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The Chapel of the Good Shepherd

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At the Parish of 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.

<https://melbournecatholic.org/safeguarding/commitment-to-the-safety-of-children-and-young-people>

Pastoral Care

If you would like to receive a pastoral visit from the parish priest, a priest, a seminarian, or co-parishioner, please call the parish office on 9481 7333 or email office@olsc.org.au.

For Urgent Pastoral Need Call: 0401 887 115

Sacramental Reception

Baptism:

St John's: 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month at 12pm:

Booking form: olsc.org.au/baptisms.

St Joseph's: Contact the parish office.

Marriage: Booking form: olsc.org.au/weddings.

Reconciliation: Fridays 7:15pm—8:00pm

(excluding 1st Friday of the month)

Holy Communion, Reconciliation & Confirmation:

Contact the parish office. for further information.

Mass Times at OLSC

St John the Baptist

Tuesday to Friday at 9:15am, Saturday at 8:30am, 6:00pm

Sunday at 9:00am (Italian), 11:00am and 5:00pm

St Joseph's Catholic Church

Monday to Saturday at 8:30am Saturday at 6:00pm

Sunday at 9:00am (Vietnamese)

The Chapel of Good Shepherd:

Sunday at 9:30am

Collections 8-9 November 2025:

St John's: \$382.05

St Joseph's: \$913.90

Thank you to our parishioners and visitors.

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

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 16 November 2025 Year C

For All Those We Remember

Condolences: We pray for the souls and families of all those who have died recently, and for all those who died in service for this country as we remembered them on Remembrance Day 11 November.

Anniversaries: We pray for the soul of Julia Rickard.

Mass Intentions: We pray for the soul of Umberto Presutti.

November for All Souls

During November, the month the Catholic Church dedicates to All Souls, our Parish will hold a memorial mass in memory of the recently deceased. Everyone is welcome to join the mass to pray for all the deceased. This mass will be held at St John's on Friday 28 November at 7:30pm.

There will also be a shrine set up during the month at St John's and St Joseph's for deceased loved ones so please include photos of them if you wish.

Anyone wanting to offer a mass for deceased loved ones during this month are warmly welcomed to contact the parish office.

Prayers of Healing

Please pray for Tony Addamo, Cecily Hollingworth, Rosa Presta, Rachel Bartolo, Aldo Costanzo, Teresa Boetti, Ruzica Coric and Greg Andrews.

If you are in need, or know of fellow parishioners who are in need and wish to be included in our prayers, please contact the parish office.

Weddings at St John's

On Saturday, St John's will host the sacrament of marriage for Sophie Chepanidis and Joshua Cassar, celebrated by Fr Antony Shabin Kaniampuram.

May this couple be always united in a deep faith in God and each other.

Reading Roster—St John's

Date	First Reading/ Psalm	Second Reading/ Alleluia	Prayers of the Faithful	Special Minister
Nov 16	<i>If a reader is not available, please step in if you can</i>			
11am	Hugh McGinlay	Gabrielle McMullen	Samoan Community	Samoan Community
5pm	Marita Quinn	Giuliana Alviano	Rita Alviano	Daniel or Rafelina
Nov 23	<i>If a reader is not available, please step in if you can</i>			
11am	John Andrews	Susan Smith/ John Salamito	Susan Smith/ John Salamito	Gabrielle McMullen
5pm	Salesian Youth Club	Salesian Youth Club	Salesian Youth Club	Salesian Youth Club



Vale Fr Francis Moloney SDB

23/03/1940 - 08/11/2025

Thank you Fr Frank for gifting us with a life of fidelity, kindness, remarkable commitment and scholarship.

In the words of Archbishop Tim Costelloe SDB: "A member of the Salesians of St John Bosco, Fr Moloney understood instinctively the wisdom of St John Bosco: 'It is not enough for young people to be loved; they have to know that they are loved.'"

In his scholarship and dealings with people of all ages, Fr Frank blessed us with the belief that 'this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.' (John 17:3).

Those who met and knew Fr Frank thank our God for gifting us with his wisdom, humanity and God-centered witness.

Our community was privileged to have Fr Frank with us from 2012-2020 supporting the Salesians of Don Bosco at Clifton Hill, and celebrating services and sacraments for the Parish. In that time he inspired people with his insightfulness and connection with the gospels, and heartened us with his own deep humanity as he honoured ours.

The requiem mass for Fr Frank will be celebrated by Archbishop Tim Costelloe at St Parick's Cathedral East Melbourne, this Monday 17 November at 10am.

Eucharistic Adoration this Friday

You are warmly welcomed to our weekly Eucharistic Adoration at St John's this Friday 21 November, from 7.15pm to 8.00 pm.

Mass Change and Diaconate

On **Saturday 22 November** there will be **no mass** at St Joseph's at **6pm**, as the Parish comes together at that time, for the Ordination into the Diaconate of Br Afia Enosa, one of our Salesian Seminarians.

Please join this special occasion if you can to witness Br Afia be ordained as Deacon, and to pray for his commitment to liturgical and pastoral services for the Church.

ADVENT

Advent Sundays	St Joseph's & St John's	*4 Sundays: 30 Nov, 7,14 & 21 Dec. Normal Services
Reconciliation & Reflection	*St John's *St Joseph's	*Friday 5 December at 7:30pm *Friday 19 December at 7pm
Christmas Carols — Parish	*St John's	* Saturday 6 December at 7.30pm After the normal 6pm Vigil mass
Christmas Carols — Nursing Home	*Little Sisters of the Poor.	* Saturday 13 December at 2:30pm If you wish to join, please contact the Office.

Please see the noticeboard for the full Advent and Christmas calendar

The Destruction of the Temple of Jerusalem

Through the Gospel passage this Sunday, Jesus foretold the destruction of the Temple of Jerusalem, as well as the end of the universe.

This Sunday, for the Vietnamese Church, is also the day to honour the Vietnamese martyrs. Of the more than 100 thousand people who gave their lives as witnesses of faith in the 19th century, 117 among them were canonized by Pope John Paul II on the 19th June 1986. This feast reminds us about the eternal life after death.

Before the end of humanity, there will be events: false prophets will appear, wars, earthquakes, diseases and famines, and persecutions with the disciples of God. However, what makes us most curious and worried is when will that great day come?

Faced with this question, Jesus did not answer, because it is a secret, a mystery in the power of God. But how do we usually react, how do we usually live in the face of this problem? Throughout history, we can record three types of reactions, three different ways of living.

The first way of living is that of those who think that it is just a far-fetched, fabricated story. They live as if they will never die, and this universe will last forever. They calmly dive into sin and freely carry out their greedy actions, only to wake up and find themselves empty-handed, losing both the fishing rod and the net, both the capital and the interest, both this life and the next.

The second way of living is that of those who think that the end of the world is near, and they give up everything, no longer interested in today's life. The important thing for them is to wait for the day of the Lord's coming. This is also the attitude of some early believers, making them pessimistic and discouraged.

The third way of living must be our way of living. So what is that kind of life? First of all, we are convinced that: We ourselves, like this universe, have a beginning and will also have an end. When that end will happen, we do not know, the important thing in the present moment is that we must know how to prepare so that we will not become losers when that great day appears. We prepare by eliminating bad habits. We prepare by performing acts of charity and love to help those around us. By doing so, we contribute to building this society to be better every day, and thanks to that, we can achieve the ultimate goal of our lives, which is to return to God in the homeland of Heaven.

Thus, the belief in the Lord coming again in glory will make us more enthusiastic and excited to fulfill our earthly duties because the present will determine the future. Whether our tomorrow is bright or not depends on all that we are trying to build in the present, in today, because the future must begin from the present and tomorrow must begin from today.

Fr Anthony Quang sdb