



CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF SANDHURST

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.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR B : 10TH MARCH 2024

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Mr Andrew Howe



MASS CANCELLATION

St Monica's Friday 15th @ 9.30AM

SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays of Lent 8th & 22nd March at 5pm

SANDHURST DIOCESE CHRISM MASS and 150th CELEBRATION

The Chrism Mass for 2024 will be at the Sacred Heart Cathedral on Tuesday, 26th March, at 11.00am. Diocese Parish representatives will present oils to be blessed by the Bishop for the Sacraments during the coming year. Oils will be supplied by the Cathedral; Parishes to bring their own bottles for collection of oils after Mass.

This year's Chrism Mass will also be an occasion to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese. To mark the occasion a commemorative Chrism cruet will be presented to each parish.

All parishioners of the Diocese are warmly invited to this very significant Mass for our Diocese.

Light refreshments and beverages will be provided after the Mass on the Cathedral lawns.

Please RSVP to your Parish Office by Thursday 21st March for catering purposes. Parking around the Cathedral will be limited so please allow time to find a suitable park in the nearby streets. Fr Brian Boyle ADM.

LENTEN THURSDAYS HOLY HOUR

"...return to me with all your heart." (Joel 2:2)

The holy season of Lent invites us to stop and remember the goodness of God and the extent of his love for us. It is a time to reflect on our response to this goodness and love. It is a time for us to bring before God our whole selves – sins and burdens included – as we ask his healing and forgiveness.

Join us as we bring ourselves to adore and pray before Jesus Christ, in the Most Blessed Sacrament,
Thursdays of Lent, 5:30PM at Sacred Heart Cathedral, 14th, 21st March.

What have you to bring? What do you ask forgiveness for? What in you needs the healing of Jesus Christ? In stillness, we come into the presence of God in Jesus Christ, really present in the Most Blessed Sacrament, who is always forgiving, always merciful, always compassionate, always loving.

HEARING AWARENESS WEEK:

During my time in this position I have come to realise that many people living with disabilities, or their cares, are unaware of the free healthcare benefits available to them.

Hearing loss affects millions of Australians each year. It can be socially isolating for those affected and equally frustrating for their family and friends. This cannot be treated lightly because recent studies suggest that loss of hearing is strongly linked to the development of dementia.

The Department of Health's Hearing Services Program (HSP) Australia offers a free one-hour consultation for a hearing check where an audiologist will also answer any questions you may have about hearing aids and loss of hearing. Subsidies are available offering a device at a discounted rate or completely free. The modern hearing aids which are tiny and almost invisible may be suitable for your needs.

Mary Pianta. Disability Contact Coordinator.

APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA:

Meeting at St Josephs Quarry Hill 16th March – Saturday at 2pm. **All Welcome.**

SERRA CLUB MEETING:

Meeting at St Kilians Thursday 14th March, 11:00am Adoration; 12:15pm Mass followed by the meeting.
Everyone is Welcome.

SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL CLUSTER GROUP - SOCIAL DINNER.

Bendigo Stadium - Inglis St. entrance, Thursday 21st March, 2024 @ 12 Noon. All welcome.
For booking contact. Suzanne 0435 836 812.



An Invitation each week to support our brothers and sisters in need through Caritas envelopes and boxes.



PROJECT COMPASSION 2024

10th Sunday of Lent – 10th March



Nicodemus, a Pharisee came to Jesus at night. Nicodemus understood that Jesus had come from God. Like many of us, he wanted to know what he had to do to inherit eternal life. Jesus informs Nicodemus: "I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again." The concept of being born again gives us a dramatic image of change and change can be frightening, but change need not be frightening, it can be positive.

As we grow older and look back on our lives, we do not dwell on the disappointments that have happened. We tend to



remember moments of joy we experienced, those times when we managed to make a person laugh or smile. We therefore need not be afraid of changes that happen in life and we can embrace the feeling that at times we have been able to make a difference in that person's life and in doing so, we too have changed. Perhaps this is what we need to aim for throughout Lent.

Meet Memory who grew up in rural Malawi. Memory was born to a low-income family who rely on subsistence farming for survival. Her parents struggled to pay for her school fees and supplies. As the eldest of five children Memory had to balance her education with domestic chores. Despite these challenges, Memory understood that education was her best chance of breaking the cycle of poverty.

With the support of Caritas Australia and the Catholic Development Commission in Malawi, Memory enrolled in a technical college where she completed a three-year carpentry course. Her life changed dramatically and now she has a job at one of Malawi's largest hydroelectric power stations and can support her family. Memory is the first female carpenter from her village and an inspiration for other young women.



Please donate to Project Compassion.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, **for all future generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from our parishes, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

2024 Synod Consultation:

As the Church prepares for the Second Session of the Synodal Assembly in October 2024, our deanery has been invited to contribute by deepening aspects of the Synthesis Report that are fundamental to the Synod's theme.

These contributions are guided by the question: *How can we be a synodal Church in mission?*

Please join us on 13th March 2024 at 7pm via Zoom to participate in this process and help shape the communications provided to the Second Session of Synod in October. The synthesis report is available at the link below, we will focus on Chapters 8-12, 16 and 18 during this session. If you intend to participate, please read these chapters prior to the Zoom call. Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/8148645873?pwd=SEZrYgkclSOZK7o6s3sb63wyS2QXQn.1&omn=89498199532>

Meeting ID: 814 864 5873 - Passcode: 045506

Synthesis Report: [2023.10.28-ENG-Synthesis-Report IMP.pdf \(synod.va\)](#)

ST KILIAN'S EASTER ETHICAL MARKET 2024:

Saturday 23rd March 2024 in St Kilian's church grounds. 11am -2pm.

	CATHEDRAL— 17TH MARCH 2024			ST MONICA'S— 16th/17th MARCH 2024		ST JOSEPH'S 16TH MARCH
	8.30AM	11.00AM	6PM	SAT 6PM	SUN 9AM	SAT 6PM
COMMENTATOR				Volunteer Please	D McMahon	H Bolte
READER 1	M Flynn	B Lougoon	N Nowers	Volunteer Please	K Waayers	L Wright
READER 2	K Dullard	K Whitehouse	N Nowers			
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER	Y Laventure	J Freeman	Volunteer	P Adams	J Harrison	M Pianta
	M O'Brien	J Freeman				
OFFERTORY	J Parker	K Oviedo	Volunteer	B & M Cockerall	Volunteer Please	
ALTAR SOCIETY	March 15th Team 3 (Names on roster)			Mar 16th/17th M Evans, C Britten		

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, 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, Bob Hayden, Lauren Horton, Malcolm Connolly.

RECENTLY DECEASED: DOROTHY WYLIE

ANNIVERSARIES OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Fr John Foster, Br Vincent Foster, Lorraine Jessen, Dorothy Durston, Patrick O'Leary, Margaret McDonald, Stefan Crimmins, Joey Piggot, Ethel Gallagher, John Kelly, Louise Chevalier — Mary Kirby, Daniel Kairn, Mary O'Brien, Gerald Gallagher, Eileen Foster, Stella Howley, Con Kelly, Catherine McGrath, Pat Lyon, Stephen Harrington, Richard Kelly, Kath Loomes - Eric Twyford, Leo Harney, Peter Thomson, Lawrence Tuohey, Patricia Nankervis, Thomas Chalkley, Kathleen McGrath.

MUSIC FOR CATHEDRAL (CATHOLIC WORSHIP BOOK II)

Introit - *Laetare Jerusalem*

Entrance - CWB 467 Christ is the World's Light.

Mass Parts - 8:30am/6pm Kyrie CWB 37 Orbis factor;

11am Kyrie and Agnus from *Missa Canonica (1952)* by Vernon Griffiths (1894-1985)

Prep. Of Gifts - 8:30am CWB 293 Lord, Let your Mercy Be On Us.

11am *Christus Factus est* – Felicio Anerion (1560-1614)

Communion - CWB 505 How Rich are the Depths Of God (cf.2R)

Recessional - CWB 297 Our Father We Have Wandered

Postlude - *O Lamm Gottes unschuldig* (BWV 656) - J.S Bach (1685-1750)

FIRST READING **2 Chronicles 36:14-16. 19-23**

A reading from the second book of Chronicles

All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity, copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy.

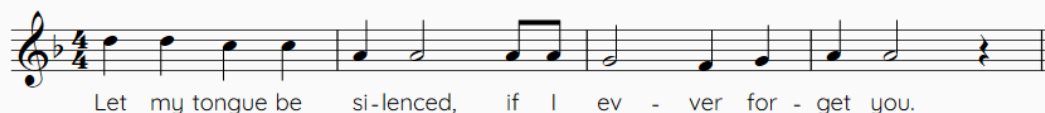
Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke through Jeremiah, 'Until this land has enjoyed its sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep sabbath throughout the days of its desolation.'

And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: 'Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, "The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up."'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM **Ps 136 (137) R. v. 6**

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Colin Smith, CFC (1928-2005)



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NEXT SUNDAYS READINGS:

JER 31:31-34

HEB 5:7-9

JOHN 12:20-30

SECOND READING **Ephesians 2:4-10**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ – it is through grace that you have been saved – and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus.

This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit. We are God's work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had meant us to live it.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION **John 3:16**

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

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GOSPEL **John 3:14-21**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

'The Son of Man must be lifted up as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him.

Yes, God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not be lost but may have eternal life.

For God sent his Son into the world not to condemn the world, but so that through him the world might be saved.

No one who believes in him will be condemned; but whoever refuses to believe is condemned already, because he has refused to believe in the name of God's only Son.

On these grounds is sentence pronounced: that though the light has come into the world men have shown they prefer darkness to the light because their deeds were evil.

And indeed, everybody who does wrong hates the light and avoids it, for fear his actions should be exposed;

but the man who lives by the truth comes out into the light, so that it may be plainly seen that what he does is done in God.'

GOSPEL FOR 11AM MASS CATHEDRAL -

MARCH 10, 17

Gospels will be for Scrutinies

March 3 - John 4:5-42

March 10 - John 9: 1-41

March 17 - John 11: 1-45

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