

ST JOSEPH'S ✠ ST MONICA'S SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL

CLUSTER OF PARISHES

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We gather, pray, and celebrate on the traditional land
of the Dja Dja Wurrung people.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Our parishes are committed to child safety. All children and young people who come to our parishes have a right to feel and be safe. The welfare of the children and young people in our care will always be our first priority and we have a zero tolerance of child abuse.

TWENTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A: 27TH AUGUST 2023

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SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT 2023-24

Listen, Learn, Love

A New Engagement with Aboriginal
and Torres Strait Islander Peoples



CHANGES TO MASS ROSTER

There will be no 9am Mass at St Joseph's Quarry Hill on Thursday 31st August.

WELCOME TO OUR RCIC CANDIDATES

We welcome this weekend our candidates participating in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Children (RCIC) who will receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the 11am Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral:
Ethan R, Arlo G, Felicity D, Maddie C, Arlo C, Finn C, Harlan C, Irmani C.
Please keep them in your prayers.

RCIA: A JOURNEY INTO THE MYSTERY OF GOD'S LOVE

"...Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him..." Lk 24:31

Have you never been baptised and wish to explore a relationship with God through the Catholic faith? Are you a baptised Christian who would like to share fully in the Catholic way of life? Are you a baptised Catholic who wish to complete your initiation into our faith community?

The Sacred Heart Cathedral Cluster of Parishes invites you to join the RCIA Journey. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is an opportunity to enter fully into a relationship with God through the Catholic community. It is a process of opening one's eyes to see how God has been actively moving and caring and loving in all of one's life events and experiences.

We have two "Come and See" sessions for those interested: **Tuesday, 12 September and Thursday, 14 September, 7:30 pm at the Cathedral Presbytery, 66 Short Street, Bendigo.** If you wish to know more, please contact the Parish Office by phone 5443 4400 or email cathedral@cdos.org.au. Alternatively, you may email Fr DJ at dj.suguitan@sandhurst.catholic.org.au.

MORNING TEA AT ST JOSEPH'S HALL AT 11AM ON 5TH SEPTEMBER

CELEBRATING THE SEASON OF CREATION

Everyone is welcome to celebrate the season of creation with morning tea and an informal discussion on Pope Francis' famous encyclical letter on the environment and the care of our common home, the earth and how we can help in our own lives.

“Let Justice and Peace Flow”

For further information please contact Vyonne McLelland-Howe on 0408 414036

CALVARY HOSPITAL – NEW DEVELOPMENTS

Sign the new Federal Parliamentary e-petition by August 31 to ask the Federal Parliament to override the ACT government's compulsory acquisition of Calvary Hospital.

The actions of the ACT government can be seen as an abuse of property rights and religious freedom.

There is serious concern among faith communities in Australia that this action will extend to the targeting of other faith, welfare and community groups without consultation.

For 170 years in Australia, the Catholic Church has served the community, established hospitals, and trained doctors, nurses and healthcare professionals. Today, 21 public and 54 private Catholic hospitals treat more than 1.5 million patients annually, or three patients every minute.

As the Federal Parliament has the authority to veto legislation passed by Territories of the Commonwealth, call on the House to override the ACT's take-over of Calvary Hospital. **Sign the Federal e-petition.**

CCR SANDHURST:

You are invited to “Living in the Holy Spirit”, guest presenter is author Adrian Commadeur. Saturday 2nd September 2023 start 9am to 4pm, at the Monsignor Peter Jeffrey Centre, St Brendan's, Knight Street Shepparton Shared lunch, tea and coffee provided.

For more information contact Brigita Hore 0412 042 196 or Denise Ilott 0407506813.

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SANDHURST THEOLOGY SCHOLARSHIPS: SEMESTER 2 2023

Designed to support the mission formation of parishioners through formal theological studies, especially those with or who are seeking pastoral leadership roles in the diocese of Sandhurst.

Are you interested in studying theology or spiritual leadership in 2023?

Scholarships are available for Sandhurst parishioners to study online post-graduate courses in theology at Catholic Theological College, Melbourne

50% of the tuition fees will be reimbursed (full cost: credit \$2,882, audit \$650).

You may study for credit towards a Master's degree/Graduate certificate/Graduate diploma or for audit.

If you have not studied at a tertiary level before you can take advantage of the “Professional Attainment” pathway.

Also available for Semester 2 2023 CPE opportunities in Shepparton and Bendigo.

Please see attached document for details on course offerings.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN PAKISTAN

Aid to the Church in Need is running an emergency campaign for Pakistan. Recently up to 24 churches, hundreds of Christian homes and a Christian cemetery were targeted in an attack in Pakistan which was sparked by reports of blasphemy allegations against two Christians accused of desecrating the Qur'an. ACN is working with project partners on the ground to aid the current needs of the Christian people.

To learn more and to make an offering visit www.aidtochurch.org/pakistanappeal

or scan the QR code



CATHEDRAL VISITORS

Our beautiful Cathedral continues to attract a steady stream of visitors, apart from those who worship here.

Over the past twelve months we have welcomed some 23,700 visitors.

Our volunteer guardians make this possible. These visitors came from 62 different nationalities.

We need more volunteer guardians to keep the Cathedral open.

If you are interested in becoming a guardian, please contact the Parish Office.

St Monica's Footy Tipping
Progressive Scores up until Round 23

141	B Pelly, B White	116	C Polinelli
138	O Friswell, S Rodda	115	D McMahon
137	P McGrath	114	M & K White
135	B & K Friswell	112	G Muller
133	J McMahon, A Walker, H White	111	M Wilson
130	M Verbeek, R Wilson	110	Monica Friswell
127	W O'Connor	106	R & J Murphy
126	E McGrath, K & D Rooke	104	Clara Friswell, C McHugh
125	Fr D J, Carol Friswell, M Friswell	102	C Conforti, L Eeles
123	J Friswell, H White		
122	R & T Spurling		
121	B Walker		
120	S Weigard		
119	P Fitzpatrick, R Slywka		
117	M Purcell, M Williams		

SANDHURST LAUNCH OF SEASON OF CREATION

You're all invited to come and celebrate our Care for Creation at Notley Picnic Ground, Whipstick Forest, Bendigo on **Friday 1st September**, beginning with **Mass at 11am** celebrated by Bishop Shane followed by **Picnic Lunch**. BYO chairs encouraged although some seating available. Sausage sizzle provided BYO hot/cold drinks; RSVP not essential but if you are coming then letting us know by texting 0408 579 904 would be helpful. For those traveling from the north, turn at Epsom not Huntly (even if Google directs from Huntly!).
 The weather is looking good but Plan B is the Cathedral.

	CATHEDRAL— 3RD SEPTEMBER 2023		ST MONICA'S— 2ND/3RD SEPTEMBER 2023		ST JOSEPH'S 2ND SEPT
	8.30AM	11.00AM	SAT 6PM	SUNDAY 9AM	SAT 6PM
COMMENTATOR			L Waddington	D McMahon	J Cowling
READER 1	J Parker	R Peacock	Volunteer please	A Brown	B Brindle
READER 2	M O'Brien	John Freeman			
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	Y Laventure	E Walker	C McHugh	J Ritchie	M Pianta
	K Dullard	T Dowling			
OFFERTORY	K&B McFadden	S Hunt	Volunteer please	A Hope	
ALTAR SOCIETY	Sept 2nd Team 1 (Names on roster)		Sept 2nd/3rd — M Wilson, C Conforti		

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL IN OUR PARISHES WHO ARE SICK OR UNDERGOING MEDICAL PROCEDURES AND TREATMENTS

Pam Wright, Tess Dockter, Gary Muller, Carmel Moon, Mary Mooney, Roma O'Shannessy, Gerald Kavanagh, Glenda Waddington, Mathew Craine, John Mangan, Bruno Zausa, Hall Family, Matthew Turner, Theresa Cain, Judy Gaffee, Maureen O'Keefe, Elaine Kelly, Rose Capicchiano, Audrey Drechsler, John Whelan, Kath Munari, April Twyford, Ben Castles, Kay Ross, Audrey Hope, Brendan Drechsler, Pat Fitzpatrick, Pat Bonham, Cath Polinelli.

RECENTLY DECEASED: FR STEPHEN BOHAN PP, ERIC MOORE, VERONICA CAW.

ANNIVERSARIES OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Fr Paul Purcell, Verdun Elix, Brian Harrington, Allan Franzini, Genevieve Bunworth, Alma Doxford, Ursula Doxford, John Killick, Doris Blackmore, Michael Pedretti, Noel Freeman— Joseph Redman, Simon Caranto, Ern Rokesky, Rebecca Hall, Norm Spurling, Vic Allen, Mark Griffin, Tony Comer, Mark Fitzpatrick— Jouth Spedding, Patrick Tuohey, Laurentius Janssen, Eileen Dowd, John Curran, Maureen Lorenz, Elizabeth Wild, Gael Ipsen, William Norfolk, Margaret Varker.

READINGS OF THE DAY

FIRST READING

Isaiah 22:19-23

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:

I dismiss you from your office, I remove you from your post, and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiah.

I invest him with your robe, gird him with your sash, entrust him with your authority; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah.

I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open.

I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father's house.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 137: 1-3. 6. 8. R v. 8

ICEL Roger Heagney (b. 1942)

Your love is eter - nal, O Lord;
do not for - sake the work of your hands.

Music © R. Heagney

SECOND READING

Romans 11:33-36

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matthew 16:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;
the gates of hell will not hold out against it.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

NEXT SUNDAYS READINGS: 1st Reading: Jer 20:7-9 2nd Reading: Rom 12:1-2 Gospel: Mt 16:21-27

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