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Prayers & Mass Times of the Week		
Monday	No Service	
Tuesday	9.15 AM	Mass; St Bernard
Wednesday	9.15 AM	Mass; St Pius X
Thursday	9.15 AM	Mass; Rosary; The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday	9.15 AM	Mass;
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.	

Last Fortnight's Collection	
Thanks Giving Offering	\$1296.60
Presbytery Offering	\$ 945.15
Thank you for your commitment and support	

Next Week's Reading	
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B	
First Reading	Joshua 24: 1—2, 15—18
Second Reading	Ephesians 5: 21—32
Gospel	John 6: 60—69
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BAPTISMS <i>(Baptism requires a months' notice)</i>	
Upcoming baptism:	
Laundry in August	
Church Cleaning —	24 August—Lolita & Maria

Week's Roster				
	Ministries	SATURDAY, 6.30 PM	SUNDAY, 9.30 AM	SUNDAY, 5.30 PM
THIS WEEK	Commentator	Volunteer	Janine Phillips	Wilson Fernandez
	Reader	Chatarina Pereira	Sheryn Disanayake	Yvonne Kumar
	Eucharistic Minister	Volunteer	Janine Phillips	Roman Siriwardene
NEXT WEEK	Commentator	Chatarina Pereira	Clyde Pereira	Volunteer
	Reader	Sarah P	Belinda Liew	Peter Liptai
	Eucharistic Minister	Kate Robinson	Veronica Pedrola	Bernadine Naidu

Please pray for...

Those who are baptised:

Those who are sick: Jacques Re'my, Pereira family members, Cecile Hien Pham, Kamari Family members, Frank Maning, Annita Diaz, Simeona Wilson, Jaime & Maria Cruz, Rafferti Florida, Vivian Martin, Sandra James.

Those who recently died:

Those whose memories are sacred to us, especially Delicia Eagar

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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B **18 AUGUST 2024**

First Reading Prv 9:1-6
Come and eat my bread; drink the wine I have prepared.

Wisdom has built herself a house, she has erected her seven pillars, she has slaughtered her beasts, prepared her wine, she has laid her table. She has despatched her maidservants and proclaimed from the city's heights: 'Who is ignorant? Let him step this way.' To the fool she says, 'Come and eat my bread, drink the wine I have prepared! Leave your folly and you will live, walk in the ways of perception.'

Responsorial Psalm
Ps 33:2-9. R. v. 9

(R.) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. **(R.)**

2. Revere the Lord, you his saints. They lack nothing, those who revere him. Strong lions suffer want and go hungry but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing. **(R.)**

3. Come children, and hear me that I may teach you the fear of the Lord. Who is he who longs for life and many days, to enjoy his prosperity? **(R.)**

4. Then keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit. Turn aside from evil and do good; seek and strive after peace. **(R)**

Second Reading Eph 5:15-20

Be watchful that you may know the will of God.

Be very careful about the sort of lives you lead, like intelligent and not like senseless people. This may be a wicked age, but your lives should redeem it. And do not be thoughtless but recognise what is the will

of the Lord. Do not drug yourselves with wine, this is simply dissipation; be filled with the Spirit. Sing the words and tunes of the psalms and hymns when you are together, and go on singing and chanting to the Lord in your hearts, so that always and everywhere you are giving thanks to God who is our Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 6:56

Alleluia, alleluia! All who eat my flesh and drink my blood live in me and I in them, says the Lord. Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 6:51-58

My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

Jesus said to the crowd:

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him.'

As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me.

This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

Reflection by Fr Michael Tate

When I was a boy (is it so long ago?) it was still the rule at Mass that only the priest drank from the chalice. One of the great actions of the Church over the last fifty years has been the recovery of the ancient practice of offering Holy Communion under the appearance of both bread and wine.

The reception of both the consecrated bread and the consecrated wine is in perfect harmony with today's Gospel: 'Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life.' Note the present tense: 'has' – right now! This is because, as St John Paul II put it: 'We digest, as it were, the secret of the Resurrection.'

Of course, Our Risen Lord is really present under the appearance of either the bread or the wine. For a Jew, (unlike the Greeks) the body was absolutely core to being the person one is. For a Jew, blood was identified as the life-force of any animal. So, for the Jewish Jesus, to say 'This is my body... this is my blood' was to gift us his core identity, his deepest vitality. Either the consecrated bread or consecrated wine gives us His whole life.

But to receive both the Heavenly Bread and the Spiritual Drink does enable us to more fully respond to Our Lord at the Last Supper: 'Take, eat ... take, drink'. Then the words of today's Gospel can more physically resonate in our own bodies: 'He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I in him.'

We could take a moment to pray in thanksgiving that we are able to join in the tradition starting with the Apostles at the Last Supper and, in doing so, to enter into Holy Communion with the only One who can embody in us the secret of His resurrection.

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TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

HYMNS "AS ONE VOICE"

GATHERING SONG SATURDAY 6.30 pm

- Bless the Lord No 83; Page 271

PROCESSION OF GIFTS SONG

- As grain of wheat, No 153; Page 332

COMMUNION SONG

- Taste and see No 88; Page 89

FINAL SONG

- For the beauty of the earth No 123; Page 122

HYMNS "AS ONE VOICE"

GATHERING SONG SUNDAY 9.30 am

- Holy God, We praise Your name No 129; Page 308

PROCESSION OF GIFTS SONG

- Eat this bread No 125; Page 124

COMMUNION SONG

- I love for me Text attached

COMMUNION REFLECTION

- Quiet music

FINAL SONG

- Be exalted, o God Text attached

IN LOVE FOR ME (THIS IS MY BODY)

1. This is my body, broken for you, know
Bringing you wholeness, making you free. You are
Take it and eat it, alive in Me.
And as you do, do it in love for Me. 5. Love one
2. This is my blood poured out for another, as
you, I loved you
Bringing forgiveness, making you free. And I have shown
Take it and drink it, you how to be
And as you do, do it in love for Me. free
3. Back to my Father soon I shall go Serve one
Do not forget Me, then you will see another, and
I am still with you, and you will know when you do
You're very close to Me. Do
4. Filled with my Spirit, how you will ↑
grow You are my branches, I am the tree →
If you are faithful, others will it in love for Me.

BE EXALTED, O GOD

(By Brent Chambers)

I will give thanks to You, O Lord, among the people
I will sing praises to You among the nations.
For Your steadfast love is great,
Is great to the heavens,
And Your faithfulness, your faithfulness
To the clouds.

CHORUS:
Be exalted, O God
above the heavens,
Let your glory be over all the earth.
Be exalted, O God
above the heavens,
Let your glo-ry, Let your glo-ry

ONLINE INFO SESSION ON THE PERMANENT DIACONATE

The permanent diaconate is open to single and married men, aged 30 –60 years, who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers. The information session is open to everyone interested in knowing more about the permanent diaconate.

Online Meeting

Tuesday, 24 September/19.30-21.00

Location: VIA ZOOM

Express your interest by emailing Deacon Kevin Pattison:

Kevin.Pattison@cam.org.au

PARISH CHURCH DINNER & DANCE

We are delighted to announce that our Parish Church

Dinner & Dance will be held on Saturday,

21st September 2024!

Please save the date to celebrate this epic event together. Your participation is crucial in making this a

memorable occasion and

supporting our wonderful community!

PARISH NOTICES

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday 8.45am - 12.45pm
Wednesday 11.30am - 3.30pm
Thursday 8.45am - 12.45pm
Friday 11.30am - 3.30pm

KSC INFORMATION NIGHT

WHEN: Monday 19 August 2024

TIME: 7.30 PM—9.00 PM
Followed by a light supper

TOPIC: Information Evening for any Catholic gentlemen wishing to learn about their role within the Church, with an interest in joining.

DRESS Suit and Tie

CODE:

WHERE: Majellan Room (Behind the Church at St. Gerard's Parish, [71 Gladstone Road, Dandenong North](#))

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD!



St. Elizabeth's Parish will offer a **Liturgy of the Word** for primary school children between 5 and 12 during the Sunday 9.30 am mass.

WHEN: Sunday 25th of August, 9.30 am

This enriching experience will be a regular feature, taking place on the last Sunday of each month.

WHERE: School Library

ACTIVITIES: Children will actively participate by listening to the gospel reading, completing an engaging activity, and later joining families in church.

CONTACT: If there are any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact:

Sarah or Sheryn on 0432 734 033

THE ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN 17-18 & 24-25 AUGUST 2024

Dear Parish Priests, Parish Administrators, Staff, and Volunteers,
My prayerful greetings to you in the Lord.

As outlined in my letter to you of 9 July, we are this year moving to one major collection for the purposes of our Archdiocese, **the annual Archbishop's Campaign**.

The main collection weekend for this campaign will be the weekend of **17–18 August**. Your support will be critical to the success of this streamlined approach to fundraising, which will reduce the number of special Sunday collections during the year and the number of times your parishioners will be asked to give. (...)

I invite you to support the Campaign by encouraging parishioners to make a recurring monthly gift, ideally from their nominated credit card, to help fund the vital ministries that serve all in our Archdiocese, and in doing so deepen their connection with the Church and its works within our community. Donors will be able to make either a tax-deductible or non-deductible gift. The campaign will raise funds for a range of works and ministries of the Archdiocese.

Tax-deductible gifts will go to the Archbishop's Charitable Fund, which supports: • Corpus Christi College Building Fund • Priests Retirement Foundation • University of Divinity Building Fund • John Pierce Centre • Melbourne Overseas Mission • other deductible gift recipient entities such as Catholic community agencies and community service organisations.

Non-deductible gifts will go to the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne Religious Projects Fund, which supports: • the Archbishop's evangelisation initiatives, such as Australian Catholic Youth Festival and World Youth Day, and • seminarian education.

While the Archdiocese has developed the Campaign, it is not something we can do alone. Your support will be the key to the Campaign's success. By joining together and supporting this new approach to fundraising within our Archdiocese—one that reimagines how we support the vital ministries that serve all in our communities of faith—we can, like the first disciples, help build our community of faith of the future.

Thank you for responding to the call and inviting your parishioners to join us in supporting the Christian faith and the needs of God's people through this year's campaign. May the good Lord bless you in your generosity and continued faithfulness to the mission he has entrusted to us all.

With every grace and blessing,
Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus,


Most Rev Peter A Comensoli



HOW TO DONATE

• Online with a credit card: directly through the website or via the QR code found on campaign brochures, posters and the tear-off pledge cards on campaign envelopes.

• Using tear-off pledge cards: cash or cheque donations accepted. Cheques are payable to 'The Archbishop's Campaign'. Parishioners can drop campaign envelopes containing their completed tear-off pledge cards into the special Archbishop's Campaign collection on Giving Weekend and Follow-Up Weekend, or post them directly, using the return-paid envelope provided, to Archbishop's Campaign, PO BOX 146, East Melbourne 8002.

• Via anonymous loose cash donations into the special Archbishop's Campaign collection on the Giving Weekend and Follow-Up Weekend.

<https://melbournecatholic.org/archbishopscampaign/resources/>