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Wed & Fri – 9.15am, Newport

Sat – 5.30pm, Spotswood

Sun – 10.00am, Newport

Reconciliation

Sat 10.00–10.30am, Newport

5.00–5.20pm, Spotswood

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*The Parish of St. Joseph, Newport and Spotswood, holds the care, safety and wellbeing of all **children, young people and adults at risk** as a central and fundamental responsibility for our community.*

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DEDICATION OF THE LATERN BASILICA

REFLECTION

Jesus has completed his journey. Having arrived in Jerusalem, he teaches boldly in the Temple, aware that his enemies, 'the chief priests and the scribes, with leading citizens' want to 'do away with him' (Lk 19:47). At this point, Luke includes several incidents of ugly confrontation. That chosen for today's gospel reading – concerned with resurrection – has intimations of the tragic drama that lies ahead. Jesus is confronted by 'some Sadducees', members of a conservative priestly establishment, who saw popular movements as a threat to their interests. Seeing Jesus as a dangerous trouble maker, they set out to discredit him in the eyes of the people by making a fool of him. The Sadducees rejected the belief in a future resurrection that had emerged in the final period of Old Testament times – as unfaithful to the original traditions of God's people. The Old Testament was a time of preparation, a time in which the awareness that made it possible to recognise God's decisive intervention in creation - in the life, death and resurrection of our Saviour – developed gradually. The faith of the Old Testament engendered immense hopes; and with the passing of time these hopes cast a new light on the full implications of the astounding intimacy to which the God of the covenant called his people, and the generosity of God's great promises – so evident in the Psalms, the popular prayer songs that gave expression to Israel's faith. The Sadducees, like many religious conservatives, were too shut in by their comfortable ways to be open to the blessings of an expanded faith – for their outlook, so identified with worldly benefits, a future life could only be a resumption of the affairs of this present life. If our faith and hope have not matured, we too can have very distorted and inadequate notions of what our eternal life with God will be. For this reason, the teaching of Jesus for the Sadducees, is worth pondering.

Jesus points out that there is a unity in God's designs from the beginning. From the first, God has been the Lord of life, not of death. The unending life we will have, in God – the source and origin of all that we admire and hold dear – will certainly be a new existence, beyond all adequate imagining in this life. But this unimaginable fullness will also be the realisation of all the realistic hopes and longings we have ever known. Life in God will be, not the negation, but the affirmation of all that makes us human – a full human existence, in a new heaven and a new earth. In the Risen Lord, and his teaching concerning the life- giving 'reign' of God, we catch a precious glimpse what lies ahead of us.

Devoted spouses will be prompted to ask how what Jesus says affects their marriage union. Properly understood, what Jesus affirms is that they will have all the joy of their most special intimacy, and infinitely more – the immediacy to the reality and life of God that will shape our very existence will bring an intuitive presence in love to all who share in God's life, a presence that includes and goes far beyond the benefits of the union with their beloved they have known in their married life.



Next Weekend's Roster – 33RD Sunday in Ordinary Time

Date	Lector	Special Minister	Power Point	Choir/Musician	Liturgy Roster
Sat 15 Nov 2025	JP Eid	Ante Dragovic	Katherine Wong	Parish Choir	Katherine Wong
Sun 16 Nov 2025	Patrick Conheady	Alice Guiney	Maria Main	Henry, Netty and Neil	

Counting team (week beginning Nov 16): Team A – Helen, Angela, Rose

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Parish of St. Joseph, Newport and Spotswood, acknowledges the Yalukit-willam people of the Bunurong Country who are the traditional owners of the land on which the churches of Sacred Heart and St. Margaret Mary stand.

We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

THE WORD OF GOD

First Reading

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12

The angel brought me to the entrance of the Temple, where a stream came out from under the Temple threshold and flowed eastwards, since the Temple faced east. The water flowed from under the right side of the Temple, south of the altar. He took me out by the north gate and led me right round outside as far as the outer east gate where the water flowed out on the right-hand side. He said, 'This water flows east down to the Arabah and to the sea; and flowing into the sea it makes its waters wholesome. Wherever the river flows, all living creatures teeming in it will live. Fish will be very plentiful, for wherever the water goes it brings health, and life teems wherever the river flows. Along the river, on either bank, will grow every kind of fruit tree with leaves that never wither and fruit that never fails; they will bear new fruit every month, because this water comes from the sanctuary. And their fruit will be good to eat and the leaves medicinal.'

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 45:2-3, 5-6, 8-9

R. The waters of the river gladden the city of God.

God is for us a refuge and strength,
a helper close at hand, in time of distress:
so we shall not fear though the earth should rock,
though the mountains fall into the depths of the sea. **(R)**

The waters of a river give joy to God's city,
the holy place where the Most High dwells.
God is within, it cannot be shaken;
God will help it at the dawning of the day. **(R)**

The Lord of hosts is with us:
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
Come, consider the works of the Lord,
the redoubtable deeds he has done on the earth. **(R)**

2nd Reading

Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17

You are God's building. By the grace God gave me, I succeeded as an architect and laid the foundations, on which someone else is doing the building. Everyone doing the building must work carefully. For the foundation, nobody can lay any other than the one which has already been laid, that is Jesus Christ.

Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple.

Gospel Acclamation


Alleluia, alleluia!

I have chosen and sanctified this house, says the Lord, that my name may remain in it for all time.
Alleluia!

Gospel

John 2:13-22

Just before the Jewish Passover Jesus went up to Jerusalem, and in the Temple he found people selling cattle and sheep and pigeons, and the money changers sitting at their counters there. Making a whip out of some cord, he drove them all out of the Temple, cattle and sheep as well, scattered the money changers' coins, knocked their tables over and said to the pigeon-sellers, 'Take all this out of here and stop turning my Father's house into a market'. Then his disciples remembered the words of scripture: Zeal for your house will devour me. The Jews intervened and said, 'What sign can you show us to justify what you have done?' Jesus answered, 'Destroy this sanctuary, and in three days I will raise it up'. The Jews replied, 'It has taken forty-six years to build this sanctuary: are you going to raise it up in three days?' But he was speaking of the sanctuary that was his body, and when Jesus rose from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the scripture and the words he had said.



You are Invited

The Parish of St. Joseph

**ANNUAL PARISH FORUM
&
END OF YEAR LUNCHEON**


NOVEMBER

SUNDAY **23** 11:00 AM
2025

Please join us for our Annual Parish Forum to be held
after the 10 am Mass in Sacred Heart church.

This will be followed by a full Sunday lunch to be served
in the Sacred Heart school hall.

All are welcome



PARISH NEWS

NOVEMBER – MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE

Parishioners are welcome to bring a small photo of their departed loved ones to place at the altar. Envelopes available

VOLUTEERS NEEDED FOR ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

We are calling on our Parish Community to assist us with the upcoming Christmas Season Masses. If you are available in any way, please let us know by leaving your contact details after Mass or call our Newport Parish during office hours, Tues - Fri, 9 am till 2.30 pm

COLUMBAN CALENDAR 2026 (ORDER) – \$12

Columban Calendars for 2026 are now available to order. Please contact the Parish Office **before Friday 14th November** to place your order. \$12 each.

CUPPA AND CHAT

Please join us for a Cuppa and Chat at St Margaret Mary's Spotswood on Saturday (15/11) after the 5:30pm mass.



Please pray for :

RECENT DEATHS

Pamela BUCHANAN

OUR SICK

Angela DUVNJAK

Michelle NEWMAN

Khan MARR

Helen KELLY

Kristy ROBINSON

Nico PEHAR

Elizabeth

ANNIVERSARIES

Bill DOOLEY

Marija & Anton MIJIC

Tatiana TSIAOUSIS

Angela PIRIPITSI

Dan MURPHY

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Stay connected with all the latest news and events from our parish. Simply scan the QR code to join our mailing list to receive our weekly Newsletter.



St Margaret Mary's Primary School - Spotswood

5d · 🌐

First Reconciliation ✨

Congratulations to our students who celebrated their First Reconciliation on Thursday evening. This special sacrament marks an important step in their faith journey — a time of reflection, healing, and growing closer to God. 🙏

#melbournecatholicschools #spotswood3015 #Reconciliation



With love to our students who completed their First Reconciliation on Thursday night.



Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School Newport

4d · 🌐

Congratulations to our Year 3 students! 🌱

On Thursday, our wonderful Year 3s celebrated their First Reconciliation. A beautiful step in their faith journey. 🙏

Through this special sacrament, they experienced God's endless love, mercy, and forgiveness. ❤️

May God continue to bless and guide them as they grow in faith, kindness, and grace. ☀️

We are so proud of you all! 🙌

#FirstReconciliation #FaithJourney #GodsLove #Blessings #macsschool

PARISH CALENDAR & COMMUNITY OBSERVANCES

NOVEMBER

11th: Remembrance Day

13th: PPC Meeting

15th: Baptisms (SH)

15th: Cuppa and Chat (SMM)

19th: International Men's Day

20th: SMM SAC Meeting

23rd: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

23rd: Annual Parish Forum

25th: SH SAC Meeting

27th: PFC Meeting

30th: First Sunday Advent

SH: Sacred Heart SMM: St Margaret Mary's PFC: Parish Finance Committee PPC: Parish Pastoral Council SAC: School Advisory Council

ARCHDIOCESE NEWS

Australian Catholic Youth Festival 2025

When: Sunday 30 November 2025 – Tuesday 2 December 2025

Venue: Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre 1 Convention Centre Place South Wharf

ACYF returns to Melbourne at the end of 2025!

Capping off a rich program of Jubilee events in our Archdiocese this 2025 Jubilee Year, the Australian Catholic Youth Festival is a fun and faith-filled national festival. It provides young people from Year 9 to 25 years old with the opportunity to come together, connect, deepen their relationship with Jesus, be empowered to live their faith in the world and experience the breadth of the Church in Australia.

Join in and celebrate with thousands of young people from across the country!

PARISH INVITATION



PARISH PRAYER

Heavenly Father,

We gather as the parish of Saint Joseph as we welcome all into our community. We celebrate our faith, share in the Eucharist and Sacraments and come together to embrace each other's joys, sorrows, hopes and dreams.

We pray that we will always be a welcoming community, embracing our future and the uniqueness of all who come amongst us.

We are led by the example of Christ, the cornerstone of all we are and all we do. We are guided by the Spirit to be the heart of God, as we find grace in each other. We are inspired by the charism of Mary MacKillop and the work of the Sisters of St Joseph.

We pray that we will follow St Margaret Mary's devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Sacred Heart of Jesus, be with us.

St Joseph, pray for us.

St Margaret Mary, pray for us.

St Mary of the Cross, pray for us.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

1st Collection

Supports: Parish clergy,
Sick and retired priests,
Priests in needy Parishes,
Archbishops & auxiliary
bishops.

2nd Collection

Supports: Parish running costs,
Parish Pastoral initiatives,
Diocesan and various services.

If you would like to join our parish thanksgiving program, and receive a thanksgiving envelope no. please contact the parish office.

For those of us that do not carry cash, we now have portable smart terminals available in foyer



THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and
invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son
of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God,
Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from
heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin
Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the
third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended
into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the
dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things,
and I long for You in my soul.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,
Come at least spiritually into my heart.

As though You have already come, I embrace

You and unite myself entirely to You;

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen

ST MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE

O St Margaret Mary, through you, Jesus pours
Out His abundant graces to all mankind. Help us to
put aside personal interests and abandon
Ourselves entirely and lovingly to His Adorable
Heart. May our work, like yours, merit His special
Care and favour, through Jesus' Holy Name.

Amen

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If you would like to join our parish
thanksgiving program electronically
or make a one-off gift to the church
scan this QR code and follow the
prompts.

Thank you for your continued
support.

