



Brighton Catholic Parishes Newsletter

St James The Great & St Joan of Arc



The Transfiguration of the Lord. Year A

6th August, 2017

Services

Sunday Mass

Sat 6.00pm & Sun 9am
at St James Church

Sun 11am & 5.30pm at
St Joan of Arc Church.

Weekday Masses

Tues at 7.30pm &
*Thur 9.15am at
St James.

Wed & Fri at 9.15am at
St Joan of Arc.

*First Thursday of the
month at noon, chapel at
Cabrini Hospital, Btn.

Weddings & Baptisms

By appointment.

Parish Groups

Card Players:

First Thursday of the
month in the St Joan of
Arc presbytery meeting
room from 11.30am.

Meditation:

Mon 10am- presbytery
at St Joan of Arc

Prayer Group:

Thursday at 8pm St Joan
of Arc Church

Gospel Reflection

Sunday Mass is meant to be a weekly mountaintop experience for us where we hear God call us by name and confess his love for us; where we feel re-energised for the commission we have to bear his light to the world.

The God of Mount Tabor is not interested in each of us feeling isolated as we fulfil the letter of a legal code. He wants all of us to have hearts that listen to the Gospel of love so that we can gain the power to transform the world through the sacrifices of our daily lives.

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Remember In Our Prayers

Illness: Dalia Borell, William Cavanagh, Kathy Chatham, Warren Fisher, Andrew Florenti, Dos Forsyth, Anna Hall, Leanne Ickeringill, Jo Kenny, Michele Lyons, John Marich, Margaret McGrath, Carmel Negline, Beth & Terry Pilcher, Rosa Santos, Edward Shelley, Ante Skoblar & Tom Van Kampen.

Recently Deceased: Sr Mary Carroll pbvm

Anniversaries: Bernadette Hyland, Denis Smith

Parish Contacts

Parish Priest: Fr Martin Dixon

Catechist: Carole Cheng

Organist: Mary Taylor

Cantors: Adam Kaczanowski & Marie-France Urruty.

St James

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Parish Office Hours: Tue-Thur

9.15am-3pm. Entrance in Murphy St

School Principal: Brendan Flanagan

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St Joan of Arc

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Parish Secretary: Elaine Bolitho

Parish Accountant: Marina Stevenson

Parish Office Hours: Tue-Fri:

9.30am-3.30pm.

School Principal: Tony McMahon

School Tel: 9592 3840

Welcome to the Brighton Parishes

Services This Week

- ◆ This Sunday we welcome for baptism presentation Luca Guest and Hadley Villanti with their families.
- ◆ Congratulations to the children making their First Eucharist this weekend and to the candidates from St James Parish who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday and Thursday. Many thanks to the teachers and parents for their dedication in preparing and supporting them.



**50th Wedding Anniversary
Congratulations
to
Marie-France
& Jacques Urruty
and Eric & Barbara Tymms.**

St Joan of Arc Parish Confirmation Program

The after school classes will commence on Wednesday 23rd August at 4pm. Students should be in Year 6 or above and have received the Sacrament of First Eucharist. Enrolment forms for the program are available in the church foyers. Please note that there are two enrolment forms:

1. for students not attending a Catholic school
2. for students at a Catholic school (other than St Joan of Arc) who will not attend classes but will enrol to receive the sacrament.

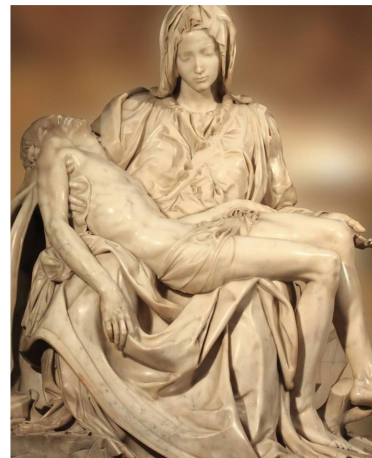
Further details on the program are on our website at www.cam.org.au/brighton

**Enrolments close on
16 August**



Charismatic Prayer Group

We invite you to join us each Thursday at 8pm in the St Joan of Arc Church. The topic this week is St Stephen of Hungary. All most welcome.



Love to the End
A prayer for care and respect at the end of life.

Love To The End Of Life

Today the Church prays for the Care and Respect at the End of Life. The Church and society need leaders to proclaim the truth of the Gospel of Life.

Please pray for more priests and religious for Melbourne who can help us proclaim the Gospel of Life to the world. **Prayer cards are available in the church foyer for you to take home.**

Journey Magazine

Our new parish magazine is out now. Take one home today!

News From The Social Justice Group



Coffee that makes you feel good!

Coffee from Timor-Leste is for sale this weekend for \$8 a pack. Proceeds provide education for Timorese students. Please help!

Meeting

The Social Justice Group is meeting on Wed 9 August at 7.30 pm in the meeting room in the St Joan of Arc presbytery and all are most welcome.

**Monthly collection for Brigidine Asylum
Seeker Project this weekend.**

We invite you to join us again next week



**Have you 3 hrs a week
you could spare?**

Sacred Heart Mission Op Shop in Bentleigh could use your help. The Op Shop is on the corner of Wheatley and Centre Roads. Please Phone 9557 0895 for more information.

Melbourne Catholic Magazine

Read all about Archbishop Hart's celebration of 50 years as a priest, the census and religion and why we can't ignore the euthanasia debate. Copies \$4 in the church foyer.

This Week **Trivia Night** Friday 11th August

Our Annual Trivia Night in aid of the Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project will be held in St. Mary's Hall, Holyrood St. Hampton on Friday 11th August at 7.30 pm. Come and join a table or make one of your own (8 people). Cost \$25 pp. BYO drinks and food. Tea and coffee provided.

For [information: colfoxw@gmail.com](mailto:colfoxw@gmail.com)
or ring 9598 7329.

IT'S GREAT TO BE CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

Saturday 19 August, 8.30am–3pm
Parousia Centre, 2 Charlotte Road,
Beaumaris (next to Stella Maris Church)

A day for Catholics and their non-Catholic friends to hear inspiring talks on why 'It's great to be Catholic'. Speakers on this exciting day are author and educator Robert Haddad, whose topic is 'The Eucharist: fruit of the tree of life', Fr Francis Denton on the day's key topic, 'It's great to be Catholic' and John Smyth, whose talk is 'How the Church built Western civilisation'. The day begins with a Rosary and Mass. Lunch will be available for purchase and a crèche will also be available.

Cost: Donation

Details and registration:

www.tinyurl.com/cathconfmelb or John on
0406 747 123 or
johnsmyth@parousiamedia.com

Kimberley Catholic Volunteer Service

WANTED: VOLUNTEER WORKERS

The Diocese of Broome, WA, requires volunteers to assist with the work of the local Church in the Kimberley. There are various important voluntary tasks: administration, building maintenance, gardening, shop staffing, cooking, cleaning etc. Placements are preferred for a period of 6 months. We are currently seeking volunteers for the Balgo, Bidiyadanga and Warmun for the wet season.

Accommodation and food is provided.

For further details on how to be a part of this unique experience, and an application form, please contact:

Volunteer Coordinator: Anneliese 08 9192 1060

Email: volunteers@broomedioocese.org

Web: www.broomedioocese.org

OLDER WISER AND IN CONTROL - RESPECTING SENIORS' RIGHTS

Sunday 27th August 2-4 pm
St Leonard's Church, 2 Wolseley Grove,
Brighton

St Leonard's is holding a forum raising awareness of elder abuse in our community. This forum will be led by Gary Ferguson, Community Education Co-ordinator from Seniors Rights Victoria, and will include an expert panel from a legal, finance and social work background. Case studies adapted from real life will be examined, attempting to raise awareness of the issues faced, as well as strategies to minimise elder abuse.

All welcome, friends family and anyone from the wider community who may have an interest in this topic. For all enquiries please call the church office on 9592 9333.

St James Church Roster

Saturday 6pm Mass on 12 Aug & 19 Aug

Special Ministers: Alberto Sabato, Lois White & Ruth Martinez

Collector: Wendy Lord-Henry

Reader/Com: Jan Grant & Vin Underwood

Sunday 9am Mass on 13 Aug & 20 Aug

Special Ministers: Brian Bailey, Robert Messina & Adrienne Bentham

Collector: Kevin Custerson

Reader / Com: Sr Felicity Corder & Denise Van Baer

First Reading

Dn 7:9-10. 13-14

His raiment was as white as snow.
As I watched:
Thrones were set in place
and one of great age took his seat.
His robe was white as snow,
the hair of his head as pure as wool.
His throne was a blaze of flames,
its wheels were a burning fire.
A stream of fire poured out,
issuing from his presence.
A thousand thousand waited on him,
ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him.
A court was held and the books were opened.
I gazed into the visions of the night.
And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven,
one like a son of man.
He came to the one of great age
and was led into his presence.
On him was conferred sovereignty,
glory and kingship,
and men of all peoples, nations and languages
became his servants.
His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty
which shall never pass away,
nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

Second Reading

2 Pt 1:16-19

We heard this voice from out of heaven.
It was not any cleverly invented myths that we
were repeating when we brought you the
knowledge of the power and the coming of our
Lord Jesus Christ; we had seen his majesty for
ourselves. He was honoured and glorified by God
the Father, when the Sublime Glory itself spoke
to him and said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved; he
enjoys my favour.' We heard this ourselves, spo-
ken from heaven, when we were with him on the
holy mountain.
So we have confirmation of what was said in
prophecies; and you will be right to depend on
prophecy and take it as a lamp for lighting a way
through the dark until the dawn comes and the
morning star rises in your minds.

Gospel

Mt 17:1-9

His face was shining like the sun.
Jesus took with him Peter and James and his
brother John and led them up a high mountain
where they could be alone. There in their pres-
ence he was transfigured: his face shone like the
sun and his clothes became as white as the light.
Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared to them;
they were talking with him. Then Peter spoke to
Jesus. 'Lord,' he said 'it is wonderful for us to be
here; if you wish, I will make three tents here,
one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.'
He was still speaking when suddenly a bright
cloud covered them with shadow, and from the
cloud there came a voice which said, 'This is my
Son, the Beloved; he enjoys my favour. Listen to
him.' When they heard this, the disciples fell on
their faces, overcome with fear. But Jesus came
up and touched them. 'Stand up,' he said 'do not
be afraid.' And when they raised their eyes they
saw no one but only Jesus.
As they came down from the mountain Jesus
gave them this order, 'Tell no one about the vi-
sion until the Son of Man has risen from the
dead.'



1 Kg 19:9, 11-13

Rom 9:1-5 Mt 14:22-33

Living Gospel

Down from the mountain

Sometimes we experience powerful moments of connection with God or with other people. Sometimes this might be through a special experience of nature; a meaningful retreat experience; a powerful sense of being 'in tune' with another person; a reflective prayer experience; or some other significant experience. The temptation when we have these experiences is to wish that we could remain in the experience. The challenge, however, is to take that experience back into the everyday of our lives – changed by it without remaining in it.