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Prayers & Mass Times of the Week		
Monday	No Service	
Tuesday	9.15 AM	Mass
Wednesday	9.15 AM	Mass
Thursday	9.15 AM	Mass, followed by Rosary
Friday	9.15 AM	Mass
	7.00 PM	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	6.30 PM	Mass
Sunday	9.00 AM	Rosary
	9.30 AM	Mass
	5.30 PM	Mass
Reconciliation:	30 minutes prior to all masses	

Week’s Roster				
	Ministries	SATURDAY, 6.30 PM	SUNDAY, 9.30 AM	SUNDAY, 5.30 PM
THIS WEEK	Commentator	Volunteer	Clyde Pereira	Volunteer
	Reader	Sarah P.	Janine Philips	Fiona Fernandez
	Eucharistic Minister	Volunteer	Jane Cassar	Bernadine Naidu
NEXT WE	Commentator	Chatarina Pereira	Joseph Bolano	Peter Leptai
	Reader	Yvonne Kumar	Clyde Pereira	Volunteer
	Eucharistic Minister	Volunteer	Yves D’Argent	Wilson Fernandez

Please pray for...	
Those who are baptised:	
Those who are sick:	Cecile Hien Pham, Kamari Family members, Frank Maning, Annita Diaz, Simeona Wilson, Jaime & Maria Cruz, Rafferti Florida, Vivian Martin, Sandra James, Elizabeth Yambao, Anslam Diaz, Marlon Pereira, Therese Back
Those who recently died:	
Those whose memories are sacred to us at this time. Especially, Monica Juminte (1st Anniversary) and the souls of Claude & Jeanine Alfred, Freddy & Aline Baltazar, Hedley Dupre, Dominique Alfred, as well as the soul of Rose Nugara (5th Anniversary).	

Last Fortnight’s Collection	
Thanks Giving Offering	\$1,349,80
Presbytery Offering	\$1080.25,
Thank you for your commitment and Support	

Next Week’s Reading	
5th Sunday of Lent, Year B	
First Reading	Jeremiah 31: 31-34
Second Reading	Hebrews 5: 7-9
Gospel	John 12:20-33
Thank you for your commitment and Support	

BAPTISMS (Baptism requires a months’ notice)	
Upcoming baptism:	
Laundry in March	
Church Cleaning — (coming week)	



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR B		10 March 2024
First Reading 2 Chr 36:14-16. 19-23 <i>The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of his people.</i> All the heads of the priesthood, and the people too, added infidelity to infidelity, copying all the shameful practices of the nations and defiling the Temple that the Lord had consecrated for himself in Jerusalem. The Lord, the God of their ancestors, tirelessly sent them messenger after messenger, since he wished to spare his people and his house. But they ridiculed the messengers of God, they despised his words, they laughed at his prophets, until at last the wrath of the Lord rose so high against his people that there was no further remedy. Their enemies burned down the Temple of God, demolished the walls of Jerusalem, set fire to all its palaces, and destroyed everything of value in it. The survivors were deported by Nebuchadnezzar to Babylon; they were to serve him and his sons until the kingdom of Persia came to power. This is how the word of the Lord was fulfilled that he spoke: through Jeremiah, ‘Until this land has enjoyed its Sabbath rest, until seventy years have gone by, it will keep Sabbath throughout the days of its desolation.’ And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, to fulfil the word of the Lord that was spoken through Jeremiah, the Lord roused the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia to issue a proclamation and to have it publicly displayed throughout his kingdom: ‘Thus speaks Cyrus king of Persia, “The Lord, the God of heaven, has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; he has ordered me to build him a Temple in Jerusalem, in Judah. Whoever there is among you of all his people, may his God be with him! Let him go up.”’	3. O how could we sing the song of the Lord on alien soil? If I forget you, Jerusalem, let my right hand wither! (R.) 4. O let my tongue cleave to my mouth if I remember you not, if I prize not Jerusalem above all my joys! (R.) Second Reading Eph 2:4-10 <i>When we were dead through sins, he brought us to life.</i> God loved us with so much love that he was generous with his mercy: when we were dead through our sins, he brought us to life with Christ - it is through grace that you have been saved - and raised us up with him and gave us a place with him in heaven, in Christ Jesus. This was to show for all ages to come, through his goodness towards us in Christ Jesus, how infinitely rich he is in grace. Because it is by grace that you have been saved, through faith; not by anything of your own, but by a gift from God; not by anything that you have done, so that nobody can claim the credit. We are God’s work of art, created in Christ Jesus to live the good life as from the beginning he had meant us to live it. Gospel Acclamation Jn 3:16 <i>Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!</i> Gospel Jn 9:1-41 <i>The blind man went off and washed himself and came away with his sight restored.</i> As Jesus went along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. He spat on the ground, made a paste with the spittle, put this over the eyes of the blind man and said to him, ‘Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam’ (a name that means ‘sent’) So the blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored. His neighbours and people who earlier had seen him begging said, ‘Isn’t this the man who used to sit and beg?’ Some said, ‘Yes, it is the same one.’ Others said, ‘No, he only looks like him.’ The man himself said, ‘I am the man.’ .	They brought the man who had been blind to the Pharisees. It had been a sabbath day when Jesus made the paste and opened the man’s eyes, so when the Pharisees asked him how he had come to see, he said, ‘He put a paste on my eyes, and I washed, and I can see.’ Then some of the Pharisees said, ‘This man cannot be from God: he does not keep the sabbath.’ Others said, ‘How could a sinner produce signs like this?’ And there was disagreement among them. So they spoke to the blind man again, ‘What have you to say about him yourself, now that he has opened your eyes?’ ‘He is a prophet’ replied the man. ‘Are you trying to teach us,’ they replied ‘and you a sinner through and through, since you were born!’ And they drove him away. Jesus heard they had driven him away, and when he found him he said to him, ‘Do you believe in the Son of Man?’ ‘Sir,’ the man replied ‘tell me who he is so that I may believe in him.’ Jesus said, ‘You are looking at him; he is speaking to you.’ The man said, ‘Lord, I believe’, and worshipped him. Reflection by Fr Michael Tate Our Lord, by the power of his word alone, could have healed the dis-ease of this man, blind since birth. Yet, he made a paste with spittle and put it over the eyes of the blind man. Just as God would have moistened the dust of the earth to shape the first human being, for the blind man, it was as though he had been created anew. God rarely works by telepathy but has a preferred way of working through the elements of creation, especially in the Sacraments. So, with the Anointing of the Sick, pressing olive oil onto the forehead and hands of the sick or dying symbolises the Holy Spirit entering the very pores of the sick person, relieving that person of undue anxiety and giving strength for the next stage of life. This sacrament is a formal ritual of healing by the Church. But there are a million informal ways, such as putting one’s arm around someone who is lonely or unwell, which are sacramental to the world. We could pause for a moment that we might go into the world like the man healed by Jesus, eyes wide open to see where we might exercise the healing power of the Lord of the Gospel. mta-te@bigpond.com

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4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

HYMNS	“AS ONE VOICE”
GATHERING SONG SUNDAY 9.30 am	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ashes	No 16; Page 217
PROCESSION OF GIFTS SONG	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">This is my body	; Text attached
COMMUNION SONG	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">The light of Christ	No 186; Page 184
COMMUNION REFLECTION	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Quiet Music	
FINAL SONG	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ashes	No 16; Page 217
<u>THIS IS MY BODY</u> <i>(Peter Jacobs)</i> 1. This is my body, broken for you, Bringing you wholeness, making you free. Take it and eat it. And as you do, do it in love for Me. 2. This is my blood poured out for you, Bringing forgiveness, making you free. Take it and drink it, And as you do, do it in love for Me. 3. Back to my Father soon I shall go Do not forget me, then you will see I am still with you, and you will know you’re very close to me.	

HYMNS	“AS ONE VOICE”
GATHERING SONG SUNDAY 5.30 pm	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ashes Verse 1&2	No 16; Page 217
PROCESSION OF GIFTS SONG	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Seek ye first	No 48; Page 49
COMMUNION SONG	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Will you love me	No 40; Page 42
COMMUNION REFLECTION	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Quiet Music	
FINAL SONG	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Ashes Verse 1&3	No 16; Page 217

PROJECT COMPASSION
Each year, Project Compassion brings together thousands of Australians in schools, parishes and the community to stand in solidarity with the world’s most vulnerable communities, to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity
Memory is 26 years old and lives in rural Malawi. As the eldest child in a low-income farming family, Memory had to take on many household chores and farming activities to support her parents. They struggled to pay for Memory’s school fees and school supplies, and Memory often had to walk to school barefooted.
With the support of Caritas Australia and its partner the Catholic Development Commission in Malawi (CADECOM), Memory was able to enrol at a technical college where she learnt technical skills in carpentry. She undertook a three-year carpentry course, with CADECOM supporting part of her tuition and boarding fees.
Memory became the first female carpenter from her village. Today, she works as a carpenter at one of Malawi’s largest hydroelectric power stations. With the income from her job, she can provide financial support to her family and inspire other young women in her community so that they may have the opportunity to succeed in a male-dominated industry.
Please donate to Project Compassion.
You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

PARISH NOTICES

PARISH OFFICE HOURS	ARCHBISHOP OF MELBOURNE’INITIATIVE
Tuesday 8.45am - 12.45pm	Mercy Melbourne is an initiative that invites parishes to open their doors in welcome for a special evening of prayer and Confessions.
Wednesday 11.30am - 3.30pm	‘Mercy Melbourne’ will be held on Tuesday 19 March from 6 to 9pm.
Thursday 8.45am - 12.45pm	The purpose of this focused event is to highlight the importance of the Sacrament of Reconciliation and make it as easy as possible for all Catholics to experience the grace of the Sacrament as we prepare for the passion, death and resurrection of Our Lord.
Friday 11.30am - 3.30pm	St Elizabeth’s Church will join the initiative, opening its doors from 6pm to 9pm on Tuesday 19 March, to hear Confessions during exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
CHRISM MASS	The Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul
The Chrism Mass is traditionally held during Holy Week and is a significant moment in the life of the local church.	St. Gerard’s, Dandenong North, appeals to parishioners of St. Elizabeth’s, to be part of the Conference by joining as members.
At the Mass, the people of God come together as priests renew their priestly promises and the local bishop blesses and consecrates the sacred oils used in the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Anointing of the Sick, and Holy Orders. These oils are then distributed and used in every parish in the archdiocese, signifying the Lord's healing presence and the life-giving gift of the Holy Spirit among the people.	Your commitment and dedication to visit the needy in the Dandenong North and Noble Park North areas to distribute food vouchers, bread, and other essential utilities, is what is required.
When: Wednesday, 20 March, 2024	Those interested in this very noble work may kindly contact
Mass commences at 10.30am	AGNELO MIRANDA (0470130041) or JOHN SEERUTHUN (0439580601)
Where: St Patrick’s Cathedral	
9 DAYS OF THE DIVINE MERCY 2024	FEAST OF THE DIVINE MERCY
WHEN: Good Friday 29th March—Easter Saturday 6th April	WHEN: Sunday 7th April 2024
TIME: Good Friday 7.00 PM Novena	TIME: 1.00 PM – 2.45 PM Confessions
Holy Saturday 5.00 PM Novena	Rosery– Divine Mercy Chaplet
Easter Sunday 7.00 PM Novena	2.45 PM - Blessing of Divine Mercy Image
Easter Monday 7.00 PM Novena	3.00 PM – Solemn Mass followed by veneration of St. Faustina's 1st class Relic.
Easter Tuesday 7.00 PM Novena	WHERE: St. Elizabeth’s Church
Easter Wednesday 7.00 PM Novena	107 Bakers Road,
Easter Thursday 7.00 PM Novena	Dandenong North 3175
Easter Friday 7.00 PM Novena	CELEBRANT Fr. Tadeusz Ziolkowski
Easter Saturday 7.00 PM Novena	Prayer Hilda Remy 97954197
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