basile (68 years)
Joe & Beryl Pavone (65 years)
Gerard & Renie Baptista (40 years)
Edward & Karen Tax (25 years)
Gordon & Philomena Lewis (25 years)

All are invited to a special Morning Tea in the GECCO after the 10am Sunday Mass to celebrate the gift of Life, and Marriage, coinciding with the Jubilee of Families.

OCTOBER – THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Pope Leo XIV’s Appeal from Lourdes: that All Christians will pray the Rosary especially during October, “with the particular intention that wars may cease and that peace may be established among peoples in conflict.”
- Pope Leo XIV, Vatican News.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS STARTS ON SUNDAY 4TH OCTOBER AT 2AM.

Remember to put your clocks forward 1 hour the night before



STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY FOR LAST WEEK:

Stewardship \$ 589 Presbytery \$ 149 Loose \$ 435

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Stewardship: \$22806 Presbytery: 1830

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 🙏**RECENTLY DECEASED: Benedict Lewis (India)**

ANNIVERSARIES - THOSE WE REMEMBER FONDLY AT THIS TIME: Roslyn Trayford (1 Year), Pippa Vecchio (1 year), Emilio Lazatin Jr. (2 years); Salvatore Altamore, Kevin O' Donoghue, Mary Martin, Robert Lambert, William Cullin, Phyllis Rowan, Kevin Clark, Pauline Thompson, Betty Delahunt, Anthony Mudaliar, Maria Ferrusi, Inez Favrin, Danilo Mikac, Giuseppina Vecchio, Cleodeo Castillo, Lucia Vecchio

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, Joe Basile, Monica Ragheb, Liliana Bariola, Nancy Gheno, Augusto DaSilva, Henry DaSilva, John Capaletti, Lauren, Julie & Joe Morris, Stephen Lau, 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, Louis Sarkady.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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 larger 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 will be provided.

**Parish Synod Corner - Synodality and Scripture**

From Abraham's journey to the disciples on the road to Emmaus, Scripture is full of stories of God walking with His people. Synodality places us within that biblical story.

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.

**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.

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.

The Pope's Prayer intention for October : For Mental Health

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.
- USCCB

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

WISER WOMEN'S GROUP

Theme: Plants

This group aims to support each other, share stories, encourage one another, keep HOPE alive in our hearts, and of course, enjoy some fun and laughter. For more details, contact **Leonie** via the office or **Sr. Maria**

maria.bui@cam.org.au

The next catch-up will be on: Thursday, 8th October 2026 at **10:30am** in the Community Centre. All ladies welcome

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

St Martin of Tours' Bereavement Support Group will meet on **Thursday 22 October at 2.30pm in the Parish House.**

New members are warmly welcome to join us. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact Sr Maria on **9401 6338 /Maria.Bui@cam.org.au.**

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

3rd & 4th October (Year A)

SATURDAY VIGIL 5.30PM

SACRISTAN: C. VALENTE
COMMENTATOR: A. CALDERONE
READERS: S. KERR, M. RYAN
COMMUNION MINISTER: R. WEBSTER,
 F. ESPOSITO, C. ANDERSON, I. FRIJO
WELCOMERS: M. ZACCARI, M. CASTILLO
MUSIC: M. O'LEARY & MIRA P.

SUNDAY 8.00AM

SACRISTAN: S. SAMUEL
COMMENTATOR: T. VITEZ
READERS: M. FERNANDEZ
COMMUNION MINISTERS: M. D'SOUZA
WELCOMERS:

SUNDAY 10.00AM FAMILY

SACRISTAN: M. LOVE
COMMENTATOR: P. FUMEI
READERS: S. REGO, J. LEWIS
COMMUNION MINISTERS: A-M. POWER, C. & J. HARTE, T. D'ALESSANDRO, M. GRASSO.
WELCOMERS: P. BASILE, G. SCHWABE, M. & D. GRASSO
MUSIC: R. DI GIRALAMO
RELIGIOUS GIFT SHOP: C. HARTE, C. STARMANS
CHILDREN'S LITURGY:
ALTAR FLOWERS: C. HARTE
COUNTING TEAM: 1, 5/10

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10th & 11th October (Year A)

SATURDAY VIGIL 5.30PM

SACRISTAN: R. DE SOYSA
COMMENTATOR: M. FITZPATRICK
READERS: SR. A. PRIESTLEY, J. O'CONNELL
COMMUNION MINISTER: J. LANE, B. ANDERSON, C. VALENTE, P. RYAN, J. SCANLON
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: S. SAMUEL
WELCOMERS:

SUNDAY 10.00AM FAMILY

SACRISTAN: F. GROBBELAAR
COMMENTATOR: J. LUNARDI
READERS: G. NICHOLS, J. NEWELL
COMMUNION MINISTERS: M. FLEMING, M. LOVE, P. BASILE, C. & J. STARMANS
WELCOMERS: L. BAKKER, P. FUMEI, G. XAVIER
MUSIC: J. LACHAL
RELIGIOUS GIFT SHOP: C. HARTE, C. STARMANS
CHILDREN'S LITURGY:
ALTAR FLOWERS: C. ROWAN
COUNTING TEAM: 2, 12/10

DATES THIS WEEK

Friday	2 October	9:15am	LOTW – Sr. A. Priestley
Saturday	3 October	8.30am 10:00am 5:30pm	No Mass No Reconciliation Vigil Mass
Sunday	4 October	8:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am	Mass- Life, Marriages & Family Sunday Mass Special Morning Tea
Monday	5 October	9:15am	Mass
Tuesday	6 October	9:15am	No Mass Year 3 - 1 st Reconciliation
Wednesday	7 October	9:15am	LOTW – C. Assouad
Thursday	8 October	9:15 am	Mass – Class 2MT
Friday	9 October	9:15am	Mass
Saturday	10 October	8.30am 10:00am 5:30pm	Mass Reconciliation Vigil Mass
Sunday	11 October	8:00 am 10:00 am	Mass- 28 th Sunday in O.T. Mass
Monday	12 October	9:15am	Mass
Tuesday	13 October	9:15am	No Mass Year 3 - 1 st Reconciliation
Wednesday	14 October	9:15am	LOTW – E. Pietryk
Thursday	15 October	9:15 am	Mass
Friday	16 October	9:15am	Mass

Please Note: there will be No Masses on Tuesdays – the 6th, 13th & 20th Oct due to the Year 3 Reconciliation Sacramental Services at 9:15am

READINGS

First Reading:

Responsorial Psalm:

Second Reading:

Gospel Reading:

THIS WEEK

Is 5:1-7

Ps 79 : 9,12-16,19-20

Phil. 4: 6-9

Matt. 21: 33-43

NEXT WEEK

Is 25 : 6-10

Ps 22 :

Phil. 4: 12-14, 19-20

Matt. 22: 1-14

NEXT CHOIR PRACTICE DATE IS ON MONDAY 5TH OCT

7:30PM – 8:30PM AT ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH

SMOT COMMUNITY CENTRE CARPARK ALERT NOTICE

All visitors are advised to ensure that your vehicle is secured with cars locked, windows closed and no valuables left visible in the car.

**NO ONE SHOULD EVER
APPROACH A DANGEROUS
SITUATION THEMSELVES!
PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL
OFFICE DURING SCHOOL HOURS
OR THE POLICE ON 000**

NEW VOLUNTEERS –

For all who would like to volunteer with St. Martin's Parish in any ministry (Baptisms, Children's Liturgy, etc), Please contact the Parish Office. You will need:

- Working with Children Card
- Complete the online Safeguarding Essentials Training
- National Police Check (only for some ministries)



Macleod Village Seniors' Month Community Connections Events



FREE
Coffee*

FREE
Snack
Pack*

OCTOBER

FREE EVENTS

2026

Tuesday 6th October

11am - 1pm

Macleod Community Hall

Superannuation Wise with A&F
Super Macleod and
Bendigo Bank Scam Aware Session

Thursday 8th October

12 - 1pm

Macleod Village Fish and Chips

Snack and Chat*+
(one free snack box per person)

Wednesday 14th October

12pm - 2pm

Your Body Osteopathy

Gentle Movement with Your
Body Osteopathy

Friday 16th October

12pm - 1pm

General Chicken Co.

Snack and Chat*+
(one free snack box per person)

Saturday 17th October

11am - 12pm

Macleod Village Rotunda

Stretch and Smile Together
This Spring!

Wednesday 21st October

11am - 12pm

Mr Macleod Cafe

Coffee and Chat*+

Friday 23rd October

11am - 12pm

Melody Cafe

Coffee and Chat*+

Wednesday 28th October

11am - 12pm

Espresso 54

Coffee and Chat*+

+Must show your
seniors card to qualify



MARCH FOR THE BABIES

Saturday, 10th October at 1pm

**Treasury Gardens, Corner of Spring
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

BOOK
YOUR
FREE
TICKETS



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:



RAISING FATHERS evening at LOYOLA COLLEGE 20 October 7.00PM to 9.15PM

There's a manual for just about everything these days... except for the most vital role many men will ever play: being a father!

In a challenging world that's constantly shifting, good fathering requires more than the old "provide, protect, and punish" mindset. It demands a deeper, more intentional commitment to being there, and growing there, with your children. That's where RAISING FATHERS comes in. **Register required using QR code** (use code for details). **Open invitation. All welcome.**

Dads and mums are welcome. No need to have a student at Loyola.

REGISTER FOR FREE:



men
ALIVE

SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER

**St MARTIN'S
PARISH
CAR BOOT
SALE**

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/-

**For bookings, please contact the
Parish Office on 9401 6338**

Dr. Anthony Halliday – Organ Recital

Sunday 18th October 2:30 – 3:30pm St. John's Catholic Church, 52 Cape St. Heidelberg.

Details on poster in Church main Foyer

Hairdressing for Women and Men:

Phone: Yuni on 0433 614 399 Pensioner Rates.

Can attend home.

Hear With Me Audiology Care (All Ages)

Dr Gerard William -hearwithme.com.au or contact: **03 9002 4237**