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### November 3 Collection:

St John's \$604 St Joseph's \$1,005

# Sacramental Reception ...

**Baptism**: Second and fourth Sundays of the month at 12 noon (book online ... olsc.org.au/baptisms)

Marriage: by appointment

**Reconciliation**: every Friday 7:15—8:00pm

Confirmation, Reconciliation and Holy

**Communion:** Preparation for these Sacraments will be conducted at John's for State School children. Email our office at office@olsc.org.au for further information.

# **Normal 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

9/10 November, 2024

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#### For those whom we remember...

#### Mass Intentions:

**Condolences:** We pray for the families and souls of those who have departed recently.

Anniversaries: Gregorio Addamo, Sante De Rango, Francesco Tascone, Francesco Cardamone.

# For prayers of healing

Please remember the following in our prayers: Mario Misurelli, Tony Addamo, Cecily Hollingworth,

Annette Baker, Rosa Presta and Rose Capp. 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.

# Our history book

Copies of our history, St John the Baptist: a church and its community can still be purchased from the parish office. Contact Joan if you still want to purchase a copy of this important history of our church. Copies available at \$35 each.

# **Prison Sunday**

This weekend is CatholicCare Victoria's annual Pastoral Care Appeal (previously known as Chaplaincy Appeal). Donations from our parish community will support the most vulnerable people in our community.

Your support and generosity will ensure that Catholic Prison Chaplains can continue to be the messengers of God's mercy, love and compassion. Parishioners are encouraged to offer prayers and financial support to help provide continued spiritual and emotional comfot to individuals and families in Victoria.

#### Roster for Mass at St John's

Please Note: If unforeseen circumstances prevent you from taking part, please arrange a substitute.

Date	First	Second	Prayers of the	Special
	Reading	Reading	Faithful	Minister
<u>11 am</u>				
10 Nov	Hugh	Gabrielle	Lucy	Michael B
17 Nov	Samoans	Samoans	Samoans	Samoans
24 Nov	John A	Bill	Jill	Quyen
1 Dec	Advent			
8 Dec	Advent			
<u>5 pm</u>				
10 Nov	Akkermans	Akkermans	Akkermans	
17 Nov	Manickams	Berrymans	Manickams	
24 Nov	Marita	Christina	Daniel	
1 Dec	Advent			
8 Dec	Advent			

# Upcoming Events

#### November: Month of the Holy Souls

Photos of deceased relatives are invited to be placed at the prayer space in both churches

Sunday, 17—"A Sunday to Celebrate" at all masses at St John's

Saturday, 23—45th Anniversary of St Cecilia Cung Chieu Choir

Sunday, 24—St Cecilia's Feast Day, Mass at St Joseph's 9am (Vietnamese)

#### December: Advent and Christmas

Sunday, 1—First Sunday of Advent; picnic in gardens Friday, 6—Reflection and Reconciliation at St John's (with Adoration led by Fr Brian)

Saturday, 7—Christmas Carols in nursing homes again Sunday, 8—Second Sunday of Advent Saturday, 14—Parish Christmas Carols, St Joseph's hall after 6pm mass.

## **Baptisms**

Today (Sunday) we have the pleasure of celebrating two baptisms at St John's: Cerbeak and Deng, sons of Achol Kot and Acheing Abot of Wellington Street, Collingwood. We warmly welcome these two boys into the Church and hope their journey of faith is most enjoyable.

#### **Celebrations**

On Saturday, 23rd November St Cecilia Cung Chieu Choir will be celebrating their 45th anniversary. Congratulations to all our Vietnamese parishioners for such wonderful singing in our parish.

On Sunday (following the anniversary celebrations) a special Mass will be held at St Joseph's for the Feast Day of St Cecilia at 9am.

On Sunday, 1st December St John's and St Joseph's will hold their normal services, followed by a picnic in Darling Gardens around midday. BYI everything.

Shamanism is the dominant religion of which Arctic people?
Who wrote the music for "The Nutcracker"?
Who is the Queen's eldest grandchild?
"Rock of Ages" is on which album by Def Leppard
What is the most common breed of guide dog?

Answers to last week ...
Two straight lines Parallel which opera? Mikado
The Red Sea and? Mediterranean Norse Gods live? Valhalla
Which Italian city? Venice

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## A word from Fr Anthony ...

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, Greetings of peace and joy!

The context for this Sunday's Gospel continues to be mounting tension between Jesus and the Jewish authorities. Last Sunday, one of the scribes was "testing" Jesus about the first and greatest command-

ment in the Laws. This Sunday, Mark reports some of Jesus' teaching in the Temple area. In the first part of this Sunday's Gospel, we hear Jesus warn the crowds not to follow the example of the scribes in seek-



ing honour and attention from others. It is important to recall that Mark indicates that Jesus taught these things while in the vicinity of the Temple in Jerusalem. Mark is setting the stage for Jesus' passion.

As the narrative proceeds, we see Jesus then observes how Jewish pilgrims are making their contributions to the temple treasury. The Temple in Jerusalem was the centre of Jewish worship in the time of Jesus. It was expected that observant Jews would make pilgrimages to the Temple to offer prayer and sacrifices. Pilgrims were also expected to make a financial contribution to the temple treasury. As we would expect to be the case, Jesus observes that those who were rich

contributed large sums to the treasury. Those with less means made smaller contributions. A similar situation exists in most of our parishes as well.



Jesus calls attention, however, to a poor widow who makes the smallest of contributions—two coins of little value. Jesus upholds the poor widow's offering for his disciples' consideration, commending her because her small offering was an act of profound generosity, giving from her livelihood rather than her surplus.

Dear brothers and sisters, to give from our livelihood is not only an act of generosity, it is also an act of trust in God. We can only give from our need if we trust that God will provide for us. Jesus himself demonstrates the ultimate act of generosity and trust in God as he gives his life for us on the cross. Let us learn to do the same in our daily life!

# Liturgy

If you would like to join this liturgical ministry as one of our readers at mass email your availability to Joan on office@olsc.org.au The commitment doesn't need to be big, ie: once every two months, or weekly ... whatever works for you.

Nobody else's skill set matches yours exactly, so embrace your unique talents.