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> July 20/21 collection : St John \$ 531.60 St Joseph \$ 965.65

Sacramental Reception ...

Baptism : Second and third Sundays of the month at 12 noon (book online ... olsc.org.au/baptisms) Marriage: by appointment Reconciliation: every Friday 7:15-8:00pm Confirmation: 10th August at St Joseph's Church at 6pm.

Mass Times at OLSC St John's:

Tuesday to Friday at 9.15am, Saturday 8.30am, 6:00 pm Sunday at 9:00 am (Italian), 11:00 am and 5:00 pm St Joseph's: Monday to Saturday at 8:30 am, Saturday 6:00 pm (English) Sunday at 9:00 am (Vietnamese) Good Shepherd: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Sunday 9:30 am

At Our Lady of the Southern Cross, we hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our parish.

We acknowledge that we are meeting on the traditional land of the Wurundjeri people and offer our respects to the elders past, present and future. We recognise and respect the cultural heritage of this land.

Parish of Our Lady of the Southern Cross

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July 27/28,2024

For those whom we remember...

Mass Intention: (Ines) Dorina De Rango, Albert Akkerman.

Condolences: We pray for the families and souls of those who have departed recently. Anniversaries: Albert Akkerman, Joe Addamo, Dorina De Rango, Joan Potter.

For prayers of healing

Please remember the following in our prayers: Mario Misurelli, Tony Addamo, Cecily Hollingworth, Ian Armstrong, Sandra Winther and Nancy Turbitt. If you hear of any of our parishioners who are not well or who have been injured, please email us at office@olsc.org so that we can remember them.

OLSC Youth Group

olds welcome !!



The wedding between Melchor Isaiah Oueiarro Manuel and Chinna Rae Serrano Roque took place at St Joseph's last Tuesday. Welcome to Melbourne from Hong Kong.

Roster for Mass at St John's Please Note: If unforeseen circumstances prevent you from taking part, please arrange a substitute.				
Date	First Reading	Second Reading	Prayers of the Faithful	Special Minister
<u>11 am</u>				
28 July	Michael B	Bill F	Jill F	Quyen
4 Aug	Jennifer J-V	Christiaan	John A	Quyen
11 Aug	Hugh M	Gabrielle	Jennifer	
18 Aug	Samoans	Samoans	Samoans	Samoans
25 Aug	John A	Bill	Jill	Quyen
<u>5 pm</u>				
28 July	Manickams	Akkermans	Berrymans	
4 Aug	Tim B	Clotilde	Berrymans	
11 Aug	Daniel R	Manickams	Berrymans	
18 Aug	Akkermans	Akkermans	Marie Ryan	
25 Aug	Lachlan	Daniel R	Marita	

Year B

Christmas in July

Everyone is invited to celebrate Christmas in July with us for an evening of festive fun. Free entry Ho Ho. Come dressed as Christmassy as you dare and compete for the door prize. Please bring a plate to share. Don't forget ... St Joseph's Hall, 46 Otter Street, Collingwood tonight !! Saturday !! 27th !!

World Grandparents' Day

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly On Sunday July 28, we celebrate the fourth

World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly. The date is chosen to coincide with the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne (grandparents of Jesus) during the week.

Pope Francis has chosen the theme "Do not cast me off in my old age" (cf. Psalm 71:9)

Good Shepherd

The Good Shepherd Chapel and History Centre is having an Open House Weekend. Rediscover the past to connect with the present.

Saturday, 27th July open access 11am—4:30pm with tours at 11am and 2:30pm. Many of our parishioners will remember Bishop Raffaele Rossi. He will be giving an organ recital at 1:30pm. Then on Sunday, 28th July open access 11am—1pm with a tour at 11am.

For those who are not familiar with the Good Shepherd Chapel, it is located at 1 St Heliers Street, Abbotsford.

"Stella Maris" Seafarers' Appeal

Catholics around Australia are being asked to reflect on and support seafarers this weekend. Stella Maris supports seafarers in spiritual, social and material ways, including prayer, helping them contact their families and advocating in Australia for fair working conditions.

"Without seafarers, we would not have most of the items we rely on for daily living, Stella Maris Chair Ray Collins said. "They work tirelessly to bring into our ports products that sustain us and our economy."

Stella Maris Media Release

"God calls us to feed the hungry"

Expressing gratitude for the food we receive is a practice that holds significant meaning for many people around the world. For those who are religious, thanking God acknowledges the belief that the provision of food is a blessing and not something to be taken for granted. It may surprise us that according to the Foodbank Hunger Report 2023, "3.7 million households in Australia experienced food insecurity in the last 12 months." This indicates that there are people around us who do not have access to sufficient food. When we are conscious of this fact, we express our gratitude to God who provides us with our daily food by helping the needy.

One of the significant ways our parish reaches out to those in need is the Food Outreach Program led by Ien Payne and supported by some dedicated volunteers. These wonderful people help a few families to have food on their table every week. In a way, they are God's hands feeding the hungry. They are aware that it is God who provides them with what is needed to feed to the hungry.

In Psalm 144, the author acknowledges that God provides food in due time to all creatures who approach him in need. Those who trust in God are able to experience His goodness. Elisha trusted the promise of God and so he was able to feed a hundred men with twenty barley loaves and a few heads of grain. The 5000 who approached Jesus, the Son of God, with great faith were fed with abundance of food and free of cost. Isn't food a gift of God?

It is important to note that Jesus performs this miracle using the gift of a little boy (five barley loaves and two fish) and he asks his disciples to assist him in feeding the hungry. In this way, the Lord wanted others/us to participate in his caring ministry. At the end, he tells his disciples to gather the leftover fragments. It was a reminder to his disciples and the crowd that food is too precious to waste.

As we continue to reflect on Chapter 6 of the Gospel of John in the coming weeks, we will realise through Jesus' teaching that humanity's greater need is for spiritual food. Happy are we who are fed with this spiritual food at every Eucharistic celebration! May the Bread of Life inspire us not only to satisfy the physical hunger of people around us but also to help those who are looking for real spiritual food.

Holy Hour Adoration

Holv Hour: Adoration and Praver for Vocations. Friday 2nd August 6pm-7pm at St John's Church.. Praver for personal discernment and praving for others who are discerning their way in life. All welcome.

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