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Sat: 5.30pm, Spotswood
Sun: 10.00am, Newport

Rosary & Silent Adoration
After Saturday Mass, ends 10.30am

Reconciliation
Sat 10.00-10.30am, Newport
5.00-5.20pm, Spotswood

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE- 22 NOV 2026

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.

PARISH CALENDAR AND COMMUNITY OBSERVANCES

NOVEMBER:

21st: Baptisms (SH)

22nd: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

22nd: Annual Parish Forum



24th: SH SAC Meeting

29th: First Sunday Advent

1st Dec (Tuesday): Advent Reflection session, 7.00-8.30 pm, Sacred Heart school staff room

NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTER - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Date	Lector	Special Minister	Powerpoint	Choir	Liturgy
Sat 28 Nov '26	Mark Dooley	Need Volunteer	Gwyen & Gary	n/a	Carmel Crawford
Sun 29 Nov '26	Ivan Vadnjal	Patrick Conheady	Branka Briffa	Martin Briffa	

Counting team (week beginning 22nd November 26)
Team B - Margaret, Mary, Tricia

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 34:11-12, 15-17

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 Ps 22:1-3, 5-6

℟ The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose. **(R)**
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)**
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)**
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 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

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 the 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

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.'



PARISH NEWS

Advent Reflection (1st & 3rd Week of Advent)

We shall gather in the first and third week of Advent in Sacred Heart School, Newport at 7 pm on Tuesday 1 December and Tuesday 15 December to enter the wonderful season of Advent. In Week 1 of Advent we still ourselves and share how God is gracing our lives. In Week 3 we take a moment to appreciate and give thanks for the ways in which God's healing love sets us free.

First week of Advent

God comes quietly- through the sacraments, Scripture, silence, interruptions, neighbours, and the beauty of creation. But endless stimulation and activity leaves us restless and empty. The remedy is loving attention, ready for the Lord who comes quietly in grace and will come suddenly in glory. (Presence, Wollongong Advent Daily Reflections)

Third week of Advent

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me. He has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to proclaim liberty to captives and freedom to those in prison. I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my whole being shall exult in my God. (Isaiah 61: 1, 10)

Month of November - Month of Remembrance

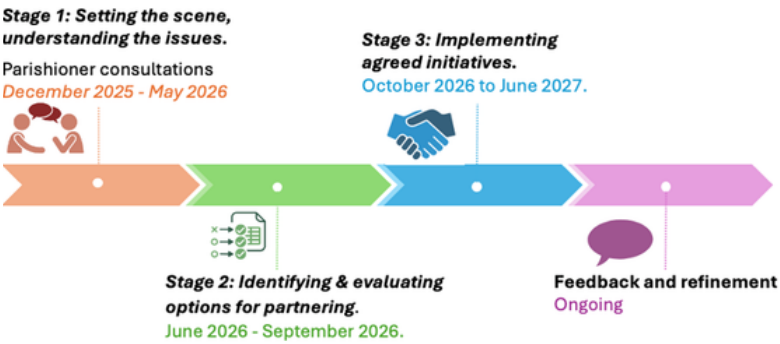
During the month of November, we pray for the Holy Souls, our departed family members praying for them and seeking their intercessions.

Feedback on Partnership Recommendations

Included in the newsletter this weekend is a report from the Partnership Steering Committee offering a set of recommendations for consideration by parishioners. We believe they provide a set of practical steps towards both our parishes, over time, becoming more "vibrant, vital and viable". Please read and provide feedback by December 20. Feedback can be provided through our website (www.stjosephs3015.com.au), by email (Newport.Spotswood-PPC@cam.org.au), by speaking to Fr Samuel or a PPC member, or by filling out the form located on a clip board at the back of each church. Thank you.

Partnering In Mission Corner

The Joint Partnership Steering committee presents the report document to parishioners this weekend, 22 November 2026 at the Annual Parish Forum. The "Partnering for Mission" document is available on our website.



Sunday Collections (14th & 15th November 2026)

1st Collection	2nd Collection
$545.55	$690.00

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PLEASE PRAY FOR

Recemt Deaths:
Rita GALEA

Death Anniversaries:
Cecil RABOT
Agostinho & Lourencinha
Angelo PRESTIPINO

Sick:
Helen KELLY
Maree WALSH
Baby Callum WALSH



ARCHDIOCESE NEWS

Faith in Action: An election guide from the Bishops of Victoria

Ahead of the 2026 Victorian election, the Bishops of Victoria have issued an election statement highlighting key issues for Catholics to consider when deciding their vote. You are invited to read the statement and prayerfully discern how your vote can contribute to the common good. View the statement online at: bit.ly/StateElection2026 or via the QR code.

PRAYER GROUPS

Marian Movement of Priests

Held every Thursday 12.30 pm till 3.30 pm but will no longer be held at the Jubilee Centre. If you are interest please contact: Mary Nassar

Rosary Group

The group meets every first Monday of the month at 1.00 pm in the presbytery. Next meeting will be on 7th December 2026.

PORTABLE SMART TERMINALS

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

You can make your collection offering electronically here

If you would like to join our parish thanksgiving program, and receive a thanksgiving envelope number. Please contact the parish office.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH CORNER

SACRED HEART SCHOOL
https://www.shnewport.catholic.edu.au

ST MARGARET MARY'S SCHOOL
https://www.smmspotswood.catholic.edu.au

A big congratulations to Holly on successfully completing her VIT project! Your enthusiasm, dedication and commitment to strengthening Maths learning in your classroom has been wonderful to see! Well done

Remembrance Day at St Margaret Mary's Primary School Spotswood

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Today, our St Margaret Mary's community paused for a minute of silence to remember and honour all Australian service personnel who have served and sacrificed for our country. A special moment for our students and staff to reflect, remember and show their gratitude. Lest We Forget.



EVENTS

Rite of First Reconciliation

Please keep in your prayers the children who have received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation.



Combined Parish Youth Gathering

Every first Saturday of the month

We now have a new age range for The Combined Parishes Youth Group. The age range has changed from 13-19 years and **is now 15-25 years of age.**

Place: Parish Centre, Williamstown

Time: 7pm (after youth lead vigil mass at 6 pm)

To register, please contact Martin and Branka Briffa. Sign-in required.

Upcoming dates:

Saturday, 5th December



Baptism Dates 2026

SH - 21 November

SMM - 19 December

Australian Catholic Youth Ministry Network