Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe

22nd November 2026

The Parish of St. Peter's, Epping, Epping North and Wollert as a community of faith inspired by Love for God welcomes everyone who joins us as we worship together the same Lord in the same Tradition.

Parish Priest: Fr Anh Nguyen
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WEEKEND MASSES
St Peter's *Saturday 9.15am, 6.30pm, Sunday 9am & 10.30am*
St Mary of the Cross: *Saturday 5.00pm*
WEEKDAY MASSES
St Peter's
9.15am Tuesday - Friday
(Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament)
St Mary of the Cross
12 noon on Fridays during school terms only
Baptism
Baptism is celebrated on the Second and Fourth Sunday of each month at 12pm. A Baptism preparation class for parents of the child to be baptised is required.

Reconciliation
Saturday 9.45-10.30am following the 9.15am Mass
Marriage
By appointment and three month noticerequired. Please contact the parish office.
Sacramental Programs for non-parish school children
9401 6300

Parish Schools / College
St Peter's Catholic Primary School
32 Wedge Street, Epping
Principal: Angela Tonkin Ph: 94011157

St Mary of the Cross Mackillop
47 Farmhouse Boulevard, Epping North
Principal: Claire Pitcher
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Mary Glowrey Catholic Primary School
10 Baltrum Drive, Wollert
Principal: Tim Kelly Ph: 8579 6505

St Carlo Acutis Catholic Primary School
58 Jardin Road, Wollert West. 3750
Acting Principal: Emma Sbizzirri

St Monica's College
400 Dalton Road, Epping
Principal: Brian Hanley Ph: 9409 8800

NEW TAP & DONATE

This weekend, we begin a short Offertory Renewal Program, which will continue over the next 2 weeks.

The cards that will be distributed are for those parishioners who are new to the parish and would like to begin contributing to the parish financially. The cards are also for parishioners who are currently contributing and would like to make a change in how they contribute.

In the coming weeks there will be small "Tap & Donate" tags which will be installed in the pews in connection to these new pledges that are made.

The call to generosity is God's invitation for us to deepen our faith and is a vital part of our identity as Christians. I encourage you to prayerfully engage in this time of reflection and discernment. Together, we look forward to growing deeper in our relationship with Christ through this process. God bless.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

Next week we welcome to our parish Deacon Nicolas Calandra who will be working here for the coming 12 months. Please make him welcome.

"…. today's feast is so important. On the last day of the Church's year we are challenged by Christ our King to give our true allegiance to what really matters. Not ambition, greed, status and power, but the quiet revolutionary work of making the world a more just and peaceful place for everyone to live.

To the degree that we do this we are co-heirs to the Kingdom Jesus lived, died and was raised for, and we are witnesses to the real meaning of Christ's reign in our lives." **Feast of Christ the King by Richard Leonard**

Pray for the Sick: Hirumali Dias, Marily Marquis, Kedy Kalimba, Helen Haines, Giovanni Lauricella

Offering Masses this week for:-
Deceased:- Bailey Vincent, Franjo Muretic, Catherine Devasia, Chris Toshack, all those named in the Parish Memorial Books
Birthday :- Robert **Surgery:-** Leo

CHILD SAFETY STATEMENT

St Peter's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all our children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Children are to be supervised by a parent /guardian at all times in the church and when leaving the church for any reason.

Baptism

Lincoln Gregory McLachlan
Victor Rafael Bedania
Kieran Thomas Rhodes
Eilidh Elisabeth Edge

Our Parish recognises the Aboriginal heritage of this country and acknowledges the Wurundjeri Willum Clan as the traditional owners of this place.

Entrance Antiphon

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and divinity,
and wisdom and strength and honour.
To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

First Reading Ezekiel 34:11-12. 15-17

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.

As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

Responsorial Psalm

**(R.) The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.**

1. The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose. **(R.)**
2. Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.
He guides me along the right path;
he is true to his name. **(R.)**
3. You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **(R.)**
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. **(R.)**

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 15:20-26. 28

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power.

For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

Communion Antiphon

The Lord sits as King for ever.
The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Legion of Mary hosting Bible Studies Online

The final two meeting dates are at 8.30pm on Tuesdays 1st Dec & 15th Dec. **Zoom link:-** **https://unimelb.zoom.us/j/83929824448pwd=TCtkNUFFSS9SK3o4U3ExZEyxZmxsQT09**

Also accessible via QR code:

PARISH BASED SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2027

FIRST RECONCILIATION :- 6 Classes on Tuesdays @ 7pm-8pm. Beginning 2nd February 2027 until 9th March 2027
SACRAMENT on Thursday 11th March at 7pm

CONFIRMATION:- 7 Classes on Wednesdays @ 7pm – 8pm. Beginning 10th March 2027 until 12th May 2027 . **SACRAMENT** on Saturday 15th May at 12 noon.

EUCHARIST (First Holy Communion):- 7 Classes on Tuesdays @ 7pm – 8pm. Beginning 13th April 2027 until 20th May 2027.
SACRAMENT on Saturday 22nd May at12 noon

Enquiries and applications for these Sacraments are open. Please contact Sister Huyen at the parish office (9401-6300).

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE RAFFLE

In the coming weeks the ladies of the Catholic Women's League will be selling raffle tickets for our final fundraiser of the year.

All money raised from this raffle will go to the Parish to assist with the replacement of the windows.

THE PRIZES ARE:-

1st Prize:- Two-Drawer Air Fryer

2nd Prize:- 2 Litre Casserole Dish & Bottle of Wine

3rd Prize:- 6 Pack Garden Lights Set & Bottle of Wine

4th Prize :- Patterned Glass Tray & Bottle of Wine

Over the first few weeks in December, we will be selling tickets at all masses - $2 per ticket or 3 for $5.

PLEASE BRING SOME CASH ALONG TO THESE MASSES TO HAVE A CHANCE TO WIN SOME GREAT PRIZES.

EPPING CONFERENCE

St Vincent de Paul Society VICTORIA *good works*

Preparations of the Christmas hampers for this year are well under way. The schools are currently collecting for the hampers, which many of you have be adding to, thank you.

Thank you to all of you who have donated food, gifts and gift-cards via the parish and thank you to those of you who have assisted financially. You are providing great support for our local community.

We have 2 weeks left for donations to arrive. Donations can be left in the basket/boxes in St. Peter's Church foyer and the Parish office.

- End date for the collection is ***Sunday 6th December.***
- Envelopes are in the Church for financial donations or you can use: Vinnies VIC : Epping Conference or the QR code attached.

Donation Suggestions:

Christmas/Celebration items: Cakes, Christmas Cake, Chocolate, Chocolate Coated Nuts, Chips, Crackers & nibbles, Family Pack Biscuits, Gingerbread, tinned Ham, Minced Fruit Tarts / Pies, Mixed Fruits, Nuts, Puddings, Shortbread, etc.

Pantry items: Also, gladly accepted.

Gifts for teenagers (eg: giftcards): Also gladly accepted.

We thank you in advance for all support you are able to provide.

PARISH OFFICE WINDOWS

The planning for the replacement of some of the parish office windows is still an ongoing discussion. None of the front windows will be replaced as they have been protected from the weather by the veranda, and they have beautiful stained-glass designs in them.
All the windows that need updating are at the rear or sides of the buildings and these windows have no stained-glass designs on them.

Total cost $35,200

DATE	Mass	LEADER	READER	Special Minister
21/11	5pm	Volunteer please	Don Vandenberg	Volunteer please
	6.30pm	Sheriz Moreno	Sherwin Moreno	Charlie Aganetti
22/11	9am	Cassie Martin	David Howard	Lesleigh Madden
	10.30am	Julie Cowell	Anne Toshack	Cathy Gatt
28/11	5pm	Don Vandenberg	Grace O'Brien	Angela Vandenberg
	6.30pm	Sherwin Moreno	Sheriz Moreno	Joan Bahen
29/11	9am	Chris Paterson	Dhihana Dias	David Howard
	10.30am	Anne Toshack	Julie Cowell	Andrew Dipierdomenico
5/15	5pm	Leeni Joshua	Volunteer please	Melinda Pereyra-Henriques
	6.30pm	Joan Bahen	Bryan Johnston	Charlie Aganetti
6/12	9am	Des Madden	Chris Paterson	Bernie Dias
	10.30am	Youth	Youth	Julie Cowell

TO CONTRIBUTE FINANCIALLY TO OUR PARISH

1ST Collection – Presbytery - Supports our priests and the retired priests of the Archdiocese.
Presbytery Acc:- **BSB** 083 347 **Acc No**. 65892 7670
Acc Name:- Epping Catholic Parish House

2nd Collection –Church -Supports our parish
Church Acc:- **BSB** 083 347 **Acc No.** 65880 7871
Acc Name:- Epping Catholic Parish Church

SCHOOL FAMILIES Reminder of 2026 contribution of $520. Thank-you to those who have paid this.

Donation QR Code To make a donation, simply scan our QR code with your mobile phone and follow a few easy steps. Thank you for the support of our parish

CHURCH CLEANING

21/11 Maria Vizcaino
28/11 Volunteers please
5/12 Martin Family
12/12 Anjith Abraham, Binoey John
19/12 Thi Nguyen, Leeni Joshua & family

REGULAR EVENTS / MEETINGS

BAPTISM PREPARATION - Baptisms are on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month. Contact the Parish Office and speak to Sr Huyen to arrange a Baptism

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE - Next Meeting March 2027

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP - 6.45pm – 9pm Fridays
6.45pm-7pm Rosary 7pm-7.30pm Praise & Worship
7.30pm-8.30pm -**1st Friday of the month** – Mass
2nd & 4th Fridays -Talks **3rd Friday**-Adoration & Benediction
8.30pm-9pm- Fellowship & packing up

FINANCE COMMITTEE - Next Meeting 8th Dec @ 6pm

LEGION OF MARY -5.30pm Wednesdays

LITURGY GROUP - Next Meeting in 2027

OCIA - Wednesdays 7pm -8pm
Pt 1:-Sept 2nd - Dec 9th 2026 **Pt 2:**- Jan 27t –Mar 17th2027

PARISH BASED SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMS
Applications for 2027 programs are now open

REACH OUT -Communion to the Sick & Homebound. Parishioners finding it difficult to come to mass and would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please call the Parish Office and speak to Sr Phuong.

ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP CATECHISM
4.15pm-5pm Saturdays before 5pm Mass

ST VINCENT DE PAUL
First Tuesday of the Month @ 6pm in Parish Office
Third Tuesday of the month via Teams

YOUTH GROUP 2ND Friday of the Month

LITURGY READINGS OF THE NEXT WEEK

MONDAY 23/11 Week 34 Ordinary Time
Readings:- Rev 14:1-5; Lk 21:1-4;

TUESDAY 24/11 Sts Andrew Dung-Lac, priest and **companions,** martyrs
Readings:- Rev 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11;

WEDNESDAY 25/11
Readings:- Rev 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19;

THURSDAY 26/11
Readings:- Rev 18:1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3, 9; Lk 21:20-28;

FRIDAY 27/11
Readings:- Rev 20:1-4, 11 -21:2; Lk 21:29-33;

SATURDAY 28/11
Readings:- Rev 22:1-7; Lk 21:34-36;