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Mission Prayer: Loving God, guide us as we build a joyful and inclusive community. May your Holy Spirit lead and inspire us to be the Good News of Jesus Christ by serving others and caring for all. Amen.

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Reconciliation Times

10.30am Saturdays — St Mary's
4.30pm Saturdays — Holy Spirit
5.00pm Saturdays — St Joseph's

MASS TIMES

St Mary's Thornbury

Sunday: 10:00am English/Italian
5:30pm
Weekday: Wednesday, 9:15am
English/Italian

St Joseph's Northcote

Saturday: 5:30pm
Sunday: 11:00am
Weekday: Tuesday, 9:15am

Holy Spirit Thornbury East

Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 9:30am
Weekday: Thursday, 9:15am
English/Italian

St Anthony's Alphington

Sunday: 9:00am Italian:
11:00am: English
Weekday: Friday, 9:15am

FEAST DAYS IN THE WEEK

26 May: St Phillip Neri, priest
31 May: The Visitation of the Blessed
Virgin Mary.

Recently Deceased

Eugenio Butera, Rosamaria
Mammoliti (1 mth Anni)

Anniversaries

Antonio Alessi, Ruby Naiken, Salam
Tunsie Fakhry, Vincent Nayef Romanos
Taouk, Marie Hojeij Chahwan, Farid
Yacoub Yagmour and Eileen Ada Doyle.

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our official parish website:
www.melbocatholic.org/s/hosan



6th Sunday of Easter Year C

24—25 May 2025

Jubilee Year Pilgrimage Walk



Our Jubilee Year Pilgrimage Walk was a wonderful success! Around 50 people gathered at St Joseph's on Saturday 17 May despite 13-degree weather and light rain—and we are so glad you did! The rain cleared by the time we reached St Anthony's, where more friendly faces joined in, bringing us to about 60 walkers, before continuing to Holy Spirit and then on to St Mary's.

The walk was an opportunity to come together as pilgrim people, walking in faith, reflecting, and connecting with one another. Over 6.7km and a couple of hours, we chatted, enjoyed the fresh air (!), and built new connections across our four parish churches. We paused at each of our churches for a short prayer and reflection—a heartfelt thanks to John Samanna and Maria Zacchardi who led us in beautiful hymns at Holy Spirit and St Mary's.

Thank you to everyone who came along and made the morning so successful. A warm welcome to those who are new to our parish family - it was lovely to have you with us. With so many asking for a repeat, we may plan another walk late 2025. Until then we look forward to welcoming you to our next Jubilee Year event which is planned for mid year. More details to come.

Jim Coffey, Fr Peter, Fr Shabin, Moses Ei-Fakhri, Melanie Pinto, Paula Whitty



First Reading Acts 15:1-2, 22-29***A reading from the Acts of the Apostles***

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 66:2-3, 5-6, 8

R. O God, let all the nations praise you!

O God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help **R.**

Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth. **R.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him. **R.**

Second Reading Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23***A reading from the book of the Apocalypse***

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had

all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel or crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and
my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

Gospel of John 14:23-29***A reading from the holy Gospel according to John***

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we shall come to him
and make our home with him.

Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own;
it is the word of the one who sent me.

I have said these things to you
while still with you;

but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit,
whom the Father will send in my name,
will teach you everything
and remind you of all I have said to you.

Peace I bequeath to you,
my own peace I give you,
a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you.
Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard me say:

I am going away, and shall return.

If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I
am going to the Father,
for the Father is greater than I.

I have told you this now, before it happens,
so that when it does happen you may believe.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Readings Next Week: 1 June 2025

1st Rdg: Acts 1:1-11 | 2nd Rdg: Eph 1:17-23

Gospel: Lk 24:46-53

Prima lettura At 15,1-2.22-29**Dagli Atti degli Apostoli**

In quei giorni, alcuni, venuti dalla Giudea, insegnavano ai fratelli:

«Se non vi fate circoncidere secondo l'usanza di Mosè, non potete essere salvati».
Poiché Paolo e Bàrnaba dissentivano e discutevano animatamente contro costoro, fu stabilito che Paolo e Bàrnaba e alcuni altri di loro salissero a Gerusalemme dagli apostoli e dagli anziani per tale questione.
Agli apostoli e agli anziani, con tutta la Chiesa, parve bene allora di scegliere alcuni di loro e di inviarli ad Antiòchia insieme a Paolo e Bàrnaba: Giuda, chiamato Barsabba, e Sila, uomini di grande autorità tra i fratelli.
E inviarono tramite loro questo scritto: «Gli apostoli e gli anziani, vostri fratelli, ai fratelli di Antiòchia, di Siria e di Cilicia, che provengono dai pagani, salute!
Abbiamo saputo che alcuni di noi, ai quali non avevamo dato nessun incarico, sono venuti a turbarvi con discorsi che hanno sconvolto i vostri animi. Ci è parso bene perciò, tutti d'accordo, di scegliere alcune persone e inviarle a voi insieme ai nostri carissimi Bàrnaba e Paolo, uomini che hanno rischiato la loro vita per il nome del nostro Signore Gesù Cristo.
Abbiamo dunque mandato Giuda e Sila, che vi riferiranno anch'essi, a voce, queste stesse cose. È parso bene, infatti, allo Spirito Santo e a noi, di non imporvi altro obbligo al di fuori di queste cose necessarie: astenersi dalle carni offerte agl'idoli, dal sangue, dagli animali soffocati e dalle unioni illegittime. Farete cosa buona a stare lontani da queste cose. State bene!».

Parola di Dio

Tutti: Rendiamo grazie a Dio.

Salmo responsoriale Sal 66

Rit. _Ti lodino i popoli, o Dio, ti lodino i popoli tutti.

L. Dio abbia pietà di noi e ci benedica, su di noi faccia splendere il suo volto; perché si conosca sulla terra la tua via, la tua salvezza fra tutte le genti. **Rit.**

L. Gioiscano le nazioni e si rallegriano, perché tu giudichi i popoli con rettitudine, governi le nazioni sulla terra. **Rit.**

L. Ti lodino i popoli, o Dio, ti lodino i popoli tutti. Ci benedica Dio e lo temano tutti i confini della terra. **Rit.**

Seconda lettura Ap 21,10-14.22-23

Dal libro dell'Apocalisse di san Giovanni apostolo

L'angelo mi trasportò in spirito su di un monte grande e alto, e mi mostrò la città santa, Gerusalemme, che scende dal cielo, da Dio, risplendente della gloria di Dio. Il suo splendore è simile a quello di una gemma preziosissima,

come pietra di diaspro cristallino.

È cinta da grandi e alte mura con dodici porte: sopra queste porte stanno dodici angeli e nomi scritti, i nomi delle dodici tribù dei figli d'Israele. A oriente tre porte, a settentrione tre porte, a mezzogiorno tre porte e a occidente tre porte.

Le mura della città poggiano su dodici basamenti, sopra i quali sono i dodici nomi dei dodici apostoli dell'Agnello.

In essa non vidi alcun tempio:

il Signore Dio, l'Onnipotente, e l'Agnello sono il suo tempio.

La città non ha bisogno della luce del sole, né della luce della luna:

la gloria di Dio la illumina

e la sua lampada è l'Agnello.

Parola di Dio

Tutti: Rendiamo grazie a Dio.

Canto al Vangelo Gv 14,23

Alleluia, alleluia.

Se uno mi ama, osserverà la mia parola, dice il Signore, e il Padre mio lo amerà e noi verremo a lui.

Alleluia.

Vangelo Gv 14,23-29

Dal Vangelo secondo Giovanni

In quel tempo, Gesù disse [ai suoi discepoli]:

«Se uno mi ama, osserverà la mia parola e il Padre mio lo amerà e noi verremo a lui e prenderemo dimora presso di lui. Chi non mi ama, non osserva le mie parole; e la parola che voi ascoltate non è mia, ma del Padre che mi ha mandato.

Vi ho detto queste cose mentre sono ancora presso di voi. Ma il Paràclito, lo Spirito Santo che il Padre manderà nel mio nome, lui vi insegnerà ogni cosa e vi ricorderà tutto ciò che io vi ho detto.

Vi lascio la pace, vi do la mia pace. Non come la dà il mondo, io la do a voi. Non sia turbato il vostro cuore e non abbia timore.

Avete udito che vi ho detto: "Vado e tornerò da voi". Se mi amaste, vi rallegretereste che io vado al Padre, perché il Padre è più grande di me. Ve l'ho detto ora, prima che avvenga, perché, quando avverrà, voi crediate».

Parola del Signore

Tutti: Lode a Te O Cristo.



WE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Names will remain for **2 weeks**, then a new request is required.

Mark Cunningham, Mary Buttifont and Suad Hermiz.

HOUSE VISITATIONS

Do you or someone you know require any of the following:

- Annual House Visits
- Visits to the Sick
- Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the Parish Office on 9484 2907 to arrange a time with Fr Shabin or Fr Peter.

SICK OR HOUSEBOUND / MALATI O

CONFINATI A CASA

Se conoscete persone che sono malate o confinate a casa e vorrebbero ricevere visite o la comunione a casa siete pregati di mettervi in contatto Parish Office **9484 2907**

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Christian Meditation on Thursdays at 10:30am at Holy Spirit Parish. ALL WELCOME.

BAPTISMS: By Appointment Only

- 1st Sunday of the month—St Mary's
- 2nd Sunday of the month—Holy Spirit
- 3rd Sunday of the month—St Anthony's
- 4th Sunday of the month—St Joseph's

Please call the Parish Office 9484 2907 or go to our website at

<https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/hosan>

SENIORS

After the Thursday 9:15am Mass at Holy Spirit Parish Hall.

- Dopo messa Bingo e carte nella sala, si offre caffè e biscotti. Tutti benvenuti.

After Mass, bingo and cards in the hall, with coffee and biscuits offered. All Welcome.

Last Friday of the month

St Joseph's Seniors Mass every last Friday of the Month at 10:30am in the church.

Parrocchiani anziani di San Giuseppe sono invitati a partecipare alla **Santa Messa ultimo Venerdì del mese alle 10:30am.**

Mass of Anointing of the Sick

9:15am Mass of Anointing of the Sick will take place on the first Friday of the month at St Anthony's Alphington.

"Telephone Prayer meeting"

When: Every Tuesday at 11:30am
Dial: **07- 5660 6012** (call from home)
Access code: **722762 #**
Cost: Cost of a local call. Open to all.

Catholic Religious Education Classes for children attending government schools in preparation for the Sacraments

Please call the Parish Office 9484 2907 or go to our website at

<https://www.melbcatholic.org/s/hosan>

Safeguarding Children, Young

People and Vulnerable People Committee

Contact Person via the Parish Office:

Moses El-Fakhri

Parish Notices

Combined choir rehearsal: This Sunday **25th May** at St Anthony's after Mass commencing **at 12.15 pm** to cover the two subsequent Feast Day celebrations as follows:
Sunday the 8th June 9.30 am at Holy Spirit. St Anthony's the following week on Sunday 15th June—**please remember mass will be at 10.30 am.**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM



We welcome into the Christian Community:

- ♦ Thomas & Alexandra as they present Oscar Doman-Luk
- ♦ Glen & Layla as they present Landon Gonato

for their baptisms at **St Joseph's** on Sunday. We congratulate the families and pray for their spiritual growth and wellbeing in the Lord.



Friday 30th May—Seniors Mass 10:30 am
at St Joseph's Northcote, Anointing Mass followed by
Morning Tea in the church. All Welcome. Tutti Benvenuti.

Next Weekend Sunday 1st June—Cuppa after mass please join
Youth Mass on Sunday June 1st at 5:30pm at St. Mary's. All Welcome!

Children from our four Parish Primary schools and those preparing through the Sacramental Program will come together to receive the sacrament of Confirmation at **St Patrick's Cathedral** on **Saturday 14th of June**. The sacrament will be conferred by Bishop Terry Curtin.

Children from **St Anthony's** and **St Mary's** primary school will be making their commitment for the sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday at 11am and 10am masses respectively. Please keep all our students in your prayers as they prepare to receive the sacrament of Confirmation.

Celebrating National Volunteer Week: 19-26 May

This year's theme, "Connecting Communities," highlights the power of volunteering to bring people together. We take this opportunity to sincerely thank all our volunteers for their dedicated service across our mission parishes. In every role—visible and behind the scenes—you share God's love and strengthen our community. Your dedication is truly a blessing - and we thank you for being the hands and heart of Christ in our parishes.



Our Lady Help of Christians Patronnes of Australia Feast day 24th May

Prayer for the safety of Australia:

Lord, you place deep in our hearts the love of Mary, Help of Christians.

Through her prayers grant wisdom to our leaders and integrity to our citizens.

Under her protection, may Australia be granted harmony, justice and peace.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(Imprimatur 1975 Archbishop of Melbourne T.F. Little)

As the cold weather approaches, please keep in mind those less fortunate—If you would like to contribute to the Asylum Seekers Support Group: Asylum Seekers Charity Account BSB 083 347 Acc: 140666074