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Prayers & Mass Times of the Week		
Monday	No Service	
Tuesday	9.15 AM	Mass; St Monica
Wednesday	9.15 AM	Mass; St Augustine
Thursday	9.15 AM	Mass; Rosary; The Passion of St John the Baptist
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
<b>Thank you for your commitment and support</b>	

Next Week's Reading	
<b>Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year</b>	
<b>First Reading</b>	<b>Deuteronomy 4: 1—2, 6—8</b>
<b>Second Reading</b>	<b>James 1: 17—18, 21-22, 27</b>
<b>Gospel</b>	<b>Mark 7: 1—8, 14-15, 21-23</b>
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BAPTISMS <i>(Baptism requires a months' notice)</i>	
<b>Upcoming baptism:</b>	
Laundry in August	
Church Cleaning —	<b>24 August—Lolita &amp; Maria</b>

Week's Roster				
	Ministries	SATURDAY, 6.30 PM	SUNDAY, 9.30 AM	SUNDAY, 5.30 PM
THIS WEEK	<b>Commentator</b>	Chatarina Pereira	Clyde Pereira	Volunteer
	<b>Reader</b>	Sarah P	Belinda Liew	Peter Liptai
	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Kate Robinson	Veronica Pedrola	Bernadine Naidu
NEXT WEEK	<b>Commentator</b>	Sarah P	Joseph Bolano	Wilson Fernandez
	<b>Reader</b>	Joe Connoly	Hannah Chua	Volunteer
	<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Joe Connoly	Yves D'Argent	Wilson Fernandez

**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 Maria Tinh (recently passed away in Vietnam); Antonia & Joseph Cassar & Anthony Baldacchino (death anniversary)

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**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B** **25 AUGUST 2024**

**First Reading Jos 24:1-2, 15-18**  
*We will serve the Lord God, because he is our God.*

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel together at Shechem; then he called the elders, leaders, judges and scribes of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. Then Joshua said to all the people: 'If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve, whether the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are now living. As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord.' The people answered, 'We have no intention of deserting the Lord and serving other gods! Was it not the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors out of the land of Egypt, the house of slavery, who worked those great wonders before our eyes and preserved us all along the way we travelled and among all the peoples through whom we journeyed. We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

**Responsorial Psalm**  
**Ps 33:2-3. 16-23. R. v. 9**  
*(R.) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.*

Give way to one another in obedience to Christ. Wives should regard their husbands as they regard the Lord, since as Christ is head of the Church and saves the whole body, so is a husband the head of his wife; and as the Church submits to Christ, so should wives to their husbands, in everything. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her to make her holy. He made her clean by washing her in water with a form of words, so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless. In the same way, husbands must love their wives as they love their own bodies; for a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body – and we are its living parts. For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body. This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church.

**Gospel Acclamation Jn 6:63. 68**  
*Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life: you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!*

**Gospel Jn 6:60-69**  
*Lord, whom shall we go to? You have the words of everlasting life.*

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before?'

'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life.'

'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him.

Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

**Reflection by Fr Michael Tate**

I remember seeing a James Bond film in which the Voodoo priest could summon the Living Dead – called Zombies – people hovering between life in the grave and life above ground level, but ultimately trapped as human beings living a grave-dominated existence.

There are billions of the Living Dead around the world. People, apparently like you and me, but in fact living with the belief that the grave will mark the extinction of their life. But our ears are attuned to pick up words which sound the possibility of a different destiny, a different reality. We have heard a voice which speaks the truth, a voice which speaks of a more beautiful reality. That voice says that you and I, individually, personally, are star dust with a marvellous destiny: a destiny that will see our ensouled bodies transformed, transfigured, translucent with Divine Light and energy.

The voice is that of Our Lord Jesus Christ. We hear that voice from within the Church, which has transmitted the tradition of 'The Voice' for twenty centuries. Heeding that Voice, I move from the company of the Living Dead to the companionship of the Conqueror of Death. I am no longer a 'Dead Man Walking' but a man alive with the reality of eternal life already within me.

That is why when I hear the challenge: 'Do you also wish to go away?' I enter into that tradition and answer with St Peter, I answer in the company of billions of others over twenty centuries: 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.'

We could pause for a moment and pray that, living in the tradition of the Church, I may hear the Word in the Gospel and take that Word within myself in Holy Communion so that I might be no longer a 'Dead Man Walking', but a human being alive with the reality of eternal life already within me.

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## TWENTY – FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### HYMNS "AS ONE VOICE"

#### GATHERING SONG SATURDAY 6.30 pm

- In perfect charity No 142; Page 142

#### PROCESSION OF GIFTS SONG

- Love calls me back No 25; Page 224

#### COMMUNION SONG

- God of day and God of darkness No 56; Page 56

#### FINAL SONG

- On holy ground No 103; Page 287

### HYMNS "AS ONE VOICE"

#### GATHERING SONG SUNDAY 9.30 am

- Sing a new song No 80; Page 81

#### PROCESSION OF GIFTS SONG

- I found the treasure No 22; Page 221

#### COMMUNION SONG

- In moments like this Text attached

#### COMMUNION REFLECTION

- Quiet music

#### FINAL SONG

- Hail Redeemer, King Divine Text attached

#### HAIL REDEEMER, KING DIVINE IN MOMENTS LIKE THESE

1. Hail Redeemer, King divine! In moments like these,  
Priest and Lamb, the throne is I sing out a song  
thine; I sing out a love song  
King, whose reign shall never to Jesus  
cease, In moments like these,  
Prince of everlasting peace. I lift up my hands  
I lift up my hands to  
the Lord.

#### Refrain:

Angels, saints and nations sing :  
"Praised be Jesus Christ our King;  
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,  
King of love on Calvary!"

2. King, whose name creation  
thrills,  
Rule our hearts, our minds, our  
wills;

Till in peace, each nation rings  
Alleluia.  
With Thy praises, King of kings.

In moments like these,  
I sing out a song  
I sing out a love song  
to Jesus  
In moments like these,  
I lift up my hands  
I lift up my hands to  
the Lord.

- Singing, I love You,  
Lord (3x) I love You.
- Singing I thank you  
Lord (3x) I thank you.
- Singing I praise you  
Lord (3x) I praise you.
- Singing Alleluia (3x)

Alleluia.

### HYMNS "AS ONE VOICE"

#### GATHERING SONG SUNDAY 5.30 pm

- We are many parts No 86; Page 87

#### PROCESSION OF GIFTS SONG

- To be your bread No 65; Page 66

#### COMMUNION SONG

- From heaven you came No 77; Page 266

#### FINAL SONG

- Galilee No 5; Page 8

### 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](mailto: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

### PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE

**WHEN:** Thursday 29 August 2024

**TIME:** 8.45 PM—3.30 PM  
Parish Administration Forum

**TOPIC:** **We want to inform you that the office will be closed on Thursday due to our staff attending the Parish Administration Forum. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.**

**WHERE:** Catholic Leadership Centre,  
576 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne Vic 3002

### 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/>