

The Catholic Parish of Sacred Heart & St Columba

Our Parish is a Christian community which welcomes all to walk together in a spirit of compassion, justice and hope.

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St Columba Church

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Elwood 3184

Sacred Heart Church

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Parish Visiting Team: Lay Pastoral Care Group; Legion of Mary Groups
Call or email the Parish Office.

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A Reflection on the Gospel based on an extract from: An extract from Salt of the Earth, Light of the World, a Spirituality of the Sunday Gospels, Year A by Peter Varengo, pp. 119-122.

Recognition and Mission

Today... the Word of God leads us to ask the complementary question of who is God whom we address as 'Father' and we claim as co-traveller on our life journey... In Jesus, the Messiah of all ages, God establishes a total identification and oneness with each of us, in life and in death, yes even if this God remains unknown or unnoticed to us or is little more than a question or a curiosity, walking past in the distance.

... John's identification of Jesus as 'the Lamb of God' becomes a proclamation of the newness of life, of freedom and of salvation brought on by Jesus... Like the lamb of Passover, John's identification of Jesus as the 'Lamb of God' invites us to look at Jesus as the one who bridges the divide between human and divine, calls us out of darkness and misery, who leads us into freedom, and who becomes the very energy of our life journey. In Jesus God is one of us, and we cannot escape or deny that we are now one with our God. Identity and mission are now one for God, for Jesus and for each of us.

This is God's self-revelation of God and mission put to us as we undertake a new year. We do not know exactly what this new year may hold in store. One thing is certain however. If we have the courage to proclaim Jesus as the Lamb of God, as we do in the Liturgy, then we can rest assured that this Jesus will be our travelling companion and the energy (identity) leading us to freedom, to peace and to fulfilment (mission) through the daily and ordinariness of our lives.

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference have released a statement about the Catholic Church's plans for a national response to the bushfire crisis. One response will be a special collection on the Australia Day weekend. Copies of the statement are available at the back of church or at www.catholic.org.au. Let us do all we can to support those affected and those fighting so hard to manage this national emergency.

2021 Opportunities at Sacré Cœur. We invite you to apply for a limited number of Year 7 places available in 2021. We also have a number of scholarships and bursaries available for Years 7 - 11 in 2021 and we encourage families to apply. For further information and to apply visit www.sac.vic.edu.au/enrolment or call Julie Muldoon, Admissions Manager on 9835 2713.

Welcome to all who celebrate the Eucharist with us today, to the church communities across our parish and a special welcome to all who happen to be visiting our Parish.

Our Parish supports the endeavours of the Royal Commission to bring healing to and justice for the victims of abuse.

We acknowledge the Elders, families and forebears of the Boonwurrung and Wurundjeri tribes of the Kulin Nations, the tradition owners of the land, community, sea, and waters where we live and work. We pay our respect to elders past, present and future and value the contributions Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples make in our society. We acknowledge their continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Isaiah 49: 3, 5-6

Responsorial Psalm:

Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

Second Reading: Acts 10: 34-38

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us.

He enabled those who accepted him
to become the children of God.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel: John 1: 29-34

OUR LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MONDAY 20 January - SUNDAY 26 January

TUESDAY 2pm MASS at Avonsleigh Community,
41-43 Robe St, St Kilda West
ALL VERY WELCOME

THURSDAY 11am MASS at Sacred Heart Church

FRIDAY 9am MASS at Parish Centre

SATURDAY 6pm MASS at St Columba Church

SUNDAY 9am MASS at St Columba Church
11am MASS at Sacred Heart Church
Gospel: Matthew 4: 12-23

COLLECTIONS:

Details of the collections will be
included in the newsletter on the
11/12 January 2020

THANK YOU!

*"Twenty-five years ago people could be excused for not
knowing much, or doing much, about climate change. Today
we have no excuse."* -- Desmond Tutu

*"The world will not be destroyed by those who do evil, but by
those who watch them without doing anything."*
-- Albert Einstein."

*The problems are big and urgent. But hope remains if we act
in honesty and love. "Humanity still has the ability to work
together in building our common home . . . Truly, much can be
done!"* -- Pope Francis

Check out our great new website: www.shscparish.org.au

Setting up regular giving is easy, and your
support very much appreciated.
You can visit the parish website, click the
support us button, where there is information
and even a video to help you set your regular
giving pledge.



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

"Prayer is what keeps the faith, without it, faith wavers"

Pope Francis

All Recently Deceased:

1st Anniversaries: Dylan Anderson, Tracey Reynolds, Tibby
Hart, Kate Mason.

Anniversaries: Sean Heraghty, Cynthia Pyster 3.1, Cecilia
Opie, Daysi Fajardo, Adrian Smith, Ray Gill, Gladys Wheeler,
Jane Robinson 13.1, Delsyia Fullinfaw 10.1, Rose Bell 14.1,
Paulina Mejia Bonila 14.1, Llewellyn Wood, Susie Nolen 5.1,
Loretta McCormick 24.1, Lee Ranahan, John Simington,
Joseph Panettieri, John Weston, Mario DiMarzio, Billy
Cannon, Gavin O'Leary, Vittorio (Vic) Di Muzio 9.1, Pauline
McEvoy, Frances Tierney, Victor Chircop, Merlin Coles, Reg
'Maldon' Nicholson 21.1, Maria Terzita Canestra 7.1.72,
Paula Nelson, Joseph Micallef, Joannie Lloyd, Mary Reagan,
Miguel Marin 5.1.10, Anna Durack 13.1.2010, Antonio
Russo 13.12.96, Rosario Russo 19.1.2010, Bernice Marten
3.1.07, Alberto JR Dos Santos, Julie O'Callaghan, Luciana
Spring, Tracey Doherty, Leon Massoni, Margaret O'Keefe
12.1.2010, Nunziata Panettieri, Neily Murphy, Natie Mario
Contino 18.1, Dominic Mizzi, Samantha Mizzi, Ruby Boulter,
Rosaria Russo 19.1, Gaby Pozo, Ken Reynolds, Paul
Reynolds, Danny Reynolds.

Sick: Ray Monagle, Raphy, Chris O'Connor, Francis Pititto,
Bill Meirs, Sonia Gurwitz, Danny Ryan, Jackie Pyster, Philip
Lloyd, Patricia Mizzi, Noel Stone, Laura Ramadge, Peter
Jennings, Peter Wilde, Rachel Ward, Emma Kirkman, Des
Lacey, Pauline Hammer, Sophie McGuigan, June Galagher,
Betty Kitchener, Anne Casley, Joseph Costin, John Parlo,
Janet Fisher, Robert Mason, Brian Kennedy, Ghislaine
O'Malley, Noreen Dempsey, Sarah O'Brien, Michael Ratliff,
Peter Dwyer.

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

25 / 26 JANUARY: 3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

St Columba Welcomes

6pm Mass:

M: Martin Ezeani, Tony O'Malley, Volunteer needed
C / L: Karen Ramanair, Caroline Price

Set up: Karen Ramanair & Sree Chelvakumaran

9am Mass:

M: Theresa Ellis, Roger Vail / Alecia Rathbone, Ada Nardella
C / L: Angela Elliot, Raymond Bolger

Set up: Ada Nardella

Altar & Cleaning: January: Volunteer needed

Sacred Heart Welcomes

11am Mass:

M: Anne Dexter, Vera Costa, MaryAnne Culhane
C / L: Adrian Cropley / Carlo Marcon, Toni Vatta / Ramon
Lopez

Set up: Legion of Mary

Prayers of the Faithful: Liturgy Team