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St Joseph's Community

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Principals

Ms Rachel Smith (St Joseph's Primary)
 Mr Daniel Ryan (St John's Primary)

The Collingwood Cottage Inc (Foodbank)
 Fridays : 9.00 am to 12.00 noon

St Joseph's Community Store (St Vinnie's)
 Tel: 8415 1593

Normal weekend Mass times:

St Joseph's : Saturday 6 pm [English]
 Sunday 9 am [Vietnamese]
St John's : Saturday 6 pm [English]
 Sunday 9 am [Italian]
 10.30 am [English]; 5 pm [English]
Good Shepherd Chapel : Weekdays/Sundays : 9.30 am

Sacramental Reception

Baptism : second and fourth Sundays at 12 noon

Marriage: by appointment

Reconciliation: approach a priest before Mass to make an appointment.

First Communion and Confirmation: Preparation for this is conducted in our two schools; we also offer this preparation to State School children. Ring our office on 9481 7333 for further information.

Our Parish Priest

Fr Martin Tanti, SDB PP is normally available at St John's on Tuesdays and Thursdays, between 10am and 3pm. He is normally available at St Joseph's on Wednesdays and Fridays between 10am and 4pm.

Response to the Prayers of the Faithful ...

Lord, hear our prayer

Entrance Antiphon ...

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

Parish of Our Lady of the Southern Cross

July 20/21, 2019

Returned to the Father ...

Condolences : We pray for the families and souls of those who have departed recently, particularly for Trevor Williams whose funeral will be held next Friday at St John's commencing at 2.30 pm.

Anniversaries : Norma Kane, Angela Addamo,
 Maria Antonia Carnovale.

For the sick and injured ...

Please remember the following in our prayers:

Julia Rickard, Gabe Sullivan, John Vo, Phaolo Nguyen,
 Simon Fenelon, Joseph Vodinh

John and Teresa Boetti, Ida and Mario Misurelli, Vicki Oki,
 Enrico Giammario, and Cecilia Nguyen.

If you hear of any of our parishioners who are not well or who have been injured, please let Joan know so that we can all remember them in our prayers.

Would you or someone you know enjoy having communion taken to your/their home? Please ring Joan with the details on 9481 7333.

Helping the Homeless

VincentCare provides services and programs for people who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness and disadvantage. Community organisations are designated access points for assisting people depending on where they are located. To receive assistance from an Access Point in your area call the Housing and Homelessness Support Line on 1800 825 955. Once you have been assessed, you will be referred to the programs that are best suited to you.

Plenary Council 2020

The second phase of the Plenary Council's preparation stage "Listening and Discernment" began last month at Pentecost. Following the opening phase of the Plenary Council "Listening and Dialogue", the views of more than 222,000 people were assessed, reflected upon and prayed about. From that process, six National Themes for Discernment emerged.

The themes invited people to consider how God is calling us to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is: Missionary and Evangelising; Inclusive, Participatory and Synodal; Prayerful and Eucharistic; Humble, Healing and Merciful; A Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community; Open to Conversion, Renewal and Reform.

Six groups will now be formed - one each to focus on those National Themes for Discernment - to review the responses made during the Listening and Dialogue stage, including people's questions and stories. The groups will also consider their relevant theme in light of Church teaching, of Church tradition, of Scripture and drawing from contemporary best practice within and outside the Church.

For more information on the discernment and writing groups, go to (<https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/news/working-groups/>)

Calendar

- **July 28 :** "Propagation of the Faith" speaker
- **July 29—August 2 :** Parish office is closed
- **August 4 :** Family/School Mass at St John's 10.30 am
- **August 8 :** Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop
- **August 15 :** 9.15 am Mass for Feast of the Assumption
- **August 17 :** St John's School Comedy Night
- **September 7/8 :** First Communion
- **September 16-20 :** Our PP away at his conference

Prayer Evenings at St John's

Join us in prayer and spiritual conversation. We meet fortnightly in Aikenhead Hall from 7pm to 8.30pm. Our next meeting is this coming Monday, July 29. There is no cost and all are welcome.

Marriage Encounter

Invest in your most precious asset.....Your Marriage! Married couples, come and learn how to keep/rekindle the passion in your relationship and how to keep your love growing! This weekend is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.

2019 weekend dates: 23-25 Aug, and 15-17 Nov.
Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided. Information/Bookings: Phone Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au
 Website: wwme.org.au

Parish Office

The Parish Office will be closed for the week commencing 29th July. Joan will be disappearing to ride "The Ghan" (instead of her broomstick).

We acknowledge that we are meeting on the traditional land of the Wurundjeri people and offer our respects to the elders past, present and future. We recognise and respect the cultural heritage of this land.

Pope Francis says ...

"I invite all Christians everywhere to renew their personal relationship with Jesus Christ or at least let him encounter you."



Pope Francis gives witness in his own life that a relationship with Jesus Christ can be life-changing and joyous. He has repeatedly said that the way to renew our relationship with Jesus is by embracing gospel teachings. When we reflect on the gospels daily and pray in response to what we read, we begin to encounter Jesus himself and to form a closer relationship with him. This encounter, Pope Francis says, can fill us with great joy.

At our Parish, Our Lady of the Southern Cross, we hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parish.

Luke's Gospel

Jesus valued women disciples highly. And this Gospel shows it. In Jesus' time women were little more than property. They had few rights. They certainly weren't allowed to study at the feet of religious teachers. But Jesus saw things differently. He encouraged women to learn from him and follow him. He appeared to a woman first at his Resurrection. He defied stereotypes and sexism of his day.

Many women tell me they think our society still suffers from warped views about a woman's role. Ads seem to argue that women have no value unless they wear the latest fashions. Teachers have said that some young women don't offer answers in class out of fear that boys don't find smart girls attractive. Women are under-represented in leadership in many parts of society.

A frighteningly high number of women suffer abuse each year by men who think women have no right to refuse their physical advances.



As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what he said. But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!" "Martha, Martha," the Lord answered, "you are worried and upset about many things, but only one thing is needed. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her."

Roster

20/21 July	6 pm Saturday	10.30 am Sunday	5 pm Sunday
Readers	William Jennifer	Daniel N Jen P	Bernadette Daniel
Offertory	Parishioners	Parishioners	Parishioners
Communion	Vernon	Margaret Samoans	Jennifer Rafelina
27/28 July	6 pm Saturday	10.00 am Sunday	5.00 pm Sunday
Readers	Giovanna Vernon	Michael Thomas	Xiomara Justin
Offertory	Parishioners	Parishioners	Parishioners
Communion	Jennifer	Michael Jennifer	Michael T