Parish Newsletter

One mission, two parishes

Good Shepherd Parish, Mulgrave | Parish of St Justin, Wheelers Hill

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A **04 October 2026**

FIRST READING

Isaiah 5:1-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard.
My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside.
He dug the soil, cleared it of stones, and planted choice vines in it.
In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too.
He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave.
And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah,
I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me.
What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes.
Why did it yield sour grapes instead?
Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard:
I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on.
I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug;
overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it.
Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant.
He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

The Word of the Lord.
R: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 79:9. 12-16.19-20.R Is 5:7

(R.) The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel

1. You brought a vine out of Egypt;
   to plant it you drove out the nations.
   It stretched out its branches to the sea,
   to the Great River it stretched out its shoots. **(R.)**
2. Then why have you broken down its walls?
   It is plucked by all who pass by.
   It is ravaged by the boar of the forest,
   devoured by the beasts of the field. **(R.)**
3. God of hosts, turn again, we implore,
   look down from heaven and see.
   Visit this vine and protect it,
   the vine your right hand has planted. **(R.)**
4. And we shall never forsake you again:
   give us life that we may call upon your name.
   God of hosts, bring us back;
   let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. **(R.)**

SECOND READING

Philippians 4:6-9

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

The Word of the Lord.
R: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 21:33-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:
It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see?
'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'
The Gospel of the Lord
R: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Parish Priest: Fr Andrzej Madry CR - Episcopal Vicar Southern Region
Assistant Priest: Fr Jean-Sebastien Gery

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH

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Parish Secretary: Theresa Kim
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Parish Pastoral Council Chair: Jeff Tan
Safeguarding Team: Judith Schneiders

Parish Office Open

Mon: 9:30 am - 5:00 pm **Tues: 9:30 am - 1:30 pm**
Thurs: 9:30 am - 5:00 pm **Fri: 9:30 am - 3:00 pm**

Good Shepherd School
Principal: Jacqui Marshall (03) 9562 0229

ST JUSTIN'S PARISH

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Parish Office Open

Tues: 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm **Wed: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm**
Thurs: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm **Fri: 12 noon - 4:00 pm**

St Justin's School
Principal: Patrick Torpey (03) 9561 7644

Mass Schedule & Other Services

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday	5.00pm	Good Shepherd
	6.30pm	St Justin's
Sunday	8.30am	Good Shepherd
	10.00am	St Justin's
	11.30am	Good Shepherd
	5.00pm	St Justin's

Weekday Mass Times

Tuesday	9.15am	St Justin's
Wednesday	9.15am	Good Shepherd
Thursday	9.15am	Good Shepherd
Friday	9.15am	St Justin's
Saturday	9.30am	Good Shepherd

Reconciliation is available before or after Mass. Please speak to Father or arrange an appointment through the Parish Office.

Baptisms, Marriage, Pastoral Care of the Sick

For details regarding the celebration of these sacraments please contact the Parish Office or speak directly to Fr Andrzej.

We pray for…

Those who are ill: Falguni D'Souza, Hyejyung Kim, Ana Slawek, Noel & Myrna Beven, Fr Marian Szableski CR. Barbara Lazer, Jasmine Jimenez, Lidia Pascuzzi, Collette Harman, Tiana Mugagulio, David Booth, June Ferguson, Nicolette Thomas, Eileen Doyle, Alan Sullivan, Helena Costa, Mala Katugaha, Jack Angelic, James Tan, J Ang, Thomas Sarto, Josephine Mirando, Dilhan Fernando, Lloyd Silva, Shanika Somasundaram, Ian Andrews, Dino DeVenuto, Dominic Cozzi , Audrey Rodrigo, Julia Foster, Mary Bayley, Charles, Orazio, Henok Tesfom, Megan Sharpe, Natasha, Denis Hanlon, Ivan Oorloff, Lynne & Bobby Peterson. Richard Khoo, Elda de Ventuo, Domenico Scuteri, Sarah Francis, Isabella Dibattista, Ranjan Gunaratnam.

Recently Deceased:

Death Anniversary: Emilio Michael Vran, Geroge Soma, Cecil Menezes, Oliver Young, Eddie Kozina, Mary Tarabolsi, Suntjoko Tandyo, Frank Whittaker, Tom & Camila Don Paul, Jorge Tancinco, Joseph & Lydia Xavier.

Please remember them in your prayers.

Our parishes are committed to the safety, wellbeing and human dignity of children, young people and adults.

Seminar on Mental Health

Everyone from the communities of **St Justin's and Good Shepherd Parishes** is warmly invited to a free seminar on mental health.

When: Saturday, 24 October 2026 at 11am
Duration: Approximately 1½ hours
Cost: Free
Venue: Good Shepherd Church

The session will be led by two qualified psychologists and social workers, together with Fr Andrew & Fr Jean-Sebastien. The seminar will cover:

- The main types of mental illness.
- Treatment and care options.
- Factors that may increase the risk of mental illness.
- What can help protect our mental health.
- The connection between good spiritual health and good mental health.
- How to support a friend or family member in your care.

How to look after your own mental health and remain well. **Everyone is warmly welcome.**

Next Week's Readings

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Isaiah 5:1 - 725:6-10: , Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20:, Mt 22:1-14:

FR JEAN-SEBASTIEN'S NEW APPOINTMENT

Last week, I celebrated my second anniversary of priesthood in the foyer of Good Shepherd Church among the marvelous people of God. Besides the smell of party pies and freshly baked cakes, I could also smell that my time was up. For his first taste of ministry, a newly ordained priest is usually given 18 months to two years in his first appointment, sometimes three.

My senses did not deceive me: the food was as promising as the smell, and the announcement of my new assignment arrived in the e-mail a week later from the Vicar General. I have been appointed as Assistant Priest in Gladstone Park, at the Church of the Good Shepherd, effective from 14 October.

Although sad to leave, I am immensely grateful for your friendship and encouragement. I have enjoyed every single day at St Justin's and Good Shepherd, serving two parishes, one mission. The same mission that leads us to encounter one another across parish boundaries is now calling me to encounter new communities across the Archdiocese.
Please keep me in your prayers, as I keep you in mine.

Fr Jean-Sebastien

Mother's Prayer Group Presents
AUSTRALIA NEEDS FATIMA Procession

Date : TUES 13 OCT 2026
Time : 5.30 pm
procession starts from Good Shepherd Church
Mass : 6.30 pm
Refreshments will be provided after Mass, please feel free to bring a plate. Thank you!

St Justin's CRAFT GROUP

OCT 28 , NOV 11 & 25
DEC 9 Christmas Lunch 12.30pm Mulgrave Country Club

Baptism Celebration at St Justin's

We Welcome into our Parish family,
HUNTER IAN KILEY
As he receives the sacrament of Baptism.

The Knights are alive...

The Knights of the Southern Cross are active in your parish – and beyond.
At the entrance to your Church, you'll see a few cartons of breakfast cereal, which are on display to show just one example of what we do.
Look for the display at St. Justin's on 3rd & 4th October.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible study online via Zoom on Thursday evenings from 7.30 pm is taking a two-week break and resumes on 15th October. The face-to-face study still continues on Sundays from 7 pm.
If you are interested, please contact jefferson.tan@gmail.com by email or call your parish office on 7064 3994

Saturday Evening ROSARY Devotion For the Month of October at St Justin's

The Catholic Church dedicates October as month of the Holy Rosary, and as a parish family lets pray and reflect on the mysteries on **Saturday starting at 6.00pm before the vigil mass at St Justin's**

Each week, we'll journey through a different set of Mysteries

- **Week 1 - 10 Oct, Joyful Mysteries**
- **Week 1 - 17 Oct, Sorrowful Mysteries**
- **Week 1 - 24 Oct, Glorious Mysteries**
- **Week 1 - 31 Oct, Luminous Mysteries**

Please join the rosary on 10th October at 6.00pm

ST JUSTIN'S
FAIR ON THE HILL

Dear Parishioners,
Welcome to St Justin's Fair on the Hill
We're excited to invite you to one of the highlights of the St Justin's community calendar – **St Justin's Fair on the Hill.** Taking place on **Saturday, 7th November 2026 11.00am to 4.00pm.**
For those who are new to our parish, the Fair on the Hill is a wonderful annual celebration that brings together our **school, parish and wider community** for a fun-filled day.
There's something for everyone, including rides, games, an animal farm, pony rides, our Major Raffle, fruit and vegetable stall, second-hand books and toys, Cake Stall, Choc Toss, Lucky Jars, Devonshire Tea, food and community stalls, and more!
Most importantly, the Fair is a great opportunity to come together, meet others and enjoy the wonderful community spirit that makes St Justin's so special.

Want to get involved?
There are lots of ways to be part of the fair, whether you're able to lend a hand on the day or contribute from home.

Bake for Cake Stall
Our much-loved Cake stall is always a favourite! If you enjoy baking, we'd love your help with cakes, cupcakes, slices, biscuits or muffins. Please see the attached **Cake Stall Donation Flyer** for more information.

Volunteer on the day
It takes a wonderful team of volunteers to bring the Fair to life. Whether you can spare an hour or stay for the day, we'd love to have you involved. Please see the attached **Volunteer Flyer** for details on how you can sign up.
Every contribution, big or small, helps make the Fair a success and, in turn, helps us raise funds to support and enhance our St Justin's Community, Church, School grounds, Classrooms and Facilities.
We'd love for our parishioners, both new and long-standing, to come along, get involved and enjoy the day with us. Bring your family, invite your friends and help us make **Fair on the Hill 2026** another fantastic community celebration!

For updates and more information, follow us on:
Facebook: St Justin's Fair on the Hill / **Instagram**: @stjustinsfaironthehillwh
Contact us at stjustinsfair@gmial.com for any further queries.
Thank you for being part of our St Justin's community.
We look forward to seeing you on the hill!
Warm regards
St Justin's Fair on the Hill Committee 2026

GOOD SHEPHERD

Date	Mass	Data Projectionist	Lector	Commentator	Eucharistic Ministers
03/10	**5.00 pm**	**Alvin Gomes**	**Odette Cotta**	**Liz D'Souza**	**Rosemary Sanna, Desiree D'Silva**
04/10	**8.30 am**	**Monica Yu**	**Josianne Sumwai**	**Adiv Pinto**	**Smitha Pinto, Gwen Russell & John Lim**
04/10	**11.30 am**	**Stephy J**	**Jeremy & Catherine**	**Klara Baka**	**Catherine Michael, Klara Baka & Golda D'Cunha**
10/10	5.00 pm	Jeff Tan	Sam Chakraborty	Christine Gomes	Carolyne Keogh, Peter Keogh, Rosemary Sanna
11/10	8.30 am	Neil Ferns	Leanne Grima	Mary Seenan	Margaret Seenan, Gwen Russell, Lan Vu
11/10	11.30 am	Naveen Joseph	Catherine Michael	Klara Baka	Suzana Pinto, Golda D'Cunha, Sandra Palermo

COUNTERS: 04/10 Team : Michael P, Frank A & Udeni **COUNTERS: 11/10 Team 2 Dishni & Joan D'S, Anil**

Thank you to all our volunteers who generously share their time and talents with our parish. Your help is much appreciated!

ST JUSTIN'S

Date	Mass	Data Projectionist	READER	Eucharistic Ministers	COUNTERS	ALTAR
03/10	6.30 pm	Melissa Fdo	Noel Ridler	Ray Coyle	Adeline Sie, Lolita Briones	Tamara Corteling
04/10	10.00 am	Khai Vu	Demetrio Dejesus	Deacon Neil, Mai-Ling Sholl		
04/10	5.00 pm	Lucas Yap	Matilda Arul	Matilda Arul		
10/10	6.30 pm	Joe Persico	Yvette Esteves	Marian Coyle	Yvette Esteves, **Volunteer**	Natalie Uranie
11/10	10.00 am	Dominic D'Angelo	Mai-Ling Sholl	Deacon Neil, John Italiano		
11/10	5.00 pm	Anthony Devadass	Sheena Devadass	Erik Yamin		

COLLECTIONS	St Justin's	Good Shepherd
Thanksgiving	$ 970.75	$ 810.60
Presbytery	$ 812.00	$ 1434.00

We are very grateful for your support to both our parishes.

Parish Ministry Volunteers

THANK YOU!

to parishioners who participated in the **Safeguarding Essentials Workshops**.

Please collect your Certificate of Attendance from the Church Foyer.

For those who attended Sat 19th also enclosed is Code of Conduct form, please read, sign and return to Parish Office. If you need assistance with your WWCC or National Police Check please contact the Parish Office.

COMMITMENT TO CHILD SAFETY

Our Parishes follows the Child Safe Standard outlined by the Victorian Government and we implement procedures and standards as directed by the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

All Parish Volunteers MUST HAVE:

1. **A Current Working with Children Check Card**
2. **Read and signed the Code of Conduct Declaration**
3. **Completed the on-line Safeguarding Training**.

When you complete this on-line training you will receive a certificate by email.

If you need assistance or for more information contact the Parish Office of Good Shepherd 7064 3994 or St Justin's 9401 6335.

CTC online Information Session for Prospective Students

We are running an **online information session** on Monday 26 October at 7pm (AEDT).

Interested participants may register via Google Forms.

Registration is essential.

https://forms.gle/m7wxTSyVN6pcupsM8

CHRISTMAS HAMPER DONATIONS

For St Justin's Fair on the Hill Raffle
Please place the items in the box provided in the church foyer,
Thankyou for your generosity in the past,
Please contact Margo on 0412 884 663

Sri Lankan Stall at St Justin's Fair

The Sri Lankan Stall will be serving a variety of delicious food, all freshly prepared and full of flavour.

You're welcome to donate cash to support our parish fundraiser event on the **7th November 2026**

Please contact Della Cramer on 0421 938 907 or St Justin's Parish on 9401 6335.

Thank you for your generosity and support!

SCONE BAKERS FOR THE FAIR

We are seeking your support "baking scones" for the Devonshire Tea Stall once again this year, If you can help please text or phone Mai-Ling 0421 499 205